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## 海南美蘭國際空港股份有限公司 Hainan Meilan International Airport Company Limited<sup>\*</sup>

(A joint stock company incorporated in the People's Republic of China with limited liability) (Stock Code: 357)

## APPOINTMENT OF JOINT COMPANY SECRETARY AND WAIVER FROM STRICT COMPLIANCE WITH RULES 3.28 AND 8.17 OF THE LISTING RULES

The board of directors (the "**Board**") of Hainan Meilan International Airport Company Limited (the "**Company**") is pleased to announce that Mr. Chen Yingjie (陳英傑) ("**Mr. Chen**") has been appointed as a joint company secretary of the Company with effect from 9 November 2022. Mr. Chen will work with Mr. Xing Zhoujin ("**Mr. Xing**"), the current company secretary of the Company, as the joint company secretaries of the Company.

The biographical details of Mr. Chen are set out below:

Mr. Chen, aged 35, obtained a bachelor's degree from Sichuan University (四川大學) in the People's Republic of China (the "**PRC**") in July 2011, majoring in applied mathematics. He is an intermediate economist certified by the Ministry of Human Resources and Social Security of the PRC, with qualification certificates of secretary for directorate issued by the Shenzhen Stock Exchange and the Shanghai Stock Exchange, respectively. He also holds a securities practitioner qualification certificate issued by the Securities Association of China and a fund practitioner qualification certificate issued by the Asset Management Association of China. He is currently the deputy general manager of the general office of the Company.

From July 2011 to March 2013, he served as the head of listing affairs of the office of the Board (the "**Board Office**"). From March 2013 to November 2016, he successively served as the assistant director of the Board Office, the business manager, the securities affairs representative and the director of the Board Office. Due to his extensive experience in listed companies compliance matters and capital operation, from November 2016 to October 2019, he also successively served as the general manager of the strategic investment department of HNA Airport Group Limited and the deputy general manager of the asset management department of HNA Logistics Group Co., Ltd., where he was mainly responsible for matters related to investment and mergers and acquisitions, including capital market operation matters and management of listed companies' regulatory matters. From November 2019 to December

2021, he served as the general manager of the Board Office. Since December 2021, he has been serving as the deputy general manager of the general office of the Company, where he is mainly in charge of the Board Office, and assists the chairman of the Board and the company secretary of the Company, namely, Mr. Xing, in managing the listing affairs of the Company.

The biographical details of Mr. Xing are set out below:

Mr. Xing, aged 57, graduated from the Anhui Normal University (安徽師範大學), in Wuhu, Anhui Province, the PRC, majoring in financial management in July 1985. He also has a bachelor's degree in laws and a title of economist. Mr. Xing has served as the company secretary of the Company since 25 August 2009. He was also re-appointed as an executive director of the Company in October 2021. Mr. Xing served as the section chief of personnel division and office director of Sanya Phoenix International Airport (三亞鳳凰國際機場) and Haikou Meilan International Airport (海口美蘭國際機場). He has been engaged in the management and operation of the Company since 2002 and fully participated in the listing of H shares of the Company at The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") and worked as the secretary to the board of directors of Haikou Meilan International Airport Company Limited, the Company's parent company. He has also been responsible for handling the results disclosure and daily affairs of the Board after the listing of the Company.

## WAIVER FROM STRICT COMPLIANCE WITH RULES 3.28 AND 8.17 OF THE LISTING RULES

Pursuant to Rule 8.17 of the Rules (the "Listing Rules") Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange, an issuer must appoint a company secretary who satisfies the requirements under Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules. Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules provides that an issuer must appoint as its company secretary an individual who, in the opinion of the Stock Exchange, is capable of discharging the functions of a company secretary by virtue of his/her academic or professional qualifications or relevant experience.

Mr. Chen currently does not possess the relevant qualifications or experience of a company secretary as required under Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules. However, given that Mr. Chen works closely with the Board and Mr. Xing, he is well-versed in the Company's listing affairs and the relevant documents. By virtue of his professional knowledge, qualifications and experience in handling the Company's corporate governance matters, the Board considers that the appointment of Mr. Chen as the joint company secretary of the Company will be conducive to ensuring the compliance with relevant Board procedures, and facilitating communications among the directors, the shareholders and the management of the Company.

In light of the above, the Company has applied for, and the Stock Exchange has granted the Company, a waiver (the "**Waiver**") from strict compliance with the requirements under Rules 3.28 and 8.17 of the Listing Rules for a period of three years from the date of Mr. Chen's appointment as the joint company secretary of the Company (the "**Waiver Period**") on the conditions that (i) Mr. Chen will be assisted by Mr. Xing during the Waiver Period; and (ii) the Waiver could be revoked if there are material breaches of the Listing Rules by the Company.

Before the end of the Waiver Period, the Company must demonstrate and seek the Stock Exchange's confirmation that Mr. Chen, having had the benefit of Mr. Xing's assistance during the Waiver Period, has attained the relevant experience and is capable of discharging the functions of company secretary under Rule 3.28 such that a further waiver will not be necessary. The Waiver applies to Mr. Chen's appointment as the joint company secretary only and may be withdrawn or changed if the Company's situation changes.

The Board would like to take this opportunity to express its welcome to Mr. Chen on his new appointment.

By order of the Board Hainan Meilan International Airport Company Limited\* Wang Hong Chairman and President

Hainan, the PRC 9 November 2022

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises (i) four executive Directors, namely Mr. Wang Hong, Mr. Wang Zhen, Mr. Ren Kai and Mr. Xing Zhoujin; (ii) three non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Qiu Guoliang, Mr. Li Zhiguo and Mr. Wu Jian; and (iii) four independent non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Fung Ching, Simon, Mr. Deng Tianlin, Mr. George F Meng and Mr. Ye Zheng.

Unless otherwise specified in this announcement, the English names of the PRC entities are transliteration of their Chinese names, and are included herein for identification purposes only. In the event of any inconsistency, the Chinese names shall prevail.

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