# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT** the 42<sup>nd</sup> annual general meeting of Hap Seng Consolidated Berhad will be held at the Kinabalu Room, Ground Floor, Menara Hap Seng, Jalan P. Ramlee, 50250 Kuala Lumpur on Wednesday, 30 May 2018 at 10am to transact the following:-

#### **AGENDA**

#### **ORDINARY BUSINESS**

1. To table the audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2017 together with the reports of directors and auditors. Note 1

To consider and if thought fit, to pass the following ordinary resolutions:-

2. To re-elect the following directors who shall retire by rotation in accordance with article 97 of the Company's articles of association and being eligible, have offered themselves for re-election:- Note 2 & 4

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(a) Ms. Cheah Yee Leng

- (b) Datuk Simon Shim Kong Yip, JP
- (c) Mr. Leow Ming Fong @ Leow Min Fong
- 3. To re-elect Dato' Wan Mohd Fadzmi Bin Che Wan Othman Fadzilah who shall retire in accordance with article 103 of the Company's articles of association and being eligible, has offered himself for re-election. Note 3 & 4
- 4. To approve the payment of directors' fees of the Company and its subsidiaries amounting to RM953,452.00 for the financial year ended 31 December 2017. Note 5
- 5. To reappoint Messrs Ernst & Young as auditors of the Company to hold office until the conclusion of the next annual general meeting at a remuneration to be determined by the directors of the Company.  $_{\text{Note }6}$

#### Ordinary Resolution 1 Ordinary Resolution 2 Ordinary Resolution 3

# Ordinary Resolution 4

- Ordinary Resolution 5
- Ordinary Resolution 6

#### **SPECIAL BUSINESS**

To consider and if thought fit, to pass the following resolutions:-

6. Authority to allot shares pursuant to section 75 of the Companies Act 2016

"That subject always to the approvals of the relevant authorities, the directors of the Company be and are hereby empowered pursuant to section 75 of the Companies Act 2016 to allot shares in the Company at any time upon such terms and conditions, and for such purposes as the directors of the Company may in their absolute discretion deem fit, provided that the aggregate number of shares issued pursuant to this resolution does not exceed 10% of the total number of issued shares of the Company for the time being and that the directors of the Company be and are hereby empowered to obtain the approval for the listing of and quotation for the additional shares so issued on the Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad and such authority shall continue to be in force until the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company." Note 7

Ordinary Resolution 7

## 7. Continuation of Dato' Mohammed Bin Haji Che Hussein as an independent non-executive director

"That pursuant to Practice 4.2 of the Malaysian Code on Corporate Governance, Dato' Mohammed Bin Haji Che Hussein who has served the Board as an independent non-executive director of the Company for a cumulative term of more than 9 years be and is hereby authorised to continue in office as an independent non-executive director of the Company until the conclusion of the next annual general meeting." Note 8

Ordinary Resolution 8

#### 8. Continuation of Dato' Jorgen Bornhoft as the independent non-executive chairman

"That pursuant to Practice 4.2 of the Malaysian Code on Corporate Governance, Dato' Jorgen Bornhoft who has served the Board as an independent non-executive chairman of the Company for a cumulative term of more than 12 years be and is hereby authorised to continue in office as the independent non-executive chairman of the Company until the conclusion of the next annual general meeting." Note 9

Ordinary Resolution 9

# 9. Proposed renewal of and new shareholders' mandate for recurrent related party transactions of a revenue or trading nature

"That subject to the provisions of the Main Market Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad, approval be and is hereby given to the Company and its subsidiaries to enter into recurrent related party transactions of a revenue or trading nature with the related parties as set out in Part A, section 2.2 of the Circular/Statement to shareholders dated 30 April 2018, provided such transactions are necessary for the day-to-day operations of the Company and/or its subsidiaries and are carried out in the ordinary course of business, at arm's length and on normal commercial terms which are not more favourable to the related parties than those generally available to the public and are not detrimental to the minority shareholders of the Company.

That such approval shall continue to be in force until:-

- (a) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company, at which time the said authority shall lapse, unless renewed by a resolution passed at the annual general meeting; or
- (b) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required to be held pursuant to section 340(2) of the Companies Act 2016 (but must not extend to such extension as may be allowed pursuant to section 340(4) of the Companies Act 2016); or
- (c) revoked or varied by a resolution passed by the shareholders in a general meeting of the Company,

whichever is the earlier;

and that the directors of the Company be and are hereby authorised to complete and do all such acts and things as they may consider expedient or necessary to give effect to the proposed renewal of and new shareholders' mandate."  $_{\rm Note\,10}$ 

Ordinary Resolution 10

#### 10. Proposed renewal of share buy-back authority

"That subject always to section 127 of the Companies Act 2016, the Company's articles of association, Main Market Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad, and the approvals of all relevant governmental and/or regulatory authorities, the directors of the Company be and are hereby authorised to purchase ordinary shares in the Company through Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad, provided that:-

- (a) the aggregate number of ordinary shares purchased and/or held by the Company as treasury shares shall not exceed 10% of the total number of issued shares of the Company;
- (b) the maximum funds allocated by the Company for the purpose of purchasing its own shares shall not exceed the total retained profits of the Company, based on the Company's audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2017; and
- (c) the authority conferred by this resolution shall continue to be in force until:-
  - (1) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company, at which time the said authority shall lapse, unless is renewed by the passing of a resolution at that meeting, either unconditionally or subject to conditions; or
  - (2) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required to be held pursuant to section 340(2) of the Companies Act 2016 (but shall not extend to such extension as may be allowed pursuant to section 340(4) of the Companies Act 2016); or
  - (3) revoked or varied by a resolution passed by the shareholders in a general meeting of the Company,

whichever occur first.

and that the directors of the Company be and are hereby authorised to deal with the shares purchased in their absolute discretion in the following manner:-

- (i) cancel all the shares so purchased; and/or
- (ii) retain the shares so purchased in treasury for distribution as dividend to the shareholders and/or resell on the market of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad; and/or
- (iii) retain part thereof as treasury shares and cancel the remainder; and/or
- (iv) in any other manner as prescribed by the Companies Act 2016, rules, regulations and orders made pursuant to the Companies Act 2016 and the requirements of the Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad and any other relevant authority for the time being in force,

and further that the directors of the Company be and are hereby authorised to take all such steps as are necessary and/or enter into any and all agreements, arrangements and guarantees with any party or parties to implement, finalise and give full effect to the aforesaid purchase with full powers to assent to any conditions, modifications, revaluations, variations and/or amendments (if any) as may be imposed by the relevant authorities from time to time to implement or to effect the purchase of its own shares." Note 11

Ordinary Resolution 11

#### 11. Proposed adoption of new constitution of the Company (Proposed Adoption)

"That the Company's existing memorandum and articles of association be deleted in its entirety and that the new constitution as set out in Part C of the Circular/Statement to shareholder dated 30 April 2018 be and is hereby adopted as the new constitution of the Company,

and that the directors of the Company be and are hereby authorised to do all such acts, deeds and things as are necessary and/or expedient in order to give full effect to the Proposed Adoption with full powers to assent to any conditions, modifications and/or amendments as may be required by any relevant authorities to give effect to the Proposed Adoption."  $_{\text{Note }12}$ 

Special Resolution

By order of the Board

**Lim Guan Nee** (MAICSA 7009321) **Quan Sheet Mei** (MIA 6742) Company Secretaries

Kuala Lumpur 30 April 2018

#### Explanatory notes to the Agenda:-

- 1. Pursuant to section 340(1) and (2) of the Companies Act 2016 (Act), the directors shall lay before the Company at its annual general meeting (AGM) its audited financial statements made up to a date not more than 6 months before the date of the AGM. This agenda 1 is meant for discussion only and will not be put forward for voting.
- 2. Pursuant to article 97 of the Company's articles of association, at least one-third of the directors of the Company for the time being shall retire from office at every AGM and be eligible for re-election.
- 3. Pursuant to article 103 of the Company's articles of association and paragraph 7.22 of the Main Market Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad (Listing Requirements), any director so appointed, either to fill a casual vacancy or as an addition to the board of directors, shall hold office until the next AGM of the Company, and shall then be eliqible for re-election.
- 4. Based on the satisfactory outcome of its review, the Nominating Committee had made recommendations to the board of directors (Board) that these directors are eligible to stand for re-election.
- 5. Pursuant to section 230(1) of the Act, the Company shall at every AGM approve the fees of the directors of the Company and its subsidiaries. The directors' fees of RM953,452.00 excludes any directors' fees payable by its listed subsidiaries where their respective shareholders' approval has been obtained/is to be obtained.
- 6. Pursuant to section 271(4) and section 273 (b) of the Act, the Company shall at every AGM appoint its auditors who shall hold office until the conclusion of the next AGM.

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- 7. The proposed ordinary resolution 7 is a renewal of the general mandate (General Mandate) for the authority to allot shares pursuant to section 75 of the Act. This proposed ordinary resolution 7, if passed, will empower the directors of the Company to allot ordinary shares in the Company up to 10% of the total number of issued shares of the Company for the time being, subject to compliance with all other regulatory requirements and this General Mandate will enable the Company to finance investment projects, working capital and/or acquisitions by issuing new shares as and when the need arises without delay or incurring costs in convening a separate general meeting. This General Mandate, unless revoked or varied at an earlier general meeting, will expire at the conclusion of the next AGM of the Company.
  - As at the date of this notice of AGM, the Company has not issued any new shares pursuant to the mandate granted by the shareholders at the last AGM held on 31 May 2017, which the mandate shall lapse at the conclusion of this AGM.
- 8. Despite having served as an independent non-executive director for more than 9 years, the Board, upon the assessment and recommendation of the Nominating Committee, is of the opinion that Dato' Mohammed Bin Haji Che Hussein continues to advocate professional views without fear or favour and is capable of acting objectively in the best interest of the Company, as well as has demonstrably proven to be in compliance with all the requirements to be independent in accordance with the Listing Requirements.
- 9. Despite having served as the independent non-executive chairman for more than 12 years, the Board, upon the assessment and recommendation of the Nominating Committee, is of the opinion that Dato' Jorgen Bornhoft continues to advocate professional views without fear or favour and is capable of acting objectively in the best interest of the Company, as well as has demonstrably proven to be in compliance with all the requirements to be independent in accordance with the Listing Requirements.
  - Pending the amendment of the Company's constitution to authorise a two-tier voting process, the Company will be seeking the shareholders' approval to retain Dato' Jorgen Bornhoft to continue in office as the independent non-executive chairman of the Company until the conclusion of the next AGM by way of a single-tier voting process.
- 10. The proposed ordinary resolution 10 is to enable the Company and its subsidiaries to enter into recurrent related party transactions (RRPT) which are necessary for day-to-day operations, subject to the transactions being carried out in the ordinary course of business and on terms not detrimental to the minority shareholders of the Company. This would also eliminate the need to make regular announcements to Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad or convene separate general meetings from time to time to seek shareholders' approval as and when RRPT arise, thereby reducing substantial administrative time and expenses in convening such meetings.
  - Further information on the said RRPT is set out in Part A of the Circular/Statement to shareholders dated 30 April 2018 which is despatched together with the Company's 2017 Annual Report.
- 11. The proposed ordinary resolution 11, if approved, will empower the Company to purchase its own shares of up to 10% of the total number of issued shares of the Company. This authority, unless revoked or varies by the Company at a general meeting, will expire at the conclusion of next AGM of the Company. Further information on the proposed renewal of share buy-back authority is set out in Part B of the Circular/Statement to shareholders dated 30 April 2018 which is despatched together with the Company's 2017 Annual Report.
- 12. The proposed special resolution, if passed, shall streamline the constitution of the Company to be aligned with the Act which came into force on 31 January 2017, the updated provision of the Listing Requirements, and prevailing statutory and regulatory requirements as well as to render clarity and consistency throughout. Further information on the Proposed Adoption is set out in the Part C of the Circular/Statement to shareholders dated 30 April 2018 which is despatched together with the Company's 2017 Annual Report.

#### Notes to the notice of AGM:-

- 1. A depositor shall not be regarded as a member entitled to attend this AGM, to speak and vote thereat unless his/her name appears in the register of members and/or record of depositors as at 22 May 2018.
- 2. Subject to note 3 below, a member entitled to attend and vote at this AGM is entitled to appoint a proxy or proxies to attend and vote in his/her stead. Where a member appoints more than 1 proxy, the appointment shall be invalid unless he/she specifies the proportion of his/her holdings to be represented by each proxy. The proxy or proxies need not be a member of the Company and there shall be no restriction as to the qualification of the proxy or proxies.
- 3. Where a member is an exempt authorised nominee which holds ordinary shares in the Company for multiple beneficial owners in one securities account (omnibus account) as defined under the Securities Industry (Central Depositories) Act, 1991, there is no limit on the number of proxies which the exempt authorised nominee may appoint in respect of each omnibus account it holds.
- 4. The instrument appointing a proxy shall be in writing under the hand of the appointor or his/her attorney duly authorised in writing, or if the appointor is a corporation, either under the seal or under the hand of an officer or attorney duly authorised, and such duly executed instrument appointing a proxy must be deposited at the registered office of the Company at 21st Floor, Menara Hap Seng, Jalan P. Ramlee, 50250 Kuala Lumpur not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the AGM or any adjournment thereof.