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(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 718)

# PROPOSALS FOR (I) RE-ELECTION OF RETIRING DIRECTORS; (II) APPOINTMENT OF NEW AUDITOR; (III) GENERAL MANDATES TO ISSUE SHARES AND REPURCHASE SHARES; AND

(IV) NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

# Precautionary measures for the annual general meeting

Please take special note of page 8 of this circular and special note to the notice of annual general meeting for measures to be taken at the annual general meeting to reduce the risk of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) spreading.

A notice convening the annual general meeting of the Company to be held at Regus Conference Centre, 35/F, Central Plaza, 18 Harbour Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong, on Tuesday, 29 June 2021 at 10:30 a.m. is set out on pages AGM-1 to AGM-6 of this circular.

Whether or not you intend to attend and vote in person at the annual general meeting, you are requested to complete the enclosed form of proxy in accordance with the instructions printed thereon and return the same to the Company's branch share registrar and transfer office in Hong Kong, Tricor Tengis Limited at Level 54, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong as soon as practicable but in any event by 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, 27 June 2021 or not later than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the annual general meeting or any adjournment thereof (as the case may be). Completion and return of the form of proxy will not preclude you from attending and voting in person at the annual general meeting or any adjournment thereof (as the case may be) should you so wish, and in such event, the instrument appointing a proxy shall be deemed to be revoked.

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# **DEFINITIONS**

In this circular, the following expressions have the following meanings unless the context specifies otherwise:

"AGM" the annual general meeting of the Company to be

convened and held at Regus Conference Centre, 35/F, Central Plaza, 18 Harbour Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong, on Tuesday, 29 June 2021 at 10:30 a.m. or at any adjournment thereof (as the case may be) to consider and, if thought fit, approve the resolutions contained in the notice of the annual general meeting which is set out on

pages AGM-1 to AGM-6 of this circular

"Audit Committee" the audit committee of the Board

"Board" the board of Directors

"Bye-law(s)" the bye-laws of the Company adopted from time to time

"Company" Tai United Holdings Limited (Stock Code: 718), a

company incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability, the Shares of which are listed on the main board of the

Stock Exchange

"controlling shareholder(s)" has the meaning ascribed thereto under the Listing Rules

"core connected person(s)" has the meaning ascribed thereto under the Listing Rules

"Director(s)" the director(s) of the Company

"Group" the Company and its subsidiaries

"HK\$" Hong Kong dollar(s), the lawful currency of Hong Kong

"Hong Kong" the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the PRC

"Latest Practicable Date" 28 May 2021, being the latest practicable date prior to the

printing of this circular for ascertaining certain

information for inclusion in this circular

"Listing Rules" the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock

Exchange

"New Issue Mandate" a general and unconditional mandate proposed to be

granted to the Directors at the AGM to allot, issue and deal with additional Shares and other securities up to a maximum of 20% of the total number of Shares in issue as at the date of passing of the relevant resolution(s) granting such mandate (such mandate to be extended and added by the number of Shares, if any, repurchased by the

Company since the grant of such mandate)

# **DEFINITIONS**

"New Repurchase Mandate" a general and unconditional mandate proposed to be

granted to the Directors at the AGM to exercise the powers of the Company to repurchase Shares during the prescribed period on the Stock Exchange up to a maximum of 10% of the total number of Shares in issue as at the date of passing of the relevant resolution

granting such mandate

"Nomination Committee" the nomination committee of the Board

"PRC" the People's Republic of China, which for the purpose of

this circular shall exclude Hong Kong, the Macau Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China

and Taiwan

"SFO" the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the

Laws of Hong Kong)

"Share(s)" ordinary share(s) of HK\$0.05 each in the capital of the

Company or if there has been a subsequent sub-division, consolidation, reclassification or reconstruction of the share capital of the Company, shares forming part of the

ordinary equity share capital of the Company

"Shareholder(s)" the holder(s) of the Share(s)

"Stock Exchange" The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited

"subsidiary(ies)" a subsidiary(ies) for the time being of the Company

within the meaning as ascribed thereto under the Companies Ordinance (Chapter 622 of the Laws of Hong

Kong)

"substantial shareholder(s)" has the meaning ascribed thereto under the Listing Rules

"Takeovers Code" the Codes on Takeovers and Mergers and Share Buy-backs

issued by the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong

Kong

"%" per cent.

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 $(Incorporated\ in\ Bermuda\ with\ limited\ liability)$ 

(Stock Code: 718)

Executive Directors:

Mr. Wang Hongfang (Chairman)

Mr. Kwong Kai Sing Benny (Chief Executive Officer)

Mr. Chen Weisong

Mr. Chow Chi Wah Vincent

Mr. Zheng Yuchun

Non-executive Director:

Mr. Xiao Yiqun

Independent non-executive Directors:

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Ms. Liu Yan

Mr. Tang King Shing

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28 May 2021

To the Shareholders

Dear Sir or Madam,

# PROPOSALS FOR

# (I) RE-ELECTION OF RETIRING DIRECTORS;

(II) APPOINTMENT OF NEW AUDITOR;

# (III) GENERAL MANDATES TO ISSUE SHARES AND REPURCHASE SHARES; AND

(IV) NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this circular is to provide you with information in respect of the ordinary resolutions to be proposed at the AGM for the approval of (i) the re-election of the retiring Directors; (ii) the appointment of new auditor; and (iii) the grant of New Issue Mandate and New Repurchase Mandate; and to give you notice of AGM.

#### 2. RE-ELECTION OF RETIRING DIRECTORS

Pursuant to Bye-law 87 of the Bye-laws, at each annual general meeting of the Company, one-third of the Directors for the time being, or, if their number is not three (3) or a multiple of three (3), the number nearest to but not less than one-third, shall retire from office by rotation such that every Director (including those appointed for a specific term) shall be subject to retirement by rotation at least once every three years. The Directors to retire by rotation shall include any Director who wishes to retire and not to offer himself for re-election. Any further Directors so to retire shall be those of the other Directors subject to rotation who have been longest in office since their last election or appointment and so that as between persons who became Directors on the same day those to retire shall (unless they otherwise agree among themselves) be determined by lot.

Pursuant to Bye-law 86(2) of the Bye-laws, the Directors shall have power from time to time and at any time to appoint any person as a Director either to fill a casual vacancy or as an addition to the Board. All Directors appointed to fill a casual vacancy shall be subject to election by the Shareholders at the first general meeting after their appointment. Any other Director so appointed by the Board shall hold office only until the next following annual general meeting of the Company and shall then be eligible for re-election at that meeting.

Pursuant to Bye-laws 86(2) and/or 87 of the Bye-laws, Mr. Wang Hongfang, Mr. Kwong Kai Sing Benny, Mr. Zheng Yuchun, Mr. Xiao Yiqun and Ms. Liu Yan shall retire at the AGM and, being eligible, will offer themselves for re-election.

The Nomination Committee has reviewed the structure and composition of the Board, the qualifications, skills and experience, commitment and contribution, and the independence of these retiring Directors with reference to the nomination principles and criteria set out in the Company's board diversity policy and nomination policy.

Accordingly, the Nomination Committee has recommended to the Board on re-election of Mr. Wang Hongfang, Mr. Kwong Kai Sing Benny and Mr. Zheng Yuchun as executive Directors; Mr. Xiao Yiqun as non-executive Director; and Ms. Liu Yan as independent non-executive Director at the AGM.

Brief biographical details of these retiring Directors are set out in Appendix I to this circular.

If a valid notice from a Shareholder to propose a person to stand for election as a Director at the AGM is received in accordance with the Bye-laws after the printing of this circular, the Company will issue a supplemental circular to inform Shareholders of the details of such additional candidate(s) proposed.

#### 3. APPOINTMENT OF NEW AUDITOR

Reference is made to the announcement of the Company dated 28 May 2021 relating to the proposed change of auditor of the Company ("Announcement").

As set out in the Announcement, the Company received a letter from Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu, Certified Public Accountants ("**Deloitte**") to not seek re-appointment as the auditor of the Company with effect from the conclusion of the AGM due to reasons of level of audit fees for future audit services and available internal resources in the light of the current work flows. Deloitte will retire as the auditor of the Company with effect from the conclusion of the AGM, and will not be re-appointed.

To fill the casual vacancy of the auditor of the Company, the Board has resolved to propose to appoint Elite Partners CPA Limited ("Elite Partners") as the auditor of the Company following the retirement of Deloitte. As such, an ordinary resolution will be proposed at the AGM to approve, the proposed appointment of Elite Partners as the new auditor of the Company with effect from the conclusion of the AGM and to authorize the Board to fix their remuneration.

Deloitte has confirmed that there are no other matters connected with its resignation that need to be brought to the attention of the holders of securities of the Company. The Board and the Audit Committee further confirm that there is no disagreement or unresolved matters between the Company and Deloitte and there were no other matters in connection with their intention not to seek for re-appointment as the auditor of the Company that need to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company.

The Board would like to express its appreciation for the services of Deloitte provided to the Company in the past years.

#### 4. GENERAL MANDATES TO ISSUE SHARES AND REPURCHASE SHARES

At the last annual general meeting of the Company held on 18 June 2020, the Directors were granted (i) a general mandate to allot, issue and deal with Shares or any securities with an aggregate value of not exceeding 20% of the total number of Shares in issue as at 18 June 2020 (equivalent to the aggregate nominal amount of HK\$52,500,198.50 divided into 1,050,003,970 Shares with a nominal value of HK\$0.05 each) ("Existing General Mandate"); and (ii) a general mandate to repurchase Shares up to a maximum 10% of the total number of Shares in issue as at 18 June 2020 (equivalent to the aggregate nominal amount of HK\$26,250,099.25 divided into 525,001,985 Shares with a nominal value of HK\$0.05 each) ("Existing Repurchase Mandate").

As at the Latest Practicable Date, the Existing General Mandate and the Existing Repurchase Mandate had yet been utilised and will expire at the conclusion of the AGM.

To facilitate future allotment and issue of Shares by the Directors on behalf of the Company, the Directors will seek the approval of the Shareholders for the grant of:

- (a) New Issue Mandate;
- (b) New Repurchase Mandate; and
- (c) if the New Repurchase Mandate is granted, the extension of New Issue Mandate by the addition of the aggregate number of Shares repurchased by the Company under the New Repurchase Mandate to the New Issue Mandate, subject to a maximum of 10% of the total number of Shares in issue as at the date of passing of the relevant resolution.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, the total number of Shares in issue was 5,250,019,852 Shares. Upon passing of the relevant resolutions at the AGM and assuming no further Shares are issued and/or repurchased by the Company between the Latest Practicable Date and the date of the AGM, the Company would be allowed:

- (i) pursuant to the New Issue Mandate to allot, issue and deal with 1,050,003,970 Shares, representing 20% of the total number of Shares in issue as at the date of passing of the relevant resolution; and
- (ii) pursuant to the New Repurchase Mandate to repurchase 525,001,985 Shares, representing 10% of the total number of Shares in issue as at the date of passing of the relevant resolution.

With reference to the New Issue Mandate and the New Repurchase Mandate, the Directors wish to state that they have no immediate plan to issue or repurchase any Shares pursuant thereto.

An explanatory statement giving certain information in respect of the New Repurchase Mandate as required under the Listing Rules to be included in this circular is set out in Appendix II to this circular.

Both the New Issue Mandate and the New Repurchase Mandate will expire upon the earliest of (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company; (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required to be held by the Bye-laws or the laws of Bermuda or any applicable law; and (iii) the revocation or variation of such authority by the passing of an ordinary resolution by the Shareholders in general meeting.

#### 5. AGM AND PROXY ARRANGEMENT

The notice of AGM is set out on pages AGM-1 to AGM-6 of this circular. At the AGM, ordinary resolutions will be proposed to approve, among other things, (i) the re-election of the retiring Directors; (ii) the appointment of new auditor; and (iii) the granting of New Issue Mandate and New Repurchase Mandate.

The Directors are not aware of any Shareholder who is required to abstain from voting at the AGM. Pursuant to Rule 13.39(4) of the Listing Rules and/or the Bye-laws, any vote of Shareholders at a general meeting must be taken by poll. Therefore, all the resolutions put to vote at the AGM will be taken by way of poll. The chairman of the AGM will explain the detailed procedures for conducting a poll at the commencement of the AGM. After the conclusion of the AGM, the poll results will be published on the HKExnews website of the Stock Exchange at www.hkexnews.hk and the website of the Company at www.irasia.com/listco/hk/taiunited/index.htm in the manner prescribed under Rule 13.39(5) of the Listing Rules.

A form of proxy for use by the Shareholders at the AGM is enclosed with this circular and such form of proxy is also published on the HKExnews website of the Stock Exchange at www.hkexnews.hk. Whether or not you intend to attend and vote in person at the AGM, you are requested to complete the enclosed form of proxy in accordance with the instructions printed thereon and return the same to the Company's branch share registrar and transfer office in Hong Kong, Tricor Tengis Limited at Level 54, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong as soon as practicable but in any event by 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, 27 June 2021 or not later than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the AGM or any adjournment thereof (as the case may be). Completion and return of the form of proxy will not preclude you from attending and voting in person at the AGM or any adjournment thereof (as the case may be) should you so wish, and in such event, the instrument appointing a proxy shall be deemed to be revoked.

#### 6. CLOSURE OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS

The AGM is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, 29 June 2021. For the purpose of determining eligibility to attend and vote at the AGM as members of the Company, the register of members of the Company will be closed from Thursday, 24 June 2021 to Tuesday, 29 June 2021, both days inclusive, on which period no transfer of the Shares will be registered. All transfers of Shares accompanied by the relevant share certificates and appropriate transfer forms must be lodged for registration with the Company's Hong Kong branch share registrar and transfer office, Tricor Tengis Limited at Level 54, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong no later than 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, 23 June 2021.

#### 7. PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES FOR AGM

In view of the ongoing COVID-19 epidemic and recent development for prevention and control of its spread, the Company will implement the following preventive measures at the AGM to prevent attending Shareholders, staff and other stakeholders from the risk of infection:

- i. compulsory body temperature check will be conducted on every attendee at the entrance of the AGM venue;
- ii. every attendee to enter the AGM venue is required to wear surgical face mask at all times until after they have left the venue (please note that no masks will be provided at the AGM venue and attendees should bring their own masks);
- iii. no refreshments, beverage or souvenirs will be provided; and
- iv. appropriate distancing and spacing in line with the guidance from the Hong Kong Government will be maintained and as such, the Company may limited the number of attendees at the AGM as may be necessary to avoid over-crowding.

In order to ensure the safety of the attendees at the AGM, the Company reserves the rights to deny entry into or require any person to leave the AGM venue if such person:

- i. refuses to comply with any of the above precautionary measures;
- ii. is having a body temperature of over 37.2 degree Celsius;
- iii. is subject to any quarantine prescribed by Hong Kong Government or has close contact with any person under quarantine; or
- iv. has any flu-like symptoms.

Shareholders are strongly recommended to consider appointing the chairman of the AGM as their proxy to vote on the resolutions for them, instead of attending the AGM in person.

# 8. RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

This circular, for which the Directors collectively and individually accept full responsibility, includes particulars given in compliance with the Listing Rules for the purpose of giving information with regard to the Company. The Directors, having made all reasonable enquiries, confirm that to the best of their knowledge and belief the information contained in this circular is accurate and complete in all material respects and not misleading or deceptive, and there are no other matters the omission of which would make any statement herein or this circular misleading.

# 9. RECOMMENDATION

The Directors are of the opinion that the resolutions set out in the Notice of AGM, including (i) the proposed re-election of the retiring Directors; (ii) the appointment of new auditor; and (iii) the grant of New Issue Mandate and New Repurchase Mandate are in the interests of the Company, the Group and the Shareholders as a whole. Accordingly, the Directors recommend the Shareholders to vote in favour of the resolutions to be proposed at the AGM.

# 10. GENERAL INFORMATION

Your attention is drawn to the additional information set out in Appendix I (Details of the retiring Directors proposed for re-election), and Appendix II (Explanatory statement on the New Repurchase Mandate) to this circular.

Yours faithfully,
For and on behalf of the Board
Tai United Holdings Limited
Wang Hongfang
Chairman

Pursuant to the Listing Rules, the biographical details of the Directors who will retire at the AGM according to the Bye-laws and be proposed to be re-elected at the AGM are set out below:

#### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS**

# Mr. Wang Hongfang ("Mr. Wang")

Mr. Wang, aged 61, was appointed as the executive Director on 7 January 2021 and the Chairman of the Board on 20 May 2021.

Mr. Wang has over twenty six years of management experience. Since 2018, he has been the chairman of Baby First Education Group Limited and the chairman of Shenzhen Qizhi Education Technology Limited, both being his privately owned companies.

From 2003 to 2018, Mr. Wang served in China Dili Group (formerly known as Renhe Commercial Holdings Company Limited (人和商業控股有限公司\*), Stock Code: 1387, a company listed on the main board of the Stock Exchange). In 2003, he was appointed as the vice president of China Dili Group and became the executive president in 2006. He was then appointed as an executive director on 14 December 2007, the executive president (Investments and Financing) on 26 February 2008 and the chief executive officer on 30 June 2014, and resigned from all the positions on 4 September 2018. Prior to joining China Dili Group, Mr. Wang held management positions in a number of companies in the PRC during the period from 1994 to 2000. From 2001 to 2003, Mr. Wang was the president of Harbin Jurong New Power Co., Ltd. in which he was responsible for the overall planning and management of its business.

Mr. Wang obtained a bachelor's degree in automatic control mechanics (自動控制專業) in 1982 and graduated with a master's degree in politics and economics in 1991 from the Harbin Institute of Technology (哈爾濱工業大學).

Mr. Wang has entered into an appointment letter with the Company for an initial term of one year commencing from 7 January 2021. His appointment shall be subject to retirement by rotation and re-election as stipulated in the Bye-laws and Listing Rules. Mr. Wang is entitled to a remuneration of HK\$1,200,000 per annum which has been determined by reference to his qualification, duties and responsibilities with the Company, the Company's performance and the prevailing market conditions.

Mr. Wang does not have any relationship with any other Directors, senior management or substantial Shareholders, or controlling Shareholders.

<sup>\*</sup> For identification purpose only

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Mr. Wang does not have any interests in the securities of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

There is no information which is discloseable nor is/was Mr. Wang involved in any of the matters required to be disclosed pursuant to any of the requirements of the provisions under paragraphs 13.51(2)(h) to 13.51(2)(v) of the Listing Rules, and there are no other matters concerning Mr. Wang that need to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders.

# Mr. Kwong Kai Sing Benny ("Mr. Kwong")

Mr. Kwong, aged 62, was appointed as the executive Director and authorised representative of the Company on 19 April 2018 and 7 September 2018 respectively. He was further appointed as the chief executive officer of the Company on 30 October 2019. He also serves as the director of certain subsidiaries of the Group currently.

Mr. Kwong holds a Bachelor Degree in Arts from Simon Fraser University in British Columbia, Canada and was awarded the Honor Degree of Doctor of Commerce by The University of West Alabama in 2007. Mr. Kwong held senior positions with major international banks in Hong Kong in respective lending departments and China department for many years. For the past years, he has served as executive director of over ten publicly listed companies both in Hong Kong, Canada and the United Kingdom. Mr. Kwong has extensive knowledge in corporate finance and banking.

Mr. Kwong was a director of the Tung Wah Group of Hospitals from 2008 to 2010 and was a member of the Campaign Committee of The Community Chest from 2006 to 2010. Mr. Kwong was an appointed member of the China People's Political Consultative Conference of the Hubei Province and Zhaoqing City of the Guangdong Province. He is the Hospital Governing Committee member of Tai Po Hospital since 2012 and the audit committee member of Tung Wah College since 2013. Mr. Kwong has been appointed as non-executive director of PYI Corporation Limited (Stock Code: 498) since 9 February 2021. He was appointed as an independent non-executive director on 30 April 2019 of Planetree International Development Limited ("Planetree International") (Stock Code: 613), and re-designated to non-executive director on 1 April 2020, and then resigned on 17 February 2021. He was also the acting chairman of Planetree International from 1 April 2020 to 1 June 2020. Mr. Kwong was an independent non-executive director of Imagi International Holdings Limited (Stock Code: 585) from January 2016 to May 2017 and an executive director of GT Group Holdings Limited (Stock code: 263) from September 2017 to April 2018, all of which are listed on the main board of the Stock Exchange.

Mr. Kwong has entered into an appointment letter with the Company for an initial term of one year commencing from 19 April 2018. His appointment shall be subject to retirement by rotation and re-election as stipulated in the Bye-laws and Listing Rules. Mr. Kwong is entitled to a remuneration of HK\$2,400,000 per annum which has been determined by reference to his qualification, duties and responsibilities with the Company, the Company's performance and the prevailing market conditions.

Mr. Kwong does not have any relationship with any other Directors, senior management or substantial Shareholders, or controlling Shareholders.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Mr. Kwong does not have any interests in the securities of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

There is no information which is discloseable nor is/was Mr. Kwong involved in any of the matters required to be disclosed pursuant to any of the requirements of the provisions under paragraphs 13.51(2)(h) to 13.51(2)(v) of the Listing Rules, and there are no other matters concerning Mr. Kwong that need to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders.

# Mr. Zheng Yuchun ("Mr. Zheng")

Mr. Zheng, aged 55, has over twenty years of experience in corporate management and investment. He has experience in analysis, investment and management in several investment banks and large corporate groups in Mainland China and Hong Kong. Mr. Zheng was a senior researcher of Guosen Securities Co., Ltd. between April 1997 and March 2001, senior vice president and chief financial officer of Sun Media Investment Holdings Ltd. and chief executive officer of Observer Star (HK) Co. Ltd between April 2004 and November 2006, Deputy General Manager (Investment and Operation) of China Dili Group (formerly known as Renhe Commercial Holdings Company Limited (人和商業控股有限公司\*), Stock Code: 1387, a company listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange between November 2008 and June 2010, executive director and deputy chief executive officer (president) of China Tangshang Holdings Limited (formerly known as Culture Landmark Investment Limited) (Stock Code: 674, a company listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange) between July 2010 to June 2013, executive president of China Alliance International Holding Ltd between July 2013 and December 2015, and the chief executive officer of China Sky Financial Holding Ltd between March 2017 and May 2021. Mr. Zheng has also served as a corporate financial consultant for a number of companies proposed to be listed directly or indirectly in Mainland China or Hong Kong, and was responsible for capital operations and providing guidance for the listing of companies.

<sup>\*</sup> For identification purpose only

Mr. Zheng graduated from the department of physics of Peking University in 1989 with a bachelor's degree in science and from the school of management of Harbin Institute of Technology in 1997 where he obtained his master of business administration degree. He also graduated from the school of economics and finance of The University of Hong Kong in 2004 where he obtained a PhD in finance. Mr. Zheng is a member of the CFA Institute.

Mr. Zheng has entered into an appointment letter with the Company for an initial term of one year commencing from 20 May 2021. His appointment shall be subject to retirement by rotation and re-election as stipulated in the Bye-laws and Listing Rules. Mr. Zheng is entitled to a remuneration of HK\$120,000 per month which has been determined by reference to his qualification, duties and responsibilities with the Company, the Company's performance and the prevailing market conditions.

Mr. Zheng does not have any relationship with any other Directors, senior management or substantial Shareholders, or controlling Shareholders.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Mr. Zheng does not have any interests in the securities of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

There is no information which is discloseable nor is/was Mr. Zheng involved in any of the matters required to be disclosed pursuant to any of the requirements of the provisions under paragraphs 13.51(2)(h) to 13.51(2)(v) of the Listing Rules, and there are no other matters concerning Mr. Zheng that need to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders.

# NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

# Mr. Xiao Yiqun ("Mr. Xiao")

Mr. Xiao, aged 57, has over thirty years of experience in the agricultural industry. Between 1979 and 1981, he worked as a technician at the Bureau of Agriculture in Xinhua County, Hunan. From 1984 to 2003, Mr. Xiao worked at the economic crops unit of the Bureau of Agriculture in Xinhua County, Hunan, where he was mainly engaged in the technical promotion of tea and fruit trees. Afterwards, he served as the general manager of Qingzhixiu (Beijing) Cultural Media Co. Ltd.\*\* (青之秀(北京)文化傳媒有限公司) from 2005 to 2012. Since 2013, Mr. Xiao has been serving as the general manager of Beijing Hanbo Shengshi Investment Co. Ltd.\*\* (北京瀚博盛世投資有限公司).

<sup>\*\*</sup> The English name is for reference only. In case of any ambiguity, the Chinese name shall prevail.

Mr. Xiao graduated from the College of Agriculture in Loudi, Hunan province, with a college degree in tea and fruit major from 1981 to 1984.

Mr. Xiao has entered into an appointment letter with the Company for an initial term of one year commencing from 20 May 2021. His appointment shall be subject to retirement by rotation and re-election as stipulated in the Bye-laws and Listing Rules. Mr. Xiao is entitled to a remuneration of HK\$100,000 per month which has been determined by reference to his qualification, duties and responsibilities with the Company, the Company's performance and the prevailing market conditions.

Mr. Xiao does not have any relationship with any other Directors, senior management or substantial Shareholders, or controlling Shareholders.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Mr. Xiao does not have any interests in the securities of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

There is no information which is discloseable nor is/was Mr. Xiao involved in any of the matters required to be disclosed pursuant to any of the requirements of the provisions under paragraphs 13.51(2)(h) to 13.51(2)(v) of the Listing Rules, and there are no other matters concerning Mr. Xiao that need to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders.

# INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

# Ms. Liu Yan ("Ms. Liu")

Ms. Liu, aged 50, is the independent non-executive Director. Ms. Liu has over twenty years of solid experience in auditing, financial management, taxation and fund management. She holds a Bachelor Degree in Economics from the Central University of Finance & Economics and a Master Degree in Business Administration from University of Rochester. She is a member of Chinese Institute of Certified Public Accountants (CICPA) and passed all tests for Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) program.

Ms. Liu has worked for PricewaterhouseCoopers (Guangzhou, China), Barclays Capital (New York City), Angelo Gordon Asia Limited (Hong Kong and New York), China Everbright Limited (Hong Kong) and Brilliance Group Holdings Limited (Shanghai). Ms. Liu was appointed as an independent non-executive director of Haitong International Securities Group Limited (Stock Code: 665), Great Wall Pan Asia Holdings Limited (Stock Code: 583) and Planetree International on 19 June 2018, 26 November 2018 and 1 November 2020 respectively, she was an independent non-executive director of U Banquet Group Holding Ltd (Stock Code: 1483) from 1 November 2016 to 27 September 2018, all of which are listed on the main board of the Stock Exchange.

Ms. Liu has entered into an appointment letter with the Company for an initial term of one year commencing from 18 June 2015. Her appointment shall be subject to retirement by rotation and re-election as stipulated in the Bye-laws and Listing Rules. Ms. Liu is entitled to a remuneration of HK\$25,000 per month which has been determined by reference to her qualification, duties and responsibilities with the Company, the Company's performance and the prevailing market conditions.

Ms. Liu does not have any relationship with any other Directors, senior management or substantial Shareholders, or controlling Shareholders.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Ms. Liu does not have any interests in the securities of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

There is no information which is discloseable nor is/was Ms. Liu involved in any of the matters required to be disclosed pursuant to any of the requirements of the provisions under paragraphs 13.51(2)(h) to 13.51(2)(v) of the Listing Rules, and there are no other matters concerning Ms. Liu that need to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders.

This Appendix serves as an explanatory statement as required by the Listing Rules to provide the requisite information to you for your consideration of the New Repurchase Mandate.

# 1. SHARE CAPITAL

As at the Latest Practicable Date, the issued share capital of the Company comprised 5,250,019,852 Shares of HK\$0.05 each.

Subject to the passing of the ordinary resolution no. 4 set out in the notice of the AGM in respect of the granting of the New Repurchase Mandate and assuming that no further Shares are issued or repurchased between the Latest Practicable Date and the date of the AGM, the Directors would be authorised under the New Repurchase Mandate to repurchase a maximum of 525,001,985 Shares (representing 10% of the total number of Shares in issue as at the Latest Practicable Date) during the period in which the New Repurchase Mandate remains in force.

#### 2. REASONS FOR REPURCHASES

The Directors believe that it is in the best interests of the Company and the Shareholders to seek a general authority from the Shareholders to enable the Directors to repurchase the Shares in the market. Such repurchases may, depending on the market conditions and funding arrangements at the time, lead to an enhancement of the net asset value of the Company and its assets and/or its earnings per Share and will only be made when the Directors believe that such repurchases will benefit the Company and the Shareholders as a whole.

# 3. FUNDING OF REPURCHASES

In repurchasing Shares, the Company may only apply funds legally available for such purpose in accordance with its memorandum of association, the Bye-laws, the laws of Bermuda and/or any other applicable laws.

The Company is empowered by its memorandum of association and the Bye-laws to repurchase its Shares. The laws of Bermuda provide that the amount of capital paid in connection with a share repurchase by a company may only be paid out of either the capital paid up on the relevant shares, or the funds of the company which would otherwise be available for dividend or distribution or out of the proceeds of a fresh issue of shares made for such purpose. The amount of premium payable on repurchase may only be paid out of funds of the company which would otherwise be available for dividend or distribution or out of the share premium account of the company before the shares are repurchased.

# 4. IMPACT OF REPURCHASES

There might be a material adverse impact on the working capital or gearing position of the Company (as compared with the position disclosed in the audited accounts contained in the annual report of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2020) in the event that the New Repurchase Mandate was to be carried out in full at any time during the proposed repurchase period.

However, the Directors do not intend to exercise the New Repurchase Mandate to such extent as would, in the circumstances, have a material adverse effect on the working capital requirements of the Company or the gearing levels which in the opinion of the Directors are from time to time appropriate for the Company.

# 5. TAKEOVERS CODE

If, as a result of share repurchase by the Company, a Shareholder's proportionate interest in the voting rights of the Company increases, such increase will be treated as an acquisition for the purposes of the Takeovers Code. Accordingly, a Shareholder, or group of Shareholders acting in concert (within the meaning under the Takeovers Code), could obtain or consolidate control of the Company and become obliged to make a mandatory offer in accordance with Rule 26 and 32 of the Takeovers Code.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, according to the register of interests kept by the Company pursuant to section 336 of the SFO and so far as is known to, or can be ascertained after reasonable enquiry by the Directors, the following entities/persons were directly or indirectly interested in 5% or more of the issued Shares:

		Approximate	Approximate
		percentage	percentage
		(%) of issued	(%) of issued
		share capital	share capital
		as at the	if the New
	Interests of	Latest	Repurchase
Beneficial	Controlled	<b>Practicable</b>	Mandate is fully
Owner	Corporation	Date	exercised
_	3,937,234,889	74.99%	83.33%
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	Owner –	Beneficial Controlled Corporation  - 3,937,234,889	percentage (%) of issued share capital as at the Interests of Beneficial Controlled Owner Corporation Practicable  - 3,937,234,889  74.99%

Note:

Satinu is indirectly wholly owns Yellowbird Capital Management (GP) Limited, which is the general partner of Yellowbird Special Opportunities Fund, L.P. ("Yellowbird Fund"). Yellowbird Fund indirectly wholly owns Songbird SG, which in turn owns 74.99% of the issued shares in the Company.

In the event that the Directors exercise in full the New Repurchase Mandate which is to be approved by the Shareholders, the aforesaid interests of the abovementioned substantial Shareholders in the issued share capital of the Company would be proportionally increased as set out above. Songbird SG and Satinu (together the "Concert Group"), who are presumed to be acting in concert under the Takeovers Code, were interested in an aggregate of 3,937,234,889 Shares, representing approximately 74.99% of the issued Shares carrying voting rights. The percentage of shareholding of the Concert Group will increase to approximately 83.33% of the issued Shares immediately following the full exercise of the New Repurchase Mandate. Save as disclosed, the Directors are not aware of any consequence which would arise under the Takeovers Code as a result of any repurchase pursuant to the New Repurchase Mandate.

Nevertheless, the Directors do not intend to exercise the New Repurchase Mandate to such extent as would, in the circumstances, trigger any potential consequences under Rule 26 of the Takeovers Code. In any event, the New Repurchase Mandate will be exercised only if the number of Shares held by the public would not fall below 25% following such exercise.

# 6. DIRECTORS' UNDERTAKING

None of the Directors nor, to the best of their knowledge having made all reasonable enquiries, any of their close associates (as defined in the Listing Rules) have any present intention to sell any Shares to the Company in the event that the granting of the New Repurchase Mandate is approved by the Shareholders.

The Company has not been notified by any core connected persons of the Company that they have a present intention to sell any Shares to the Company, or that they have undertaken not to sell any Shares held by them to the Company in the event that the granting of the New Repurchase Mandate is approved by the Shareholders.

The Directors have undertaken to the Stock Exchange to exercise the power of the Company to make repurchases of Shares pursuant to the New Repurchase Mandate in accordance with the Listing Rules, the memorandum of association of the Company, the Bye-laws, the laws of Bermuda or any applicable law.

# 7. SHARE REPURCHASE MADE BY THE COMPANY

No repurchase of Shares (whether on the Stock Exchange or otherwise) has been made by the Company during the six months immediately preceding the Latest Practicable Date.

# 8. SHARE PRICES

The highest and lowest prices at which the Shares have traded on the Stock Exchange in each of the last twelve months are as follows:

	Price per Share		
Month	Highest	Lowest	
	HK\$	HK\$	
2020			
May	0.098	0.073	
June	0.085	0.071	
July	0.090	0.065	
August	0.125	0.071	
September	0.126	0.050	
October	0.120	0.090	
November	0.108	0.078	
December	0.120	0.080	
2021			
January	0.097	0.080	
February	0.103	0.080	
March	0.099	0.081	
April	0.249	0.094	
May (up to and including the Latest Practicable Date)	0.220	0.180	



(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 718)

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the annual general meeting ("**AGM**") of Tai United Holdings Limited ("**Company**") will be held at Regus Conference Centre, 35/F, Central Plaza, 18 Harbour Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong, on Tuesday, 29 June 2021 at 10:30 a.m. for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolutions:

# ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS

- 1. To receive, consider and adopt the audited consolidated financial statements and the reports of the directors ("**Directors**") and the auditor of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2020.
- 2. (i) To re-elect the following retiring Directors:
  - (a) Mr. Wang Hongfang, as executive Director;
  - (b) Mr. Kwong Kai Sing Benny, as executive Director;
  - (c) Mr. Zheng Yuchun, as executive Director;
  - (d) Mr. Xiao Yiqun, as non-executive Director; and
  - (e) Ms. Liu Yan, as independent non-executive Director.
  - (ii) To authorise the board of Directors ("Board") to appoint additional Director(s).
  - (iii) To authorise the Board to fix the remuneration of the Directors.
- 3. To appoint Elite Partners CPA Limited as the new auditor of the Company ("Auditor") and to authorise the Board to fix the remuneration of the Auditor.

**AS SPECIAL BUSINESS**, to consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without amendments the following resolutions as ordinary resolutions of the Company:

# 4. "THAT:

- subject to paragraph (b) of this resolution, the exercise by the Directors from time to time during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all powers of the Company to repurchase shares of HK\$0.05 each in the share capital of the Company ("Shares") on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Stock Exchange") or on any other stock exchange on which the Shares may be listed and recognised by The Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong("SFC") and the Stock Exchange for this purpose, subject to and in accordance with all applicable laws and/or the rules and regulation of the SFC, the Stock Exchange or of any other stock exchange as amended from time to time, be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the aggregate number of Shares which the Directors are authorised to exercise the powers of the Company to repurchase pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) of this resolution above shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate number of Shares in issue at the date of passing of this resolution and the authority pursuant to paragraph (a) above shall be limited accordingly;
- (c) for the purposes of this resolution:

"Relevant Period" means the period from the date of passing of this resolution until whichever is the earliest of:

- i. the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- ii. the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the bye-laws of the Company ("Bye-laws") or the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda (as amended, supplemented or modified from time to time) or any other applicable laws to be held; and
- iii. the passing of an ordinary resolution by the shareholders of the Company ("Shareholders") in general meeting revoking or varying the authority given to the Directors by this resolution."

#### 5. "THAT:

- (a) subject to paragraph (c) of this resolution and pursuant to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange ("Listing Rules"), the exercise by the Directors during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all powers of the Company to allot, issue, grant, distributes and otherwise deal with additional Shares (as hereinafter defined) and to make and grant offers, agreements and options (including warrants, bonds, debentures, notes and other securities which carry rights to subscribe for or are convertible into Shares) which would or might require Shares to be allotted be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the approval in paragraph (a) of this resolution shall authorise the Directors during the Relevant Period to make and grant offers, agreements and options (including warrants, bonds, debentures, notes and other securities which carry rights to subscribe for or are convertible into Shares) which would or might require Shares to be allotted after the end of the Relevant Period;
- (c) the aggregate number of Shares allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted (whether pursuant to options or otherwise) by the Directors pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) of this resolution during the Relevant Period, otherwise than pursuant to (i) a Rights Issue (as hereinafter defined); or (ii) an issue of Shares pursuant to the exercise of rights of subscription or conversion under the terms of any existing warrants, bonds, debentures, notes or other securities of the Company; or (iii) an issue of Shares upon the exercise of subscription rights under any option scheme or similar arrangement of Shares or rights to acquire Shares; or (iv) an issue of Shares pursuant to any scrip dividend or similar arrangement providing for the allotment of Shares in lieu of the whole or part of a dividend on Shares in accordance with the memorandum of association and the Bye-laws, shall not exceed 20% of the aggregate number of Shares in issue as at the date of passing of this resolution and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and
- (d) for the purposes of this resolution:

"Relevant Period" means the period from the date of passing of this resolution until whichever is the earliest of:

- i. the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- ii. the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the Bye-laws or the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda (as amended, supplemented or modified from time to time) or any other applicable laws to be held; and

iii. the passing of an ordinary resolution by the Shareholders in general meeting revoking or varying the authority given to the Directors by this resolution.

"Rights Issue" means an offer of Shares or issue of options, warrants or other securities giving the right to subscribe for Shares, open for a period fixed by the Directors to holders of Shares, or any class of shares of the Company, whose names appear on the register of members of the Company (and, where appropriate, to holders of other securities of the Company entitled to the offer) on a fixed record date in proportion to their holdings of such shares (or, where appropriate such other securities) as at that date (subject to such exclusions or other arrangements as the Directors may deem necessary or expedient in relation to fractional entitlements or having regard to any restrictions or obligations under the laws of, or the requirements of any recognised regulatory body or any stock exchange in, any territory applicable to the Company)."

# 6. "THAT:

conditional upon the passing of resolutions nos. 4 and 5 set out in the notice convening this meeting, the unconditional general mandate granted to the Directors to exercise the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with additional Shares pursuant to resolution no. 5 set out in the notice convening this meeting be and is hereby extended by the addition thereto of an amount representing the aggregate number of Shares repurchased by the Company under the authority granted pursuant to resolution no. 4 set out in the notice convening this meeting, provided that such extended amount shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate number of Shares in issue as at the date of passing of this resolution."

By Order of the Board

Tai United Holdings Limited

Wang Hongfang

Chairman

Hong Kong, 28 May 2021

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business in Hong Kong:
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#### Notes:

- 1. A form of proxy for use at the AGM is enclosed herewith.
- 2. The instrument appointing a proxy shall be in writing under the hand of the appointor or of his attorney duly authorised in writing or, if the appointor is a corporation, either under its seal or under the hand of any officer or attorney duly authorised.
- 3. Any Shareholder entitled to attend and vote at the AGM convened by the above notice shall be entitled to appoint another person as his/her proxy to attend and vote instead of him/her. A proxy need not be a Shareholder.
- 4. To be effective, the form of proxy, together with the power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed, or a notarially certified copy of such power of attorney or authority, must be deposited at the Company's branch share registrar and transfer office in Hong Kong, Tricor Tengis Limited, at Level 54, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong as soon as practicable but in any event by 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, 27 June 2021 or not later than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding of the AGM or any adjournment thereof (as the case may be).
- 5. Completion and return of the form of proxy will not preclude a Shareholder from attending and voting in person at the AGM convened and in such event, the form of proxy will be deemed to be revoked.
- 6. Where there are joint holders of any Share, any one of such joint holders may vote, either in person or by proxy, in respect of such Share as if he/she were solely entitled thereto, but if more than one of such joint holders are present at the AGM, whether in person or by proxy, the vote of the senior who tenders a vote shall be accepted to the exclusion of votes of the other joint holders. For this purpose, seniority shall be determined by the order in which the names stand on the register of members of the Company in respect of the joint holding.
- 7. For the purpose of determining eligibility to attend and vote at the AGM as members of the Company, the register of members of the Company will be closed from Thursday, 24 June 2021 to Tuesday, 29 June 2021, both days inclusive, on which period no transfer of the Shares will be registered. All transfers of Shares accompanied by the relevant share certificates and appropriate transfer forms must be lodged for registration with the Company's Hong Kong branch share registrar and transfer office, Tricor Tengis Limited at Level 54, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong no later than 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, 23 June 2021.
- 8. If Typhoon Signal No. 8 or above, or a "black" rainstorm warning is in effect any time after 7:00 a.m. on the date of the AGM but before it has commenced, the AGM will be postponed. The Company will publish an announcement on the website of the Company at www.irasia.com/listco.hk/taiunited/index.htm and on the HKExnews website of the Stock Exchange at www.hkexnews.hk to notify Shareholders of the date, time and place of the rescheduled meeting.

As at the date of this circular, the Board comprises the following Directors:

Executive Directors:

Independent non-executive Directors:

Mr. Wang Hongfang (Chairman)

Dr. Gao Bin Ms. Liu Yan

Mr. Kwong Kai Sing Benny (Chief Executive Officer)

Mr. Tang King Shing

Mr. Chen Weisong

Mr. Chow Chi Wah Vincent

Mr. Zheng Yuchun

Non-executive Director:

Mr. Xiao Yiqun

#### SPECIAL NOTICE

For ongoing prevention and control of the COVID-19 pandemic and to safeguard the health and safety of the Shareholders and other persons attending the AGM, the Company regrets to inform the Shareholders that there will be no distribution of corporate gift or serving of refreshment in the AGM. When entering the meeting venue, participants including Shareholders or their proxies attending the AGM in person should allow their body temperatures to be checked and wear surgical face masks (please note that no masks will be provided at the AGM venue and attendees should bring their own masks) and maintain appropriate distance from each other throughout the AGM. Participants should also refrain from eating and drinking in the meeting venue.

The number of seats at the venue of the AGM will be limited and available on a first-come-first-served basis and the Company may limit the number of attendees at the AGM as may be necessary to avoid over-crowding and to enable social distancing.

Anyone who has travelled outside Hong Kong within 21 days before the AGM ("Recent Record of Travelling"), who is subject to quarantine or self-quarantine related to COVID-19, or has close contact with any person who is undergoing quarantine or has a Recent Record of Travelling should not attend the AGM in person.

Any person who does not comply with the precautionary measures may be denied the entry into the meeting venue. The Company also encourages Shareholders NOT to attend the AGM in person and advise Shareholders to appoint the chairman of the meeting as their proxy to vote on relevant resolution(s) according to their indicated voting instructions as an alternative. When assessing whether or not it is necessary to adjourn the AGM or change the meeting venue, the Board will consider the impact of the latest outbreak of COVID-19 in the local community, the measures announced by the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region and/or any applicable regulatory body in connection with COVID-19 and the availability of suitable meeting venue(s). If necessary, the Company will post an announcement on the website of the Company at http://www.irasia.com/listco/hk/taiunited/index.htm and the Stock Exchange's website at http://www.hkexnews.hk as soon as practicable to notify Shareholders of any change to the meeting venue or the date, time and place of any adjourned meeting.