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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. 200702000044) (Hong Kong Stock Code: 685) (Malaysia Stock Code: 5090)

## CHANGE OF DIRECTORS AND COMPOSITION OF BOARD COMMITTEES

## **RESIGNATION OF INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS**

Pursuant to the Step-up Practice 5.4 of the Malaysian Code on Corporate Governance ("MCCG"), the tenure of independent non-executive directors is limited to a maximum of nine years without further extension.

To comply with the aforesaid MCCG and Board Charter of Media Chinese International Limited (the "**Company**"), the board of directors (the "**Board**") of the Company announces that:

- (i) Datuk Chong Kee Yuon ("Datuk Chong") has tendered his resignation as an independent non-executive director of the Company ("Independent Non-Executive Director") and will cease as the Chairman of the remuneration committee (the "Remuneration Committee") and a member of each of the audit committee (the "Audit Committee") and nomination committee (the "Nomination Committee") of the Company with effect from 1 April 2025. Datuk Chong confirmed that he has no disagreement with the Board and there is no matter in relation to his resignation that needs to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company.
- (ii) Mr Khoo Kar Khoon ("**Mr Khoo**") has tendered his resignation as an Independent Non-Executive Director and will cease as the Chairman of the Nomination Committee and a member of each of the Audit Committee and Remuneration Committee with effect from 1 June 2025. Mr Khoo confirmed that he has no disagreement with the Board and there is no matter in relation to his resignation that needs to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company.

## APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

The Board is pleased to announce that Ms Lim Seang Lee ("**Ms Lim**") and Mr Yong Voon Kar ("**Mr Yong**") have been appointed as Independent Non-Executive Directors to fill the casual vacancies on the Board due to the resignation of Datuk Chong Kee Yuon and Mr Khoo Kar Khoo with effect from 1 April 2025 and 1 June 2025, respectively.

(1) Ms Lim Seang Lee, aged 64, obtained a Bachelor of Law from University of Bristol, United Kingdom in 1983. She was admitted as Barrister at Law of the Honourable Society of the Middle Temple, United Kingdom in 1984, and as Advocate and Solicitor of the High Court of Malaya in 1985.

Presently, Ms Lim is practicing under her own law firm, Messrs. Lim Seang Lee & Associates, Penang, Malaysia in the provision of services to its clients on corporate and commercial matters including regulatory compliances, labour and employment, as well as drafting pertinent documents. She has 39 years in active legal practice with extensive court experience in company, commercial, banking and land law, particularly in the areas of shareholders' disputes and contractual and property disputes.

Currently, Ms Lim Seang Lee is an independent non-executive director of PBA Holdings Berhad, a public listed company in Malaysia.

Ms Lim does not have any relationships with any directors, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholders of the Company and has not held any other positions with any other members of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group").

Save as disclosed above, Ms Lim does not hold any directorships in any other public listed companies, whether in Hong Kong or overseas, in the past three years.

As at the date hereof, Ms Lim does not have any interest in the shares or underlying shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (the "SFO").

Ms Lim has entered into a letter of appointment with the Company for a term commencing from 1 April 2025 to and including 31 March 2027 and is subject to retirement by rotation and re-election at the annual general meetings of the Company in accordance with the Bye-Laws of the Company. She will be entitled to receive a remuneration of RM102,000 (equivalent to approximately US\$23,000) per annum which is determined with reference to her duties and responsibilities with the Company, the Company's performance and the prevailing market condition.

Ms Lim has obtained the legal advice on 20 March 2025 pursuant to Rule 3.09D of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules") and has confirmed that she understood her obligations as a director of the Company. Ms Lim has also confirmed that she meets the independence criteria as set out in Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules, that she does not have any past or present financial or other interest in the business of the Company, and that there are no other factors that may affect her independence as an Independent Non-Executive Director at the time of her appointment.

Save as disclosed above, there are no other matters relating to Ms Lim's appointment that need to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company and there is no other information which is discloseable nor is/was she involved in any of the matters required to be disclosed pursuant to any of the requirements of the provisions under paragraphs 13.51(2)(h) to 13.51(2)(v) of the Listing Rules.

Following the resignation of Datuk Chong Kee Yuon, the Board further announces that Ms Lim Seang Lee, an Independent Non-Executive Director, will be appointed as the Chairman of the Remuneration Committee and a member of each of the Audit Committee and Nomination Committee with effect from 1 April 2025.

(2) Mr Yong Voon Kar, aged 66, holds a Bachelor of Business Studies degree majoring in Accounting from the Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology, Australia. He has been a Member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants, Australia and New Zealand and is a Member of the Malaysia Institute of Accountants since 1984. Mr Yong is a Chartered Accountant by profession. He joined Ernst & Young ("EY") Malaysia in 1984 and was admitted as a Partner in 1996 before becoming the Managing Partner of EY East Malaysia office from 2002 until his retirement in 2018. With an extensive experience in assurance, corporate recovery and corporate finance, he had been the lead audit partner of major East and West Malaysia public and non-public listed companies covering a wide range of industries.

Mr Yong had served in various governance and advisory roles in the EY global and regional network from 2008 to 2015. He had also served at EY's highest governance level — the Global Governance/Advisory Council from 2013 to 2015.

Currently, Mr Yong Voon Kar is an independent non-executive director of KKB Engineering Berhad and Jaya Tiasa Holdings Berhad, which are the public listed companies in Malaysia. He is also a Trustee of Yayasan Sin Chew, a foundation carrying out charitable activities and a director of Global Shepherds Berhad, a company limited by guarantee dedicated to social and charitable causes.

Mr Yong does not have any relationships with any directors, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholders of the Company and has not held any other positions with any other members of the Group.

Save as disclosed above, Mr Yong does not hold any directorships in any other public listed companies, whether in Hong Kong or overseas, in the past three years.

As at the date hereof, Mr Yong does not have any interest in the shares or underlying shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

Mr Yong has entered into a letter of appointment with the Company for a term commencing from 1 June 2025 to and including 31 March 2027 and is subject to retirement by rotation and re-election at the annual general meetings of the Company in accordance with the Bye-Laws of the Company. He will be entitled to receive a remuneration of RM102,000 (equivalent to approximately US\$23,000) per annum which is determined with reference to his duties and responsibilities with the Company, the Company's performance and the prevailing market condition.

Mr Yong has obtained the legal advice on 20 March 2025 pursuant to Rule 3.09D of the Listing Rules and has confirmed that he understood his obligations as a director of the Company. Mr Yong has also confirmed that he meets the independence criteria as set out in Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules, that he does not have any past or present financial or other interest in the business of the Company or its subsidiaries or any connection with any core connected person of the Company, and that there are no other factors that may affect his independence as an Independent Non-Executive Director at the time of his appointment.

Save as disclosed above, there are no other matters relating to Mr Yong's appointment that need to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company and there is no other information which is discloseable nor is/was he involved in any of the matters required to be disclosed pursuant to any of the requirements of the provisions under paragraphs 13.51(2)(h) to 13.51(2)(v) of the Listing Rules.

Following the resignation of Mr Khoo Kar Khoon, the Board further announces that Mr Yong Voon Kar, an Independent Non-Executive Director, will be appointed as the Chairman of the Nomination Committee and a member of each of the Audit Committee and Remuneration Committee with effect from 1 June 2025.

In making the recommendation to the Board for the appointment of new Independent Non-Executive Directors, the Nomination Committee of the Company has considered among other factors including (i) the educational background, experience and qualifications of each Ms Lim Seang Lee and Mr Yong Voon Kar; (ii) the diversity of the Board in terms of their perspectives, skill and experiences that each of them can bring, as well as gender diversity. The Nomination Committee of the Company believes that with their respective background, they will be able to make valuable contributions to the Company as new Independent Non-Executive Directors.

The Board congratulates Ms Lim Seang Lee and Mr Yong Voon Kar on their respective appointments and would like to express its sincere gratitude to Datuk Chong Kee Yuon and Mr Khoo Kar Khoon for their efforts and contributions to the Company during their tenure of office as the Independent Non-Executive Directors.

On behalf of the Board Media Chinese International Limited Tiong Kiew Chiong Director

26 March 2025

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises Mr Tiong Kiew Chiong, Mr Wong Khang Yen, Mr Liew Sam Ngan and Ms Tiong Yijia, being executive directors; Ms Tiong Choon, being non-executive director; and Mr Ip Koon Wing, Ernest, Datuk Chong Kee Yuon and Mr Khoo Kar Khoon being independent non-executive directors.