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# **GROUND INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT LIMITED**

# 廣澤國際發展有限公司

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability) (Stock Code: 989)

# DISCLOSEABLE TRANSACTIONS -PROVISION OF GUARANTEE SERVICES

# **PROVISION OF GUARANTEE SERVICES**

Guarantee Agreement A

On 13 March 2020, FR Guarantee, an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, into the Guarantee Agreement A with the Customer A pursuant to which FR Guarantee has agreed to provide a guarantee to the Bank in connection with the Customer A's obligations under the Loan Agreement A entered into between the Bank and the Customer A.

In consideration of FR Guarantee entering into the Guarantee Agreement A, the Customer A has procured the provision of corporate guarantee from a business partner of the Customer A as a counter-guarantee measure.

FR Guarantee has charged the Customer A a guarantee fee of RMB490,000 (equivalent to approximately HK\$543,900) (i.e. 1% of the principal amount of RMB49,000,000 under the Loan Agreement A). The rate is on normal commercial terms and in the ordinary and usual course of business of FR Guarantee.

# Guarantee Agreement B

On 13 March 2020, FR Guarantee, an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, entered into the Guarantee Agreement B with the Customer B. FR Guarantee has agreed to provide a guarantee to the Bank in connection with the Customer B's obligations under the Loan Agreement B entered into between the Customer B and the Bank.

In consideration of FR Guarantee entering into the Guarantee Agreement B, the Customer B has procured the provision of corporate guarantee from a business partner of the Customer B as a counter-guarantee measure.

FR Guarantee has charged the Customer B a guarantee fee of RMB490,000 (equivalent to approximately HK\$543,900) (i.e. 1% of the principal amount of RMB49,000,000 under the Loan Agreement B). The rate is on normal commercial terms and in the ordinary and usual course of business of FR Guarantee.

## Listing Rules Implications

As one or more of the applicable percentage ratios (as defined under the Listing Rules) in respect of each of the Guarantee Agreements exceed 5% but all are less than 25%, the entering into of the Guarantee Agreements and the transactions contemplated thereunder constitute discloseable transactions of the Company and are therefore subject to the notification and announcement requirements under Chapter 14 of the Listing Rules.

## **PROVISION OF GUARANTEE SERVICES**

#### Guarantee Agreement A

On 13 March 2020, FR Guarantee, an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, into the Guarantee Agreement A with the Customer A pursuant to which FR Guarantee has agreed to provide a guarantee to the Bank in connection with the Customer A's obligations under the Loan Agreement A entered into between the Bank and the Customer A.

The salient terms of the Guarantee Agreement A are summarised as below:

Guarantee Agreement	:	Guarantee Agreement A
Date	:	13 March 2020
Guarantor	:	FR Guarantee
Principal and the borrower	:	Customer A
Loan period	:	one year
Term	:	The guarantee obligation shall continue until two years from the final repayment date of the Loan Agreements A. If the Loan agreement A is extended or the amounts owed by the Customer A under the Loan agreement A are declared due and repayable in advance of the expiry date, the guarantee obligation shall continue until two years from the relevant extended date/final repayment date. In case of repayment by instalments, continue until two years from the repayment date of the final tranche.
Guaranteed obligations	:	FR Guarantee shall guarantee the Customer A's obligations under the Loan Agreement A, including the principal amount, interest (including compound interest and default interest), penalty, damages, fees and etc.

In consideration of FR Guarantee entering into the Guarantee Agreement A, the Customer A has procured the provision of corporate guarantee from a business partner of the Customer A as a counter-guarantee measure.

FR Guarantee has charged the Customer A a guarantee fee of RMB490,000 (equivalent to approximately HK\$543,900) (i.e. 1% of the principal amount of RMB49,000,000 under the Loan Agreement A). The rate is on normal commercial terms and in the ordinary and usual course of business of FR Guarantee.

#### Guarantee Agreements B

On 13 March 2020, FR Guarantee, an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, entered into the Guarantee Agreement B with the Customer B. FR Guarantee has agreed to provide a guarantee to the Bank in connection with the Customer B's obligations under the Loan Agreement B entered into between the Customer B and the Bank.

The salient terms of the Guarantee Agreement B are summarised as below:

Guarantee Agreement	:	Guarantee Agreement B
Date	:	13 March 2020
Guarantor	:	FR Guarantee
Principal and the borrower	:	Customer B
Loan period	:	one year
Term	:	The guarantee obligation shall continue until two years from the final repayment date of Loan Agreement B. If the Loan Agreement B is extended or the amounts owed by the Customer B under the Loan Agreement B is declared due and repayable in advance of the expiry date, the guarantee obligation shall continue until two years from the relevant extended date/final repayment date. In case of repayment by instalments, continue until two years from the repayment date of the final tranche.
Guaranteed obligations	:	FR Guarantee shall guarantee the Customer B's obligations under the Loan Agreement B, including the principal amount, interest (including compound interest and default interest), penalty, damages, fees and etc.

In consideration of FR Guarantee entering into the Guarantee Agreement B, the Customer B has procured the provision of corporate guarantee from a business partner of the Customer B as a counter-guarantee measure.

FR Guarantee has charged the Customer B a guarantee fee of RMB490,000 (equivalent to approximately HK\$543,900) (i.e. 1% of the principal amount of RMB49,000,000 under the Loan Agreement B). The rate is on normal commercial terms and in the ordinary and usual course of business of FR Guarantee.

To the best of the Directors' knowledge, information and belief having made all reasonable enquiry, the Customer A, the Customer B, the Bank, the business partner and each of their respective ultimate beneficial owner(s) are third parties independent of the Company and its connected persons.

#### **REASONS FOR AND BENEFITS OF THE TRANSACTIONS**

FR Guarantee, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, is a licensed guaranty company in Jilin Province, the PRC, and is principally engaged in the provision of guarantee services to its customers. All the terms under each of the Guarantee Agreements was separately negotiated on an arm's length basis between FR Guarantee and each of the Customers.

In addition, it is a normal practice that the Bank requires the guaranty company to make a cash deposit pledged for the provision of the guarantee service; nevertheless for the provision of the guarantee services under the Guarantee Agreements, the Bank has waived such requirement to FR Guarantee.

Taking into account that it is in FR Guarantee's ordinary course of business to provide the guarantee service and the guarantee fee income and the related cash inflow generated for the Group arising from these guarantee agreements, the Directors are of the opinion that all these guarantee agreements were entered into on normal commercial terms based on the FR Guarantee's credit policy and the terms are fair and reasonable and in the interests of the Company and its Shareholders as a whole.

## GENERAL

## Information relating to the Company and FR Guarantee

The Company is an investment holding company. The Group is principally engaged in property development and management, including planning, design, budgeting, licensing, contract tendering and contract administration, property investment, and provision of financial services.

FR Guarantee is a company established in the PRC and is an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of the Company. The principal activity of FR Guarantee is the provision of guarantee services.

## **Information relating to the Customers**

#### Customer A

The Customer A is an entity established in the PRC, which is principally engaged in the cultivation of corn, crops, greenhouse vegetables, fruit tree cultivation, silage cultivation, agricultural by-products processing, purchase of agricultural production materials, agricultural product sales, agricultural machinery operation services, the sales and breeding of livestock and technical and information consulting service activities related to planting and breeding. The ultimate beneficial owners of the Customer are Li Dayong, Yin Xiujun, Jia Jianli, Jin Haitao and Wang Yong, all of which are PRC individuals.

#### Customer B

The Customer B is an entity established in the PRC, which is principally engaged in the cultivation of corn, crops, greenhouse vegetables, fruit tree cultivation, silage cultivation, agricultural by-products processing, purchase of agricultural production materials, agricultural product sales, agricultural machinery operation services, the sales and breeding of livestock and technical and information consulting service activities related to planting and breeding. The ultimate beneficial owners of the Customer are Xu Biao, Zhao Yanzhu, Wang Wenhai, Han Yufeng and Tang Lili , all of which are PRC individuals.

# LISTING RULES IMPLICATIONS

As one or more of the applicable percentage ratios (as defined under the Listing Rules) in respect of each of the Guarantee Agreements exceed 5% but all are less than 25%, the entering into of the Guarantee Agreements and the transactions contemplated thereunder constitute discloseable transactions of the Company and are therefore subject to the notification and announcement requirements under Chapter 14 of the Listing Rules.

# DEFINITIONS

Unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the following meanings in this announcement:

"Bank"	Changchun branch of Jilin Jiutai Rural Commercial Bank Corporation Limited ("Jilin Jiutai Bank", stock code: 6122), which is a licensed bank under the PRC laws, the H shares of which are listed on the Stock Exchange
"Board"	the board of Directors
"Company"	Ground International Development Limited, a company incorporated in Bermuda with limited liabilities whose ordinary shares are listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange
"Customer A"	九台區卡倫國泰農業專業合作社 (Jiutai District Kalun Guotai Agricultural Professional Co-operative*) an entity established in the PRC which is a third party independent of the Company and its connected persons
"Customer B"	九台區卡倫民安農業專業合作社(Jiutai District Kalun Minan Agricultural Professional Co-operative*) an entity established in the PRC which is a third party independent of the Company and its connected persons
"Customers"	collectively, the Customer A and the Customer B
"Directors"	the directors of the Company
"FR Guarantee"	吉林省灃潤融資擔保有限公司 (Jilin Province Fengrun Financing Guaranty Company Limited*), a company established under the laws of the PRC and an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of the Company
"Group"	the Company and its subsidiaries
"Guarantee Agreement A"	the corporate guarantee agreement dated 13 March 2020 entered into between FR Guarantee (as guarantor) and the Customer A (as borrower), in relation to the provision of guarantee service
"Guarantee Agreement B"	the corporate guarantee agreement dated 13 March 2020 entered into between FR Guarantee (as guarantor) and the Customer B (as borrower), in relation to the provision of guarantee service
"Guarantee Agreements"	collectively, the Guarantee Agreement A, the Guarantee Agreement B
"Hong Kong"	the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the PRC
"Listing Rules"	The Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange
"Loan Agreement A"	loan agreement dated 13 March 2020 entered into between the Customer A as borrower and the Bank as lender

"Loan Agreement B"	loan agreement dated 13 March 2020 entered into between the Customer B as borrower and the Bank as lender
"Percentage Ratios"	the percentage ratios under Rule 14.07 of the Listing Rules
"PRC"	the People's Republic of China, which for the purpose of this announcement excludes Hong Kong, the Macau Special Administrative Region of the PRC and Taiwan
"RMB"	Renminbi, the lawful currency of the PRC
"Share(s)"	ordinary share(s) in the share capital of the Company
"Shareholder(s)"	holder(s) of the Shares
"Stock Exchange"	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited
···0/"	per cent

For the purpose of this announcement, unless otherwise indicated, conversion of RMB into HK\$ is calculated at the approximate exchange rate of RMB1.00 to HK\$1.11. This exchange rate is adopted for illustration purpose only and does not constitute a representation that any amounts have been, could have been, or may be, exchanged at this rate or any other rate at all.

By order of the Board Ground International Development Limited Cui Xintong Chairperson

Hong Kong, 13 March 2020

As at the date of this announcement, the executive Directors are Ms. Cui Xintong and Ms. Liu Hongjian; the non-executive Director is Mr. Cong Peifeng and the independent non-executive Directors are Mr. Tsang Hung Kei, Mr. Zhu Zuoan and Mr. Wang Xiaochu.

\*For identification only