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Rich Goldman Holdings Limited (Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability) (Stock Code: 00070)

### (I) PROPOSED OPEN OFFER ON THE BASIS OF NINE (9) OPEN OFFER SHARES FOR EVERY FIVE (5) EXISTING SHARES HELD ON THE RECORD DATE; (II) EXEMPTED CONNECTED TRANSACTION; (III) APPLICATION FOR WHITEWASH WAIVER; AND (IV) RESUMPTION OF TRADING

#### **PROPOSED OPEN OFFER**

The Board proposes by way of the Open Offer to offer to the Shareholders a total of 1,246,386,015 Open Offer Shares at a price of HK\$0.12 per Open Offer Share. The net proceeds from the Open Offer after deducting related expenses are estimated to be approximately HK\$145.07 million. Faith Mount, a substantial Shareholder beneficially holding 205,125,000 Shares, representing approximately 29.62% of the existing number of Shares in issue as at the date of this announcement, has agreed to be the Underwriter for all the Untaken Offer Shares, on the terms and conditions set out in the Underwriting Agreement.

The Open Offer is not available to the Non-Qualifying Shareholder. To qualify for the Open Offer, a Shareholder must be registered as a member of the Company on the Record Date and a Qualifying Shareholder.

In order for the transferees to be registered as members of the Company on the Record Date, all transfers of Shares (together with the relevant share certificates and instruments of transfer) must be lodged with the Registrar (i.e. Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited) at Room 1712-16, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong, by 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, 10 December 2019.

#### THE IRREVOCABLE UNDERTAKINGS

#### The Underwriter's undertaking

Pursuant to the Irrevocable Undertaking, Faith Mount has irrevocably undertaken to the Company (i) to apply and pay for all Open Offer Shares which will be in the assured allotment of Open Offer Shares in respect of the 205,125,000 Shares beneficially owned by it; (ii) that it will remain to be the beneficial owner of the 205,125,000 Shares at the close of business on the Record Date; and (iii) to procure that the application for the Open Offer Shares shall be lodged with the Registrar or the Company, in accordance with the terms of the Prospectus Documents, provided that the Whitewash Waiver having been granted by the Executive prior to the Posting Date and not having been revoked or withdrawn.

#### The Optionholders' Undertakings

On 14 October 2019, each of the Optionholders has given his irrevocable undertaking to the Company and Faith Mount to the effect that he will not exercise any of his Share Options on or before the Record Date.

#### LISTING RULES IMPLICATIONS

#### The Open Offer

As the Open Offer Shares are not issued pursuant to the general mandate of the Company, in accordance with Rule 7.24A(1) of the Listing Rules, among other things, the Open Offer must be made conditional on approval by the Independent Shareholders at the EGM and, pursuant to Rule 7.27A(1) of the Listing Rules, any controlling Shareholders and their associates, or where there is no controlling Shareholder, the Directors (other than the independent non-executive Directors) and the chief executive of the Company and their respective associates shall abstain from voting in favour of the resolution(s) relating to the Open Offer.

#### **Exempted connected transaction**

The Underwriting Agreement constitutes a connected transaction for the Company as Faith Mount, being a substantial Shareholder and the Underwriter, is a connected person of the Company. However, pursuant to Rule 14A.76(1) of the Listing Rules, as there is no underwriting fee payable by the Company to the Underwriter and the Underwriting Agreement is conducted on normal commercial terms, it is fully exempt from reporting, announcement and independent shareholders' approval requirements under Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules.

## TAKEOVERS CODE IMPLICATIONS AND APPLCATION FOR THE WHITEWASH WAIVER

As at the date of this announcement, Faith Mount is the beneficial owner of a total of 205,125,000 Shares, representing approximately 29.62% of the entire issued share capital of the Company. Assuming (i) there is no change in the number of issued Shares from the date of this announcement up to and including the date of close of the Open Offer; (ii) none of the Qualifying Shareholders other than Faith Mount have taken up their entitlements under the Open Offer; and (iii) none of the Unsubscribed Shares have been taken up under the Unsubscribed Arrangement, the interests in the Company held by Faith Mount upon the close of the Open Offer will increase from the current level of approximately 29.62% to approximately 74.87% of the issued share capital of the Company as enlarged by the allotment and issue of the Open Offer Shares. Faith Mount will, in the absence of the Whitewash Waiver, be obliged to make a mandatory cash offer for all issued Shares not already owned or agreed to be acquired by it pursuant to Rule 26 of the Takeovers Code.

An application will be made by Faith Mount to the Executive for the Whitewash Waiver. The Whitewash Waiver, if granted by the Executive, would be subject to, among other things, the approval of the Open Offer and the Whitewash Waiver by the Independent Shareholders at the EGM by way of poll. Under the Takeovers Code, the resolution(s) in relation to the Whitewash Waiver shall be approved by at least 75% of the independent votes that are either in person or by proxy by the Independent Shareholders at the EGM. Save for Faith Mount and the parties acting in concert with it and those who are involved in and/or interested in the Open Offer and the Whitewash Waiver, no Shareholder is required to abstain from voting in favour of the proposed resolution approving the Whitewash Waiver at the EGM. If the Whitewash Waiver is not granted by the Executive, the Open Offer will not proceed.

## EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING AND INDEPENDENT SHAREHOLDERS' APPROVAL

The EGM will be convened and held to consider and, if appropriate, approve the Open Offer, the Whitewash Waiver and the transactions contemplated thereunder.

As at the date of this announcement, Faith Mount (which is wholly owned by Ms. Lin Yee Man) owns 205,125,000 Shares, representing approximately 29.62% of the existing number of Shares in issue.

Faith Mount and parties acting in concert with it and those who are involved in and/or interested in the Open Offer and the Whitewash Waiver will abstain from voting at the EGM in respect of the resolutions for the Open Offer and the Whitewash Waiver. Under the Takeovers Code, the resolution(s) in relation to the Whitewash Waiver shall be approved by at least 75% of the independent votes that are either in person or by proxy by the Independent Shareholders at the EGM.

#### ESTABLISHMENT OF THE LISTING RULES IBC, THE TAKOVER CODES IBC AND APPOINTMENT OF THE INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL ADVISER

The Company has established the Listing Rules IBC, comprising all the independent non-executive Directors, to advise the Independent Shareholders in respect of the Open Offer and as to the voting action therefor. The Company has also established the Takeovers Code IBC, comprising the non-executive Director and all the independent non-executive Directors, to advise the Independent Shareholders in respect of, the Whitewash Waiver and as to the voting action therefor.

An independent financial adviser will be appointed to advise (i) the Listing Rules IBC and the Independent Shareholders in respect of the Open Offer; and (ii) the Takeovers Code IBC and the Independent Shareholders in respect of the Whitewash Waiver. The appointment of the Independent Financial Adviser will be approved by the Takeovers Code IBC. An announcement will be made upon the appointment of the Independent Financial Adviser.

#### **DESPATCH OF CIRCULAR**

The Circular containing, among other things, (i) information regarding the Open Offer, the Whitewash Waiver and the transactions contemplated thereunder; (ii) the recommendation from the Listing Rules IBC to the Independent Shareholders on the Open Offer; (iii) the recommendation from the Takeovers Code IBC to the Independent Shareholders on the Whitewash Wavier, (iv) the advice of the Independent Financial Adviser to the Listing Rules IBC, the Takeovers Code IBC and the Independent Shareholders in relation to the Open Offer and the Whitewash Waiver; (v) other information required under the Listing Rules and the Takeovers Code; and (vi) the notice of the EGM is required to be despatched to the Shareholders within 21 days from the date of this announcement pursuant to Rule 8.2 of the Takeovers Code (i.e. on or before 8 November 2019). However, as additional time is required for the preparation of the Circular, an application will be made to the Executive to extend the deadline for the despatch of the Circular. Further announcement(s) will be made in this regard as and when appropriate.

#### **RESUMPTION OF TRADING**

At the request of the Company, trading in the Shares on the Stock Exchange was halted with effect from 9:00 a.m. on 15 October 2019 pending the release of this announcement. Application has been made by the Company to the Stock Exchange for the resumption of trading in the Shares on the Stock Exchange with effect from 9:00 a.m. on 21 October 2019.

#### **PROPOSED OPEN OFFER**

The Board proposes to offer by way of the Open Offer to the Shareholders a total of 1,246,386,015 Open Offer Shares at a price of HK\$0.12 per Open Offer Share. The net proceeds from the Open Offer after deducting related expenses are estimated to be approximately HK\$145.07 million. Faith Mount, a substantial Shareholder beneficially holding 205,125,000 Shares, representing approximately 29.62% of the existing number of Shares in issue as at the date of this announcement, has agreed to be the Underwriter for the Untaken Offer Shares on the terms and conditions set out in the Underwriting Agreement.

#### **Issue statistics**

Basis of the Open Offer	:	Nine (9) Open Offer Shares for every five (5) existing Shares held by the Shareholders on the Record Date
Open Offer Price	:	HK\$0.12 per Open Offer Share
Number of Shares in issue as at the date of this announcement	:	692,436,675 Shares
Number of Open Offer Shares	:	1,246,386,015 Open Offer Shares (assuming no change in the number of issued Shares from the date of this announcement up to and including the Record Date)
Underwriter	:	Faith Mount Limited

As at the date of this announcement, the Company has 8,356,000 outstanding Share Options granted under the Share Option Scheme carrying rights for the holders thereof to subscribe for an aggregate of 8,356,000 new Shares.

Save for the above, the Company has no other outstanding warrants, options or convertible securities in issue or other similar rights which confer any right to convert into or subscribe for Shares as at the date of this announcement.

On 14 October 2019, each of the Optionholders has given his irrevocable undertaking to the Company and Faith Mount to the effect that he will not exercise any of his Share Options on or before the Record Date (see the paragraphs headed "The Optionholders' Undertakings" under the section headed "The Irrevocable Undertakings" below for further details of the Optionholders' Undertakings). Accordingly, it is not expected that there will be any change in the number of issued Shares from the date of this announcement up to and including the Record Date. On this basis, the aggregate number of the Open Offer Shares that will be allotted and issued represents (i) not more than 180% of the existing number of Shares in issue as at the date of this announcement; and (ii) approximately 64.29% of the number of Shares in issue as enlarged by the allotment and issue of the Open Offer Shares.

#### The Open Offer Price

The Open Offer Price of HK\$0.12 per Open Offer Share, payable in full by a Qualifying Shareholder upon application for the assured allotment of Open Offer Shares under the Open Offer, represents:

- (i) a discount of approximately 28.57% over the closing price of HK\$0.168 per Share as quoted on the Stock Exchange on the Last Trading Day;
- (ii) a discount of approximately 30.64% over the average of the closing prices per Share as quoted on the Stock Exchange for the last five consecutive trading days up to and including the Last Trading Day of approximately HK\$0.173;
- (iii) a discount of approximately 29.41% over the average of the closing prices per Share as quoted on the Stock Exchange for the last 10 consecutive trading days up to and including the Last Trading Day of approximately HK\$0.170;
- (iv) a discount of approximately 31.82% to the average of the closing prices per Share as quoted on the Stock Exchange for the last 30 consecutive trading days up to and including the Last Trading Day of approximately HK\$0.176;
- (v) a discount of approximately 12.41% to the theoretical ex-entitlement price of approximately HK\$0.137 per Share based on the closing price of HK\$0.168 per Share as quoted on the Stock Exchange on the Last Trading Day and the number of Shares as enlarged by the Open Offer Shares;
- (vi) a theoretical dilution effect (as defined under Rule 7.27B of the Listing Rules) of a discount of approximately 19.44% represented by the theoretical diluted price of approximately HK\$0.139 to the benchmarked price of approximately HK\$0.172 per Share (as defined under Rule 7.27B of the Listing Rules, taking into account the closing price on the Last Trading Date of HK\$0.168 per Share and the average of the closing prices of the Shares as quoted on the Stock Exchange for the five previous consecutive trading days prior to the date of this announcement of HK\$0.172 per Share); and
- (vii) a discount of approximately 93.02% to the consolidated net asset value per Share attributable to the Shareholders as at 30 June 2019 of approximately HK\$1.72 per Share calculated based on the consolidated net assets of the Group attributable to the Shareholders of approximately HK\$1,191,821,000 as at 30 June 2019 as extracted from the annual results announcement of the Company for the year ended 30 June 2019 and 692,436,675 Shares then in issue.

The terms of the Open Offer, including the Open Offer Price, were determined by the Board with reference to (i) the prevailing market condition; (ii) the prevailing market prices of the Shares; and (iii) the capital required for the Group's business development as detailed in the section headed "Use of proceeds" below. The Open Offer Shares will be offered to all Shareholders and each Qualifying Shareholder will be entitled to apply for the Open Offer Shares at the same price in proportion to his/her/its shareholding in the Company held on the Record Date. The Directors (other than members of the Listing Rules IBC whose view will be set out in the Circular after taking into account the advice of the Independent Financial Adviser) consider that the terms of the Open Offer, including the Open Offer Price, are fair and reasonable and in the interests of the Company and the Shareholders as a whole.

#### **Conditions of the Open Offer**

The Open Offer is conditional upon (i) the obtaining of the Independent Shareholders' approval at the EGM; (ii) the Whitewash Waiver having been granted to Faith Mount (and such waiver not having been revoked or withdrawn); and (iii) the Underwriting Agreement becoming unconditional and not being terminated in accordance with its terms. For details of the conditions of the Underwriting Agreement, please refer to the paragraphs headed "Conditions of the Underwriting Agreement" under the section headed "The Underwriting Arrangement for the Open Offer" below.

#### **Basis of assured allotment**

Under the Open Offer, the basis of the assured allotment shall be nine (9) Open Offer Shares for every five (5) existing Shares held by the Shareholders as at the close of business on the Record Date.

#### Fractional assured allotment of the Open Offer Shares

Open Offer Shares in assured allotment will be rounded down to the nearest whole number. No fractional Open Offer Shares will be issued under the Open Offer. All fractions of Open Offer Shares will be aggregated and first placed by the Placing Agent under the Unsubscribed Arrangements (see details set out in the paragraphs headed "Procedures in respect of the Unsubscribed Shares and the Unsubscribed Arrangements" below) to Independent Third Parties.

#### **Status of the Open Offer Shares**

The Open Offer Shares, when issued and fully paid, will be free from all liens, charges, encumbrances and third-party rights, interests or claims of any nature whatsoever and shall rank pari passu in all respects with the Shares then in issue, including as to the right to receive all dividends and distributions which may be declared, made or paid on or after the date of allotment of the Open Offer Shares.

#### **Qualifying Shareholders and Non-Qualifying Shareholders**

To qualify for the Open Offer, a Shareholder must be registered as a member of the Company on the Record Date and a Qualifying Shareholder.

As at the date of this announcement, the Company has 246 Overseas Shareholders with registered addresses situated in the United States of America, the United Kingdom, Canada, Liberia, Thailand, Channel Islands, Isle of Man, Singapore and Malaysia.

In order for the transferees to be registered as members of the Company on the Record Date, all transfers of Shares (together with the relevant share certificates and instruments of transfer) must be lodged with the Registrar (i.e. Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited) at Room 1712-16, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong, by 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, 10 December 2019.

The Company expects to send the Prospectus Documents to Qualifying Shareholders on or before Monday, 16 December 2019. The Company will, to the extent permitted under the relevant laws and regulations and reasonably practicable, send the Prospectus only, to Non-Qualifying Shareholders for information purposes. The Non-Qualifying Shareholders will not be entitled to any assured allotment under the Open Offer.

Application for all or any part of a Qualifying Shareholder's assured allotment of Open Offer Shares should be made by completing the Application Form and lodging the same with a remittance for the Open Offer Shares being applied for with the Registrar at or before the Latest Time for Application (i.e. 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, 2 January 2020).

#### **Rights of Overseas Shareholders**

The Prospectus Documents are not intended to be registered or filed under the applicable securities legislation of any jurisdiction other than Hong Kong.

The Board will make enquiries regarding the feasibility of extending the Open Offer to Overseas Shareholders. If, based on legal advice, the Board is of the opinion that it would be necessary or expedient not to offer the Open Offer Shares to Overseas Shareholders on account either of the legal restrictions under the laws of the relevant place or the requirements of the relevant regulatory body or stock exchange in that place, the Open Offer Shares will not be available to such Overseas Shareholders. Further information in this connection will be set out in the Prospectus.

Overseas Shareholders should note that they may or may not be entitled to participate in the Open Offer, subject to the results of enquiries made by the Company. Accordingly, Overseas Shareholders should exercise caution when dealing in the Shares, and if they are in any doubt about their position, they should consult their own professional advisers.

#### **Procedures in respect of the Unsubscribed Shares and the Unsubscribed Arrangements**

Pursuant to Rule 7.26A(2) of the Listing Rules, as Faith Mount, being a substantial Shareholder, shall act as the underwriter of the Open Offer, the Company must make arrangements as stipulated in Rule 7.26A(1)(b) of the Listing Rules to dispose of any Unsubscribed Shares by offering such Unsubscribed Shares to independent placees for the benefit of the relevant No Action Shareholders.

Any Unsubscribed Shares (which comprise (i) the fractional Open Offer Shares aggregated as mentioned above; (ii) the Open Offer Shares that are not subscribed by the Qualifying Shareholders; and/or (iii) Open Offer Shares which would otherwise have been in the assured allotments of the Non-Qualifying Shareholders) will be first placed by the Placing Agent under the Unsubscribed Arrangements to investors who (or as the case may be, their ultimate beneficial owner(s)) are not Shareholders and are otherwise Independent Third Parties, and if not successfully placed out, will be taken up by the Underwriter pursuant to the terms of the Underwriting Agreement.

In order to comply with the Listing Rules, the Company has entered into the Placing Agreement with the Placing Agent to place the Unsubscribed Shares at the Placing Price. Any unplaced Unsubscribed Shares will then be taken up by the Underwriter pursuant to the terms of the Underwriting Agreement.

Principal terms of the Placing Agreement are summarized below:

Placing Agent	:	Ferran Securities
Placing commission	:	1.0% of the gross proceeds from the subscription of the Unsubscribed Shares successfully placed by the Placing Agent as at the date of Open Offer Completion
Placing Price	:	HK\$0.12 per Unsubscribed Share
Placing Period	:	The Placing Period shall commence on the second Business Day after the day on which the latest time for acceptance for the Open Offer Shares falls (i.e. 6 January 2020 under the current timetable), and end on the Placing End Date (i.e. 7 January 2020 under the current timetable) or such other dates as the Company may announce, being the period during which the Placing Agent will seek to effect the Unsubscribed Arrangements

Placees : The Unsubscribed Shares are expected to be placed to investors who (or as the case may be, their ultimate beneficial owner(s)) are not Shareholders and are otherwise Independent Third Parties

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The Placing Agent shall, on a best efforts basis during the Placing Period, seek to procure subscribers who (or as the case may be, their ultimate beneficial owner(s)) are not Shareholders and are otherwise Independent Third Parties for all (or as many as possible) of the Unsubscribed Shares.

The Placing Agent confirms that it is an Independent Third Party, and that there is no other arrangement, agreement, understanding or undertaking with the Underwriter in relation to the Shares. The terms of the Placing Agreement, including the placing commission, were determined after arm's length negotiation between the Placing Agent and the Company with reference to the prevailing market rate and the Company considers the terms to be normal commercial terms.

The Company considers that the Unsubscribed Arrangements will provide a compensatory mechanism for the No Action Shareholders, protect the interest of the Company's Independent Shareholders, and are fair and reasonable and in the interests of the Company and the Shareholders as a whole.

Because the Company has put in place the above Unsubscribed Arrangements as required by Rule 7.26A(1)(b) of the Listing Rules, there will be no excess application arrangements in relation to the Open Offer as stipulated under Rule 7.26A(1)(a) of the Listing Rules.

#### Share certificates for the Open Offer Shares

Subject to fulfilment of the conditions of the Open Offer and to its proceeding, share certificates for the fully-paid Open Offer Shares are expected to be posted by Friday, 10 January 2020 to those entitled thereto by ordinary post at their own risks. If the Open Offer is terminated, refund cheques are expected to be despatched on or before Friday, 10 January 2020 by ordinary post at the respective Shareholders' own risk.

#### **Application for listing of the Open Offer Shares**

The Company will apply to the Listing Committee for the listing of, and permission to deal in, the Open Offer Shares on the Stock Exchange.

Subject to the granting of the listing of, and permission to deal in, the Open Offer Shares on the Stock Exchange, the Open Offer Shares will be accepted as eligible securities by HKSCC for deposit, clearance and settlement in CCASS with effect from the commencement date of dealings in the Open Offer Shares on the Stock Exchange or such other dates as may be determined by HKSCC. Settlement of transactions between participants of the Stock Exchange on any trading day is required to take place in CCASS on the second trading day thereafter. All activities under CCASS are subject to the General Rules of CCASS and CCASS Operational Procedures in effect from time to time. Shareholders should seek advice from their stock brokers or other professional advisers for details of those settlement arrangements and how such arrangements will affect their rights and interests.

Dealings in the Open Offer Shares will be subject to the payment of stamp duty and other applicable fees and charges in Hong Kong.

#### THE IRREVOCABLE UNDERTAKINGS

#### The Underwriter's undertaking

Pursuant to the Irrevocable Undertaking, Faith Mount has irrevocably undertaken to the Company (i) to apply and pay or procure application and payment for all Open Offer Shares which will be in the assured allotment of Open Offer Shares in respect of the 205,125,000 Shares beneficially owned by it; (ii) that it will remain to be the beneficial owner of the 205,125,000 Shares at the close of business on the Record Date; and (iii) to procure that the application for the Open Offer Shares shall be lodged with the Registrar or the Company, in accordance with the terms of the Prospectus Documents, provided that the Whitewash Waiver having been granted by the Executive prior to the Posting Date and not having been revoked or withdrawn.

#### The Optionholders' Undertakings

As at the date of this announcement, the Company has 8,356,000 outstanding Share Options granted under the Share Option Scheme carrying rights for the holders thereof to subscribe for an aggregate of 8,356,000 new Shares. Details of the Share Options outstanding and the Optionholders are set out below:

Name	Date of grant	Exercise period	Exercise price HK\$	Number of Share Options held as at the date of this announcement	Percentage to issued Shares as at the date of this announcement (%)
Mr. Niglio, a non-executive Director	1 April 2016	1 April 2016 to 31 March 2026	0.61	4,178,000	0.60
Mr. Lin Chuen Chow, Andy, an executive Director	1 April 2016	1 April 2016 to 31 March 2026	0.61	4,178,000	0.60

On 14 October 2019, each of the Optionholders (being Mr. Lin Chuen Chow, Andy, an executive Director, and Mr. Niglio, the non-executive Director) has given his irrevocable undertaking to the Company and Faith Mount to the effect that he will not exercise any of his Share Options on or before the Record Date.

#### THE UNDERWRITING ARRANGEMENT FOR THE OPEN OFFER

#### Principal terms of the Underwriting Agreement

Date	:	14 October 2019
Parties	:	(i) The Company; and
		(ii) Faith Mount, being the Underwriter to the Open Offer
Number of Open Offer Shares underwritten	:	All such Unsubscribed Shares that have not been placed by the Placing Agent or they have been placed but the placees have not paid therefor at 4:00 p.m. on the Placing End Date
Commission	:	Nil

Faith Mount's obligation to make a general offer under the Takeovers Code may be triggered as a result of the acceptance by Faith Mount and/or the parties acting in concert with it of the Unsubscribed Shares allotted to them under the Open Offer when there is an undersubscription of the Open Offer. Faith Mount will apply to the Executive for the Whitewash Waiver. As disclosed in the paragraph headed "Conditions of the Open Offer" in the section headed "Proposed Open Offer" in this announcement, it is a condition of the Open Offer to have the Executive having granted the Whitewash Waiver to Faith Mount (and such grant not having been withdrawn or revoked).

#### **Conditions of the Underwriting Agreement**

The Underwriting Agreement is conditional upon the fulfilment or waiver, where permitted, of the following conditions:

- (i) the granting of the Whitewash Waiver to the Underwriter by the Executive and the fulfilment of all conditions (if any) attached to it, and such Whitewash Waiver not having been revoked or withdrawn;
- (ii) the passing at the EGM of necessary resolution(s) by the Independent Shareholders to approve the Open Offer and the Whitewash Waiver and the transactions contemplated thereunder at which the voting shall be taken on a poll and in accordance with the Listing Rules and the Takeovers Code;
- (iii) the registration of the Prospectus Documents (with all documents required to be attached thereto according to Section 38D of the Companies (WUMP) Ordinance) (all having been duly authorized for registration by the Stock Exchange and signed by or on behalf of all Directors) by the Registrar of Companies in Hong Kong in compliance with the Companies (WUMP) Ordinance no later than the Posting Date;
- (iv) the posting of the Prospectus Documents to the Qualifying Shareholders and the posting of the Prospectus for information only to the Non-Qualifying Shareholders on or before the Posting Date;
- (v) the Listing Committee of the Stock Exchange granting or agreeing to grant (subject to allotment) and not having withdrawn or revoked the listing of and permission to deal in the Open Offer Shares by no later than the first day of their dealings as stated in the Prospectus;
- (vi) compliance with and performance of all undertakings and obligations of the Underwriter pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Underwriting Agreement;
- (vii) compliance with and performance of all undertakings and obligations of the Company pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Underwriting Agreement; and

(viii) the warranties of the Company remaining true, accurate and not misleading in all material respects.

Conditions precedent in (i) to (v) above cannot be waived. Save and except for conditions precedent in (i) to (v) above, the Company can waive the condition precedent in (vi) and the Underwriter can waive the conditions precedent in (vii) and (viii). In the event that the conditions precedent shall not be fulfilled or waived (as the case may be) in whole or in part by the Underwriter (in respect of the Company's obligations under (vii) and (viii) above) and the Company (in respect of the Underwriter's obligations under (vi) above) on or before the Posting Date (or such later date or time as the Underwriter and the Company may agree in writing), all liabilities of the parties thereto shall cease and determine (save and except for certain clauses which shall remain in full force and effect as set out in the Underwriting Agreement) and none of the parties thereto shall have any claim against the other parties for costs, damages, compensation or otherwise save for antecedent breaches (if any).

The Company shall use all reasonable endeavours to procure the fulfilment of the conditions in (i) to (v) and (vii) to (viii) above (unless otherwise waived by the Underwriter in respect of (vii) and (viii)) by the Posting Date, and in particular shall furnish such information, supply such documents, pay such fees, give such undertakings and do all the things required to be done by it pursuant to the Prospectus Documents or otherwise reasonably necessary to give effect to the Open Offer and the arrangements contemplated by the Underwriting Agreement. The Underwriter also agrees to furnish such information, supply such document, give such undertakings and do all the things required to be done by it pursuant to the Prospectus Documents or otherwise reasonably necessary to give effect to the Open Offer and the arrangements contemplated by the Underwriting Agreement. The Underwriter also agrees to furnish such information, supply such document, give such undertakings and do all the things required to be done by it that are reasonably necessary to give effect to the Open Offer and the arrangements contemplated by the Underwriting Agreement.

#### **Termination of the Underwriting Agreement**

The Underwriter shall be entitled by a notice in writing to the Company, served prior to 4:00 p.m. on the Open Offer Settlement Date, to terminate the Underwriting Agreement if:

- (i) in the reasonable opinion of the Underwriter, the success of the Open Offer would be materially and adversely affected by:
  - (a) the introduction of any new regulation or any change in existing law or regulation (or the judicial interpretation thereof) or other occurrence of any nature whatsoever which may in the reasonable opinion of the Underwriter materially and adversely affect the business or the financial or trading position or prospects of the Group as a whole or is materially adverse in the context of the Open Offer; or

- (b) the occurrence of any local, national or international event or change (whether or not forming part of a series of events or changes occurring or continuing before, and/or after the date thereof), of a political, military, financial, economic or other nature, or in the nature of any local, national or international outbreak or escalation of hostilities or armed conflict, or affecting local securities markets which may, in the sole and reasonable opinion of the Underwriter materially and adversely affect the business or the financial or trading position or prospects of the Group as a whole or materially and adversely prejudice the success of the Open Offer or otherwise makes it inexpedient or inadvisable to proceed with the Open Offer; or
- (c) any material adverse change in the business or in the financial or trading position of the Group as a whole; or
- (ii) any material adverse change in market conditions (including, without limitation, a change in fiscal or monetary policy or foreign exchange or currency markets, suspension or material restriction of trading in securities) occurs which in the sole and reasonable opinion of the Underwriter is likely to materially or adversely affect the success of the Open Offer or otherwise makes it inexpedient or inadvisable to proceed with the Open Offer; or
- (iii) there is any change in the circumstances of the Company or any member of the Group which in the sole and reasonable opinion of the Underwriter will adversely affect the prospects of the Company, including without limiting the generality of the foregoing the presentation of a petition or the passing of a resolution for the liquidation or winding up or similar event occurring in respect of any of member of the Group or the destruction of any material asset of the Group; or
- (iv) any suspension in the trading of securities generally or the Company's securities on the Stock Exchange for a period of more than ten consecutive Business Days, excluding any suspension in connection with the clearance of the Prospectus Documents or other announcements or circulars in connection with the Open Offer; or
- (v) the Circular, Prospectus or announcements of the Company published since the date of the Underwriting Agreement when published contain information (either as to business prospects or the condition of the Group or as to its compliance with any laws or Listing Rules or any applicable regulations) which has not prior to the date of the Underwriting Agreement been publicly announced or published by the Company and which may in the sole and reasonable opinion of the Underwriter are material to the Group as a whole and is likely to affect materially and adversely the success of the Open Offer or might cause a prudent investor not to accept the relevant Open Offer Shares offered to it.

The Underwriter shall be entitled by a notice in writing to rescind the Underwriting Agreement if prior to 4:00 p.m. on the Open Offer Settlement Date, there is any material breach of any of the representations, warranties or undertakings as set out in the Underwriting Agreement comes to the knowledge of the Underwriter. Any such notice shall be served prior to 4:00 p.m. on the Open Offer Settlement Date.

If prior to 4:00 p.m. on the Open Offer Settlement Date, any such notice as is referred to above is given by the Underwriter, the obligations of all parties under the Underwriting Agreement (save and except for certain clauses which shall remain in full force and effect as set out in the Underwriting Agreement) shall terminate forthwith and no party shall have any claim against any other party for costs, damages, compensation or otherwise save for any antecedent breaches.

If the Underwriter terminates the Underwriting Agreement, the Open Offer will not proceed.

#### WARNING OF THE RISKS OF DEALING IN THE SHARES

THE OPEN OFFER IS SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE APPROVAL OF THE OPEN OFFER AND THE WHITEWASH WAIVER BY THE INDEPENDENT SHAREHOLDERS AT THE EGM. IF THE APPROVAL OF THE OPEN OFFER AND THE WHITEWASH WAIVER BY THE INDEPENDENT SHAREHOLDERS AT THE EGM IS NOT OBTAINED, THE OPEN OFFER WILL NOT PROCEED.

ANY SHAREHOLDER OR OTHER PERSON CONTEMPLATING TRANSFERRING, SELLING OR PURCHASING SHARES IS ADVISED TO EXERCISE CAUTION WHEN DEALING IN THE SHARES. ANY PERSON WHO IS IN ANY DOUBT ABOUT HIS/HER/ITS POSITION OR ANY ACTION TO BE TAKEN IS RECOMMENDED TO CONSULT HIS/HER/ITS OWN PROFESSIONAL ADVISER(S). ANY SHAREHOLDER OR OTHER PERSON DEALING IN THE SHARES UP TO THE DATE ON WHICH ALL THE CONDITIONS TO WHICH THE OPEN OFFER IS SUBJECT ARE FULFILLED WILL ACCORDINGLY BEAR THE RISK THAT THE OPEN OFFER MAY NOT PROCEED.

#### FUND RAISING EXERCISE IN THE PRECEDING TWELVE-MONTH PERIOD

The Company has not conducted any fund raising activity in the past twelve months immediately prior to the date of this announcement.

#### POSSIBLE ADJUSTMENTS TO THE SHARE OPTIONS

As at the date of this announcement, the Company has 8,356,000 outstanding Share Options under the Share Option Scheme carrying rights for the holders thereof to subscribe for an aggregate of 8,356,000 new Shares at the exercise price of HK\$0.61 per Share. The 8,356,000 outstanding Share Options are exercisable during the period from 1 April 2016 to 31 March 2026. As a result of the Open Offer, there may be adjustments to the exercise price and/or the number of Shares to be issued upon exercise of the outstanding Share Options pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Share Option Scheme. The Company will appoint its auditor to certify in writing the adjustments to the Share Options and that such adjustments are in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Share Option Scheme. Further announcement will be made by the Company in relation thereto as and when appropriate.

#### EXPECTED TIMETABLE FOR THE OPEN OFFER

The expected timetable for the Open Offer is set out below:

Despatch date of the Circular, proxy form and notice of the EGM Monday, 18 November 2019
Latest time for registration of Shares to qualify for attendance and voting at the EGM
Closure of register of members of the Company to determine the qualification for attendance and voting at the EGM From Monday, 2 December 2019 to Thursday, 5 December 2019 (both dates inclusive)
Latest time for lodging proxy forms for the EGM 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, 3 December 2019
Record date for attending and voting at the EGM Thursday, 5 December 2019
Time and date of the EGM 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, 5 December 2019
Announcement of poll results of the EGM Thursday, 5 December 2019
Re-opening of the register of members of the Company

Last day of dealings in the Shares on a cum-entitlements basis
First day of dealings in the Shares on an ex-entitlements basis Monday, 9 December 2019
Latest time for lodging transfers of the Shares in order for the transferees to qualify for the Open Offer
Closure of register of members to determine the entitlements to the Open Offer From Wednesday, 11 December 2019 to Friday, 13 December 2019 (both dates inclusive)
Record Date for the Open OfferFriday, 13 December 2019
Re-opening of the register of members of the Company Monday, 16 December 2019
Despatch of Prospectus Documents (in the case of the Non-Qualifying Shareholders, the Prospectus only) Monday, 16 December 2019
Latest Time for Application and payment for the Open Offer Shares
Announcement of the number of the Unsubscribed Shares subject to the Unsubscribed Arrangements
Commencement of placing of the Unsubscribed Shares by the Placing Agent, on best effort basis Monday, 6 January 2020
Placing End Date for placing the Unsubscribed Shares
Latest time for termination of the Underwriting Agreement by the Underwriter
Open Offer Settlement Date and the Open Offer becomes unconditional 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, 9 January 2020

Announcement of the results of the Open Offer (including the results of placing of the Unsubscribed Shares)
Despatch of certificates for the fully-paid Open Offer Shares
Despatch of refund cheques if the Open Offer is terminated
First day of dealings in the fully-paid Open Offer Shares 9:00 a.m. on Monday, 13 January 2020

All times in this announcement refer to Hong Kong time.

The expected timetable set out above is indicative only and is subject to change, and any change will be announced by the Company by separate announcement(s) as and when appropriate.

#### Effect of bad weather on the Latest Time for Application

The Latest Time for Application will not take place if a tropical cyclone signal no.8 or above, or "extreme conditions" caused by super typhoons or a "black" rainstorm warning is:

- (i) in force in Hong Kong at any local time before 12:00 noon and no longer in force after 12:00 noon on Thursday, 2 January 2020, being the date of the Latest Time for Application. Instead the Latest Time for Application will be extended to 5:00 p.m. on the same Business Day;
- (ii) in force in Hong Kong at any local time between 12:00 noon and 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, 2 January 2020, being the date of the Latest Time for Application. Instead the Latest Time for Application will be rescheduled to 4:00 p.m. on the following Business Day which does not have either of those warnings in force at any time between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

If the Latest Time for Application does not take place on Thursday, 2 January 2020, the dates mentioned in the section headed "Expected Timetable for the Open Offer" in this announcement may be affected. The Company will notify the Shareholders by way of announcements on any change to the excepted timetable as soon as practicable.

## EFFECT OF THE OPEN OFFER ON THE SHAREHOLDING STRUCTURE OF THE COMPANY

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Faith Mount (Note 1) Directors (Note 2)	205,125,000	29.62	574,350,000	29.62	574,350,000	29.62	1,451,511,015 -	74.87
Sub-total (Faith Mount and parties acting in concert with it and Directors)	205,125,000	29.62	574,350,000	29.62	574,350,000	29.62	1,451,511,015	74.87
Independent placees Other public Shareholders	487,311,675	70.38	1,364,472,690	70.38	877,161,015 487,311,675	45.24 25.13	487,311,675	25.13
Total	692,436,675	100	1,938,822,690	100	1,938,822,690	100	1,938,822,690	100

Notes:

- 1. Faith Mount is wholly-owned by Ms. Lin Yee Man. According to the Takeovers Code, Ms. Lin Yee Man is a party acting in concert with Faith Mount by virtue of her shareholding in Faith Mount. As at the date of this announcement, Ms. Lin Yee Man does not have any other interest in Shares apart from her deemed interest in the 205,125,000 Shares owns by Faith Mount by virtue of Part XV of the SFO.
- 2. As at the date of this announcement, save for (i) Mr. Niglio who holds 4,178,000 Share Options; and (ii) Mr. Lin Chuen Chow, Andy who holds 4,178,000 Share Options, none of the Directors hold any relevant securities (as defined under Note 4 to Rule 22 of the Takeovers Code) in the Company.

As illustrated above, if no Qualifying Shareholders take up the Open Offer Shares and no Unsubscribed Shares can be placed to independent placees, the shareholding of the existing public Shareholders would be reduced from approximately 70.38% as at the date of this announcement to approximately 25.13%, and the shareholding of Faith Mount would be increased from approximately 29.62% as at the date of this announcement to approximately 29.62% as at the date of this announcement to approximately 29.62% as at the date of this announcement to approximately 29.62% as at the date of this announcement to approximately 74.87%, upon the Open Offer Completion.

Faith Mount has undertaken to the Company under the Underwriting Agreement that if the subscription for the Unsubscribed Shares by Faith Mount pursuant to the Underwriting Agreement will result in insufficient public float of the Company within the meaning of the Listing Rules, Faith Mount shall, subject to compliance with the Takeovers Code, take all appropriate steps including but not limited to the engagement of a placing agent to procure subscribers (who are Independent Third Parties) to subscribe for the Shares which would otherwise be required to be taken up by Faith Mount under the Underwriting Agreement in order to restore the minimum public float requirement of the Company in compliance with Rule 8.08(1)(a) of the Listing Rules.

# If a Qualifying Shareholder does not subscribe for his/her/its assured allotment in full under the Open Offer, his/her/its proportionate shareholding in the Company will be diluted.

## TAKEOVERS CODE IMPLICATIONS AND APPLICATION FOR THE WHITEWASH WAIVER

As at the date of this announcement, Faith Mount is the beneficial owner of a total of 205,125,000 Shares, representing approximately 29.62% of the entire issued share capital of the Company. Assuming (i) there is no change in the number of issued Shares from the date of this announcement up to and including the date of close of the Open Offer; (ii) none of the Qualifying Shareholders other than Faith Mount have taken up their entitlements under the Open Offer; and (iii) none of the Unsubscribed Shares have been taken up under the Unsubscribed Arrangement, the interests in the Company held by Faith Mount upon the close of the Open Offer will increase from the current level of approximately 29.62% to approximately 74.87% of the issued share capital of the Company as enlarged by the allotment and issue of the Open Offer Shares. Faith Mount will, in the absence of the Whitewash Waiver, be obliged to make a mandatory cash offer for all issued Shares not already owned or agreed to be acquired by it and parties acting in concert with it pursuant to Rule 26 of the Takeovers Code.

An application will be made by Faith Mount to the Executive for the Whitewash Waiver. The Whitewash Waiver, if granted by the Executive, would be subject to, among other things, the approval of the Open Offer and the Whitewash Waiver by the Independent Shareholders at the EGM by way of poll. Under the Takeovers Code, the resolution(s) in relation to the Whitewash Waiver shall be approved by at least 75% of the independent votes that are either in person or by proxy by the Independent Shareholders at the EGM. Save for Faith Mount, no Shareholder is required to abstain from voting in favour of the proposed resolution approving the Whitewash Waiver at the EGM. If the Whitewash Waiver is not granted by the Executive, the Open Offer will not proceed.

As at the date of this announcement, the Company does not believe that the Open Offer gives rise to any concerns in relation to compliance with other applicable rules or regulations (including the Listing Rules). If a concern should arise after the release of this announcement, the Company will endeavour to resolve the matter to the satisfaction of the relevant authority as soon as possible but in any event before the despatch of the Circular. The Company and Faith Mount note that the Executive may not grant the Whitewash Waiver if the Open Offer does not comply with other applicable rules and regulations.

#### DEALINGS AND INTEREST IN THE SECURITIES OF THE COMPANY

As at the date of this announcement, neither Faith Mount, Ms. Lin Yee Man nor any parties acting in concert with any of them:

- (a) save for the Shares as set out in the section headed "Effect on the Shareholding Structure of the Company", owns, controls or has direction over any Shares and right over Shares, outstanding Share Options, warrants, or any securities that are convertible into Shares or any derivatives in respect of securities in the Company, or hold any relevant securities (as defined in Note 4 to Rule 22 of the Takeovers Code) in the Company;
- (b) has received any irrevocable commitment to vote for or against the Open Offer and/or the Whitewash Waiver;
- (c) has borrowed or lent any relevant securities (as defined in Note 4 to Rule 22 of the Takeovers Code) in the Company;
- (d) save for the Irrevocable Undertaking given by Faith Mount, details of which as set out in the section headed "The Irrevocable Undertakings" of this announcement, there are no arrangements referred to in Note 8 to Rule 22 of the Takeovers Code (whether by way of option, indemnity or otherwise) in relation to the relevant securities (as defined in Note 4 to Rule 22 of the Takeovers Code) of the Company, which might be material to the Open Offer and/or the Whitewash Waiver, with any other persons;
- (e) save that the Open Offer is conditional upon obtaining of the Whitewash Waiver by Faith Mount as set out in the Conditions of the Open Offer abovementioned, has any agreement or arrangement to which it is a party which relates to the circumstances in which it may or may not invoke or seek to invoke a pre-condition or a condition to the Open Offer and/or the Whitewash Waiver;
- (f) has dealt in any securities of the Company in the 6-month period preceding the date of this announcement; or
- (g) has entered into any derivative in respect of the securities in the Company which are outstanding.

As at the date of this announcement:

- (a) apart from the Open Offer Shares to be subscribed and underwritten by Faith Mount, the Company has not paid and will not pay any other consideration, compensation or benefit in whatever form to Faith Mount, Ms. Lin Yee Man and any parties acting in concert with any of them in connection with the Open Offer;
- (b) apart from the Underwriting Agreement and the Irrevocable Undertaking, there is no other understanding, arrangement or special deal between the Group on the one hand, and Faith Mount, Ms. Lin Yee Man and any parties acting in concert with any of them on the other hand; and
- (c) there is no understanding, arrangement or agreement or special deal between (i) any Shareholders; and (ii) Faith Mount, Ms. Lin Yee Man and any parties acting in concert with any of them; or the Company, its subsidiaries or associated companies.

#### **REASONS FOR THE OPEN OFFER AND THE USE OF PROCEEDS**

The Group is principally engaged in (i) introducing customers to respective casino's VIP rooms in Macau and receiving the profit streams from junket businesses at respective casino's VIP rooms in Macau through independent junket operators in Macau; (ii) the money lending business; (iii) hotel operation business; and (iv) the property leasing business.

The gross proceeds from the Open Offer are expected to be approximately HK\$149.57 million. The net proceeds from the Open Offer after deducting related expenses are estimated to be approximately HK\$145.07 million. The net Open Offer Price per Open Offer Share is expected to be approximately HK\$0.116. The Company intends to apply the net proceeds from the Open Offer as follows:

- (i) approximately HK\$130.00 million to expand the Group's money lending business; and
- (ii) approximately HK\$15.07 million as general working capital for the Group's business.

The Board believes that it would be in the interest of the Company to raise equity funding via the Open Offer to facilitate long-term development of the Group. In addition, the Open Offer would allow the Company to strengthen its capital base and provide an opportunity to all Shareholders (other than the Non-Qualifying Shareholders) to participate in the growth of the Company in proportion to their shareholdings. The Group commenced the money lending business during the year ended 30 June 2017. Revenue generated from the money lending business increased significantly from approximately HK\$1.1 million for the year ended 30 June 2017 to approximately HK\$20.6 million for the year ended 30 June 2019. The Directors consider that the money lending market in Hong Kong has a good business prospect. As disclosed in the annual results announcement of the Company for the year ended 30 June 2019, the Group has an intention to keep developing the money lending business. To ensure the Group has sufficient funds to further expand the money lending business, the Directors consider that there is a need for fund raising.

In light of the recent social unrest in Hong Kong since June 2019, the hotel industry in Hong Kong has been adversely affected. The operating performance of the Group's hotel in the third quarter of year 2019 is considerably below the Group's forecast. Despite the Directors remaining cautiously optimistic on the hotel business in Hong Kong in long term, the Group considers to apply part of the proceeds as additional general working capital for the Group, including but not limited to the hotel operation business.

The Directors have considered alternative fund raising methods which include debt financing, placing of new Shares or a rights issue.

The Board is of the view that debt financing would result in additional finance costs and increase the Group's liabilities burden. The Board also considers that debt financing is not an appropriate option to obtain additional funds in particular for its money lending business. The Board is also of the view that placing of new shares (i) would only be available to certain placees who may not necessarily be existing Shareholders and would dilute the shareholding of existing Shareholders; and (ii) may only raise funds in a relatively smaller size.

Pursuant to Rule 7.18 of the Listing Rules, a rights issue is an offer by way of rights to the existing Shareholders in proportion to their existing shareholding. Considering the nature of rights issue which allows the trading of nil-paid rights, the Board is of the view that the Company will have to incur extra administrative work and cost for the trading arrangements of the nil-paid rights in rights issue.

In view of the above, the Directors do not consider that debt financing or equity fund raising methods by way of placing of new shares or rights issue would be in the overall interests of the Company and its Shareholders. Pursuant to Rule 7.23 of the Listing Rules, an open offer is an offer to existing Shareholders to subscribe for Shares whether or not in proportion to their existing holdings. Accordingly, the Directors consider the Open Offer to be an appropriate method to raise the necessary funding which will provide all Qualifying Shareholders the right to participate in the new share issue by the Company in proportion to their shareholding in the Company should they wish to do so. It is prudent to finance the Group's long-term business development by long-term financing, in the form of Open Offer which will not increase the Group's finance costs. Having considered the above, the Directors (excluding the members of the Listing Rules IBC whose view will be contained in the Circular after having reviewed the advice from the Independent Financial Adviser) consider that the terms of the Open Offer are on normal commercial terms, fair and reasonable and in the interests of the Company and the Shareholders as a whole.

#### LISTING RULES IMPLICATIONS

#### The Open Offer

As the Open Offer Shares are not issued pursuant to the general mandate of the Company, in accordance with Rule 7.24A(1) of the Listing Rules, among other things, the Open Offer must be made conditional on approval by the Independent Shareholders at the EGM and, pursuant to Rule 7.27A(1) of the Listing Rules, any controlling Shareholders and their associates, or where there is no controlling Shareholder, the Directors (other than the independent non-executive Directors) and the chief executive of the Company and their respective associates shall abstain from voting in favour of the resolution(s) relating to the Open Offer.

#### **Exempted connected transaction**

The Underwriting Agreement constitutes a connected transaction for the Company as Faith Mount, being a substantial Shareholder and the Underwriter, is a connected person of the Company. However, pursuant to Rule 14A.76(1) of the Listing Rules, as there is no underwriting fee payable by the Company to the Underwriter and the Underwriting Agreement is conducted on normal commercial terms, it is fully exempt from reporting, announcement and independent shareholders' approval requirements under Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules.

## EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING AND INDEPENDENT SHAREHOLDERS' APPROVAL

The EGM will be convened and held to consider and, if appropriate, approve the Open Offer, the Whitewash Waiver and the transactions contemplated thereunder.

As at the date of this announcement, Faith Mount (which is wholly owned by Ms. Lin Yee Man) owns 205,125,000 Shares, representing approximately 29.62% of the existing number of Shares in issue.

Faith Mount and parties acting in concert with it and those who are involved in and/or interested in the Open Offer and the Whitewash Waiver will abstain from voting at the EGM in respect of the resolutions for the Open Offer and the Whitewash Waiver. Under the Takeovers Code, the resolution(s) in relation to the Whitewash Waiver shall be approved by at least 75% of the independent votes that are either in person or by proxy by the Independent Shareholders at the EGM.

#### **CLOSURE OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS**

The register of members of the Company will be closed from Monday, 2 December 2019 to Thursday, 5 December 2019 (both dates inclusive) to determine the qualification for attendance and voting at the EGM. No transfer of Shares will be registered during this period.

The register of members of the Company will be closed from Wednesday, 11 December 2019 to Friday, 13 December 2019 (both dates inclusive) to determine entitlements to the Open Offer. No transfer of Shares will be registered during this period.

#### ESTABLISHMENT OF THE LISTING RULES IBC, THE TAKEOVERS CODE IBC AND APPOINTMENT OF THE INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL ADVISER

The Company has established the Listing Rules IBC, comprising all the independent non-executive Directors, to advise the Independent Shareholders in respect of the Open Offer and as to the voting action therefor.

The Company has also established the Takeovers Code IBC, comprising the non-executive Director and all the independent non-executive Directors, to advise the Independent Shareholders in respect of, the Whitewash Waiver and as to the voting action therefor. Mr. Niglio, the non-executive Director, is an Optionholder who holds 4,178,000 Shares Options as at the date of this announcement, and has given an irrevocable undertaking to the Company and Faith Mount to the effect that he will not exercise any of his Share Options on or before the Record Date (see the paragraph headed "The Optionholders' Undertakings" under the section headed "The Irrevocable Undertakings" in this announcement for further details of the Optionholders' Undertakings). Pursuant to Rule 2.8 of the Takeovers Code, members of the independent committee should comprise all non-executive Directors who have no direct or indirect interest in the Whitewash Waiver other than as a Shareholder. Save for the 4,178,000 Share Options and such undertaking given by him, Mr. Niglio has no involvement and no direct or indirect interests in the Open Offer, the Underwriting Agreement and the Whitewash Waiver, and is therefore eligible to be a member of the Takeovers Code IBC.

An independent financial adviser will be appointed to advise (i) the Listing Rules IBC and the Independent Shareholders in respect of the Open Offer; and (ii) the Takeovers Code IBC and the Independent Shareholders in respect of the Whitewash Waiver. The appointment of the Independent Financial Adviser will be approved by the Takeovers Code IBC. An announcement will be made upon the appointment of the Independent Financial Adviser.

#### **DESPATCH OF CIRCULAR**

The Circular containing, among other things, (i) information regarding the Open Offer, the Whitewash Waiver and the transactions contemplated thereunder; (ii) the recommendation from the Listing Rules IBC to the Independent Shareholders on the Open Offer; (iii) the recommendation from the Takeovers Code IBC to the Independent Shareholders on the Whitewash Wavier, (iv) the advice of the Independent Financial Adviser to the Listing Rules IBC, the Takeovers Code IBC and the Independent Shareholders in relation to the Open Offer and the Whitewash Waiver; (v) other information required under the Listing Rules and the Takeovers Code; and (vi) the notice of the EGM is required to be despatched to the Shareholders within 21 days from the date of this announcement pursuant to Rule 8.2 of the Takeovers Code (i.e. on or before 8 November 2019). However, as additional time is required for the preparation of the Circular, an application will be made to the Executive to extend the deadline for the despatch of the Circular. Further announcement(s) will be made in this regard as and when appropriate.

#### **RESUMPTION OF TRADING**

At the request of the Company, trading in the Shares on the Stock Exchange was halted with effect from 9:00 a.m. on 15 October 2019 pending the release of this announcement. Application has been made by the Company to the Stock Exchange for the resumption of trading in the Shares on the Stock Exchange with effect from 9:00 a.m. on 21 October 2019.

#### WARNING OF THE RISKS OF DEALING IN SHARES

SHAREHOLDERS AND POTENTIAL INVESTORS OF THE COMPANY SHOULD NOTE THAT THE OPEN OFFER IS CONDITIONAL UPON, AMONG OTHERS, CONDITIONS PRECEDENT AS SET OUT IN SECTION HEADED "CONDITIONS OF THE OPEN OFFER" IN THIS ANNOUNCEMENT ABOVE. ACCORDINGLY, THE OPEN OFFER MAY OR MAY NOT PROCEED.

ANY DEALINGS IN THE SHARES FROM THE DATE OF THIS ANNOUNCEMENT UP TO THE DATE ON WHICH ALL THE CONDITIONS OF THE OPEN OFFER ARE FULFILLED WILL BEAR THE RISK THAT THE OPEN OFFER MAY NOT BECOME UNCONDITIONAL OR MAY NOT PROCEED.

SHAREHOLDERS, OPTIONHOLDERS AND POTENTIAL INVESTORS OF THE COMPANY ARE ADVISED TO EXERCISE IN CAUTION WHEN DEALING IN THE SECURITIES OF THE COMPANY, AND IF THEY ARE IN ANY DOUBT ABOUT THEIR POSITION, THEY SHOULD CONSULT THEIR OWN PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS.

#### DEFINITIONS

In this announcement, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the following meanings:

"acting in concert"	has the meaning ascribed thereto under the Takeovers Code
"Application Form"	the application form to be used in connection with the Open Offer in such form as the Company may approve
"associate(s)"	has the meaning ascribed to it under the Listing Rules or the Takeovers Code (as the case maybe)
"Board"	the board of Directors
"Business Day"	a day (other than a Saturday, Sunday, a public holiday or days on which a typhoon signal no. 8 or above or black rainstorm signal is hoisted in Hong Kong between 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.) on which banks are generally open for business in Hong Kong
"CCASS"	the Central Clearing and Settlement System established and operated by HKSCC
"Circular"	the circular to be despatched to the Shareholders in respect of, among other things, the Open Offer, the Whitewash Waiver and the transactions contemplated thereunder
"Companies (WUMP) Ordinance"	the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance (Chapter 32 of the Laws of Hong Kong), as amended from time to time
"Company"	Rich Goldman Holdings Limited, a company incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability and the Shares of which are listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange (stock code: 70)
"connected person(s)"	the meaning ascribed to it under the Listing Rules
"Director(s)"	the director(s) of the Company
"Executive"	the Executive Director of the Corporate Finance Division of the SFC or any of his delegate(s)

"EGM"	an extraordinary general meeting of the Company to be convened to consider and, if thought fit, to approve the Open Offer, the Whitewash Waiver and the transactions contemplated thereunder
"Faith Mount" or "Underwriter"	Faith Mount Limited, a company incorporated in the British Virgin Islands with limited liability, which is wholly owned by Ms. Lin Yee Man
"Group"	the Company and its subsidiaries
"HK\$"	Hong Kong dollars, the lawful currency of Hong Kong
"HKSCC"	Hong Kong Securities Clearing Company Limited
"Hong Kong"	the Hong Kong Special Administration Region of the People's Republic of China
"Independent Financial Adviser"	an independent financial advisor to be appointed by the Company to advise the Listing Rules IBC, the Takeovers Code IBC and the Independent Shareholders in respect of the Open Offer and the Whitewash Waiver
"Independent Shareholders"	Shareholders other than (i) Faith Mount, its ultimate beneficial owners and parties acting in concert with any of them; and (ii) those who are involved or have interests in the Open Offer and the Whitewash Waiver and required under the Listing Rules and/or Takeovers Code (as the case may be) to abstain from voting in the EGM
"Independent Third Parties"	third parties independent of and not connected with the Company and its connected persons
"Irrevocable Undertaking"	the irrevocable undertaking given by Faith Mount under the Underwriting Agreement to procure, among others, that application is made for the entire assured allotment of Open Offer Shares relating to Shares of which it is the beneficial owner
"Last Trading Day"	14 October 2019, being the last trading day for the Shares immediately prior to the publication of this announcement

"Latest Time for Application"	4:00 p.m. on Thursday, 2 January 2020 or such other date as may be agreed between the Company and the Underwriter in writing, being the last time for application of and payment for the Open Offer Shares
"Listing Committee"	has the meaning ascribed to it under the Listing Rules
"Listing Rules"	the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange
"Listing Rules IBC"	the independent committee of the Board comprising all the independent non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Cheung Yat Hung, Alton, Mr. Yue Fu Wing and Miss Yeung Hoi Ching, which has been established to advise the Independent Shareholders in respect of the Open Offer
"Mr. Niglio"	Mr. Nicholas J. Niglio, the non-executive Director
"No Action Shareholder(s)"	Qualifying Shareholder(s) who do not apply for the Open Offer Shares (whether partially or fully) in their assured allotments or Non-Qualifying Shareholders (as the case may be)
"Non-Qualifying Shareholder(s)"	those Overseas Shareholder(s) whom the Directors, after making enquiry regarding the legal restrictions under the laws of the relevant place and the requirements of the relevant regulatory body or stock exchange, consider it necessary or expedient to exclude from the Open Offer
"Open Offer Completion"	completion of the Open Offer
"Open Offer Price"	the Open Offer Price of HK 0.12 per Open Offer Share
"Open Offer Settlement Date"	Thursday, 9 January 2020 (or such other date as the Underwriter and the Company may agree in writing)
"Open Offer Shares"	the new Share(s) to be allotted and issued under the Open Offer, being 1,246,386,015 Shares (assuming no other change in the number of issued Shares from the date of this announcement up to and including the Record Date)

"Open Offer"	the proposed offer for subscription of the Open Offer Shares at the Open Offer Price on the basis of nine (9) Open Offer Shares for every five (5) existing Shares held by the Shareholders on the Record Date and subject to the conditions precedent set out in the section headed "Conditions of the Open Offer" in this announcement and to be set out in the Prospectus
"Optionholder(s)"	holder(s) of the Share Option(s)
"Optionholders' Undertakings"	the irrevocable undertakings given by the Optionholders as mentioned in the paragraph headed "The Optionholders' Undertakings" under the section headed "Irrevocable Undertakings" in this announcement
"Overseas Shareholder(s)"	Shareholder(s) whose name(s) appear on the register of members of the Company as at the close of business on the Record Date and whose address(es) as shown on such register is/are outside Hong Kong
"Placing Agent" or "Ferran Securities"	Ferran Securities Limited (富運證券有限公司), a corporation licensed under the SFO to carry out type 1 (dealing in securities) and type 4 (advising on securities) regulated activities, which will place the Unsubscribed Shares to investors who are Independent Third Parties under the Unsubscribed Arrangements
"Placing Agreement"	the agreement dated 14 October 2019 entered into between the Company and the Placing Agent in respect of the Unsubscribed Arrangements
"Placing End Date"	Tuesday, 7 January 2020, being the third Business Day following and excluding the day on which the Latest Time for Application falls
"Placing Period"	the period from Monday, 6 January 2020 up to 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 7 January 2020, or such other dates as the Company may announce, being the period during which the Placing Agent will seek to effect the Unsubscribed Arrangements
"Placing Price"	HK\$0.12 per Unsubscribed Share
"Posting Date"	Monday, 16 December 2019, or such other date as the Company may determine and announce for the despatch of the Prospectus Documents

"Prospectus Documents"	the Prospectus and the Application Form
"Prospectus"	the offering circular to be issued by the Company in relation to the Open Offer which it proposes to register as a prospectus
"Qualifying Shareholder(s)"	Shareholder(s), whose name(s) appear on the register of members of the Company on the Record Date, other than the Non-Qualifying Shareholders
"Record Date"	the date by reference to which assured allotments under the Open Offer are expected to be determined, which is Friday, 13 December 2019 or such later date as may be determined and announced by the Company
"Registrar"	Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, the Company's share registrar and transfer office
"SFC"	the Securities and Futures Commission
"SFO"	the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong), as amended from time to time
"Share Option Scheme"	the share option scheme adopted by the Company on 18 September 2007
"Share Option(s)"	the share option(s) of the Company granted pursuant to the Share Option Scheme
"Share(s)"	ordinary share(s) in the share capital of the Company
"Shareholder(s)"	holder(s) of the Share(s)
"Stock Exchange"	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited
"substantial Shareholder(s)"	the meaning ascribed to it under the Listing Rules
"Takeovers Code"	the Hong Kong Code on Takeovers and Mergers
"Takeovers Code IBC"	the independent committee of the Board comprising the non-executive Director and all the independent non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Niglio, Mr. Cheung Yat Hung, Alton, Mr. Yue Fu Wing and Miss Yeung Hoi Ching, which has been established to advise the Independent Shareholders in respect of the Whitewash Waiver under Rule 2.1 of the Takeovers Code

"Underwriting Agreement"	the underwriting agreement dated 14 October 2019 and entered into between the Company and the Underwriter in relation to the Open Offer
"Unsubscribed Arrangements"	arrangements to place the Unsubscribed Shares by the Placing Agent on a best effort basis to investors who (or as the case maybe, their ultimate beneficial owner(s)) are not Shareholders and are otherwise Independent Third Parties pursuant to Rule 7.26A(1)(b) of the Listing Rules
"Unsubscribed Shares"	Open Offer Shares that are not subscribed by the Qualifying Shareholders, aggregated fractional Open Offer Shares, and Open Offer Shares which would otherwise have been allotted to the Non-Qualifying Shareholders (as the case may be)
"Untaken Offer Shares"	all such Unsubscribed Shares that have not been placed by the Placing Agent or they have been placed but the placees have not paid therefore at 4:00 p.m. on the Placing End Date
"Whitewash Waiver"	the whitewash waiver pursuant to Note 1 on dispensations from Rule 26 of the Takeovers Code of the obligations on the part of Faith Mount to make a mandatory general offer under Rule 26 of the Takeovers Code for all the securities of the Company not already owned or agreed to be acquired by Faith Mount and any parties acting in concert with it as a result of the issue of the Open Offer Shares subject to the terms and conditions as set out in this announcement
"%"	per cent.
	By order of the Board Rich Goldman Holdings Limited Lin Chuen Chow Andy

Chairman

Hong Kong, 18 October 2019

As at the date of this announcement the Board comprises, Mr. Lin Chuen Chow Andy (Chairman) and Miss So Wai Yin as executive directors; Mr. Nicholas J. Niglio as the non-executive director; and Mr. Cheung Yat Hung, Alton, Mr. Yue Fu Wing and Miss Yeung Hoi Ching as the independent non-executive directors.

The Directors jointly and severally accept full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this announcement and confirm, having made all reasonable inquiries, that to the best of their knowledge, opinions expressed in this announcement have been arrived at after due and careful consideration and there are no other facts not contained in this announcement, the omission of which would make any statement in this announcement misleading.