

## notice of annual general meeting

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of Celestial Asia Securities Holdings Limited ("Company") will be held at Salon 4, Level III, JW Marriot Hotel, 88 Queensway, Hong Kong on 7 May 2001, Monday, at 10:30 a.m. for the following purposes:

1. To receive and consider the Financial Statements and the Reports of the Directors and the Auditors for the year ended 31 December 2000.
2. To re-elect the retiring Directors of the Company for the ensuing year and to authorize the Directors to fix the Directors' remuneration.
3. To ratify the appointment and re-appoint Messrs Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu as auditors of the Company for the ensuing year and to authorize the Directors to fix their remuneration.
4. To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following resolutions, with or without amendments, as ordinary resolutions:

A. THAT

- (a) subject to paragraph A(c), the exercise by the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with additional shares in the capital of the Company and to make or grant offers, agreements and options which might require the exercise of such power be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the approval in paragraph A(a) shall authorize the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as defined hereinafter) 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 share capital allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted by the directors of the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph A(a), otherwise than pursuant to a Rights Issue (as hereinafter defined) or any option scheme or similar arrangement for the time being adopted for the grant or issue to employees of the Company and/or any of its subsidiaries of shares or right to acquire shares in 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; and

(d) for the purposes of this resolution:

“Relevant Period” means the period from the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earlier of:

1. the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
2. 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
3. the revocation or variation of this resolution by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting; and

“Rights Issue” means an offer of shares open for a period fixed by the Directors of the Company to holders of shares on the register of members of the Company on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such shares (subject to such exclusion or other arrangements as the directors of the Company 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 recognized regulatory body or any stock exchange in any territory outside Hong Kong).

B. THAT

- (a) subject to paragraph B(b), the exercise by the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all powers of the Company to repurchase issued shares in the capital of the Company on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (“Stock Exchange”) or on any other stock exchange on which the shares in the Company may be listed and recognized by the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong 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 on any other stock exchange as amended from time to time be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;

(b) the aggregate nominal amount of shares in the Company to be repurchased or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be repurchased by the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph B(a) 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 the passing of this resolution and the said approval be limited accordingly; and

(c) for the purposes of this resolution:

“Relevant Period” means the period from the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earlier of:

1. the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
2. the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the bye-laws of the Company or any applicable law to be held; and
3. the revocation or variation of this resolution by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting.

C. THAT conditional upon resolutions nos.4A and 4B above 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 no.4B above 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 of the Company pursuant to resolution no.4A above.

5. To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following resolution, with or without amendments, as ordinary resolution:

THAT the authorized share capital of the Company be increased from HK\$800,000,000 to HK\$1,000,000,000 by the creation of an additional 2,000,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each in the share capital of the Company.

By order of the Board  
**Joan Elmond O K Kwok**  
*Company Secretary*

Hong Kong, 12 April 2001

*Notes:*

1. A member entitled to attend and vote at the above meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and 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 at the principal place of business of the Company in Hong Kong at 22/F The Center, 99 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong together with a power of attorney or other authority, if any, under which it is signed or a notarially certified copy of that power or authority, not less than 48 hours before the time for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting.
3. A form of proxy for use at the meeting is enclosed.