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# **CNNC INTERNATIONAL LIMITED**

# 中核國際有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 2302)

# GENERAL MANDATES TO REPURCHASE AND ISSUE SHARES, PROPOSED RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS AND NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

A notice convening the annual general meeting of CNNC International Limited to be held at Pacific Room, 2/F, Island Pacific Hotel, 152 Connaught Road West, Hong Kong on Friday, 19th June, 2020 at 3:30 p.m. is set out in Appendix III of this circular. Whether or not you are able to attend the meeting, you are requested to complete the enclosed form of proxy in accordance with the instructions printed thereon and return it to the Company's head office in Hong Kong at Unit 3009, 30th Floor, No. 118 Connaught Road West, Hong Kong in accordance with the instructions printed thereon as soon as possible but in any event not later than 48 hours before the time appointed for the holding of such meeting or any adjourned meeting. Completion and return of the form of proxy will not preclude you from subsequently attending and voting in person at the annual general meeting or any adjourned meeting should you so wish.

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## **DEFINITIONS**

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

"AGM" the annual general meeting of the Company to be held at Pacific

Room, 2/F, Island Pacific Hotel, 152 Connaught Road West, Hong Kong on Friday, 19th June, 2020 at 3:30 p.m. or any

adjournment thereof (as the case may be);

"AGM Notice" the notice dated 15th May, 2020 convening the AGM as set out

on pages 15 to 19 of this circular;

"Articles" the Articles of Association of the Company;

"Board" or "Directors" the board of directors of the Company;

"Companies Law" the Companies Law, Cap. 22 (Law 3 of 1961, as consolidated and

revised) of the Cayman Islands and any amendments or other

statutory modifications thereof;

"Company" CNNC International Limited, a company incorporated in the

Cayman Islands whose shares are listed on the Stock Exchange

(stock code: 2302);

"General Mandate" the proposed general mandate granted to the Directors to

exercise all the powers of the Company to allot, issue and otherwise deal with new Shares not exceeding 20% of the issued share capital of the Company as at the date of passing the

resolution approving the said mandate;

"Group" the Company and its subsidiaries;

"HK\$" Hong Kong dollars, the lawful currency of Hong Kong;

"Hong Kong" the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's

Republic of China;

"Latest Practicable

Date"

8th May, 2020, being the latest practicable date prior to the

printing of this circular for ascertaining certain information for

inclusion in this circular:

"Listing Rules" the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock

Exchange;

"Repurchase Mandate" the proposed general mandate to the Directors to exercise the

powers of the Company to purchase Shares up to a maximum of 10% of the issued share capital of the Company as at the date of

the passing of the resolution granting such mandate;

# **DEFINITIONS**

"SFO" the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws

of Hong Kong);

"Share(s)" share(s) of HK\$0.01 each in the share capital of the Company;

"Shareholder(s)" the registered holder(s) of the Share(s);

"Stock Exchange" The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited;

"Takeovers Code" The Codes on Takeovers and Mergers and Share Repurchases;

and

"%" per cent.



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Chairman and Non-executive Director:

Mr. Zhong Jie

Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director:

Mr. Zhang Yi

Non-executive Director:

Mr. Wu Ge

Independent Non-executive Directors:

Mr. Cui Liguo

Mr. Zhang Lei

Mr. Chan Yee Hoi

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15th May, 2020

To the Shareholders

Dear Sir or Madam,

# GENERAL MANDATES TO REPURCHASE AND ISSUE SHARES, PROPOSED RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS AND NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

#### INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this circular is to give you information regarding the following resolutions to be proposed at the AGM to enable the Shareholders to make an informed decision on whether to vote for or against the resolutions.

#### LETTER FROM THE BOARD

The resolutions include (i) the grant of the Repurchase Mandate; (ii) the grant of the General Mandate in respect of the Company's own fully paid up Shares; and (iii) the reelection of directors.

#### REPURCHASE MANDATE TO REPURCHASE SHARES

At the AGM, an ordinary resolution will be proposed to grant to the Directors a general and unconditional mandate to exercise all powers of the Company to repurchase issued shares in the share capital of the Company subject to the criteria set out in this circular. In particular, Shareholders should note that the maximum number of Shares that may be repurchased pursuant to the Repurchase Mandate will be such number which represents 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the issued share capital of the Company as at the date of passing of the resolution subject to the Listing Rules. The Repurchase Mandate will end on the earliest of the date of the next annual general meeting, the date by which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required to be held by the Companies Law or the Articles, or the date upon which such authority is revoked or varied by ordinary resolution of the Company in general meeting.

In accordance with the Listing Rules, the Company is required to send to the Shareholders an explanatory statement, which is set out in Appendix I to this circular.

#### GENERAL MANDATE TO ISSUE SHARES

At the AGM, an ordinary resolution will be proposed to grant to the Directors a general and unconditional mandate to allot, issue and deal with further shares representing up to 20% of the aggregate nominal amount of the issued share capital of the Company as at the date of the passing of the resolution.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, the number of Shares in issue was 489,168,308. Subject to the passing of the resolution in relation to the General Mandate and on the basis that no further Shares are issued or repurchased by the Company prior to the AGM, the Company would be allowed under the General Mandate to allot a maximum of 97,833,661 Shares, representing 20% of the issued share capital of the Company. The General Mandate will end on the earliest of the date of the next annual general meeting, the date by which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required to be held by the Companies Law or the Articles, or the date upon which such authority is revoked or varied by ordinary resolution of the Company in general meeting.

Subject to the passing of the aforesaid ordinary resolutions of the Repurchase Mandate and the General Mandate, an ordinary resolution will also be proposed to authorise the Directors to issue new Shares in the share capital of the Company in an amount not exceeding the aggregate nominal amount of the Shares in the capital of the Company purchased pursuant to the Repurchase Mandate.

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#### **RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

In accordance with Article 95 and Article 112 of the Articles, Mr. Zhong Jie, Mr. Zhang Yi, Mr. Wu Ge, Mr. Cui Liguo and Mr. Chan Yee Hoi will retire from the office of directors at the AGM and being eligible, they will offer themselves for re-election at the AGM. The re-election of directors under resolutions nos. 2 to 6 of the AGM Notice will be individually voted on by Shareholders. Details of the retiring directors who are proposed to be re-elected at the AGM are set out in Appendix II to this circular.

Pursuant to Code A.4.3 of the Corporate Governance Code in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules, (a) serving the Company for more than nine years could be relevant to the determination of a non-executive director's independence; and (b) if an independent non-executive director serves more than nine years, his further appointment should be subject to a separate resolution to be approved by Shareholders.

Mr. Cui Liguo, being Independent Non-executive Director, has made annual confirmation of independence pursuant to Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules. If Mr. Cui is re-elected, he will have served as Independent Non-executive Director of the Company for more than 9 years. During his years of appointment, Mr. Cui has not been involved in the daily management of the Company nor in any relationships or circumstances which would impair his independent judgment. He has consistently demonstrated his abilities to provide independent, balanced and objective advice and insight on the Company's affairs. Notwithstanding his years of service as Independent Non-executive Director of the Company, the Board is of the view that Mr. Cui is able to continue to fulfill his role as required and thus recommends him for re-election at the AGM. Further, the Company is of the view that Mr. Cui meets the independence guidelines set out in Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules and is independent in accordance with the terms of the guidelines.

#### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

A notice of the AGM is set out in Appendix III to this circular. At the AGM, ordinary resolutions will be proposed including to approve the Repurchase Mandate, the General Mandate and the re-election of Directors.

In view of the ongoing Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and recent requirements for prevention and control of its spread by the government of Hong Kong, the Company strongly recommends Shareholders to exercise their voting rights by appointing the Chairman of the AGM as their proxy to vote on the relevant resolutions at the Annual General Meeting as an alternative to attending the AGM in person.

## **VOTING BY POLL**

Pursuant to Article 76 of the Articles, at any general meeting a resolution put to the vote of the meeting shall be decided on a show of hands unless (before or on the declaration of the result of the show of hands or on the withdrawal of any other demand for a poll) a poll is duly demanded or unless a poll is required under the Listing Rules as amended from

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time to time. On 28th November, 2008, the Stock Exchange amended the Listing Rules to make voting by poll mandatory on all resolutions at general meetings of listed issuers. Therefore, resolutions of the AGM shall be decided by voting by poll.

## RECOMMENDATION

The Directors are of opinion that the granting of the Repurchase Mandate, the General Mandate and the re-election of Directors as proposed therein are in the best interests of the Company and accordingly recommend all the Shareholders to vote in favour of the ordinary resolutions to be proposed at the AGM. As at the Latest Practicable Date, no Shareholder is required to abstain from voting under the Listing Rules in respect of any of the resolutions to be proposed at the AGM.

#### RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

This circular includes particulars given in compliance with the Listing Rules for the purpose of giving information with regard to the Group. The Directors collectively and individually accept full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this circular and confirm, having made all reasonable enquiries, that to the best of their knowledge and belief, there are no other facts the omission of which would make any statement contained herein misleading.

By order of the Board
CNNC International Limited
中核國際有限公司
Zhong Jie
Chairman

## APPENDIX I EXPLANATORY STATEMENT FOR THE REPURCHASE MANDATE

This Appendix contains the particulars that are required by the Listing Rules to be included in an explanatory statement to enable the Shareholders to make an informed decision on whether to vote for or against the resolutions to be proposed at the AGM in relation to the Repurchase Mandate.

#### 1. PROPOSED SHARE REPURCHASE MANDATE

It is proposed that the Directors may exercise the powers of the Company to repurchase up to 10% of the Shares in issue as at the date of passing of the resolution to approve the granting to the Directors the Repurchase Mandate. At the Latest Practicable Date, the number of Shares in issue was 489,168,308 shares. Accordingly, the exercise of the Repurchase Mandate in full (being the repurchase of 10% of the Shares in issue as at the date of the passing of the resolution to approve the Repurchase Mandate) would enable the Company to repurchase 48,916,830 shares (assuming no Share is issued or repurchased after the Latest Practicable Date and up to the passing of the relevant resolution).

## 2. REASONS FOR REPURCHASES

The Directors believe that the Repurchase Mandate is in the best interests of the Company and its Shareholders. Whilst it is not possible to anticipate in advance any specific circumstance in which the Directors might think it appropriate to repurchase Shares, they believe that an ability to do so would give the Company additional flexibility that would be beneficial to the Company and the Shareholders as such repurchases may, depending on market conditions and funding arrangements at that time, lead to an enhancement of the net asset value per Share and/or earnings per Share. Shareholders can be assured that the Directors would only make such purchases in circumstances where they consider them to be in the best interests of the Company.

#### 3. FUNDING OF REPURCHASES

In making repurchases, the Company proposes to apply funds legally available for such purpose in accordance with its memorandum and articles of association, the Listing Rules and the Companies Law. Under the Companies Law, share repurchases by the Company may only be paid out of profits or out of the proceeds of a fresh issue of Shares made for the purpose, or, if so authorised by the Articles and subject to the Companies Law, out of capital. Any premium payable on share repurchases may only be paid out of profits of the Company or out of the Company's share premium account, or, if so authorised by the Articles and subject to the Companies Law, out of capital. In accordance with the Companies Law, the shares so repurchased would remain part of the authorized but unissued share capital of the Company.

#### 4. IMPACT OF REPURCHASE

On the basis of the consolidated financial position of the Company as at 31st December, 2019 (being the date to which the latest published audited financial statements of the Company have been made up) and in particular the working capital position of the Company at that time and the number of Shares now in issue, the Directors consider that there might be a material adverse impact on the working capital position and the gearing position of the Company in the event that purchases of all the Shares were to be carried out in full during the Repurchase Mandate period. No repurchase would be made by the Company in circumstances that would have a material adverse impact on the working capital position or gearing position of the Company (as compared with the position disclosed in the latest published audited financial statements).

## 5. PRICE OF SHARES

The highest and lowest prices at which the Shares have traded on the Stock Exchange during each of the previous thirteen months up to the Latest Practicable Date were as follows:

	Share	Share Price	
	Highest	Lowest	
	HK\$	HK\$	
2019			
April	3.09	2.81	
May	2.94	2.60	
June	2.96	2.60	
July	3.00	2.75	
August	3.05	2.70	
September	3.00	2.60	
October	3.00	2.77	
November	2.96	2.62	
December	3.00	2.78	
2020			
January	3.00	2.80	
February	2.98	2.70	
March	3.00	2.38	
April	2.47	2.20	
May (up to the Latest Practicable Date)	2.28	2.25	

#### 6. UNDERTAKING

The Directors have undertaken to the Stock Exchange that, so far as the same may be applicable, they will exercise the Repurchase Mandate in accordance with the Listing Rules, the Articles of the Company and the Companies Law.

None of the Directors nor, to the best of their knowledge and belief having made all reasonable enquiries, any of their associates has any present intention to sell any Shares to the Company or its subsidiaries in the event that the Repurchase Mandate is approved by the Shareholders.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, no connected person of the Company (as defined in the Listing Rules) has notified the Company that he/she has a present intention to sell his/her Shares to the Company or its subsidiaries, nor has he/she undertaken not to do so, in the event that the Repurchase Mandate is approved by the Shareholders.

#### 7. TAKEOVERS CODE

If on the exercise of the power to repurchase Shares pursuant to the Repurchase Mandate, a shareholder's proportionate interest in the voting rights of the Company increases, such increase will be treated as an acquisition for the purposes of Rule 32 of the Takeovers Code. As a result, a Shareholder or group of Shareholders acting in concert, could obtain or consolidate control of the Company and become obliged to make a mandatory offer in accordance with Rules 26 and 32 of the Takeovers Code.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, the following Shareholder had interests representing 5% or more of the then issued share capital of the Company:

	No. of	
Name	Shares held Approximately	% of total issued Shares
CNNC Overseas Uranium Holding Limited	326,372,273	66.72%

On the basis of the current shareholding of the Company, an exercise of the Repurchase Mandate in full will result in the increase of the shareholding of CNNC Overseas Uranium Holding Limited to approximately 74.13%. CNNC Overseas Uranium Holding Limited and its respective associates as acting in concert would not be obliged to make a mandatory offer under Rule 26 of the Takeovers Code. The Directors have no intention to exercise the Repurchase Mandate on the Stock Exchange to such extent that would trigger a mandatory offer under Rule 26 of the Takeovers Code or would result in the amount of shares held by the public being reduced to less than such prescribed minimum percentage under the Listing Rules.

#### 8. SHARE REPURCHASES MADE BY THE COMPANY

No repurchases of Shares have been made by the Company during the previous six months preceding the Latest Practicable Date, whether on the Stock Exchange or otherwise.

# APPENDIX II DETAILS OF RETIRING DIRECTORS PROPOSED TO BE RE-ELECTED AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

As referred to in item 2 to 6 of the notice of AGM, Mr. Zhong Jie, Mr. Zhang Yi, Mr. Wu Ge, Mr. Cui Liguo and Mr. Chan Yee Hoi (whose biographical details are set out below) will retire in accordance with Article 95 and Article 112 of the Articles. All retiring Directors, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election at the AGM.

# NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Mr. Zhong Jie, aged 58, joined China Nuclear Engineering Company (中國核工程公司) ("CNEC") in 1989 as engineer. He was transferred to China Nuclear Energy Industry Corporation (中國原子能工業有限公司) ("CNEIC") and worked as engineer, deputy director of nuclear power, deputy director, director, manager, assistant general manager and deputy general manager of third import and export department. Mr. Zhong was transferred to China National Uranium Co., Ltd (中國鈾業有限公司) ("CNUC") in 2019 as general manager and vice secretary of Party Leadership Group, and became also deputy director and vice secretary of Party Leadership Group of China Nuclear Geology (中國核工業地質局) ("CNG"). In April 2020, he was appointed as member of Strategy and Management Advisory Committee of China National Nuclear Corporation (中國核工業集團有限公司) ("CNNC"), the ultimate holding company of the Company. Mr. Zhong is also a director of CNNC (Shanghai) Enterprise Development Limited (中核(上海)企業發展有限公司) ("CNSHED"). CNEC, CNEIC, CNUC, CNSHED and CNG are subsidiaries of CNNC. Mr. Zhong graduated from Tsinghua University (清華大學) with a doctor degree in mechanic in 1989. He was qualified as a senior engineer in the PRC.

Mr. Zhong was appointed as Non-Executive Director and the Chairman of the Board with effect from 4th May, 2020. He is subject to the provisions of retirement by rotation and re-election under the Articles. The term of office of Mr. Zhong is the period from the effective date of his appointment to the time of retirement by rotation in accordance with the Articles. Mr. Zhong is not entitled to receive any remuneration for being a Director of the Company. Save as disclosed above and as the Chairman of Nomination Committee of the Company, Mr. Zhong does not hold any directorships in other listed public companies in the last three years preceding the Latest Practicable Date and he has not held any other position with the Company or any other member of the Group.

Save as disclosed above, Mr. Zhong does not have any relationship with any other Directors, senior management, substantial or controlling shareholders (as defined in the Listing Rules) of the Company and at the Latest Practicable Date, he did not have interests or deemed to be interested in any shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

#### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Mr. Zhang Yi, aged 37, joined CNUC in 2007 and his roles included external affairs, secretarial, project management, deputy director of the central administration department, supervisor of the legal and audit department and vice chief legal adviser. Mr. Zhang was transferred to the Geology and Mining Division of CNNC in the overseas development sector, and was in charge of legal affairs and overseas development projects. Mr. Zhang joined the Central Planning Department of the Company in 2013, and worked as deputy manager, manager in legal affairs, overseas development and administration works. He joined CNUC as manager in 2017 in overseas development department. In April 2019, he was appointed as general manager and director of CNNC Overseas Uranium Holding Limited (中核海外鈾業控股有限公司) ("COUH"), the immediate holding company of the Company. Mr. Zhang is a director of CNUC (HK) Mining Corp., Limited (中國鈾業(香港) 礦業有限公司) ("CNUCHK"), CNUC (UK) Mining Co., Ltd (中國鈾業(英國)礦業有限公 司) ("CNUCUK") and Langer Heinrich Mauritius Holdings Limited ("LHMH"). CNUC, the Company, COUH, CNUCHK and CNUCUK are subsidiaries of CNNC. LHMH is an associate company of CNNC. Mr. Zhang graduated from China Youth University of Political Studies (中國青年政治學院), department of social work and management, with a bachelor degree in management in 2004. Mr. Zhang also graduated from Peking University Law School (北京大學法學院) with a master degree in law in 2007. He was qualified as an enterprise legal adviser and holds professional qualification in law in the PRC.

Mr. Zhang was appointed as Executive Director with effect from 4th May, 2020. He had entered into a service contract with the Company for a term of three years commencing 4th May, 2020 which shall continue thereafter until terminated by either party giving to the other party not less than three months prior written notice. Mr. Zhang is subject to the provisions of retirement by rotation and re-election under the Articles. His director's fee is to be determined by the Board with reference to his duties and responsibilities in the Company, the Company's performance and prevailing market situation and to be authorized by the Shareholders at annual general meeting. His director's fee for the year ending 31st December, 2020 is proposed to be approximately HK\$533,000. Save as disclosed above and as a member of the Remuneration Committee and a member of the Nomination Committee and as a director of other subsidiaries the Company, Mr. Zhang does not hold any directorships in other listed public companies in the last three years preceding the Latest Practicable Date and he has not held any other position with the Company or any other member of the Group.

Save as disclosed above, Mr. Zhang does not have any relationship with any other Directors, senior management, substantial or controlling shareholders (as defined in the Listing Rules) of the Company and at the Latest Practicable Date, he did not have interests or deemed to be interested in any shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

#### NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Mr. Wu Ge, aged 33, joined CNNC Northern Uranium Co., Ltd (中核北方鈾業有限公司) ("CNNCNU") in 2010 as head of accounting department and assistant director. Mr. Wu was transferred to CNUC in 2019 as head of accounting and assistant director in the finance and capital management department. CNNCNU and CNUC are subsidiaries of CNNC. Mr. Wu graduated from Dongbei University of Finance and Economics (東北財經大學) with a bachelor degree in accounting in 2010. He was qualified as an accountant in the PRC.

Mr. Wu was appointed as Non-executive Director with effect from 4th May, 2020. He is subject to the provisions of retirement by rotation and re-election under the Articles. The term of office of Mr. Wu is the period from the effective date of his appointment to the time of retirement by rotation in accordance with the Articles. Mr. Wu is not entitled to receive any remuneration for being a Director of the Company. Save as disclosed above and as a member of the Audit Committee and the Remuneration Committee of the Company, Mr. Wu does not hold any directorships in other listed public companies in the last three years preceding the Latest Practicable Date and he has not held any other position with the Company or any other member of the Group.

Save as disclosed above, Mr. Wu does not have any relationship with any other Directors, senior management, substantial or controlling shareholders (as defined in the Listing Rules) of the Company and at the Latest Practicable Date, he did not have interests or deemed to be interested in any shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

## INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Mr. Cui Liguo, aged 50, is currently a founding partner of Guantao Law Firm which is a law firm in Beijing, PRC and the Chairman of its Management Committee. He has over 25 years of experience in legal sector, and holds independent directorship in the board of directors of several companies, such as APT Satellite Holdings Ltd. (a corporation listed on the Stock Exchange, stock code: 01045), China National Software & Service Co., Ltd. (a corporation listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange, stock code: 600536), Joincare Pharmaceutical Group Industry Co., Ltd. (a corporation listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange, stock code: 600380), China Coal Xinji Energy Co., Ltd. (a corporation listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange, stock code: 601918), Essence Securities Co., Ltd., and Beijing Life Insurance Co., Ltd. He is also a member of the Finance & Securities Committee of All China Lawyers Association; and the legal counselor in the internal control group of securities issuing of Guodu Securities Co., Ltd. and Bohai Securities Co., Ltd. Mr. Cui graduated from the China University of Political Science and Law with a bachelor degree in laws in 1991. He also holds a master degree in laws from the same university.

Mr. Cui was appointed as Independent Non-executive Director with effect from 11th November, 2008. He had entered into a service contract with the Company for a term of three years commencing 12th November, 2017 which shall continue thereafter until terminated by either party giving to the other party not less than three months prior written

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notice. Mr. Cui is subject to the provisions of retirement by rotation and re-election under the Articles. His director's fee is to be determined by the Board with reference to his duties and responsibilities in the Company, the Company's performance and prevailing market situation and to be authorized by the Shareholders at annual general meeting. For the year ended 31st December, 2019, a director's fee of HK\$250,000 is payable to Mr. Cui. His director's fee for the year ending 31st December, 2020 is proposed to be HK\$250,000. Save as disclosed above and as a member of the Audit Committee and the Nomination Committee and the chairman of the Remuneration Committee of the Company, Mr. Cui does not hold any directorships in other listed public companies in the last three years preceding the Latest Practicable Date and he has not held any other position with the Company or any other member of the Group.

Save as disclosed above, Mr. Cui does not have any relationship with any other Directors, senior management, substantial or controlling shareholders (as defined in the Listing Rules) of the Company and at the Latest Practicable Date, he did not have interests or deemed to be interested in any shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

# INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Mr. Chan Yee Hoi, aged 70, has over 40 years' experience in banking, corporate finance, capital markets, direct investment, asset management and financial management. Since 2013, Mr. Chan has been an independent non-executive director of Hong Fok Land International Limited, an unlisted public company incorporated in Hong Kong, which is principally engaged in property development business. Prior to Mr. Chan's retirement in 2019, he had worked with various American banks in Hong Kong, investment banks, corporate finance advisory, securities and fund management companies and had gained substantial financial management expertise. Between 2004 and 2015, he served as an independent non-executive director and chairman of the audit committee of Winfoong International Limited (its name was changed to China Graphene Group Limited in 2016), a company listed on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange"), which was principally engaged in property management and horticultural services. Mr. Chan graduated from the University of Hong Kong with a Bachelor of Social Science degree in 1971, and was a licensed representative licensed under the Securities and Futures Ordinance to engage in type 1 (dealing in securities), type 4 (advising on securities), type 5 (advising on futures contract) and type 9 (asset management) regulated activities.

Mr. Chan was appointed as Independent Non-executive Director effective from 9th March, 2020. He had entered into a service contract with the Company for a term of three years commencing 9th March, 2020 which shall continue thereafter until terminated by either party giving to the other party not less than three months prior written notice. Mr. Chan is subject to the provisions of retirement by rotation and re-election under the Articles. His director's fee is to be determined by the Board with reference to his duties and responsibilities in the Company, the Company's performance and prevailing market situation and to be authorized by the Shareholders at annual general meeting. His director's

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fee for the year ending 31st December, 2020 is proposed to be HK\$208,000. Save as disclosed above and as a member of the Nomination Committee and the Remuneration Committee and the chairman of the Audit Committee of the Company, Mr. Chan does not hold any directorships in other listed public companies in the last three years preceding the Latest Practicable Date and he has not held any other position with the Company or any other member of the Group.

Save as disclosed above, Mr. Chan does not have any relationship with any other Directors, senior management, substantial or controlling shareholders (as defined in the Listing Rules) of the Company and at the Latest Practicable Date, he did not have interests or deemed to be interested in any shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.



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(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

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# NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that an Annual General Meeting of CNNC International Limited (the "Company") will be held at Pacific Room, 2/F, Island Pacific Hotel, 152 Connaught Road West, Hong Kong on Friday, 19th June, 2020 at 3:30 p.m. for the following purposes:

#### **ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS**

- 1. To receive and consider the audited consolidated financial statements of the Company and the Reports of the Directors and the Auditors for the year ended 31st December, 2019;
- 2. To re-elect Mr. Zhong Jie as Non-executive Director;
- 3. To re-elect Mr. Zhang Yi as Executive Director;
- 4. To re-elect Mr. Wu Ge as Non-executive Director;
- 5. To re-elect Mr. Cui Liguo as Independent Non-executive Director;
- 6. To re-elect Mr. Chan Yee Hoi as Independent Non-executive Director;
- 7. To fix the directors' remuneration;
- 8. To re-appoint the Auditors and to authorize the Board of Directors to fix their remuneration;

9. To consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without amendments the following resolutions as Ordinary Resolutions:

#### 9A. "THAT:

- (a) subject to paragraph (c) below, the exercise by the Directors during the Relevant Period (as defined in paragraph (d) below) of all the powers of the Company to repurchase issued shares of the Company of HK\$0.01 each on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") or on any other stock exchange on which the shares of the Company may be listed and recognized by the Securities and Futures Commission and the Stock Exchange for this purpose, subject to and in accordance with all applicable laws and requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange as amended from time to time (the "Listing Rules") be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the approval in paragraph (a) shall be in addition to any other authorizations given to the Directors and shall authorize the Directors on behalf of the Company during the Relevant Period to procure the Company to repurchase its shares at a price determined by the Directors;
- (c) the aggregate nominal amount of the shares of the Company to be repurchased by the Directors of the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) above shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue as at the date of passing of this resolution, and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and
- (d) for the purpose of this resolution:
  - "Relevant Period" means the period from the date of passing of this resolution until whichever is the earliest of:
  - i. the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company; or
  - ii. the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by any applicable laws or the Articles of the Company to be held; or
  - iii. the date upon which the authority set out in this resolution is revoked or varied by way of an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting."

#### 9B. "THAT:

- (a) subject to paragraph (c) below, the exercise by the Directors of Company during the Relevant Period (as defined in paragraph the (d) below) of all the powers of the Company to allot, issue and otherwise deal with additional ordinary shares of the Company and to make or grant offers, agreements, options and rights of exchange or conversion which might require the exercise of such powers, subject to and in accordance with all applicable laws, be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the approval in paragraph (a) above, shall be in addition to any other authorizations given to the Directors of the Company and shall authorize the Directors during the Relevant Period to make or grant offers, agreements, options and rights of exchange or conversation which would or might require the exercise of such powers after the end of the Relevant Period;
- (c) the aggregate nominal amount of share capital allotted, issued or otherwise dealt with or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted, issued or otherwise dealt with (whether pursuant to an option or otherwise) by the Directors of the Company pursuant to the approval granted in paragraph (a) above, otherwise than pursuant to (i) a Rights Issue (as defined in paragraph (d) below); or (ii) the exercise of any options granted under the share option scheme or similar arrangement for the time being adopted or to be adopted for the grant or issue to officers and/or employees of the Company and/or its subsidiaries, of options to subscribe for, or rights to acquire shares of the Company approved by the Stock Exchange; or (iii) any scrip dividend or similar arrangement providing for the allotment of shares in lieu of the whole or part of a dividend on shares of the Company in accordance with the Articles of the Company, shall not exceed 20% of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue as at the date of passing of this resolution, and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and
- (d) for the purpose of this resolution:
  - "Relevant Period" means the period from the date of passing of this resolution until whichever is the earliest of:
  - i. the conclusion of the next general meeting of the Company; or
  - ii. the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by any applicable laws or the Articles of the Company to be held; or

iii. the date upon which the authority set out in this resolution is revoked or varied by way of an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting; and

"Rights Issue" means the allotment, issue or grant of shares open for a period fixed by the Directors to holders of the shares or any class of shares thereof on the register of members on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such shares (subject to such exclusions or other arrangements as the Directors of the Company may deem necessary or expedient in relation to fractional entitlements or having regard to any restrictions or obligations under the laws of any relevant jurisdiction, or the requirements of any recognized regulatory body or any stock exchange in, any territory applicable to the Company)."

#### 9C. "THAT:

Conditional upon the passing of Resolutions Nos. 9A and 9B, the general mandate granted to the Directors of the Company pursuant to Resolution No. 9B be and is hereby extended by the addition thereto of an amount representing the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company as stated in Resolution No. 9A above provided that such amount shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the issued share capital of the Company as at the date of passing this resolution."

By order of the Board
CNNC International Limited
中核國際有限公司
Li Philip Sau Yan
Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 15th May, 2020

#### **Notes:**

- 1. Any member entitled to attend and vote at the meeting of the Company is entitled to appoint another person as his proxy to attend and vote instead of him. A member may appoint a proxy in respect of part only of his holding of shares in the Company. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
- 2. The instrument appointing a proxy shall be in writing under the hand of the appointor or of his attorney duly authorized in writing or, if the appointor is a corporation, either under its seal or under the hand of an officer, attorney or other person authorized to sign the same. In the case of an instrument of proxy purporting to be signed on behalf of a corporation by an officer thereof it shall be assumed, unless the contrary appears, that such officer was duly authorized to sign such instrument of proxy on behalf of the corporation without further evidence of the facts.

- 3. The instrument appointing a proxy and (if required by the board of directors of the Company) the power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed, or a certified copy of such power or authority, shall be delivered to Unit 3009, 30th Floor, No. 118 Connaught Road West, Hong Kong not less than forty-eight (48) hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the person named in the instrument proposes to vote or, in the case of a poll taken subsequently to the date of the meeting or adjourned meeting, not less than forty-eight (48) hours before the time appointed for the taking of the poll and in default the instrument of proxy shall not be treated as valid.
- 4. Delivery of an instrument appointing a proxy shall not preclude a member from attending and voting in person at the meeting convened and in such event, the instrument appointing a proxy shall be deemed to be revoked.
- 5. Where there are joint holders of any share any one of such joint holder may vote, either in person or by proxy, in respect of such share as if he were solely entitled thereto, but if more than one of such joint holders be present at the meeting the vote of the senior who tenders a vote, whether in person or by proxy, shall be accepted to the exclusion of the votes of the other joint holders, and for this purpose seniority shall be determined by the order in which the names stand in the register of members of the Company in respect of the joint holding.
- 6. The registers of members of the Company will be closed from 16th June, 2020 to 19th June, 2020 (both dates inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares will be registered. In order to qualify for attending and voting at the annual general meeting to be held on 19th June, 2020, all shares transfer documents accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's Hong Kong Branch Share Registrar and Transfer Office, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at Shops 1712–1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong for registration not later than 4:30 p.m. on 15th June, 2020.
- 7. As at the date hereof, the Board of Directors comprises chairman and non-executive director, namely, Mr. Zhong Jie, chief executive officer and executive director, namely, Mr. Zhang Yi, one non-executive director, namely, Mr. Wu Ge and three independent non-executive directors, namely, Mr. Cui Liguo, Mr. Zhang Lei and Mr. Chan Yee Hoi.
- 8. A form of proxy for the use at the annual general meeting is enclosed herewith.