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# PLACING OF NEW SHARES UNDER GENERAL MANDATE

**Placing Agent** 

財通國際證券有限公司 CAITONG INTERNATIONAL SECURITIES COMPANY LIMITED

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The Board is pleased to announce that on 20 November 2020 (after trading hours of the Stock Exchange), the Company entered into the Placing Agreement with the Placing Agent, pursuant to which the Placing Agent agrees, as agent of the Company, to procure on a best effort basis not less than six Placees who and whose ultimate beneficial owners shall be Independent Third Parties to subscribe for up to 115,000,000 Placing Shares at a Placing Price of HK\$0.148 per Placing Share.

Assuming that there will be no change in the issued share capital of the Company between the date of this announcement and the Completion Date, the maximum of 115,000,000 Placing Shares represent (i) 19.96% of the existing issued share capital of the Company as at the date of this announcement; and (ii) approximately 16.64% of the issued share capital of the Company as enlarged by the allotment and issue of all the Placing Shares.

The Placing Price of HK\$0.148 per Placing Share under the Placing represents: (i) a discount of approximately 4.52% to the closing price of HK\$0.155 per Share as quoted on the Stock Exchange on 20 November 2020, being the date of the Placing Agreement; and (ii) a discount of approximately 19.57% to the average closing price of approximately HK\$0.184 per Share as quoted on the Stock Exchange for the last five consecutive trading days immediately prior to the date of the Placing Agreement.

The Placing Shares will be allotted and issued pursuant to the General Mandate and is not subject to further Shareholders' approval. An application will be made by the Company to the GEM Listing Committee of the Stock Exchange for the listing of, and permission to deal in, the Placing Shares.

Assuming all the Placing Shares are fully placed, the gross proceeds from the Placing will be approximately HK\$17,020,000. The net proceeds, after deduction of all relevant expenses (including but not limited to placing commission, legal expenses and disbursements) incidental to the Placing of approximately HK\$330,200, are estimated to be approximately HK\$16,689,800. The Company intends to apply the net proceeds from the Placing for its existing businesses and for general working capital.

Shareholders and potential investors of the Company should note that completion of the Placing is subject to the fulfilment of the conditions set out in the Placing Agreement. The Placing may or may not proceed. Shareholders and potential investors of the Company are therefore urged to exercise caution when dealing in the Shares and other securities of the Company.

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# The Placing Agreement

**Date:** 20 November 2020 (after trading hours of the Stock Exchange)

**Parties:** 

- (i) the Company (as issuer); and
  - (ii) Caitong International Securities Company Limited (as placing agent).

To the best of the Directors' knowledge, information and belief having made all reasonable enquiries, the Placing Agent and its ultimate beneficial owner(s) are Independent Third Parties.

## **Placing commission**

Pursuant to the terms of the Placing Agreement, the Placing Agent will receive a placing commission of 1% of the amount which is equal to the Placing Price multiplied by the number of Placing Shares actually placed by the Placing Agent. The placing commission in respect of the Placing was negotiated on arm's length basis between the Company and the Placing Agent and was determined with reference to the prevailing market rates charged by other placing agents.

The Directors consider that the placing commission in respect of the Placing is fair and reasonable based on the current market conditions.

#### Placees

The Placing Shares will be placed to not less than six Placees who shall be any person or entity independent of and not connected with the Company, the connected persons of the Company and their respective associates, and who and whose ultimate beneficial owners are Independent Third Parties.

Upon completion of the Placing, it is expected that none of the Placees will become a substantial Shareholder. If any of the Placees will become a substantial Shareholder after completion of the Placing, further announcement will be made by the Company.

#### **Placing Shares**

The maximum of 115,000,000 Placing Shares represent (i) 19.96% of the existing issued share capital of the Company as at the date of this announcement; and (ii) approximately 16.64% of the issued share capital of the Company as enlarged by the allotment and issue of all the Placing Shares assuming that there will be no change in the issued share capital of the Company between the date of this announcement and the Completion Date.

## **Ranking of the Placing Shares**

The Placing Shares, when allotted and issued, will rank *pari passu* in all respects among themselves and with the Shares in issue on the date of allotment and issue of the Placing Shares.

# **Placing Price**

The Placing Price of HK\$0.148 per Placing Share represents: (i) a discount of approximately 4.52% to the closing price of HK\$0.155 per Share as quoted on the Stock Exchange on 20 November 2020, being the date of the Placing Agreement; and (ii) a discount of approximately 19.57% to the average closing price of approximately HK\$0.184 per Share as quoted on the Stock Exchange for the last five consecutive trading days immediately prior to the date of the Placing Agreement.

The Placing Price was arrived at after arm's length negotiations between the Company and the Placing Agent with reference to the prevailing market price and the recent trading performance of the Shares. The Directors consider that the Placing Price and the terms of the Placing Agreement are fair and reasonable and are in the interests of the Company and the Shareholders as a whole.

## **Conditions of the Placing**

The Placing is conditional upon the fulfilment of the following conditions:

- i. the GEM Listing Committee of the Stock Exchange granting the approval for the listing of, and the permission to deal in, the Placing Shares;
- ii. all necessary consents and approvals to be obtained on the part of each of the Placing Agent and the Company in respect of the Placing Agreement and the transactions contemplated thereunder having been obtained;
- iii. the representations, warranties and undertakings of the Company and the Placing Agent being true and correct in all material respects as at Completion Date as though made on and as of such date except to the extent that any such representation and warranty expressly speaks as of an earlier date, in which case such representation and warranty shall be true and correct in all material respects as at such earlier date; and
- iv. each of the Placing Agent and the Company shall have performed or complied in all material respects with all agreements and covenants required by the Placing Agreement to be performed or complied with by it on or prior to the Completion Date.

In the event that any of the above conditions is not fulfilled on or before 31 December 2020 (or such later date as may be agreed between the parties to the Placing Agreement in writing), all rights, obligations and liabilities of the parties to the Placing Agreement shall cease and terminate and neither of the parties thereto shall have any claim against the other save for any antecedent breach under the Placing Agreement prior to such termination.

## **Completion of the Placing**

Completion of the Placing shall take place on a date falling within two Business Days after the day on which all the conditions set out in the Placing Agreement have been fulfilled (or such later date as may be agreed between the parties to the Placing Agreement in writing).

## **Application for listing**

An application will be made by the Company to the Stock Exchange for the listing of, and permission to deal in, the Placing Shares.

## General Mandate to issue the Placing Shares

The Placing Shares will be allotted and issued pursuant to the General Mandate. The maximum number of Shares that can be issued under the General Mandate is 115,234,000 Shares. As at the date of this announcement, no Shares have been allotted and issued under the General Mandate. The General Mandate is sufficient for the allotment and issue of all the Placing Shares. As such, the issue of the Placing Shares is not subject to further Shareholders' approval. The General Mandate will be fully utilised as to approximately upon the allotment and issue of all the Placing Shares.

## Termination

The Placing Agent may terminate the Placing Agreement without any liability to the Company save for antecedent breach under the Placing Agreement prior to such termination, by notice in writing given to the Company at any time prior to 8:00 a.m. on the date of completion of the Placing upon the occurrence of the following events which, in the absolute opinion of the Placing Agent, has or may have a material adverse effect on the business or financial conditions or prospects of the Company or the Group taken as a whole or the success of the Placing or the full placement of all of the Placing Shares or has or may otherwise make it inadvisable to proceed with the Placing on the terms and in the manner contemplated in the Placing Agreement if there develops, occurs or comes into force:

(i) the occurrence of any event, development or change (whether or not local, national or international or forming part of a series of events, developments or changes occurring or continuing before, on and/or after the date of the Placing Agreement) and including an event or change in relation to or a development of an existing state of affairs of a political, military, industrial, financial, economic, fiscal, regulatory or other nature, resulting in a change in, or which may result in a change in, political, economic, fiscal, financial, regulatory or stock market conditions and which in the Placing Agent's reasonable opinion would materially and adversely affect the success of the Placing; or

- (ii) the imposition of any moratorium, suspension (for more than seven (7) trading days) or restriction on trading in the securities generally on the Stock Exchange occurring due to exceptional financial circumstances or otherwise and which in the Placing Agent's reasonable opinion, would materially and adversely affect the success of the Placing; or
- (iii) any new law or regulation or change in existing laws or regulations or any change in the interpretation or application thereof by any court or other competent authority in Hong Kong or any other jurisdiction relevant to the Group and if in the Placing Agent's reasonable opinion any such new law or change may materially and adversely affect the business or financial prospects of the Group and/or the success of the Placing; or
- (iv) any litigation or claim being instigated against any member of the Group, which has or may have a material adverse effect on the business or financial position of the Group and which in the Placing Agent's absolute opinion would materially and adversely affect the success of the Placing; or
- (v) any material adverse change in the business or in the financial or trading position or prospects of the Group as a whole; or
- (vi) any breach of any of the representations and warranties set out in the Placing Agreement comes to the knowledge of the Placing Agent or any event occurs or any matter arises on or after the date of the Placing Agreement and prior to the date of completion of the Placing which if had occurred or arisen before the date of the Placing Agreement would have rendered any of such representations and warranties untrue or incorrect or there has been a breach by the Company of any other provision of the Placing Agreement; or
- (vii) there is any material change in market conditions which in the reasonable opinion of the Placing Agent would materially and prejudicially affect the Placing or makes it inadvisable for the Placing to proceed.

If notice is given pursuant to the above, the Placing Agreement shall terminate and be of no further effect and neither party shall be under any liability to the other party in respect of the Placing Agreement save for any antecedent breach under the Placing Agreement prior to such termination.

# **REASONS FOR AND BENEFITS OF THE PLACING AND USE OF PROCEEDS**

The Group is principally engaged in provision of educational management services in the mainland of the People's Republic of China and trading of precious metal and commodity forward contracts and provision of money lending services in Hong Kong.

Assuming all the Placing Shares are fully placed, the gross proceeds from the Placing will be approximately HK\$17,020,000. The net proceeds, after deduction of all relevant expenses (including but not limited to placing commission, legal expenses and disbursements) incidental to the Placing of approximately HK\$330,200, are estimated to be approximately HK\$16,689,800. The Company intends to apply the net proceeds from the Placing as for its existing businesses and for general working capital.

The Directors consider that the Placing represents an opportunity to raise additional funding for the business operations of the Group and will strengthen the Group's financial position, and enlarge shareholders' base of the Company which may in turn enhance the liquidity of the Shares, and provide working capital to the Group to meet any financial obligations of the Group.

The Directors consider that the Placing Agreement is entered into upon normal commercial terms following arm's length negotiations between the Company and the Placing Agent and the terms of the Placing Agreement (including the Placing Price and the placing commission) are fair and reasonable and are in the interests of the Company and the Shareholders as a whole.

# CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDING STRUCTURE

The changes in the shareholding structure of the Company as a result of the Placing (assuming that there are no other changes in the issued share capital of the Company from the date of this announcement up to and immediately after Completion) are as follows:

		Immediately after   completion of the Placing   As at the date of   (assuming all the		
	this announcement		Placing Shares are fully placed)	
	Number of		Number of	
	Shares	Approx.%	Shares	Approx.%
Hon Pok	76,000,000	13.19%	76,000,000	11.00%
Chu Fong	46,000,000	7.98%	46,000,000	6.65%
Zhang Bo	45,000,000	7.81%	45,000,000	6.51%
Ho Mun Jing	29,730,000	5.16%	29,730,000	4.30%
Public Shareholders				
The Placees	_	_	115,000,000	16.64%
Other public Shareholders	379,440,000	65.86%	379,440,000	54.90%
Total	576,170,000	100.00%	691,170,000	100.00%

# EQUITY FUND RAISING ACTIVITIES OF THE COMPANY IN THE PAST TWELVE MONTHS

The Company had not conducted any equity fund raising activities involving the issue of its equity securities in the 12 months immediately preceding the date of this announcement.

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# DEFINITIONS

In this announcement, unless the context otherwise requires, the following words and expressions shall have the following meanings when used herein:

"associate(s)"	has the meaning ascribed to it in the GEM Listing Rules
"Business Day"	a day (other than a Saturday, Sunday and public holiday) on which licensed banks in Hong Kong are open for business throughout their normal business hours
"Board"	the board of Directors
"Completion Date"	means any Business Day within two Business Days after all the conditions of the Placing Agreement have been fulfilled or waived (as the case may be) or such other date as the Company and the Placing Agent may agree in writing
"Company"	Loco Hong Kong Holdings Limited, a company incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability whose issued Shares are listed on GEM
"connected person(s)"	has the meaning as ascribed to it in the GEM Listing Rules
"Director(s)"	director(s) of the Company
"GEM"	GEM operated by the Stock Exchange
"GEM Listing Rules"	the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on GEM
"General Mandate"	the general mandate granted to the Directors pursuant to an ordinary resolution of the Company passed at the annual general meeting of the Company held on 26 June 2020 to allot, issue and deal with new Shares not exceeding 20% of the total issued share capital of the Company as at the date of passing of such resolution, pursuant to which a maximum of 115,234,000 new Shares may fall to be allotted and issued as at the date of this announcement

"Group"	the Company and its subsidiaries
"Hong Kong"	Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China
"Independent Third Party(ies)"	any person or company and their respective ultimate beneficial owner(s) (if applicable) who, to the best of the Directors' knowledge, information and belief having made all reasonable enquiries, are third parties independent of the Company and its connected persons
"Placee(s)"	any person or entity procured by the Placing Agent or its agent(s) to subscribe for any Placing Shares pursuant to the Placing Agreement
"Placing"	the placing, on a best effort basis, of up to 115,000,000 Placing Shares on and subject to the terms and condition set out in the Placing Agreement
"Placing Agent"	Caitong International Securities Company Limited, a licensed corporation to carry on business in type 1 (dealing in securities) and type 4 (advising on securities) regulated activities under the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap. 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong)
"Placing Agreement"	the placing agreement dated 20 November 2020 and entered into between the Company and the Placing Agent in relation to the Placing
"Placing Price"	HK\$0.148 per Placing Share (exclusive of any brokerage, transaction levy of the Securities and Futures Commission and Stock Exchange trading fee as may be payable)
"Placing Share(s)"	a total of up to 115,000,000 new Shares to be placed pursuant to the Placing Agreement and to be allotted and issued under the General Mandate, and each a "Placing Share"
"Share(s)"	ordinary share(s) in the share capital of the Company
"Shareholder(s)"	holder(s) of the issued Share(s)

"Stock Exchange"	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited
"HK\$"	Hong Kong dollars, the lawful currency of Hong Kong
"%"	per cent.

By order of the Board Loco Hong Kong Holdings Limited Wang Wendong Chairman and the Chief Executive Officer

Hong Kong, 20 November 2020

As at the date of this announcement, the executive Directors are Mr. Wang Wendong and Mr. Fung Chi Kin; and the independent non-executive Directors are Mr. Zhou Tianshu, Ms. Wu Liyan and Ms. Wong Susan Chui San.

This announcement, for which the Directors collectively and individually accept full responsibility, includes particulars given in compliance with the GEM 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 announcement 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 announcement misleading.

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