

*Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited and the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited take no responsibility for the contents of this announcement, make no representation as to its accuracy or completeness and expressly disclaim any liability whatsoever for any loss howsoever arising from or in reliance upon the whole or any part of the contents of this announcement.*



## **BIRMINGHAM INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS LIMITED**

### **伯明翰環球控股有限公司**

*(Incorporated in the Cayman Island with limited liability)*

**(Stock Code: 2309)**

### **RESIGNATION OF DIRECTOR, CHANGE OF CHAIRMAN AND APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN**

The Board announces that

- (1) Mr. Yeung Ka Sing, Carson has resigned as an executive Director with effect from 4 February 2014.
- (2) Mr. Cheung Shing, an executive Director of the Company, has been appointed the Chairman of the Board with effect from 4 February 2014.
- (3) Mr. Ma Shui Cheong, an executive Director of the Company, has been appointed the vice-chairman of the Board with effect from 4 February 2014.

#### **RESIGNATION OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

The board (the “Board”) of directors (the “Directors” and each a “Director”) of Birmingham International Holdings Limited (the “Company”, together with its subsidiaries, the “Group”) announces that Mr. Yeung Ka Sing, Carson (“Mr. Yeung”) has resigned from all directorships of the Group, including his position as an executive Director with effect from 4 February 2014. Mr. Yeung resigned for the reason to devote more time to his other personal commitments. Following his resignation, Mr. Yeung holds no positions in the Group.

Mr. Yeung with his foresight, aspiration and clairvoyance has steered the Board successfully through landmark projects such as the acquisition of Birmingham City Football Club, for which the Board is profoundly indebted.

Mr. Yeung unequivocally confirms that he has no disagreement with the Board and that there are no other matters relating to his resignation that are required to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company.

Mr. Yeung considers himself privileged to have high caliber management teams throughout the Group that have contributed to the Group's ongoing development and the expected resumption of trading in the Group's shares.

The Board would like to express its sincere appreciation to Mr. Yeung for his contribution to the Group during his tenure of office.

## **CHANGE OF CHAIRMAN**

Mr. Cheung Shing, an executive Director of the Company, has been appointed the Chairman of the Board with effect from 4 February 2014.

Mr. Cheung, aged 60, is currently an executive director of China Oil and Gas Group, a company listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange (stock code: 603) from 2006. Mr. Cheung was the deputy chairman and an executive director of Sino Union Energy Investment Group Limited (now known as "Yanchang Petroleum International Limited"), a company listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange (stock code: 346). Mr. Cheung had been the chairman of each of Wah Chung (HK) Limited, Henan Shenghua Petrochemical Co., Ltd. and Liaoning Xinmin Petroleum Company Limited during the period between 1993 and 2004. Mr. Cheung worked in Qilu Petrochemical Refinery, Shengli Oilfield Company, and Zhongyuan Oilfield Company of China National Petroleum Corporation ("CNPC") and has been a management economist of CNPC during the period between 1969 and 1993. Mr. Cheung is currently a visiting lecturer of Jiangxi University of Finance and Economics, the vice president of Hong Kong General Association of International Investment and the deputy director of China Petroleum Business Council.

Save as disclosed above, Mr. Cheung has not held directorship in any other listed companies in Hong Kong in the last three years. Other than being an executive Director, he has not held any other position with the Company or other members of the Group. Mr. Cheung does not have any relationship with any director, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholder of the Company. He does not have any interest in the shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance.

There is no service contract entered into between the Company and Mr. Cheung. He has no fixed term of service with the Company. He will be entitled to directors' fee to be determined by the Remuneration Committee of the Company with reference to his duties and responsibility in the Company and the market benchmark.

## **APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN**

Mr. Ma Shui Cheong, an executive Director of the Company, has been appointed the vice-chairman of the Board with effect from 4 February 2014.

Mr. Ma, aged 52. He is currently a managing director and an executive director of Sing Pao Media Enterprises Limited (stock code: 8010) which is listed on the GEM Board of the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited. He holds a Bachelor Degree in Business Administration in Management from The Open University of Hong Kong. In the past working experience, he had substantial senior management experience in managing various businesses.

There is no service contract entered into between the Company and Mr. Ma. He has no fixed term of service of the Company. Mr. Ma will hold office until the next annual general meeting of the Company and will be subject to retirement by rotation and re-election in accordance with the Articles of Association of the Company. Mr. Ma will be entitled to a directors' fee to be determined by the Remuneration Committee of the Company with reference to his duties and responsibility in the Company and the market benchmark.

Save as disclosed above, Mr. Ma has not held any directorship in other listed companies in Hong Kong or overseas in the last three years. Other than being an executive Director, he has not held any other positions with the Company or other members of the Group.

Other than Mr. Ma being a brother-in-law of Mr. Yeung, a substantial shareholder of the Company, he does not have any relationship with any director, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholder of the Company. He does not have any interest in the shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance.

Save as disclosed above, the Board is not aware of any matter in relation to the appointment of Mr. Ma that is required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51(2)(h) to (v) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange and any other matter that needs to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company.

By Order of the Board

**BIRMINGHAM INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS LIMITED**

**Peter Pannu**

*Executive Director, Chief Executive Officer & Managing Director*

Hong Kong, 4 February 2014

*As at the date hereof, the executive directors of the Company are Mr. Cheung Shing, Mr. Peter Pannu, Mr. Ma Shui Cheong, Mr. Chan Shun Wah, Mr. Cheung Kwai Nang, Mr. Charlie Penn, Mr. Chen Liang and Mr. Panagiotis Pavlakis and the independent non-executive directors are Mr. Wong Ka Chun, Carson, Mr. Gao Shi Kui, Mr. Liu Enxue and Mr. Li Hanguo.*