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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the annual general meeting of HOP FUNG GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED (the "Company") will be held at Ming Room II, 4/F., Sheraton Hong Kong Hotel & Towers, 20 Nathan Road, Kowloon, Hong Kong on Monday, 24th May, 2004 at 10:30 a.m. for the following purposes:—

- 1. To receive and consider the audited consolidated financial statements and the reports of the directors and auditors for the year ended 31st December, 2003.
- 2. To re-elect director(s) and to authorise the board of directors of the Company ("Board of Directors") to fix the remuneration of the directors.
- 3. To re-appoint auditors and to authorise the Board of Directors to fix their remuneration.
- 4. To declare a final dividend.
- 5. As special business, to consider and if thought fit, pass the following resolutions as ordinary resolutions:

#### A. "THAT

- (a) subject to paragraph (c) of this resolution, the exercise by the directors of the Company ("Directors") during the Relevant Period (as defined below) of all powers to allot, issue and deal with the new additional shares ("Shares") in the capital of the Company, and to make or grant offers, agreements and options which would or might require the exercise of such powers, 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 or grant offers, agreements and options which might require the exercise of such power after the end of the Relevant Period;
- (c) the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted (whether pursuant to an option or otherwise) by the Directors pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) of this Resolution, otherwise than pursuant to (i) a Right Issue (as defined below), (ii) the exercise of any option scheme or similar arrangement for the time being adopted for the grant or issue to officers and/ or employees of the Company and its subsidiaries and/or other eligible persons of shares or rights to acquire shares of the Company or (iii) any scrip dividend or similar arrangement providing for the allotment of shares in lieu of the whole or part of the cash payment for a dividend on shares of the Company in accordance with the articles of association of the Company, shall not exceed 20% of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue as at the date of this Resolution and the said approval shall be limited accordingly;

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- (d) for the purpose of this Resolution, "Relevant Period" means the period from the 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 articles of association of the Company or any applicable law to be held; and
  - (iii) the revocation or variation of the authority given under this Resolution by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting."

"Right Issue" means an offer of shares or other securities of the Company open for a period fixed by the Directors to holders of shares of the Company or any class thereof on the register on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such shares or class thereof (subject to such exclusion 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 outside the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China).

#### B. "THAT

- (a) subject to paragraph (b) of this Resolution, the exercise by the Directors during the Relevant Period (as defined below) of all the powers of the Company to purchase its own shares on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Stock Exchange") or any other stock exchange on which the shares of the Company may be listed and recognised by the Securities and Futures Commission and the Stock Exchange for this purpose, subject to and in accordance with all applicable laws and the requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange or of any other stock exchange, be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved and authorised;
- (b) the aggregate nominal amount of the shares of the Company to be purchased by the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) of this Resolution during the Relevant Period shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue as at the date of passing this Resolution and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and
- (c) for the purpose of this Resolution, "Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this Resolution until whichever is the earliest of:
  - (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;

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- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the articles of association of the Company or any applicable law to be held; and
- (iii) the revocation or variation of the authority given under this Resolution by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting."
- C. "THAT conditional upon Resolutions 5A and 5B being passed, the aggregate nominal amount of the number of shares in the capital of the Company which are repurchased by the Company under the authority granted to the Directors as mentioned in Resolution 5B shall be added to the aggregate nominal amount of share capital that may be allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted by the Directors pursuant to Resolution 5A above."
- 6. As special business, to consider and if thought fit, pass the following resolutions as special resolutions:

"THAT the articles of association of the Company be amended in the following aspects:

- A. by adding the following definition in Article 2 immediately after the definition of "Articles":
  - "associate" the meaning attributed to it in the rules governing the listing of shares of the Company on the Designated Stock Exchange.
- B. by deleting Article 76 in its entirety and substituting thereof the followings:
  - 76. (1) No Member shall, unless the Board otherwise determines, be entitled to attend and vote to be reckoned in a quorum at any general meeting unless he is duly registered and all calls or other sums presently payable by him in respect of shares in the Company have been paid.
    - (2) Where any Member is, under the rules governing the listing of shares of the Company on the Designated Stock Exchange, required to abstain from voting on any particular resolution or restricted to voting only for or only against any particular resolution, any votes cast by or on behalf of such Member in contravention of such requirement or restriction shall not be counted.

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- C. by deleting Article 88 in its entirety and substituting thereof the following:
  - 88. No person other than a Director retiring at the meeting shall, unless recommended by the Director for election, be eligible for election as a Director at any general meeting unless a Notice signed by a Member (other than the person to be proposed) duly qualified to attend and vote at the meeting for which such notice is given for his intention to propose such person for election and also a Notice signed by the person to be proposed of his willingness to be elected shall have been lodged at the head office or at the Registration Office provided that the minimum length of the period, during which such Notice(s) are given, shall be at least seven (7) days and that the period for lodgment of such Notice(s) shall commence no earlier than the day after the dispatch of the notice of the general meeting appointed for such election and end no later than seven (7) days prior to the date of such general meeting.
- D. by deleting Article 103 in its entirety and substituting thereof the followings:
  - 103. (1) A Director shall not vote (nor be counted in the quorum) on any resolution of the Board approving any contract or arrangement or any other proposal in which he or any of his associate(s) is/are materially interested, but this prohibition shall not apply to any of the following matters namely:
    - (i) any contract or arrangement for the giving to such Director or his associate(s) any security or indemnity in respect of money lent by him or any his associate(s) or obligations incurred or undertaken by him or any of his associate(s) at the request of or for the benefit of the Company or any of its subsidiaries;
    - (ii) any contract or arrangement for the giving of any security or indemnity to a third party in respect of a debt or obligation of the Company or any of its subsidiaries for which the Director or his associate(s) has himself/themselves assumed responsibility in whole or in part whether alone or jointly under a guarantee or indemnity or by giving of security;
    - (iii) any contract or arrangement concerning an offer of shares or debentures or other securities of or by the Company or any other company which the Company may promote or be interested in for subscription or purchase, where the Director or his associate(s) is/are or is/are to be interested as a participant in the underwriting or sub-underwriting of the offer;
    - (iv) any contract or arrangement in which the Director or his associate(s) is/are interested in the same manner as other holders of shares or debentures or other securities of the Company or any of its subsidiaries by virtue only of his/their interest in shares or debentures or other securities of the Company;

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- (v) any contract or arrangement concerning any other company in which the Director or his associate(s) is/are interested only, whether directly or indirectly, as an officer or executive or a shareholder other than a company in which the Director and/or his associate(s) is/are beneficially interested in five (5) per cent. or more of the issued shares or of the voting rights of any class of shares of such company (or any third company through which his interest or that of any of his associates is derived); or
- (vi) any proposal concerning the adoption, modification or operation of a share option scheme, a pension fund or retirement, death or disability benefits scheme or other arrangement which relates both to directors, his associate(s) and employees of the Company or of any of its subsidiaries and does not provide in respect of any Director, or his associate(s), as such any privilege or advantage not accorded to the employees to which such scheme or fund relates.
- (2) A company shall be deemed to be a company in which a Director and/or his associate(s) owned five (5) per cent. or more if and so long as (but only if so long as) he and/or his associates, (either directly or indirectly) are the holders of or beneficially interested in five (5) per cent. or more of any class of the equity share capital of such company or of the voting rights available to members of such company (or of any third company through which his/their interest or that of any of his associate(s) is/are derived). For the purpose of this paragraph there shall be disregarded any shares held by a Director or his associate(s) as bare or custodian trustee and in which he or any of them has no beneficial interest, any shares comprised in a trust in which the interest of the Director or his associate(s) is/are in reversion or remainder if and so long as some other person is entitled to receive the income thereof, and any shares comprised in an authorized unit trust scheme in which the Director or his associate(s) is/are interested only as a unit holder and any shares which carry no voting right at general meetings and very restrictive dividend and return of capital right.
- (3) Where a company in which a Director and/or his associate(s) hold five (5) per cent. or more is/are material interested in a transaction, then that Director and/or his associate(s) shall also be deemed materially interested in such transaction.

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(4) If any question shall arise at any meeting of the Board as to the materiality of the interest of a Director (other than the chairman of the meeting) or his associate(s) or as to the entitlement of any Director (other than such chairman) to vote and such question is not resolved by his voluntarily agreeing to abstain from voting, such question shall be referred to the chairman of the meeting and his ruling in relation to such other Director shall be final and conclusive except in a case where the nature or extent of interest of the Director and/or his associate(s) concerned as known to such Director has not been fairly disclosed to the Board. If any question as aforesaid shall arise in respect of the chairman of the meeting

such question shall be decided by a resolution of the Board (for which purpose

such chairman shall not vote thereon) and such resolution shall be final and

conclusive except in a case where the nature or extent of the interest of such

chairman as known to such chairman has not been fairly disclosed to the Board."

On behalf of the Board **Hui Sum Kwok**Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Hong Kong, 13th April, 2004

#### Notes:

- 1. A member entitled to attend and vote at the meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and, in the event of, a poll, vote instead of him. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
- 2. In order to be valid, the form of proxy must be deposited with the branch share registrar and transfer agent in Hong Kong, Abacus Share Registrars Limited at Ground Floor, Bank of East Asia Harbour View Centre, 56 Gloucester Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong, together with the power of attorney (if any) or other authority (if any) under which it is signed, or a certified copy of such power or authority, not less than 48 hours before the time for holding the meeting.
- 3. In the case of joint registered holders of any Shares, any one of such joint registered holders may vote at the meeting, either personally or by proxy, in respect of such Shares as if he/she was solely entitled thereto; but if more than one of such joint registered holders be present at the meeting, the vote of the senior who tenders a vote, whether in person or by proxy shall be accepted to the exclusion of the votes of the other joint registered holders, and for this purpose seniority shall be determined by the order in which the names stand in the register of members in respect of the joint holding.