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# MEDIA CHINESE INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

世界華文媒體有限公司 (Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)

(Malaysia Company No. 995098-A) (Hong Kong Stock Code: 685) (Malaysia Stock Code: 5090)

# NOTICE OF THE 22ND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Twenty-second Annual General Meeting ("AGM") of Media Chinese International Limited will be held at (i) Sin Chew Media Corporation Berhad, Cultural Hall, No. 19, Jalan Semangat, 46200 Petaling Jaya, Selangor Darul Ehsan, Malaysia; and (ii) 15th Floor, Block A, Ming Pao Industrial Centre, 18 Ka Yip Street, Chai Wan, Hong Kong on Wednesday, 29 August 2012 at 10:00 a.m. for the following purposes:

# AGENDA

## **AS ORDINARY BUSINESS**

1.	To receive the Audited Financial Statements for the financial year ended 31 March 2012 together with the Directors' and Independent Auditor's Reports thereon.	Ordinary Resolution 1
2.	To approve the payment of Directors' fees for the financial year ended 31 March 2012 in the amount of US\$556,000.	Ordinary Resolution 2
3.	To re-elect the following Directors who retire pursuant to the Company's Bye-Laws:	
	i. Tan Sri Datuk Sir TIONG Hiew King	Ordinary Resolution 3
	ii. Mr TIONG Kiew Chiong	Ordinary Resolution 4
	iii. Ms SIEW Nyoke Chow	Ordinary Resolution 5
	iv. Mr David YU Hon To	Ordinary Resolution 6
		Resolution 0

- v. Mr NG Chek Yong
- 4. To re-appoint Messrs PricewaterhouseCoopers as auditor of the Company for the ensuing year and to authorise the Directors to fix its remuneration.

# AS SPECIAL BUSINESS

To consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without amendments the following resolutions:

5. ORDINARY RESOLUTION

PROPOSED RENEWAL OF AND NEW SHAREHOLDERS' MANDATE FOR RECURRENT RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS OF A REVENUE OR TRADING NATURE

"THAT, subject to the provisions of Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad ("Bursa Securities"), approval be and is hereby given for the Company and/or its subsidiaries to enter into recurrent related party transactions of a revenue or trading nature with specific classes of Related Parties (as set out in Section 2 of Part A of the circular to shareholders dated 23 July 2012), which are necessary for the day to day operations of the Company and its subsidiaries, in the ordinary course of business on terms not more favourable than those generally available to the public and are not detrimental to the minority shareholders of the Company;

**THAT** such an approval shall only continue to be in force until:

- (a) the conclusion of the next AGM of the Company at which time it will lapse, unless the mandate is renewed by an ordinary resolution passed at the next AGM;
- (b) the expiration of the period within which the next AGM of the Company is required by any applicable laws or the Bye-Laws of the Company to be held; or
- (c) the date on which the approval set out in this resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting,

whichever is the earliest.

AND **THAT** the Directors of the Company be and are hereby authorised to take all steps and to do all such acts and deeds as they may consider expedient or necessary to give effect to the transactions contemplated and/or authorised by this Ordinary Resolution." Ordinary Resolution 7

Ordinary Resolution 8

Ordinary Resolution 9

#### 6. ORDINARY RESOLUTION

#### PROPOSED RENEWAL OF SHARE BUY-BACK MANDATE

"THAT subject always to the rules, regulations, orders made pursuant to the Malaysian Companies Act, 1965 (the "Act"), provisions of the Company's Bye-Laws, the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Hong Kong Listing Rules"), the Listing Requirements of Bursa Securities or of any other stock exchange and any other relevant authority or approval for the time being in force or as amended from time to time, and paragraph (a) below, the Directors of the Company be hereby authorised to repurchase ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each in the Company's issued and paid-up ordinary share capital as may be determined by the Directors from time to time through The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange"), Bursa Securities or any other stock exchange on which the shares of the Company may be listed and recognised by the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong, the Stock Exchange and Bursa Securities for this purpose, upon such terms and conditions as the Directors may deem fit, necessary and expedient in the interest of the Company, provided that:

- (a) the aggregate nominal amount of shares of the Company which may be repurchased pursuant to the approval in the paragraph above shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the total issued and paid up ordinary share capital of the Company as at the date of passing this resolution, and the said approval shall be limited accordingly;
- (b) the maximum funds to be allocated by the Company for the purpose of purchasing its shares shall not exceed the total retained earnings and share premium reserves of the Company at the time of the said purchase(s); and
- (c) the authority conferred by this resolution shall commence immediately upon the passing of this resolution and continue to be in force during the Relevant Period.

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 AGM of the Company following the passing of the share buy-back resolution, at which time it will lapse, unless by ordinary resolution passed at that general meeting, the authority is renewed, either unconditionally or subject to conditions; Ordinary Resolution 10

- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next AGM of the Company is required by any applicable laws or the Bye-Laws of the Company to be held; or
- (iii) the date on which the authority set out in this resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting.

**THAT** upon completion of the purchase by the Company of its own shares, the Directors of the Company be and are hereby authorised to cancel all the shares so purchased pursuant to Rule 10.06(5) of the Hong Kong Listing Rules and/or to deal with the shares in any other manner as may be allowed or prescribed by the Act, rules, regulations and orders made pursuant to the Act, the Hong Kong Listing Rules and Listing Requirements of Bursa Securities.

AND **THAT** the Directors of the Company be and are hereby authorised to take all such steps as are necessary or expedient to implement, finalise or to effect the aforesaid purchase(s) of shares with full powers to assent to any conditions, modifications, resolutions, variations and/or amendments (if any) as may be imposed by the relevant authorities and to do all such acts and things as the Directors may deem fit and expedient in the best interests of the Company."

7. ORDINARY RESOLUTION

## PROPOSED GENERAL MANDATE TO ISSUE NEW SHARES

## "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 of HK\$0.10 each in the capital of the Company and to make or grant offers, agreements and options (including bonds, warrants and debentures convertible into shares of the Company) which would or might require the exercise of such power 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 (as hereinafter defined) to make or grant offers, agreements and options (including bonds, warrants and debentures convertible into shares of the Company) which would or might require the exercise of such power after the end of the Relevant Period;

Ordinary Resolution 11

- (c) the aggregate nominal amount of share capital allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted (whether pursuant to an option or otherwise) and issued by the Directors of the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) above, otherwise than pursuant to (i) a Rights Issue (as hereinafter defined); (ii) an issue of shares upon the exercise of rights of subscription or conversion under the terms of any warrants of the Company or any securities which are convertible into shares of the Company; (iii) an issue of shares as scrip dividends pursuant to the Bye-Laws of the Company from time to time; or (iv) an issue of shares under any option scheme or similar arrangement for the grant or issue of shares or rights to acquire shares of the Company, shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the issued share capital of the Company as 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 AGM of the Company;
  - (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next AGM of the Company is required by any applicable laws or the Bye-Laws of the Company to be held; or
  - (iii) the date on which the authority set out in this resolution is revoked or varied 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 the holders of the shares of the Company on the register on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such shares as at that date (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 recognised regulatory body or any stock exchange in, any territory outside Hong Kong applicable to the Company)."

#### 8. ORDINARY RESOLUTION

# PROPOSED GENERAL MANDATE RELATING TO AN EXTENSION TO THE GENERAL MANDATE TO ISSUE NEW SHARES

"THAT subject to the passing of the resolutions Nos. 10 and 11 set out in the notice convening the meeting, the general mandate granted to the Directors of the Company to allot, issue and deal with additional shares pursuant to resolution No. 11 set out in the notice convening this meeting be and is hereby extended by the addition thereto of an amount representing the aggregate nominal amount of shares in the capital of the Company repurchased by the Company under the authority granted pursuant to resolution No. 10 set out in the notice convening this meeting, provided that such amount of shares so repurchased shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the issued share capital of the Company as the date of the said resolution."

9. SPECIAL RESOLUTION

#### PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE BYE-LAWS

"**THAT** the Bye-Laws of the Company (the "Bye-Laws") be and are hereby amended in the following manner:

- (a) by deleting the existing Bye-Law 44 in its entirety and substituting therefor the following new Bye-Law 44:
  - "44. The registration of transfers may be suspended and the registers may be closed at such times and for such periods as the Board may from time to time determine and either generally or in respect of any class of shares. The register shall not be closed for more than thirty days in any year.";

Ordinary Resolution 12

Special Resolution 13

- (b) by deleting the existing Bye-Law 81 in its entirety and substituting therefor the following new Bye-Law 81:
  - "81. Any member of the Company entitled to attend and vote at a meeting of the Company or a meeting of the holders of any class of shares in the Company shall be entitled to appoint another person as his proxy to attend and vote instead of him. Votes may be given either personally or by a duly authorised corporate representative or by proxy. A member who is the holder of two or more shares may appoint not more than two (2) proxies to attend and vote instead of him on the same occasion. A proxy need not be a member. In addition, a proxy or proxies representing either an individual member or a member which is a corporation, shall be entitled to exercise the same powers on behalf of the member which he or they represent as such member could exercise, including the right to speak and vote at the meeting and to vote individually on a show of hands."; and
- (c) by adding the following new Bye-Law 81B immediately following the existing Bye-Law 81A:
  - "81B. (A) Where a member of the Company is an exempt authorised nominee defined under the Securities Industry (Central Depositories) Act 1991 which holds shares in the Company for multiple beneficial owners in one (1) securities account, such member may appoint more than two (2) proxies notwithstanding Bye-Law 81 and the maximum number of proxies that such member can appoint shall be the total number of shares held by such member at the time of appointing the proxies.
    - (B) Where a member appoints more than two (2) proxies, the proportion of shareholdings to be represented by each proxy must be specified in the instrument appointing the proxies."

By Order of the Board **MEDIA CHINESE INTERNATIONAL LIMITED LAW Yuk Kuen TONG Siew Kheng** Joint Company Secretaries

23 July 2012

#### Notes:

1. Any member of the Company entitled to attend and vote at the meeting is entitled to appoint one proxy or proxies to attend and vote instead of him. A proxy may but need not be a member of the Company.

When a member appoints more than one proxy, the appointment shall be invalid unless he/she specifies the proportions of his/her shareholdings to be represented by each proxy.

- 2. A member of the Company who is an authorised nominee as defined under the Malaysian Securities Industry (Central Depositories) Act 1991 may appoint at least one (1) proxy (but not more than two proxies) in respect of each securities account it holds with ordinary shares of the Company standing to the credit of the said securities account.
- 3. In respect of the members in Malaysia, only members registered in the Record of Depositors as at 17 August 2012 shall be eligible to attend the meeting or appoint proxy or proxies to attend and vote on their behalf.
- 4. To be valid, the proxy form, together with any power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed, or a notarially certified copy thereof, must be lodged with (i) Malaysia Branch Share Registrar office at Level 17, The Gardens North Tower, Mid Valley City, Lingkaran Syed Putra, 59200 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia; or (ii) the Hong Kong head office and principal place of business of the Company at 15th Floor, Block A, Ming Pao Industrial Centre, 18 Ka Yip Street, Chai Wan, Hong Kong, not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting or any adjournment thereof.
- 5. Explanatory notes on special business:
  - (a) The proposed Ordinary Resolution No. 9, if passed, will empower the Company and/or its subsidiaries to enter into recurrent related party transactions of a revenue or trading nature with related parties in the ordinary course of business based on normal commercial terms which are not more favourable to the related parties than those generally available to the public which are necessary for the day-to-day operations of the Company and its subsidiaries. Please refer to the circular to shareholders dated 23 July 2012 for more information.
  - (b) The explanatory notes on Ordinary Resolution No. 10 are set out in the circular to shareholders dated 23 July 2012 accompanying the Annual Report.
  - (c) The Company has not issued any new shares under the general mandate for issuance and allotment of shares up to 10% of the issued and paid-up capital of the Company, which was approved at the 21st AGM held on 24 August 2011 and which will lapse at the conclusion of the 22nd AGM to be held on 29 August 2012. A renewal of this mandate is sought at the 22nd AGM under proposed Ordinary Resolution No. 11.

The proposed Ordinary Resolution No. 11, if passed, will authorise the Directors to issue and allot shares up to 10% of the issued and paid-up capital of the Company for the time being for such purposes as the Directors would consider to be in the interest of the Company. This is to avoid any delay and cost involved in convening a general meeting to approve such an issue of shares. This authority, unless revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting, will expire at the conclusion of the next AGM of the Company.

The general mandate, if passed, will provide flexibility to the Directors of the Company to allot and issue shares for any possible fund raising activities, including but not limited to placement of shares, for the purpose of funding future investment, working capital and/or acquisition.

(d) The proposed Special Resolution No. 13, if passed, will streamline the Company's Bye-Laws with the Listing Requirements of Bursa Securities and to update the Bye-Laws to be consistent with the prevailing laws, guidelines or requirements of the relevant authorities.

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises Tan Sri Datuk Sir Tiong Hiew King, Dato' Sri Dr Tiong Ik King, Mr Tiong Kiew Chiong, Mr Ng Chek Yong and Ms Siew Nyoke Chow, being executive directors; Mr Leong Chew Meng, being non-executive director; and Mr David Yu Hon To, Tan Sri Dato' Lau Yin Pin and Temenggong Datuk Kenneth Kanyan Anak Temenggong Koh, being independent non-executive directors.