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**TENCENT MOBILITY LIMITED**

*(incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability)*

**HAMMER CAPITAL OFFERCO 1 LIMITED**

*(incorporated in the British Virgin Islands  
with limited liability)*



**YIXIN GROUP LIMITED**

易鑫集团有限公司

*(incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability and carrying on business in  
Hong Kong as “Yixin Automotive Technology Group Limited”)*

**(Stock Code: 2858)**

## **JOINT ANNOUNCEMENT**

### **PROGRESS UPDATE ON**

### **POSSIBLE UNCONDITIONAL MANDATORY CASH OFFERS BY CHINA TONGHAI CAPITAL LIMITED ON BEHALF OF TENCENT MOBILITY LIMITED AND HAMMER CAPITAL OFFERCO 1 LIMITED TO ACQUIRE ALL THE ISSUED YIXIN SHARES (OTHER THAN THE EXCLUDED YIXIN SHARES) AND TO CANCEL ALL THE OUTSTANDING YIXIN OPTIONS**

**Financial Adviser to the Joint Offerors**



## **INTRODUCTION**

Reference is made to (i) the announcement jointly issued by the Joint Offerors and the Company dated 15 June 2020 in relation to, among other things, the possible unconditional mandatory cash offers by Tonghai Capital on behalf of the Joint Offerors to acquire all the issued Yixin Shares (other than the Excluded Yixin Shares) and to cancel all the outstanding Yixin Options (the “**Joint Announcement**”); (ii) the announcement jointly issued by the Joint Offerors and the Company dated 6 July 2020 in relation to, among other things, the delay in despatch of the Composite Document with respect to the Offers (the “**Delay in Despatch Announcement**”); and (iii) the announcements jointly issued by the Joint Offerors and the Company dated 5 August 2020 and 4 September 2020, respectively in relation to, among other things, the progress of the Merger. Unless otherwise defined, all capitalized terms used herein shall have the same meanings as defined in the Joint Announcement.

As set out in the Delay in Despatch Announcement, the respective obligations of the Parent, the Merger Sub and Bitauto to effect the Merger pursuant to the Merger Agreement are subject to the satisfaction or waiver (as the case may be) of certain conditions (the “**Conditions**”) set out in paragraph headed “The Merger Agreement – Conditions” in the Joint Announcement. Merger Closing shall take place on a date that is no later than the tenth (10th) Business Day after the satisfaction or waiver of the last of the Conditions to be satisfied or if permissible, waived, or at such other date as may be agreed in writing by Bitauto and the Parent. The Merger Outside Date, being the long stop date for the fulfilment or waiver (if applicable) of the Conditions, is 12 March 2021. An application has been made to the Executive under Rule 8.2 of the Takeovers Code and the Executive has granted its consent to extend the deadline for the despatch of the Composite Document (together with the forms of acceptance of the Offers) to a date falling within seven (7) days of the Effective Time or 7 April 2021 (whichever is earlier).

## **PROGRESS OF THE MERGER**

The Joint Offerors would like to update the Shareholders, Optionholders and potential investors of the Company that Bitauto and the Consortium have been progressing on the Merger and as informed by Bitauto, subsequent to the filing of the draft Rule 13E-3 transaction statement pursuant to Section 13(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the accompanying proxy statement (together, the “**US Filings**”) with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the “**SEC**”) on 20 July 2020 (New York time), the SEC has provided comments on the US Filings (the “**SEC Comments**”). A response letter together with the revised US Filings were submitted to the SEC on 12 August 2020, 3 September 2020 and 8 September 2020 (New York time), respectively to address the SEC Comments. On 10 September 2020 (New York time), clearance from the SEC in relation to the US Filings has been obtained by Bitauto and the revised US Filings were submitted to the SEC on 18 September 2020 (New York time). Following the clearance from the SEC, Bitauto will despatch the proxy statement to its shareholders on 25 September 2020 (New York time) and a shareholders’ meeting of Bitauto will be held on 23 October 2020 (New York time) to consider approving and authorizing the Merger Agreement, the Plan of Merger and the Merger Transactions. A further announcement will be made by the Joint Offerors and the Company in relation to, among other things, the results of the shareholders’ meeting of Bitauto.

Further announcement(s) will be jointly made by the Joint Offerors and the Company in accordance with Listing Rules and the Takeovers Code (as the case may be) on the status and progress in connection with the Offers and the Composite Document and the despatch of the Composite Document and the accompanying forms of acceptance as and when appropriate.

**WARNING: The Offers will only be made if Merger Closing takes place and the Merger becomes effective. In the event that the Merger is not consummated, Merger Closing does not take place and the Merger does not become effective, the Offers will not be triggered. Accordingly, the Offers may or may not be made. Shareholders, Optionholders and potential investors should exercise extreme caution when dealing in the relevant securities of the Company. A further announcement will be made by the Joint Offerors and the Company when Merger Closing takes place and the Merger becomes effective. Persons who are in doubt as to the action they should take should consult their stockbroker, bank manager, solicitor or other professional advisers.**

By order of the Board  
**Tencent Mobility Limited**  
**Ma Huateng**  
*Director*

By order of the Board  
**Hammer Capital Offerco 1 Limited**  
**Ka Wai Wong**  
*Director*

By order of the Board  
**Yixin Group Limited**  
易鑫集团有限公司  
**Andy Xuan Zhang**  
*Chairman*

Hong Kong, 25 September 2020

*As at the date of this joint announcement, the directors of Tencent Mobility are Mr. Ma Huateng and Mr. Charles St Leger Searle, who jointly and severally accept full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this joint announcement (other than the information relating to the Group, Hammer Capital Offerco and parties acting in concert with it) and confirm, having made all reasonable enquiries, that to the best of their knowledge, opinions expressed in this joint announcement (other than the opinions expressed by the Board or the Group, Hammer Capital Offerco and parties acting in concert with it) have been arrived at after due and careful consideration and there are no other facts not contained in this joint announcement, the omission of which would make any statement in this joint announcement misleading.*

*As at the date of this joint announcement, the sole director of Hammer Capital Offerco is Mr. Ka Wai Wong and the directors of Hammer Capital Opportunities General Partner (which is the general partner of Hammer Capital which in turn wholly owns Hammer Capital Offerco) is Mr. Rodney Ling Kay Tsang, Ms. Jing Zhou and Mr. Titus Man Tsing Chiu. Mr. Ka Wai Wong, Mr. Rodney Ling Kay Tsang, Ms. Jing Zhou and Mr. Titus Man Tsing Chiu jointly and severally accept full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this joint announcement (other than the information relating to the Group, Tencent Mobility and parties acting in concert with it) and confirm, having made all reasonable enquiries, that to the best of their knowledge, opinions expressed in this joint announcement (other than the opinions expressed by the Board or the Group, Tencent Mobility and parties acting in concert with it) have been arrived at after due and careful consideration and there are no other facts not contained in this joint announcement, the omission of which would make any statement in this joint announcement misleading.*

*As at the date of this joint announcement, the executive Directors are Mr. Andy Xuan Zhang and Mr. Dong Jiang; the non-executive Directors are Mr. Jimmy Chi Ming Lai, Mr. Chenkai Ling and Mr. Huan Zhou; and the independent non-executive Directors are Mr. Tin Fan Yuen, Mr. Chester Tun Ho Kwok and Ms. Lily Li Dong, who jointly and severally accept full responsibility for the accuracy of the information relating to the Group contained in this joint announcement and confirm, having made all reasonable enquiries, that to the best of their knowledge, opinions expressed by the Board or the Group in this joint announcement have been arrived at after due and careful consideration and there are no other facts not contained in this joint announcement, the omission of which would make any statement in this joint announcement misleading.*