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絲路投資

Asia Pacific Silk Road Investment Company Limited

亞太絲路投資有限公司

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 767)

**ANNOUNCEMENT
GRANT OF WAIVER FROM STRICT COMPLIANCE WITH
RULE 8.08(1)(A) OF THE LISTING RULES**

References are made to (i) the composite offer and response document jointly issued by the Company and the Offeror dated 12 December 2019 (the “**Composite Document**”); and (ii) the announcement jointly issued by the Offeror and the Company dated 2 January 2020 regarding, among others, the close of the Offer and the public float of the Company (the “**Close of Offer Announcement**”). Unless otherwise defined, capitalised terms used in this announcement shall have the same meanings as those defined in the Composite Document.

**GRANT OF WAIVER FROM STRICT COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 8.08(1)(A) OF
THE LISTING RULES**

As stated in the Close of Offer Announcement, immediately upon the close of the Offer, 954,975,124 Shares, representing approximately 24.68% of the total number of issued Shares as at the date of the Close of Offer Announcement, are held by the public (as defined in the Listing Rules), subject to the completion of the transfer of the Offer Shares acquired under the Offer to the Offeror. As such, as at the date of the Close of Offer Announcement, the minimum public float requirement of 25% as set out under Rule 8.08(1) of the Listing Rules was not satisfied.

Accordingly, the Company has applied to the Stock Exchange for a temporary waiver from strict compliance with Rule 8.08(1)(a) of the Listing Rules for a period of three calendar months commencing from the close of the Offer after taking into account, among others, the current market condition and the number of Shares that would need to be placed down or sold in the open market by the Offeror to independent third parties not connected with the Company or any of its core connected persons, or being parties acting in concert with the Offeror, in order to restore public float in the Shares, and the upcoming public holidays in Hong Kong, the PRC and overseas during the coming three calendar months.

On 7 January 2020, the Stock Exchange has granted the Company a temporary waiver from strict compliance with Rule 8.08(1)(a) of the Listing Rules for a period from 2 January 2020 (being the closing date of the Offer) to 2 April 2020, subject to the issue of this announcement.

Further announcement(s) will be made by the Company regarding restoration of public float in the Shares as and when appropriate.

By order of the Board of
Asia Pacific Silk Road Investment Company Limited
Li Jiuhua
Executive Director

Hong Kong, 7 January 2020

As at the date of this announcement, the Directors are:

Executive Directors

Mr. Li Jiuhua

Mr. Yeung Siu Keung

Non-executive Director

Ms. Yu Yang

Independent non-executive Directors

Mr. Lee Man To

Mr. Zheng Zhen

Mr. To Langa Samuelson

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