NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of Continental Mariner Investment Company Limited (the "Company") will be held at Aberdeen Room, Level 3, JW Marriott Hotel, Pacific Place, 88 Queensway, Hong Kong on Monday, 31st May, 2004 at 11:00 a.m. for the following purposes:

- 1. To receive and consider the audited financial statements and the reports of the directors and auditors for the year ended 31st December, 2003.
- 2. To elect directors and to authorise the board of directors to fix their remuneration.
- 3. To appoint auditors and to authorise the board of directors to fix their remuneration.
- 4. To consider as special business and, if thought fit, pass with or without amendments the following resolutions as Ordinary Resolutions:

(A) "**THAT**:

- (a) subject to paragraph (c) below, 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 powers be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the approval in paragraph (a) above shall authorise the directors of the Company during the Relevant Period to make or grant offers, agreements and options which might require the exercise of such powers 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 of the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) above, otherwise than pursuant to a Rights Issue (as hereinafter defined) or the exercise of any option under the Share Option Scheme of the Company, shall not exceed 20% of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue at the date of passing 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 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 by any applicable laws to be held; and

(iii) the revocation or variation of this Resolution by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting.

"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 on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such shares (subject to such exclusions 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**:

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- (a) subject to paragraph (b) below, the exercise by the directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all the powers of the Company to purchase its own shares of HK\$0.50 each (the "Shares"), subject to and in accordance with all applicable laws and the requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the aggregate nominal amount of the Shares to be purchased by the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) above during the Relevant Period shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue at the date of passing this Resolution and the said approval shall 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 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 by any applicable laws to be held; and
- (iii) the revocation or variation of this Resolution by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting."

- (C) "THAT conditional upon the Resolutions numbered 4(A) and 4(B) respectively set out in the notice convening this meeting being passed, the general mandate granted to the directors of the Company to allot, issue and deal with additional shares pursuant to the Resolution numbered 4(A) be and is hereby extended by the addition thereto of an amount representing the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company purchased by the Company under the authority granted pursuant to the Resolution numbered 4(B), provided that such amount shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue at the date of passing this Resolution."
- 5. To consider as special business and, if thought fit, pass the following resolution as a Special Resolution:
 - "**THAT** the Articles of Association of the Company be and are hereby amended in the following manner:

Article 2

By adding the following at the end of the definition of "writing" or "printing" (immediately following the words "legible and non-transitory form") in Article 2:

"and including where the representation takes the form of electronic display, provided that both the mode of service of the relevant document or notice and the member's election comply with all applicable laws, rules and regulations."

Article 16

By adding the following immediately following the words "within such other period" appeared on the third line of Article 16:

", if shorter, as the Stock Exchange may from time to time determine or"

Article 96A

By deleting the words "Securities and Futures (Clearing Houses) Ordinance (Chapter 420 of the laws of Hong Kong)" in the first and second lines of Article 96A and substituting therefor the words "Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the laws of Hong Kong)".

New Article 85A

By inserting the following new Article 85A immediately after Article 85:

"85A. Where any member is, under the Listing Rules, 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."



Article 106(A)(viii) and Article 122

By deleting the word "special" in the first line of Article 106(A)(viii) and Article 122 and substituting therefor the word "ordinary".

Article 107(A)(ii)

By deleting the existing Article 107(A)(ii) in its entirety and substituting therefor the following:

- "107(A)(ii). (a) 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 materially interested, and if he shall do so his vote shall not be counted and he shall not be counted in the quorum of such resolution of the Board but this prohibition shall not apply to any of the following matters:
 - (i) any contract or arrangement for the giving by the Company or any of its subsidiaries of any security or indemnity to the Director or his associate(s) in respect of money lent by him or any of them 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 by the Company or any of its subsidiaries 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 the giving of security;
 - (iii) any contract or arrangement by a Director or his associate(s) to subscribe for shares or debentures or other securities of the Company or any of its subsidiaries to be issued pursuant to any offer or invitation to the members or debenture holders or to the public which does not provide the Director or his associate(s) any privilege not accorded to any other members or debenture holders or to the public;
 - (iv) any contract, arrangement or proposal concerning an offer of the shares or debentures or other securities of or by the Company or any of its subsidiaries 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;

- (v) 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 or any of its subsidiaries;
- (vi) any contract, arrangement or proposal concerning any company in which the Director or his associate(s) is/are interested only, whether directly or indirectly, as an officer, executive or a shareholder or in which the Director or his associate(s) is/are beneficially interested in shares of that company provided that the Director and any of his associate(s) do not in aggregate own five (5) per cent. or more of such company;
- (vii) any proposal or arrangement for the benefit of employees of the Company or its subsidiaries including the adoption, modification or operation of a pension fund or retirement, death or disability benefit scheme which relates both to Directors (or their associates) and employees of the Company or of any of its subsidiaries and does not give the Director, or his associate(s), as such any privilege or advantage not generally accorded to the employees to whom such scheme or fund relates.
- A company shall be deemed to be a company in which a Director and any (b) of his associate(s) in aggregate own five (5) per cent. or more if and so long as (but only if and so long as) a Director and his associate(s), (either directly or indirectly) are in aggregate the holders of or beneficially interested in five (5) per cent. or more of the issued shares 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 is derived). For the purpose of this paragraph there shall be disregarded any shares held by a Director or any of his associate(s) as bare or custodian trustee and in which he has no beneficial interest, any shares comprised in a trust in which the interest of the Director or any of his associate(s) is 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 authorised unit trust scheme in which the Director or his associate(s) is 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.

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- (c) Where a company in which a Director and any of his associate(s) in aggregate own five (5) per cent. or more is materially interested in a transaction, then that Director shall also be deemed materially interested in such transaction.
- (d) If any question shall arise at any meeting of the Board as to the materiality of the interest of a Director or his associate(s) (other than the chairman of the meeting) or as to the entitlement of any Director (other than such chairman) to vote or be counted in the quorum and such question is not resolved by his voluntarily agreeing to abstain from voting or not to be counted in the quorum, 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 the interest of the Director concerned and of his associate(s) 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 and of his associate(s) as known to such chairman has not been fairly disclosed to the Board.

Article 120

By deleting the existing Article 120 in its entirety and substituting therefor the following:

"No person, other than a retiring Director, shall, unless recommended by the Directors for election, be eligible for election as a Director at any general meeting, unless there shall have been lodged at the registered office of the Company a notice signed by a member (other than the person to be proposed) entitled to attend and vote at the meeting for which such notice is given of 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. The period for lodgement of such notices shall commence no earlier than the day after the despatch of the notice of the general meeting appointed for such election and no later than seven days prior to the date of such general meeting."

Article 165

By deleting the existing Article 165 in its entirety and substituting therefor the following:

"165. Any notice or document (including "corporate communication" within the meaning ascribed thereto under the Listing Rules) from the Company to a member may be given in either the English language or the Chinese language, and shall, to the extent permitted or not prohibited by the Listing Rules or any applicable laws and in the manner as prescribed thereunder, be served in writing or by cable, telex or facsimile transmission message, or in other form of electronic transmission or communication, or by public announcement, and be served or delivered by the Company on or to any member personally, or by sending or transmitting it to the postal address, telex or facsimile transmission number, electronic number or address or website provided by the member, or by advertisement in newspapers in accordance with the Listing Rules, or by placing the notice or document on the Company's website. In the case of joint holders of a share, all notices shall be given to that one of the joint holders whose name stands first in the register and notice so given shall be deemed a sufficient service on or delivery to all the joint holders."

By Order of the Board **HO Kwok Pang, George** *Company Secretary*

Hong Kong, 30th April, 2004

Notes:

- (1) A member entitled to attend and vote at the meeting is entitled to appoint one or more proxies to attend and vote in his stead. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
- (2) In order to be valid, the form of proxy, together with the power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed or a notarially certified copy of such power or authority, must be deposited at the office of the Company's share registrars, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited at Shops 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting or any adjournment thereof.
- (3) The biographical details of Mr. Chen Hong Sheng, Mr. Ip Chun Chung, Robert and Mr. Lam Tak Shing, directors who offer themselves for re-election, are provided in the section headed "Directors' Profile" in this Annual Report. Mr. Ip Chun Chung, Robert and Mr. Lam Tak Shing are not related to any directors, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholders of the Company.