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**Hanhua Financial Holding Co., Ltd.\***

**瀚華金控股份有限公司**

*(A joint stock limited liability company incorporated in the People's Republic of China)*

**(Stock Code: 3903)**

## **PROGRESS UPDATE ANNOUNCEMENT**

### **APPROVAL OF OPERATION OF CHONGQING FUMIN BANK PROPOSED BY THE COMPANY AS THE LEAD PROMOTER**

Reference is made to the announcements of Hanhua Financial Holding Co., Ltd. (the “**Company**”, together with its subsidiaries, the “**Group**”) dated 6 April 2016 and 18 May 2016, respectively (the “**Announcements**”) in relation to, among other things, the establishment of Chongqing Fumin Bank Co., Ltd. (“**Chongqing Fumin Bank**”) proposed by the Company as the lead promoter, and approval from the China Banking Regulatory Commission (the “**CBRC**”) regarding the establishment of the Chongqing Fumin Bank. Unless otherwise specified, capitalized terms used in this announcement shall have the same meanings as those defined in the Announcements.

As disclosed in the Announcements, upon receipt of the approval from the CBRC, the Preparatory Team of Chongqing Fumin Bank has applied to the Chongqing Bureau of CBRC (the “**CBRC Chongqing Bureau**”) for the operation approval in accordance with relevant regulations and procedures.

The board of directors (the “**Board**”) of the Company is pleased to announce that the operation approval for Chongqing Fumin Bank has been granted by the CBRC Chongqing Bureau. The CBRC Chongqing Bureau has recently issued the “Approval of the CBRC Chongqing Bureau for the Commencement of Operation of Chongqing Fumin Bank Co., Ltd.” (《中國銀監會重慶監管局關於重慶富民銀行股份有限公司開業的批覆》) (Yu Yin Jian Fu [2016] No. 96). Chongqing Fumin Bank shall commence its operation on 26 August 2016.

Chongqing Fumin Bank has an approved registered capital of RMB3 billion, the Company, as the lead promoter, holds 30% of its equity interest. The obtaining of the formal approval for operation of Chongqing Fumin Bank marks another step by the Group to establish itself firmly in the inclusive finance ecosystem under the golden era for Chinese inclusive finance development, persistently improves the comprehensive business capability of the Group.

The Company will fully support the business development of Chongqing Fumin Bank and, at the same time, will continue to grasp the business opportunities in mainstream finance through equity investment and platform resources integration, so as to create value for the shareholders of the Company and the society as a whole.

By order of the Board  
**Hanhua Financial Holding Co., Ltd.**  
**Zhang Guoxiang**  
*Chairman of the Board*

Beijing, the PRC, 26 August 2016

*As at the date of this announcement, the executive directors of the Company are Mr. ZHANG Guoxiang, Mr. WANG Dayong and Mr. CUI Weilan; the non-executive directors of the Company are Mr. TU Jianhua, Mr. DUAN Xiaohua, Ms. LIU Jiaoyang, Ms. LIU Tingrong, Ms. WANG Fangfei, Mr. FENG Yongxiang and Mr. LIU Bolin; and the independent non-executive directors of the Company are Mr. BAI Qinxian, Mr. DENG Zhaoyu, Mr. QIAN Shizheng, Mr. NG Leung Sing and Mr. YUAN Xiaobin.*

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