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### **RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS, GRANTING OF GENERAL MANDATES TO ISSUE SHARES AND TO BUY BACK SHARES AND NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

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A notice convening the Annual General Meeting of China Outfitters Holdings Limited to be held at Room 1703-1704, World-Wide House, 19 Des Voeux Road Central, Central, Hong Kong on Tuesday, 18 May 2021 at 2:00 p.m. is set out on pages 19 to 23 of this circular.

Whether or not you are able to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting, please complete and sign the enclosed form of proxy for use at the Annual General Meeting in accordance with the instructions printed thereon and return it to the Company's branch share registrar and transfer office in Hong Kong, Tricor Investor Services Limited, at Level 54, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong as soon as possible but in any event not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for the holding of the Annual General Meeting (i.e. not later than 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, 16 May 2021) or any adjournment thereof. Completion and return of the form of proxy will not preclude Shareholders from attending and voting in person at the Annual General Meeting if they so wish.

This circular together with the form of proxy is also published on the websites of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited ([www.hkexnews.hk](http://www.hkexnews.hk)) and the Company ([www.cohl.hk](http://www.cohl.hk)).

#### **PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES FOR THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Practical measures will be taken to try to avoid the spread of COVID-19 at the Annual General Meeting, including:

- compulsory temperature checks and health declarations for all attendees, including Directors and Shareholders
- prohibition from attendance at the Annual General Meeting if the attendee has a fever. Persons exhibiting flu-like symptoms may also be refused admittance to the venue of the Annual General Meeting
- compulsory wearing of surgical face masks throughout the Annual General Meeting
- maintaining proper distance between seats
- no refreshments will be served at the Annual General Meeting
- **no souvenirs will be provided at the Annual General Meeting**

Any person who does not comply with the precautionary measures may be denied entry into the venue of the Annual General Meeting. The Company reminds Shareholders that they may appoint the chairman of the meeting as their proxy to vote on the relevant resolutions at the Annual General Meeting as an alternative to attending the Annual General Meeting in person.

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## DEFINITIONS

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

“AGM Notice”	the notice dated 19 April 2021 convening the Annual General Meeting as set out on pages 19 to 23 of this circular
“Annual General Meeting”	the annual general meeting of the Company to be held at Room 1703-1704, World-Wide House, 19 Des Voeux Road Central, Central, Hong Kong on Tuesday, 18 May 2021 at 2:00 p.m.
“Articles of Association”	the articles of association of the Company, as amended from time to time
“Board”	the board of Directors
“Cayman Companies Law”	the Companies Law of the Cayman Islands, as amended from time to time
“Company”	China Outfitters Holdings Limited, a company incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability, the shares of which are listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange
“Controlling Shareholder(s)”	has the meaning ascribed thereto under the Listing Rules
“Director(s)”	the director(s) of the Company
“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”	11 April 2021, being the latest practicable date prior to the printing of this circular for ascertaining certain information in this circular
“Listing Rules”	the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange, as amended from time to time
“Ordinary Resolution(s)”	the proposed ordinary resolution(s) as referred to in the AGM Notice
“PRC”	the People’s Republic of China and for the purpose of this circular excluding Hong Kong, the Macau Special Administrative Region of the People’s Republic of China and Taiwan

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“RMB”	Renminbi, the lawful currency of the PRC
“SFO”	the Securities and Futures Ordinance, Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong
“Share(s)”	ordinary share(s) of HK\$0.10 each in the issued capital of the Company
“Share Buy-back Mandate”	the general mandate proposed to be granted to the Directors at the Annual General Meeting to exercise the powers of the Company to buy back Shares not exceeding 10% of the total number of issued Shares of the Company as at the date of passing of the resolution approving the Share Buy-back Mandate
“Share Issue Mandate”	the general mandate proposed to be granted to the Directors at the Annual General Meeting to exercise the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with additional Shares up to 20% of the total number of issued Shares of the Company as at the date of passing of the resolution approving the Share Issue Mandate
“Shareholder(s)”	the registered holder(s) of Share(s)
“Stock Exchange”	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited
“Substantial Shareholder(s)”	has the meaning ascribed thereto under the Listing Rules
“Takeovers Code”	the Code on Takeovers and Mergers approved by the Securities and Futures Commission, as amended from time to time

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LETTER FROM THE BOARD

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中國服飾控股有限公司  
CHINA OUTFITTERS HOLDINGS LIMITED

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 1146)

*Executive Directors:*

Mr. Zhang Yongli (*Chairman and Chief Executive Officer*)

Mr. Sun David Lee

Ms. Huang Xiaoyun

*Non-executive Director:*

Mr. Wang Wei

*Independent Non-executive Directors:*

Mr. Kwong Wilson Wai Sun

Mr. Cui Yi

Mr. Yeung Chi Wai

*Registered office:*

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Cayman Islands

*Principal place of business in*

*Hong Kong:*

Room 1303, 13/F

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Tsim Sha Tsui East

Kowloon

Hong Kong

19 April 2021

*To the Shareholders*

Dear Sir/Madam,

**RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS,  
GRANTING OF GENERAL MANDATES TO  
ISSUE SHARES AND TO BUY BACK SHARES  
AND  
NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**1. INTRODUCTION**

The purpose of this circular is to provide you with information in respect of certain resolutions to be proposed at the Annual General Meeting for (i) the re-election of the Directors; (ii) the Share Issue Mandate and the Share Buy-back Mandate and the AGM Notice.

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### 2. RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

According to Article 107 of the Articles of Association, Mr. Sun David Lee, Mr. Kwong Wilson Wai Sun and Mr. Cui Yi shall retire by rotation at the Annual General Meeting. All of the above three Directors, being eligible, will offer themselves for re-election at the Annual General Meeting.

Mr. Kwong Wilson Wai Sun and Mr. Cui Yi, the retiring Independent Non-executive Directors of the Company (the “**retiring INEDs**”) who are serving their 10th year with the Company this year, and are holding other listed company directorships as contained in their biographical information set out in Appendix I to this circular, have confirmed their independence with reference to the factors set out in Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules.

The retiring INEDs, attended all the meetings of the Board and the Board committees held in the past years and the current financial year. Details of the attendance records are set out in the Corporate Governance Report of the Company. The relevant Board papers and materials were provided to the Directors for review and consideration prior to the meetings. The retiring INEDs have remained responsible for their performance functions and discharged their duties to the Company through active participation on the Board and by bringing balance of views as well as knowledge, experience and expertise.

The retiring INEDs have confirmed that they will continue to devote sufficient time for the discharge of their functions and responsibilities as an independent non-executive Director of the Company. With their background and experience, the retiring INEDs are fully aware of the responsibilities and expected time involvements in the Company. Based on the foregoing, the Board believes that the retiring INEDs’ position outside the Company will not affect them in maintaining their current role in, and their functions and responsibilities for, the Company.

The Nomination Committee has reviewed the structure and composition of the Board, the confirmations and disclosures given by the Directors, the qualifications, skills and experience, time commitment and contribution of the retiring Directors with reference to the nomination principles and criteria set out in the Company’s Board Diversity Policy and the Company’s corporate strategy, and the independence of all Independent Non-executive Directors. The Nomination Committee has recommended to the Board on re-election of all the retiring Directors including the retiring INEDs who are due to retire at the Annual General Meeting. The Company considers that the retiring INEDs are independent in accordance with the independence guidelines set out in the Listing Rules and will continue to bring valuable business experience, knowledge and professionalism to the Board for its efficient and effective functioning and diversity.

Details of the Directors proposed for re-election at the Annual General Meeting are set out in Appendix I to this circular.

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### 3. GRANTING OF GENERAL MANDATE TO ISSUE SHARES

At the annual general meeting of the Company held on 18 May 2020, a general mandate was granted to the Directors to issue Shares. Such mandate will lapse at the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting. In order to give the Company the flexibility to issue Shares if and when appropriate, at the Annual General Meeting an ordinary resolution will be proposed for the Shareholders to consider and, if thought fit, grant a general mandate to the Directors to exercise all powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with the Shares. Under the Share Issue Mandate, the number of Shares which may be allotted and issued shall not exceed 20% of the total number of issued Shares of the Company in issue as at the date of passing of the resolution approving the Share Issue Mandate which, if passed, shall be a maximum of 689,090,000 Shares (or such other number of Shares as would represent 20% of the total number of issued Shares of the Company at the relevant time if there should be a change in the total number of issued Shares of the Company between the date of this circular and the date of passing the relevant resolution). The Share Issue Mandate shall expire upon the earliest of (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting, and (ii) the date upon which such authority given under the Share Issue Mandate is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the Shareholders.

Details of the Share Issue Mandate are set out in Ordinary Resolution No. 4 in the AGM Notice.

In addition, Ordinary Resolution No. 6 will also be proposed for the Shareholders to consider and, if thought fit, approve the extension of the Share Issue Mandate by adding to the aggregate number of Shares which may be allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted by the Directors pursuant to the Share Issue Mandate the number of Shares bought back pursuant to the Share Buy-back Mandate, if granted.

### 4. GRANTING OF GENERAL MANDATE TO BUY BACK SHARES

At the annual general meeting of the Company held on 18 May 2020, a general mandate was granted to the Directors to buy back Shares. Such mandate will lapse at the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting. In order to give the Company the flexibility to buy back Shares if and when appropriate, at the Annual General Meeting an ordinary resolution will be proposed for the Shareholders to consider and, if thought fit, grant a general mandate to the Directors to exercise all powers of the Company to buy back Shares. Under the Share Buy-back Mandate, the number of Shares that the Company may buy back shall not exceed 10% of the total number of issued Shares of the Company on the date of the passing of the resolution approving the Share Buy-back Mandate which, if passed, shall be a maximum of 344,545,000 Shares (or such other number of Shares as would represent 10% of the total number of issued Shares of the Company at the relevant time if there should be a change in the total number of issued Shares of the Company between the date of this circular and the date of passing the relevant resolution). The Share Buy-back Mandate allows the Company to buy back Shares only during the period ending on the earliest of (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting, and (ii) the date upon which such authority given under the Share Buy-back Mandate is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the Shareholders.

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Details of the Share Buy-back Mandate are set out in Ordinary Resolution No. 5 in the AGM Notice.

An explanatory statement required under the Listing Rules to provide requisite information of the Share Buy-back Mandate is set out in Appendix II to this circular.

### **5. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND PROXY ARRANGEMENT**

A notice convening the Annual General Meeting is set out on pages 19 to 23 of this circular.

Pursuant to the Listing Rules and the Articles of Association, all votes of Shareholders at a general meeting must be taken by poll. An announcement on the poll results will be published on the website of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited ([www.hkexnews.hk](http://www.hkexnews.hk)) and the Company's website ([www.cohl.hk](http://www.cohl.hk)) after the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting in the manner prescribed under Rule 13.39(5) of the Listing Rules.

A form of proxy for use at the Annual General Meeting is enclosed with this circular and such form of proxy is also published on the website of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited ([www.hkexnews.hk](http://www.hkexnews.hk)) and the Company's website ([www.cohl.hk](http://www.cohl.hk)). Whether or not you intend to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting in person, you are requested to complete and sign the form of proxy in accordance with the instructions printed thereon and return it together with the power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed or a certified copy of that power of attorney or authority at the Company's branch share registrar and transfer office in Hong Kong, Tricor Investor Services Limited, at Level 54, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong as soon as possible but in any event not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the Annual General Meeting (i.e. not later than 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, 16 May 2021) or any adjournment thereof. Completion and delivery of the form of proxy will not preclude you from attending and voting at the Annual General Meeting if you so wish.

### **6. RECOMMENDATION**

The Directors consider that the proposed (i) re-election of the Directors; and (ii) granting of the Share Issue Mandate and the Share Buy-back Mandate are in the best interests of the Company and the Shareholders as a whole. The Directors therefore recommend the Shareholders to vote in favour of the Ordinary Resolutions in relation to the above matters as set out in the AGM Notice. As at the Latest Practicable Date, no Shareholder is required to abstain from voting under the Listing Rules in respect of the Ordinary Resolutions as stated in the AGM Notice.

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### 7. RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

This circular, for which the Directors collectively and individually accept full responsibility, includes particulars given in compliance with the Listing Rules for the purpose of giving information with regard to the Company. The Directors, having made all reasonable enquiries, confirm that to the best of their knowledge and belief the information contained in this circular is accurate and complete in all material respects and not misleading or deceptive, and there are no other matters the omission of which would make any statement herein or this circular misleading.

### 8. FURTHER INFORMATION

Your attention is drawn to the additional information set out in the Appendices to this circular.

Yours faithfully,  
By order of the Board  
**China Outfitters Holdings Limited**  
**Zhang Yongli**  
*Chairman*

**Mr. Sun David Lee, aged 55**

**Mr. Sun David Lee** (孫如暉先生), is an executive Director of our Company. He also serves as a director in a number of our subsidiaries in Hong Kong. Mr. Sun is primarily responsible for brands sourcing and transaction management. He has been an independent non-executive director of Dynasty Fine Wines Group Limited since November 2012, the shares of which are listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange. He was an executive director of Asia Coal Limited until 3 May 2018, the shares of which were listed on the Stock Exchange up to 17 June 2019. Mr. Sun was a director and co-founder of CEC Management Limited, the management company of China Enterprise Capital Limited (“CEC”), a China focused private equity fund. Prior to establishing CEC, he was the managing director of Pacific Alliance Group Limited, an Asia-focused alternative investment management firm. Mr. Sun was the director for strategy and business development in Asia at Interbrew (currently known as Anheuser-Busch InBev). He was also a consultant in the corporate finance and strategy practice of McKinsey & Company, Inc. in Hong Kong. Prior to his position at McKinsey, Mr. Sun practised law as an associate in the corporate group at Linklaters. Mr. Sun holds a Juris Doctor from the University of Illinois College of Law. He is a registered attorney in Illinois of the U.S. Mr. Sun was appointed as our executive Director on 8 June 2011.

Save as disclosed above, Mr. Sun has not held any directorship in other public companies the securities of which are listed on any securities market in Hong Kong or overseas in the last three years.

Mr. Sun has entered into a service agreement with the Company under which he agreed to act as an executive Director for a period of three years commencing from the date of his appointment and will continue thereafter until terminated by not less than three months’ notice in writing served by either party on the other, which notice shall not expire until after the fixed term. He is also subject to retirement and re-election at the Annual General Meeting of the Company in accordance with the Articles of Association.

Under the service agreement entered into between Mr. Sun and the Company, Mr. Sun is entitled to receive an annual director’s fee of HK\$498,000.

**Mr. Kwong Wilson Wai Sun, aged 55**

**Mr. Kwong Wilson Wai Sun (鄭偉信先生)**, is an independent non-executive Director of our Company. Mr. Kwong has been appointed as an executive director of China Metal Resources Utilization Limited, a manufacturer of recycled copper products in China and a company listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange, since 16 August 2013. He is also an independent non-executive director of C. Banner International Holdings Limited and Shunfeng International Clean Energy Limited, companies listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange, since 26 August 2011 and 16 July 2014, respectively. On 20 March 2017, Mr. Kwong was appointed as an independent non-executive director of China New Higher Education Group Limited, a company listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange on 19 April 2017. On 15 March 2019, he was also appointed as an independent non-executive director of Koolearn Technology Holding Limited, a company listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange on 28 March 2019. Mr. Kwong acted as the President of Gushan Environment Energy Limited, a copper products manufacturer and biodiesel producer in China, until 16 August 2013. He has 12 years of experience in corporate finance and equity capital markets in Asia, having previously worked at a number of investment banks in Hong Kong. Prior to joining Gushan Environmental Energy Limited in 2006, he was the managing director of investment banking and he held the position as the head of Hong Kong and China equity capital markets at CLSA Equity Capital Markets Limited since March 2004. From 2002 to 2003, Mr. Kwong was a director and the head of equity capital markets for Cazenove Asia Limited. After graduating from the University of Cambridge, England with a Bachelor's degree in 1987, he qualified as a chartered accountant in the United Kingdom with KPMG in 1990 and as a chartered secretary and administrator in the United Kingdom in 1991. Mr. Kwong is currently an associate member of the Institute of Chartered Accountant in England and Wales and the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Mr. Kwong was appointed as our independent non-executive Director on 8 June 2011.

Save as disclosed above, Mr. Kwong has not held any directorship in other public companies the securities of which are listed on any securities market in Hong Kong or overseas in the last three years.

Mr. Kwong has entered into a letter of appointment with the Company under which he agreed to act as an independent non-executive Director for a period of three years commencing from the date of his appointment and will continue thereafter until terminated by not less than three months' notice in writing served by either party on the other, which notice shall not expire until after the fixed term. He is also subject to retirement and re-election at the Annual General Meeting of the Company in accordance with the Articles of Association.

Under the letter of appointment entered into between Mr. Kwong and the Company, Mr. Kwong is entitled to receive an annual director's fee of HK\$264,000.

**Mr. Cui Yi, aged 66**

**Mr. Cui Yi (崔義先生)** is an independent non-executive Director of our Company. Mr. Cui is the founder and director of PMC China Trading Company Limited (合力洋行(中國)有限公司), and was responsible for managing the authorised dealership of glass tube products under a German brand in the PRC and Hong Kong. Mr. Cui is also the director of Jescove Company Limited (宏銀有限公司). He has also been acting as the executive director and deputy general manager of Hong Kong Zhanyou Company Limited (香港湛佑有限公司) since 1993 and responsible for the preparation and establishment of ZIP Comayagua, S.A., a textile industrial complex, in Honduras, Central America. From 1995 to 1998, Mr. Cui was the executive director and executive general manager of the companies of ZIP Comayagua S.A., responsible for management of the textile industrial complex. From 1990 to 1991, he was the assistant general manager of Textile Development Company (上海紡織住宅開發總公司) under the Shanghai Textile Industry Council (上海紡織工業局), and he was the deputy general manager of Hainan Shenhai Enterprise Group (海南申海企業集團) under the same council in 1991, responsible for the trading of textile products and the development of overseas markets for textile products. Mr. Cui graduated from The East China University of Political Science and Law majoring in law. Mr. Cui was appointed as our independent non-executive Director on 8 June 2011.

Save as disclosed above, Mr. Cui has not held any directorship in other public companies the securities of which are listed on any securities market in Hong Kong or overseas in the last three years.

Mr. Cui has entered into a letter of appointment with the Company under which he agreed to act as an independent non-executive Director for a period of three years commencing from the date of his appointment and will continue thereafter until terminated by not less than three months' notice in writing served by either party on the other, which notice shall not expire until after the fixed term. He is also subject to retirement and re-election at the Annual General Meeting of the Company in accordance with the Articles of Association.

Under the letter of appointment entered into between Mr. Cui and the Company, Mr. Cui is entitled to receive an annual director's fee of HK\$264,000.

**INTERESTS IN SHARES**

As at the Latest Practicable Date, the interests and short positions of the above Directors in the Shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) which have been notified to the Company and to the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO, or which were recorded in the register required to be kept pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers set out in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules were as follows:

**Long positions in the Shares and underlying shares of the Company:**

Name of Director	Capacity	Number of Ordinary Shares Owned	Underlying Shares Interested (Note 1)	Total	Percentage of the Company's Total Number of Issued Shares (%)
Mr. Sun David Lee	Beneficial owner	452,000	10,000,000	10,452,000	0.30
Mr. Kwong Wilson Wai Sun	Beneficial owner	—	3,000,000	3,000,000	0.09
Mr. Cui Yi	Beneficial owner	—	3,000,000	3,000,000	0.09

*Note:*

- (1) The number of underlying shares represents the Shares in which the Directors are deemed to be interested as a result of holding share options.

Save as disclosed above, none of the above Directors had any interests or short positions in any Shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company.

**RELATIONSHIPS**

Save as disclosed above, none of the above Directors is related to any Directors, senior management or Substantial Shareholders or Controlling Shareholders of the Company.

**OTHER INFORMATION**

Save as disclosed above, there are no other matters relating to the re-election of Mr. Sun David Lee, Mr. Kwong Wilson Wai Sun and Mr. Cui Yi that need to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders and there is no information relating to the above Directors that is required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51(2) sub-paragraphs (h) to (v) of the Listing Rules.

**NOMINATIONS BY SHAREHOLDERS**

Shareholders are invited to elect up to three Directors at the Annual General Meeting to fill the vacancies available following the retirement of Mr. Sun David Lee, Mr. Kwong Wilson Wai Sun and Mr. Cui Yi at the Annual General Meeting.

Article 108 of the Articles of Association provides that no person other than a Director retiring at the general meeting shall, unless recommended by the Directors for election, be eligible for election as a Director at any general meeting unless a notice signed by a member (other than the person to be proposed) duly qualified to attend and vote at the meeting for which such notice is given of his intention to propose such person for election and also a notice signed by the person to be proposed of his willingness to be elected shall have been lodged at the head office or at the registered office provided that the minimum length of the period, during which such notice(s) are given, shall be at least seven (7) days and that (if the notices are submitted after the despatch of the notice of the general meeting appointed for such election) the period for lodgment of such notice(s) shall commence on the day after the despatch of the notice of the general meeting appointed for such election and end no later than seven (7) days prior to the date of such general meeting.

Accordingly, if a Shareholder wishes to nominate a person to stand for election as a Director, the following documents must be validly served on the Company at the Company's Hong Kong branch share registrar and transfer office, Tricor Investor Services Limited, at Level 54, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong, namely (i) his/her notice of intention to propose a resolution at the Annual General Meeting; and (ii) a notice executed by the nominated candidate of his/her willingness to be appointed together with (A) that candidate's information as required to be disclosed under Rule 13.51(2) of the Listing Rules and such other information, as set out in the below heading "Required information of the candidate(s) nominated by Shareholders", and (B) the candidate's written consent to the publication of his/her personal data. In order to ensure that Shareholders have sufficient time to receive and consider the information of the nominated candidate(s), Shareholders are urged to submit their proposals as early as practicable, preferably no later than 4:30 p.m. on 27 April 2021 so that an announcement can be issued on or about 3 May 2021 and/or a supplemental circular containing information of the candidate(s) proposed by the Shareholders can be dispatched to Shareholders as soon as practicable on or about 3 May 2021.

**Required information of the candidate(s) nominated by Shareholders**

In order to enable Shareholders to make an informed decision on their election of Directors, in addition to the above described notice of intention to propose a candidate for election by a Shareholder, the Shareholder or the nominated candidate should provide the following information of the nominated candidate:

- (a) full name and age;
- (b) positions held with the Company and/or other members of the Group (if any);
- (c) experience including (i) other directorships held in the past 3 years in public companies of which the securities are listed on any securities market in Hong Kong or overseas, and (ii) other major appointments and professional qualifications;
- (d) current employment and such other information (which may include business experience and academic qualifications) of which Shareholders should be aware of, pertaining to the ability or integrity of the candidate;
- (e) length or proposed length of service with the Company;
- (f) relationships with any Directors, senior management, Substantial Shareholders or Controlling Shareholders (as defined in the Listing Rules) of the Company, or an appropriate negative statement;
- (g) interests in Shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO, or an appropriate negative statement;
- (h) a declaration made by the nominated candidate in respect of the information required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51(2)(h) to (w) of the Listing Rules, or an appropriate negative statement to that effect where there is no information to be disclosed pursuant to any of such requirements nor any other matters relating to that nominated candidate's standing for election as a Director that should be brought to Shareholders' attention; and
- (i) contact details.

The Shareholder proposing the candidate will be required to read out aloud the proposed resolution, as set out under "Resolutions and Voting" below, at the Annual General Meeting.

**RESOLUTIONS AND VOTING**

In order to comply with code provision E.1.1 of the Corporate Governance Code contained in Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules, there must be a separate resolution for the appointment of each candidate as a Director. There will be three Director vacancies to be filled in at the Annual General Meeting following the retirement of Mr. Sun David Lee, Mr. Kwong Wilson Wai Sun and Mr. Cui Yi at the Annual General Meeting. If there are more than three candidates standing for election at the Annual General Meeting, each resolution proposing that a candidate be appointed as a Director will provide for a method to determine which three candidates shall be elected as Directors as follows:

“THAT subject to the number of net votes cast in relation to this resolution (net votes being votes cast in favour minus votes cast against this resolution) being among the three highest numbers of net votes cast on each of the resolutions for the appointment of a person as a Director of the Company at the annual general meeting to be held on 18 May 2021 or on the date of its adjournment (where applicable) (the “**Annual General Meeting**”), name of candidate be and is hereby appointed as a Director of the Company with effect from the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting, provided that if any three or more of such resolutions record the same number of net votes (the “**Tied Resolutions**”), the ranking of the Tied Resolutions from highest to lowest number of net votes shall be determined by the drawing of lots by the chairman of the Meeting.”

**If a resolution is passed (i.e., it has been carried by the majority of the votes cast on it), the candidate who is the subject of that resolution will be eligible to be elected a Director. On the other hand, if a resolution is not passed, the candidate who is the subject of that resolution will not be eligible to be elected a Director. If there are less than three resolutions passed by the majority of the votes cast, the Board may, pursuant to Article 102 of the Articles of Association, appoint any person to fill the relevant vacancy or vacancies (as the case may be).**

**Assuming a resolution is passed by the majority of the votes cast on it, the candidate who is the subject of that resolution will be elected to one of the three positions on the Board if the net votes cast in favour of his/her resolution is among the top three resolutions passed in terms of net votes cast. Net votes cast are calculated by taking the votes cast in favour of a resolution and subtracting the votes cast against that resolution. In the event there is a tie in the net votes for two or more resolutions, the ranking of the Tied Resolutions from highest to lowest number of net votes cast shall be determined by the drawing of lots by the chairman of the meeting.**

**Therefore, if you wish to support a particular candidate, you should vote in favour of his/her resolution. If you do not wish to support a candidate, you may vote against his/her resolution or abstain from voting. If you abstain from voting, you should note that your votes will not be counted when calculating the net votes cast in respect of the resolution for such candidate that you do not wish to support.**

The following is an explanatory statement required by the Listing Rules to provide the Shareholders with requisite information for consideration of the proposed Ordinary Resolution to approve the Share Buy-back Mandate.

### **1. SHARE CAPITAL**

As at the Latest Practicable Date, the number of Shares of the Company in issue was 3,445,450,000 Shares.

Subject to the passing of the Ordinary Resolution No. 5 set out in the AGM Notice in respect of the granting of the Share Buy-back Mandate and on the basis that no further Shares are issued or bought back before the Annual General Meeting, the Company will be allowed under the Share Buy-back Mandate to buy back Shares, during the period ending on the earliest of (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting, and (ii) the date upon which such authority given under the Share Buy-back Mandate is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the Shareholders, a maximum of 344,545,000 Shares, being 10% of the number of Shares in issue as at the date of the Annual General Meeting.

### **2. REASONS FOR SHARE BUY-BACK**

The Directors believe that it is in the interests of the Company and the Shareholders to seek a general authority from Shareholders to enable the Directors to buy back Shares. The Directors believe that the Share Buy-back Mandate would give the Company additional flexibility where situation warrants for Share buy-back and is in the best interests of the Company and the Shareholders.

Buy-back of Shares may, depending on the market conditions and funding arrangements at the time, lead to an enhancement of the net asset value per Share and/or earnings per Share and will only be made in circumstances which the Directors believe are appropriate for the benefit of the Company and the Shareholders.

### **3. FUNDING OF SHARE BUY-BACK**

The Company is empowered by its Articles of Association to buy back its Shares. The Company may only apply funds legally available for such purpose in accordance with its Articles of Association and laws of the Cayman Islands. The laws of the Cayman Islands and the Articles of Association provide that payment for a share buy-back may only be made out of profits or out of the share premium account or the proceeds of a new issue of Shares made for such purpose or subject to the Cayman Companies Law, out of capital of the Company. The amount of premium payable on buy-back of Shares may only be paid out of either the profits or out of the share premium of the Company or subject to the Cayman Companies Law, out of capital of the Company.

In addition, under the laws of the Cayman Islands, payment out of capital by a company for the purchase by a company of its own shares is unlawful unless immediately following the date on which the payment is proposed to be made, the Company shall be able to pay its debts as they fall due in the ordinary course of business. In accordance with the laws of the Cayman Islands, the shares so bought back would be treated as cancelled but the aggregate amount of authorised share capital would not be reduced.

#### 4. IMPACT OF SHARE BUY-BACK

There might be a material adverse impact on the working capital or gearing position of the Company (as compared with the position disclosed in the audited accounts contained in the annual report of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2020) in the event that the Share Buy-back Mandate was to be carried out in full at any time during the proposed buy-back period. However, the Directors do not intend to exercise the Share Buy-back Mandate to such extent as would, in the circumstances, have a material adverse effect on the working capital requirements of the Company or the gearing levels which in the opinion of the Directors are from time to time appropriate for the Company.

#### 5. SHARE PRICES

The highest and lowest prices per Share at which Shares have traded on the Stock Exchange during each of the following months were as follows:

<b>Month</b>	<b>Highest</b> <i>HK\$</i>	<b>Lowest</b> <i>HK\$</i>
<b>2020</b>		
April	0.155	0.113
May	0.150	0.113
June	0.150	0.129
July	0.160	0.110
August	0.180	0.123
September	0.150	0.131
October	0.149	0.122
November	0.140	0.092
December	0.300	0.082
<b>2021</b>		
January	0.139	0.093
February	0.190	0.096
March	0.175	0.124
April (up to the Latest Practicable Date)	0.125	0.125

**6. GENERAL**

None of the Directors nor, to the best of their knowledge and belief having made all reasonable enquiries, any of their close associates (as defined in the Listing Rules), has any present intention to sell any Shares to the Company in the event that the Share Buy-back Mandate is granted by the Shareholders.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, no core connected person of the Company (as defined in the Listing Rules) has notified the Company that he/she/it has a present intention to sell Shares to the Company nor has he/she/it undertaken not to sell any of the Shares held by him/her/it to the Company in the event that the Share Buy-back Mandate is granted by the Shareholders.

The Directors have undertaken to the Stock Exchange that, so far as the same may be applicable, they will exercise the powers of the Company to buy back Shares pursuant to the Share Buy-back Mandate and in accordance with the Listing Rules, the Articles of Association and the applicable laws of the Cayman Islands.

**7. EFFECTS OF TAKEOVERS CODE**

Buy-back of Shares by the Company may result in an increase in the proportionate interests of a Substantial Shareholder of the Company in the voting rights of the Company, which could give rise to an obligation to make a mandatory offer in accordance with Rule 26 of the Takeovers Code.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, to the best knowledge and belief of the Company, Mr. Zhang Yongli, being a Substantial Shareholder, was interested in 848,776,000 Shares representing approximately 24.63% of the total issued share capital of the Company, 839,748,000 Shares of which were held by CEC Outfitters Limited, a wholly owned company of Vinglory Holdings Limited, which was wholly owned by Mr. Zhang Yongli and 9,028,000 Shares by Mr. Zhang Yongli himself directly. Ms. Zhang Kailun, daughter of Mr. Zhang Yongli and a Substantial Shareholder, was interested in 173,000,000 Shares representing approximately 5.02% of the total issued share capital of the Company. In the event that the Directors exercise in full the power to buy back the Shares which is proposed to be granted pursuant to the Share Buyback Mandate, the aggregate shareholding of Mr. Zhang Yongli and Ms. Zhang Kailun in the Company would be increased from 29.65% to approximately 32.95% of the total number of issued Shares of the Company. The Directors consider that such an increase in shareholding would give rise to an obligation to make a mandatory offer under Rule 26 of the Takeovers Code.

The Directors do not propose to exercise the Share Buy-back Mandate to such an extent as would, in the circumstances, give rise to an obligation to make a mandatory offer in accordance with Rule 26 of the Takeovers Code. The Listing Rules prohibit a company from making buy-back of its shares on the Stock Exchange if the result of the buy-back would be less than 25% (or such or prescribed minimum percentage as determined by the Stock Exchange) of the Company's total number of issued Shares would be in public hands.

The Company will not buy back Shares if that buy-back would result in the number of Shares which are in the hands of the public falling below 25% of the Company's total number of issued Shares.

**8. SHARE BUY-BACK BY THE COMPANY**

During the six months prior to the Latest Practicable Date, the Company has not bought back any Shares (whether on the Stock Exchange or otherwise).

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(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 1146)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Annual General Meeting (the “**Annual General Meeting**”) of China Outfitters Holdings Limited (the “**Company**”) will be held at Room 1703-1704, World-Wide House, 19 Des Voeux Road Central, Central, Hong Kong on Tuesday, 18 May 2021 at 2:00 p.m. for the following purposes:

1. To receive, consider and adopt the audited consolidated financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries and the reports of the directors and auditors for the year ended 31 December 2020.
2. a. (i) To re-elect Mr. Sun David Lee as an executive director of the Company.  
(ii) To re-elect Mr. Kwong Wilson Wai Sun as an independent non-executive director of the Company.  
(iii) To re-elect Mr. Cui Yi as an independent non-executive director of the Company.
- b. To authorise the board of directors of the Company (the “**Board**”) to fix the remuneration of the directors of the Company (the “**Directors**”).
3. To re-appoint Ernst & Young as auditors of the Company and to authorise the Board to fix their remuneration.
4. To consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolution as an ordinary resolution of the Company:

“**THAT:**

- (a) subject to paragraph 4.(c) below, the exercise by the Directors during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with additional shares in the capital of the Company, subject to and in accordance with all applicable laws and the requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange (the “**Listing Rules**”) as amended from time to time, and to make or grant offers, agreements and options which might require the exercise of such powers be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the approval in paragraph 4.(a) above shall be in addition to any other authorisation given to the Directors and shall authorise the Directors during the Relevant Period to make or grant offers, agreements, options and rights of exchange or conversion which might require the exercise of such powers after the end of the Relevant Period;

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- (c) the aggregate number of shares allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted (whether pursuant to an option or otherwise) by the Directors pursuant to the approval in paragraph 4.(a), otherwise than pursuant to (i) a Rights Issue (as hereinafter defined); (ii) the share option scheme of the Company approved by The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (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 association of the Company, shall not exceed 20% of the total number of issued shares of the Company as at the date of passing of this resolution, and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and
- (d) for the purposes of this resolution:

“**Relevant Period**” means the period from the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earliest of:

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the articles of association of the Company or any applicable laws to be held; and
- (iii) the date upon which the authority set out in this resolution is revoked or varied by way of ordinary resolution of the Company in a general meeting; and

“**Rights Issue**” means an offer of shares open for a period fixed by the Directors to holders of ordinary shares on the register of members of the Company on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such shares (subject to such exclusion or other arrangements as the Directors may deem necessary or expedient in relation to fractional entitlements or having regard to any restrictions or obligations under the laws of, or the requirements of any regulatory body or any stock exchange in, any territory outside Hong Kong).”

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5. To consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolution as an ordinary resolution of the Company:

“**THAT:**

- (a) subject to paragraph 5.(c) below, the exercise by the Directors during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all the powers of the Company to buy back issued shares in the capital of the Company, subject to and in accordance with all applicable laws and the requirements of the Listing Rules as amended from time to time, be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the approval in paragraph 5.(a) above shall be in addition to any other authorisation given to the Directors and shall authorise the Directors on behalf of the Company during the Relevant Period to procure the Company to buy back its shares at a price determined by the Directors;
- (c) the aggregate number of shares of the Company which are authorised to be bought back by the Directors pursuant to the approval in paragraph 5.(a) above shall not exceed 10% of the total number of issued shares of the Company as at the date of passing of this resolution, and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and
- (d) for the purposes of this resolution:

“**Relevant Period**” means the period from the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earliest of:

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the articles of association of the Company or any applicable laws to be held; and
- (iii) the date on which the authority set out in this resolution is revoked or varied by way of ordinary resolution of the Company in a general meeting.”

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6. To consider as special business and, if thought fit, pass the following resolution as an ordinary resolution of the Company:

“**THAT** conditional upon the passing of resolutions nos. 4 and 5 above, the general mandate to the Directors pursuant to resolution no. 4 be and is hereby extended by the addition thereto of an amount representing the aggregate number of shares of the Company bought back by the Company under the authority granted pursuant to the resolution no. 5, provided that such amount shall not exceed 10% of the total number of issued shares of the Company as at the date of passing of this resolution.”

By Order of the Board  
**China Outfitters Holdings Limited**  
**Zhang Yongli**  
*Chairman*

Hong Kong, 19 April 2021

*Notes:*

- (1) Pursuant to Rule 13.39(4) of the Listing Rules and the articles of association of the Company, all the resolutions set out in the Notice of Annual General Meeting will be voted by poll and the results of the poll will be published on the websites of the Stock Exchange and the Company in accordance with the Listing Rules. On a poll, votes may be given either personally or by proxy.
- (2) A member entitled to attend and vote at the above meeting may appoint one or, if he holds two or more shares, more proxies to attend and vote instead of him. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
- (3) Where there are joint holders of any share, any one of such joint holders 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.
- (4) In order to be valid, a form of proxy together with the power of attorney (if any) or other authority (if any) under which it is signed or a certified copy thereof shall be deposited at the Company's branch share registrar and transfer office in Hong Kong, Tricor Investor Services Limited, at Level 54, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for the holding of the Annual General Meeting (i.e. not later than 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, 16 May 2021) or any adjournment thereof. The proxy form will be published on the website of the Stock Exchange.
- (5) There will be three Director vacancies to be filled at the meeting following the retirement of Mr. Sun David Lee, Mr. Kwong Wilson Wai Sun and Mr. Cui Yi at the Annual General Meeting. If a shareholder wishes to nominate a person to stand for election as a Director, the following documents must be validly served on the Company at the Company's branch share registrar and transfer office in Hong Kong, Tricor Investor Services Limited, at Level 54, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong, namely (i) his/her notice of intention to propose a resolution at the Annual General Meeting; and (ii) a notice executed by the nominated candidate of his/her willingness to be appointed together with (A) that candidate's information as required to be disclosed under Rule 13.51(2) of the Listing Rules and such

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other information, as set out under the section headed “Required information of the candidate(s) nominated by Shareholders” in Appendix I to the circular of the Company dated 19 April 2021, and (B) the candidate’s written consent to the publication of his/her personal data.

- (6) In order to be eligible to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting, all transfer documents accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company’s branch share registrar and transfer office in Hong Kong, Tricor Investor Services Limited, at Level 54, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen’s Road East, Hong Kong for registration not later than 4:30 p.m. on 12 May 2021.
- (7) Shareholders of the Company whose names appear on the register of members on 12 May 2021 are entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting or any adjourned meetings.