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## DELAY IN DESPATCH OF CIRCULAR IN RELATION TO (1) PROPOSED NON-PUBLIC ISSUANCE OF A SHARES UNDER SPECIFIC MANDATE; (2) CONNECTED TRANSACTION IN RELATION TO THE PROPOSED SUBSCRIPTION OF A SHARES BY CEA HOLDING; (3) APPLICATION FOR WHITEWASH WAIVER; AND (4) PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES

Reference is made to the announcement (the "Announcement") of China Eastern Airlines Corporation Limited (the "Company") dated 2 February 2021 in relation to, among other things, the Non-public Issuance of A Shares under Specific Mandate, the A Share Subscription Agreement, the Whitewash Waiver and the proposed amendments to the Articles. Unless otherwise indicated, terms used in this announcement shall have the same meanings as those defined in the Announcement.

As disclosed in the Announcement, a circular (the "**Circular**") containing, among other things, (i) details of the Non-public Issuance of A Shares under the A Share Subscription Agreement (including the Specific Mandate), the Whitewash Waiver and the proposed amendments to the Articles; (ii) a letter from the Independent Board Committee; and (iii) a letter of advice from the Independent Financial Adviser is expected to be despatched to the Shareholders on or before 23 February 2021 in accordance with the Hong Kong Listing Rules and the Takeovers Code.

As additional time is required to prepare and finalise certain information to be contained in the Circular, including but not limited to the letter from the Board, the letter from the Independent Board Committee, the letter from the Independent Financial Adviser, the financial information of the Group, and the reports to be provided by the Company's independent financial adviser and its auditors or accountants in respect of the information which constitutes a profit forecast under Rule 10 of the Takeovers Code, the Company has applied to the Executive for its consent to waive from strict compliance with Rule 8.2 of the Takeovers Code and to extend the time for the despatch of the Circular from 23 February 2021 to a date on or before 12 March 2021 and the Executive has indicated that it is minded to grant such consent.

Further announcement will be made when the Circular is despatched.

## By order of the Board **CHINA EASTERN AIRLINES CORPORATION LIMITED Wang Jian** *Company Secretary* Shanghai, the People's Republic of China 23 February 2021

As at the date of this announcement, the Directors of the Company include Liu Shaoyong (Chairman), Li Yangmin (Vice Chairman, President), Tang Bing (Director), Shao Ruiqing (Independent non-executive Director), Cai Hongping (Independent non-executive Director), Dong Xuebo (Independent non-executive Director) and Jiang Jiang (Employee Representative Director).

As at the date of this announcement, the directors of CEA Holding include Liu Shaoyong (Chairman), Li Yangmin, Tang Bing, Chen Feihu, Li Hao, Lin Wanli, Wang Bin, Guo Jianfei, Wan Min, Zhou Yubo and Jiang Jiang.

The Directors jointly and severally accept full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this announcement other than those relating to CEA Holding and parties acting in concert with it, and confirm, having made all reasonable enquiries, 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 statements in this announcement misleading.

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