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## GIORDANO GIORDANO INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 709)

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

A notice convening the annual general meeting of Giordano International Limited to be held at 5th Floor, Tin On Industrial Building, 777–779 Cheung Sha Wan Road, Kowloon, Hong Kong on Friday, May 20, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. is set out on pages 15 to 19 of this circular. Alternatively, Shareholders may, however, view and listen to the AGM through a live webcast. Please refer to the section "PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES AND SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE AGM" of this circular for details. Whether or not you are able to attend the annual general meeting in person, you are requested to complete the enclosed form of proxy in accordance with the instructions printed thereon and return it to the Company's branch share registrar and transfer office in Hong Kong ("Hong Kong Branch Share Registrar"), Tricor Abacus Limited, at Level 54, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong as soon as possible and in any event not later than 48 hours before the time appointed for the holding of the meeting or any adjournment thereof (as the case may be).

Completion and return of the form of proxy will not preclude you from attending and voting in person at the annual general meeting or any adjournment thereof (as the case may be) should you so wish, and in such event, the instrument appointing the proxy shall be deemed to be revoked.

#### PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT FOR THE AGM

Please see pages 1 and 2 of this circular for measures being taken to prevent and control the spread of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 ("COVID-19") at the AGM, including:

- mandatory screening of body temperatures;
- mandatory wearing of face masks and maintaining a safe distance between seats;
- no distribution of refreshments; and
- disinfection of hands

The Company requires attendees to wear face masks at all times and reminds Shareholders that they may appoint the Chairman of the AGM as their proxy to vote on the relevant resolutions at the AGM as an alternative to attending the AGM in person.



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The English text of this circular shall prevail over the Chinese text for the purpose of interpretation.

#### PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES AND SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT FOR THE AGM

The health of our Shareholders and other stakeholders is of paramount importance to us. In view of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and recent requirements for prevention and control of its spread, the Company will implement the following preventive measures at the AGM to protect attending Shareholders and other stakeholders from the risk of infection:

- (i) Mandatory body temperature checks will be conducted on every Shareholder, proxy and other attendees at the entrance of the AGM venue. Any person with a body temperature of over 37.5 degrees Celsius may be denied entry into the AGM venue or be required to leave the AGM venue;
- (ii) The attendees must wear face masks inside the AGM venue at all times, and shall maintain a safe distance between seats;
- (iii) No refreshments will be served; and
- (iv) There will be disinfection of hands and footwear at the entrance of the AGM venue.

To the extent permitted under law, the Company reserves the right to deny entry into the AGM venue or require any person to leave the AGM venue in order to ensure the safety of the attendees at the AGM.

In the interest of all stakeholders' health and safety and consistent with recent COVID-19 guidelines for its prevention and control, the Company reminds all Shareholders that physical attendance in person at the AGM is not necessary for the purpose of exercising their voting rights. As an alternative, by using proxy forms with voting instructions inserted, Shareholders may appoint the Chairman of the AGM as their proxy to vote on the relevant resolutions at the AGM instead of attending the AGM in person.

The proxy form is attached to the AGM Circular for Shareholders who opt to receive physical circulars. Alternatively, the proxy form can be downloaded from the "Investor Relations" section of the Company's website at <a href="http://corp.giordano.com.hk/">http://corp.giordano.com.hk/</a>.

If you are not a registered Shareholder (if your Shares are held via banks, brokers, custodians or the Hong Kong Securities Clearing Company Limited), you should consult directly with your banks or brokers or custodians (as the case may be) to assist you in the appointment of a proxy to vote or attend the AGM in person.

If any Shareholder has any questions relating to the AGM, please contact Tricor Abacus Limited, the Company's Hong Kong Branch Share Registrar at Level 54, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong.

#### PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES AND SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT FOR THE AGM

#### Accessing Proceedings of AGM by Live Webcast

Registered and non-registered shareholders may view and listen to the AGM through a live webcast of the AGM which can be accessed on a computer, tablet or any browser enabled device. For the designated URL of AGM and meeting pass code details, please contact the Company's branch share registrar and transfer office in Hong Kong, Tricor Abacus Limited, by dialing (852) 2980 1333 (office hours: 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.) or by sending an email to is-enquiries@hk.tricorglobal.com, no later than 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, May 18, 2022 (being not less than forty-eight (48) hours before the AGM). Shareholders will be able to access the live webcast at the start of the AGM until its conclusion.

Shareholders should note that viewing the live streaming webcast of the AGM will not be counted towards a quorum nor will they be able to cast their votes online (but can vote by proxy in the manner described elsewhere in this circular). Shareholders who wish to vote are strongly encouraged to appoint the chairman of the AGM as their proxy to vote on the relevant resolutions at the AGM by completing and returning the relevant proxy form in accordance with the instructions therein by a time not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for the AGM.

#### **Questions from Shareholders**

Shareholders can submit questions for the Board in advance of the AGM via this email address: hkcomsec@giordano.com, no later than 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, May 18, 2022 (being not less than forty-eight (48) hours before the AGM); or during the AGM. Questions relevant to the business of the AGM will be addressed by the Board during the AGM as much as possible. It should also be noted that; firstly, Shareholders remain free to attend the AGM in person, and, secondly, that Shareholders can also submit the questions after the AGM by sending emails to the Company's investor relations department at investorrelations@giordano.com. Shareholders who attend the AGM in person can submit questions to the Board during the AGM.

The Company will keep monitoring the evolving COVID-19 situation and may implement additional measures which, if any, will be announced closer to the date of the AGM.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

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

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

5th Floor, Tin On Industrial Building, 777–779 Cheung Sha Wan Road, Kowloon, Hong Kong on Friday, May 20, 2022

at 9:30 a.m.;

"AGM Notice" a notice convening the AGM as set out on pages 15 to 19 of

this circular;

"Board" the board of Directors;

"Bye-Laws" the bye-laws of the Company adopted on May 24, 2019;

"Close Associate(s)" has the same meaning as defined in rule 1.01 of the Listing

Rules;

"Company" Giordano International Limited, a company incorporated in

Bermuda with limited liability, the Shares of which are listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange (stock

code: 709);

"Companies Act" the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda as amended from

time-to-time;

"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" April 12, 2022, being the latest practicable date prior to the

printing of this circular for the purpose of ascertaining

certain information contained herein;

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

Exchange, as amended from time-to-time;

"Nomination Committee" the nomination committee of the Company;

"Repurchase Mandate" a general and unconditional mandate proposed to be

granted to the Directors to exercise the power of the Company to repurchase Shares, the number of which shall not exceed 10% of the total number of issued Shares as at

the date of passing of the relevant resolution;

#### **DEFINITIONS**

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

Laws of Hong Kong);

"Share(s)" ordinary share(s) of HK\$0.05 each in the share capital of

the Company;

"Share Issue Mandate" a general and unconditional mandate proposed to be

granted to the Directors to exercise the power of the Company to allot, issue and otherwise deal with new Shares, the number of which shall not exceed 5% of the total number of issued Shares as at the date of passing of

the relevant resolution;

"Shareholder(s)" holder(s) of the Share(s) for the time being;

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

"Takeovers Code" The Codes on Takeovers and Mergers and Share Buy-backs

(approved by the Securities and Futures Commission as

amended from time-to-time); and

"%" per cent.

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#### GIORDANO INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

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Executive Directors:

Dr. LAU Kwok Kuen, Peter (Chairman and Chief Executive)

Dr. CHAN Ka Wai

Mr. Mark Alan LOYND

Non-executive Directors:

Dr. CHENG Chi Kong JP

Mr. CHAN Sai Cheong

Independent Non-executive Directors:

Dr. Barry John BUTTIFANT Mr. KWONG Ki Chi GBS, JP

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April 14, 2022

To the Shareholders

Dear Sir or Madam,

## PROPOSALS FOR GENERAL MANDATES TO ISSUE AND REPURCHASE SHARES, RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS AND NOTICE OF AGM

#### INTRODUCTION

The primary purposes of this circular are to provide you information regarding the resolutions to be proposed at the AGM and to give you the AGM Notice. Resolutions to be proposed at the AGM include, among other businesses, ordinary resolutions to approve the re-election of the retiring Directors and the grant of the Share Issue Mandate and the Repurchase Mandate to the Directors.

#### GENERAL MANDATES TO ISSUE AND REPURCHASE SHARES

At the annual general meeting of the Company held on May 21, 2021, the Directors were granted a general mandate to repurchase Shares on the Stock Exchange. The existing repurchase mandate will expire at the conclusion of the AGM. As at the Latest Practicable Date, no Shares have been repurchased pursuant to the existing repurchase mandate. At the AGM, among other businesses, resolutions will be proposed to grant the Share Issue Mandate and the Repurchase Mandate to the Directors.

Subject to the passing of the proposed resolution for the grant of the Share Issue Mandate and on the basis that no Shares are issued or repurchased by the Company during the period between the Latest Practicable Date and the date of the AGM, the Company will be allowed under the Share Issue Mandate to issue up to a maximum of 78,952,025 Shares, being 5% of the total number of issued Shares as at the Latest Practicable Date. Each of the Share Issue Mandate and the Repurchase Mandate will continue in force until the conclusion of the annual general meeting of the Company next following the AGM or any earlier date as referred to in resolutions numbered 6 and 7 set out in the AGM Notice.

Under the Listing Rules, the Company is required to give to the Shareholders an explanatory statement containing all information reasonably necessary to enable them to make an informed decision on whether to vote for or against the resolution to grant to the Directors the Repurchase Mandate. The explanatory statement required by the Listing Rules is set out in Appendix I to this circular.

#### RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

In accordance with Bye-Law 84(1) of the Bye-Laws, one-third of the Directors (other than the Chairman or Managing Director) shall retire from office, including those appointed for a specific term, by rotation at least once every 3 years. Accordingly, Mr Mark Alan LOYND, Dr Barry John BUTTIFANT and Mr KWONG Ki Chi will retire by rotation at the AGM pursuant to the Bye-Law. Mr Mark Alan LOYND and Dr Barry John BUTTIFANT being eligible, offer themselves for re-election at the AGM while Mr KWONG, being eligible, does not offer himself for re-election thereat.

Pursuant to Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules, further re-appointment of Dr BUTTIFANT, who has served the Company as an independent non-executive director for more than nine years, should be subject to a separate resolution to be approved by shareholders as service for more than nine years could be relevant to the determination of a non-executive director's independence..

#### **Recommendation of the Nomination Committee**

Dr BUTTIFANT has an accounting and finance background. He has been serving as an independent non-executive Director for more than nine years. Throughout his directorship with the Company, Dr BUTTIFANT has participated in Board meetings to give impartial advice and exercise independent judgement, served on various committees of the Board, but has never engaged in any executive management of the Company nor has he throughout such period been under the employment of any member of the Group.

The Nomination Committee reviewed the eligibility of Dr BUTTIFANT seeking for re-election at the 2022 AGM by evaluating among others, the structure and composition of the Board, as well as Dr BUTTIFANT's educational background, professional experience, skills, knowledge, and performance, on November 3, 2021 and March 9, 2022 in accordance with the nomination policy of the Company disclosed in the 2021 annual report of the Company. The Nomination Committee is of the view that the Company has benefited greatly from Dr BUTTIFANT's contributions and constructive insights as informed by his in-depth accounting and finance expertise and enhanced by his understanding of the Company. In accordance with the board diversity policy of the Company, Dr BUTTIFANT contributes to the Board his extensive professional and business experiences and specific knowledge in the accounting and finance field as detailed in Appendix II.

In addition, the Nomination Committee considered that there is no circumstance which are likely to affect Dr BUTTIFANT's independence as an independent non-executive director, given he does not hold any shares or share options of the Company; and the business of his past employers were non-retail in nature and did not relate to other fashion apparel retailers and competitors. Dr BUTTIFANT brings with him a wealth of non-retail, global experience, allowing him to offer alternative, unique perspectives which can be applied and used to inspire the Company's management to improve the Company's performance. Dr BUTTIFANT has spent much of his career overseas, working in countries such as Kenya and the United Kingdom, and has worked in a number of industries, including food and beverage, electronics, property, manufacturing and trading.

The Nomination Committee also reviewed and assessed the independence of Dr BUTTIFANT based on the respective annual written confirmations of independence of Dr BUTTIFANT against the independence guidelines as set out in rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules to the Company, and considers that he satisfies the independence guidelines set out in rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules.

Having considered the above, the Nomination Committee is satisfied that Dr BUTTIFANT remains independent notwithstanding the length of his service and believes that he is able to continue to fulfill his role as an independent non-executive director, and thus recommended to the Board for Dr BUTTIFANT's re-election as an independent non-executive Director in the 2022 AGM.

Taking into consideration the Nomination Committee's recommendations and Dr BUTTIFANT's independent scope of work in the past years, the Board (including the independent non-executive Directors other than Dr BUTTIFANT) considers that the long service of Dr BUTTIFANT would not affect his exercise of independent judgement and is satisfied that Dr BUTTIFANT has the required character, integrity and experience to continue fulfilling the role of an independent non-executive Director. The Board (including the independent non-executive Directors other than Dr BUTTIFANT) believes that Dr BUTTIFANT's continued tenure will bring considerable stability to the Board and that with his accounting and finance background and understanding of the Company's operations and business, he will continue to effectively contribute an impartial and independent view to the Board.

The Board accepted the Nomination Committee's nominations and recommended Mr LOYND and Dr BUTTIFANT to stand for re-election by the Shareholders at the AGM.

The Board considers that the re-election of Mr LOYND and Dr BUTTIFANT as Directors is in the best interest of the Company and the Shareholders as a whole.

Mr. LOYND and Dr. BUTTIFANT, the retiring Directors, being eligible, will offer themselves for re-election at the AGM.

Pursuant to rule 13.74 of the Listing Rules, details of the retiring Directors proposed for re-election at the AGM that are required to be disclosed under the Listing Rules are set out in Appendix II to this circular.

#### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM Notice is set out on pages 15 to 19 of this circular to consider the resolutions relating to, among other businesses, the re-election of the retiring Directors and the grant of the Share Issue Mandate and the Repurchase Mandate to the Directors. A form of proxy for use at the AGM is enclosed with this circular.

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

Whether or not you are able to attend the AGM in person, you are requested to complete the enclosed form of proxy in accordance with the instructions printed thereon and return it to the Company's Hong Kong Branch Share Registrar, Tricor Abacus Limited, at Level 54, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong as soon as possible and in any event not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for the holding of the AGM or any adjournment thereof (as the case may be). Completion and return of the form of proxy will not preclude you from attending and voting in person at the AGM or any adjournment thereof (as the case may be) should you so wish, and in such event, the instrument appointing the proxy shall be deemed to be revoked.

#### VOTING BY POLL

Pursuant to rule 13.39(4) of the Listing Rules, any vote of Shareholders at a general meeting must be taken by poll. Therefore, the Chairman will demand a poll for all the resolutions put to the vote at the AGM pursuant to Bye-Law 66(2) of the Bye-Laws.

After the conclusion of the AGM, the poll results will be published on the respective websites of the Company (http://corp.giordano.com.hk) and Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited (www.hkexnews.hk).

#### 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.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

The Board (including the independent non-executive Directors) considers that the proposals mentioned above, including the re-election of the retiring Directors, granting of the Share Issue Mandate and the Repurchase Mandate to the Directors are in the best interests of the Company and the Shareholders as a whole. Accordingly, the Board recommends the Shareholders to vote in favour of the resolutions to be proposed at the AGM as set out in the AGM Notice.

Yours faithfully,
For and on behalf of the Board
Giordano International Limited
LAU Kwok Kuen, Peter
Chairman and Chief Executive

This appendix serves as an explanatory statement, as required by the Listing Rules, to provide requisite information to you to make an informed decision whether to vote for or against the resolution to be proposed at the AGM in relation to the Repurchase Mandate.

#### 1. SHARE CAPITAL

As at the Latest Practicable Date, the total number of Shares in issue was 1,579,040,518.

Subject to the passing of the resolution for the grant of the Repurchase Mandate and on the basis that no Shares are issued or repurchased by the Company during the period between the Latest Practicable Date and the date of the AGM, the Company will be allowed under the Repurchase Mandate to repurchase up to a maximum of 157,904,051 Shares, being 10% of the total number of issued Shares as at the Latest Practicable Date.

#### 2. REASONS FOR THE REPURCHASE

The Directors believe that it is in the best interests of the Company and the Shareholders for the Directors to have a general authority from the Shareholders to enable the Company to repurchase its Shares on the Stock Exchange. Such repurchases may, depending on 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 when the Directors believe that such repurchases of Shares will benefit the Company and the Shareholders as a whole.

#### 3. FUNDING OF REPURCHASES

In repurchasing Shares, the Company may only apply funds legally available for such purpose in accordance with the Bye-Laws, the Listing Rules and the applicable laws of Bermuda.

Taking into account the current working capital position of the Group, the Directors consider that, if the Repurchase Mandate was to be exercised in full, it might have a material adverse effect on the working capital and/or the gearing position of the Group as compared with the position as at December 31, 2021, being the date of its latest audited consolidated financial statements were made up to. However, the Directors do not intend to make any repurchases to such an extent as would, in the circumstances, have a material adverse effect on the working capital requirements or the gearing position of the Group which in the opinion of the Directors are from time-to-time appropriate for the Group.

#### 4. SHARE PRICES

The highest and lowest prices at which the Shares have been traded on the Stock Exchange during each of the 12 months preceding the Latest Practicable Date were as follows:

	Trading Price per Share	
Month	Highest	Lowest
	HK\$	HK\$
2021		
April	1.59	1.48
May	1.91	1.55
June	1.73	1.56
July	1.79	1.46
August	1.67	1.48
September	1.69	1.48
October	1.59	1.48
November	1.58	1.48
December	1.52	1.42
2022		
January	1.64	1.45
February	1.69	1.54
March	1.63	1.44
April (up to the Latest Practicable Date)	1.71	1.58

#### 5. EFFECT OF TAKEOVERS CODE

If a Shareholder's proportionate interest in the voting rights of the Company increases on the Company exercising its powers to repurchase Shares pursuant to the Repurchase Mandate, such increase will be treated as an acquisition for the purposes of the rule 32 of the Takeovers Code. As a result, a Shareholder, or group of Shareholders acting in concert (within the meaning under the Takeovers Code) depending on the level of increase in the Shareholder's interests, 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, Sino Wealth International Limited ("Sino Wealth") is beneficially interested in 384,830,000 Shares, representing approximately 24.37% of the issued Shares. Sino Wealth is wholly-owned by Chow Tai Fook Nominee Limited ("CTFN"), which is in turn controlled by Chow Tai Fook (Holding) Limited ("CTF"). Cheng Yu Tung Family (Holdings) Limited and Cheng Yu Tung Family (Holdings II) Limited held approximately 49.0% and 46.7% interest in Chow Tai Fook Capital Limited, respectively, which in turn held an approximately 81.0% interest in CTF. Accordingly, each of CTFN, CTF, Chow Tai Fook Capital Limited, Cheng Yu Tung Family (Holdings) Limited and Cheng Yu Tung Family (Holdings II) Limited is deemed to have an interest in the Shares held by Sino Wealth.

In the event that the Directors exercise in full the power to repurchase Shares under the Repurchase Mandate, the shareholding of Sino Wealth, CTFN, CTF, Chow Tai Fook Capital Limited, Cheng Yu Tung Family (Holdings) Limited and Cheng Yu Tung Family (Holdings II) Limited would be increased to approximately 27.08% of the issued Shares. Such increase will not give rise to any obligation under rules 26 and 32 of the Takeovers Code to make a mandatory offer. The Directors are not aware of any consequences which may arise under the Takeovers Code as a result of any repurchases made under the Repurchase Mandate. The Company, however, has no intention to exercise the Repurchase Mandate to the effect that it will result in the public float to fall below 25% or such other minimum percentage prescribed by the Listing Rules from time-to-time.

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

The Company had not repurchased any Shares during the 6 months immediately preceding the Latest Practicable Date.

#### 7. GENERAL

None of the Directors nor, to the best of their knowledge and belief, having made all reasonable enquiries, any of their respective Close Associates, have any present intention to sell to the Company or its subsidiaries any of the Shares if the Repurchase Mandate is approved at the AGM and exercised.

No core connected person (as defined in the Listing Rules) of the Company has notified the Company that he/she/it has a present intention to sell to the Company or its subsidiaries any Shares nor has he/she/it undertaken not to do so in the event that the Repurchase Mandate is granted.

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 make repurchases pursuant to the Repurchase Mandate in accordance with the Listing Rules and the applicable laws of Bermuda.

## DETAILS OF RETIRING DIRECTORS PROPOSED FOR RE-ELECTION

The biographical details of the two Directors to be re-elected at the AGM are set out as follows:

#### (1) Mr. Mark Alan LOYND

Mr. Mark Alan LOYND (Executive Director), aged 43, has been with the Group since September 2013 and was appointed as an Executive Director on March 9, 2017. Mr. LOYND is currently the General Counsel, Company Secretary and Group Human Resources Director of the Company. He oversees legal, regulatory, compliance, corporate governance, human resources and talent development affairs of the Group. Mr. LOYND is also chairman of the Risk Management Committee and a member of the Management Committee of the Company as well as director and company secretary of various subsidiaries and a joint venture of the Group. Currently, Mr. LOYND is also responsible for the development of new overseas markets as well as brand and product development.

Mr. LOYND was called to the Bar in Hong Kong in 2007 and is a Member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators in London, the United Kingdom. He is a professional member of the Hong Kong Institute of Human Resources Management, where he also sits on the Employment-Related Hong Kong Legislation and Issues Committee, and a member of the Chartered Professionals in Human Resources of British Columbia and Yukon.

He holds a Bachelor of Laws (Hons) from Aberystwyth University in the United Kingdom as well as a Master of Arts in Arbitration and Alternative Dispute Resolution (with distinction) and a Postgraduate Certificate in Laws, both from City University of Hong Kong. He possesses over 20 years of experience in handling regulatory and compliance matters for listed companies, mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures and other commercial law affairs, as well as labour and maritime law issues.

Save as disclosed above, as at the Latest Practicable Date, Mr. LOYND does not hold any other position with the Company or any of its subsidiaries, has not held any directorship in the last 3 years in other listed public companies and does not have any relationship with any Directors, senior management, substantial Shareholders or Controlling Shareholders of the Company.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Mr. LOYND has personal interests of 236,000 Shares and 9,064,000 underlying Shares in respect of share options granted under the share option schemes of the Company. Save as disclosed above, Mr. LOYND did not have, and was not deemed to have, any interests or short positions in any Shares, underlying Shares or debentures of the Company and its associated corporations within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

There is no service contract entered into between the Company and Mr. LOYND regarding his appointment as an Executive Director. Pursuant to a letter of appointment signed between Mr. LOYND and the Company, Mr. LOYND is not appointed for a specific term but is subject to retirement by rotation and re-election at the annual general meeting of the Company in accordance with the Bye-Laws. Mr. LOYND does not receive any director's fee.

## DETAILS OF RETIRING DIRECTORS PROPOSED FOR RE-ELECTION

#### (2) Dr. Barry John BUTTIFANT

**Dr. Barry John BUTTIFANT** (*Independent Non-executive Director*), aged 77, was appointed as an Independent Non-executive Director on March 3, 1995. He is also chairman of the Audit Committee and a member of both the Nomination Committee and the Remuneration Committee of the Company. Dr. BUTTIFANT was re-appointed as a managing director of KLC Transactions Limited in January 2017, and was also appointed as a managing director of KLC Corporate Advisory and Recovery Limited from the same date.

Dr. BUTTIFANT is a fellow member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants, the Chartered Management Institute, the Hong Kong Management Association and the Hong Kong Institute of Directors. He has been awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Business Administration (Honoris Causa) by Edinburgh Napier University, United Kingdom in February 2013.

Save as disclosed above, as at the Latest Practicable Date, Dr. BUTTIFANT does not hold any other position with the Company or any of its subsidiaries, has not held any directorship in the last 3 years in other listed public companies and does not have any relationship with any Directors, senior management, substantial Shareholders or Controlling Shareholders of the Company.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Dr. BUTTIFANT did not have, and was not deemed to have, any interests or short positions in any Shares, underlying Shares or debentures of the Company and its associated corporations within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

There is no service contract entered into between Dr. BUTTIFANT and the Company. Pursuant to a letter of appointment signed between Dr. BUTTIFANT and the Company, Dr. BUTTIFANT has been appointed for an initial term of 3 years and will continue in office thereafter subject to termination by not less than 1 month's prior notice in writing by either party to the other and is subject to retirement by rotation and re-election at the annual general meeting of the Company in accordance with the Bye-Laws. For the purpose of complying with Code Provision B.2.3 of the Corporate Governance Code contained in Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules, Dr. BUTTIFANT, who has served as Independent Non-executive Director for more than 9 years, will retire voluntarily at the Annual General Meeting and being eligible, offer himself for re-election. Dr. BUTTIFANT is entitled to a director's fee of HK\$420,000 per annum for acting as an Independent Non-executive Director and chairman and/or member of certain board committees of the Company. Such fee is determined by the Board by reference to his duties and responsibilities within the Company and the prevailing market conditions.

Save as disclosed above, there are no other matters or information relating to the above Directors that need to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders or to be disclosed pursuant to rules 13.51(2)(h) to (v) of the Listing Rules.

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#### GIORDANO INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

 $(Incorporated\ in\ Bermuda\ with\ limited\ liability)$ 

(Stock Code: 709)

#### NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the annual general meeting of Giordano International Limited (the "**Company**") will be held at 5th Floor, Tin On Industrial Building, 777–779 Cheung Sha Wan Road, Kowloon, Hong Kong on Friday, May 20, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. to transact the following ordinary businesses:

- 1. To receive and adopt the audited consolidated financial statements, the directors' report and the independent auditor's report for the year ended December 31, 2021;
- 2. To declare a final dividend of 10.0 HK cents per share for the year ended December 31, 2021;
- 3. Each as a separate resolution, to re-elect the following retiring directors of the Company (the "Directors"):
  - (a) Mr Mark Alan LOYND as an executive Director; and
  - (b) Dr Barry John BUTTIFANT, who has served the Company for more than 9 years as an Independent Non-executive Director.
- 4. To authorize the board of Directors (the "**Board**") to fix the Directors' remuneration;
- 5. To re-appoint PricewaterhouseCoopers as the auditor and to authorize the Board to fix its remuneration;

and, as special businesses, to consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolutions, with or without modifications:

#### ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS

#### 6. "THAT:

(a) subject to paragraph (c) below, pursuant to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities (the "Listing Rules") on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange"), the exercise by the Directors during the Relevant Period (as defined below) of all the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with the additional shares of the Company and to make or grant offers, agreements and options which might require the exercise of such power(s) be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;

- (b) the approval in paragraph (a) above shall authorize the Directors during the Relevant Period (as defined below) to make or grant offers, agreements and options which might require the exercise of such power(s) after the end of the Relevant Period;
- (c) the total number of shares of the Company allotted and issued or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted (whether pursuant to options or otherwise) and issued by the Directors pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) above, otherwise than pursuant to (i) a Rights Issue (as defined below); (ii) the exercise of any rights of subscription or conversion under any existing warrants, bonds, debentures, notes and other securities issued by the Company which carry rights to subscribe for or are convertible into shares of the Company; (iii) any option scheme or similar arrangement for the time being adopted for the grant or issue to officers and/or employees of the Company and/or any of its subsidiaries of shares or rights to acquire shares of the Company; or (iv) any scrip dividend or similar arrangement providing for the allotment of shares in lieu of the whole or part of dividend on shares of the Company in accordance with the bye-laws of the Company shall not exceed the aggregate of 5% of the total number of shares of the Company in issue as at the date of the passing of this resolution; and
- (d) for the purposes of this resolution, "**Relevant Period**" means the period from the date of the 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 of Bermuda or the bye-laws of the Company to be held; or
  - (iii) the revocation or variation of the authority given to the Directors under this resolution by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting.

"Rights Issue" means an offer of shares of the Company open for a period fixed by the Directors to the shareholders of the Company whose names appear on the Company's register of members on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such shares of the Company (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 recognized regulatory body or any stock exchange in, any territory applicable to the Company)."

#### 7. "THAT:

- (a) subject to paragraph (b) below, the exercise by the Directors during the Relevant Period (as defined below) of all powers of the Company to repurchase shares of the Company on the Stock Exchange or any other stock exchange on which the shares of the Company may be listed and recognized by the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong and the Stock Exchange for such purpose, and otherwise in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong, the Stock Exchange, the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda and all other applicable laws in this regard, be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the total number of shares of the Company which may be repurchased or agreed to be repurchased by the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) above during the Relevant Period (as defined below) shall not exceed 10% of the total number of shares of the Company in issue as at the date of the passing of this resolution and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and
- (c) for the purposes of this resolution, "**Relevant Period**" means the period from the date of the 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 of Bermuda or the bye-laws of the Company to be held; or
  - (iii) the revocation or variation of the authority given to the Directors under this resolution by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting."

By Order of the Board

LAU Kwok Kuen, Peter

Chairman and Chief Executive

Hong Kong, April 14, 2022

#### Notes:

- (1) A shareholder of the Company entitled to attend and vote at the above meeting may appoint one or, if he/she is the holder of two or more shares, more than one proxy to attend and vote on his/her behalf and such proxy need not be a shareholder of the Company. A form of proxy for use at the meeting is enclosed with this circular.
- (2) In order to be valid, the form of proxy, together with any power of attorney or authority, if any, under which it is signed or a notarially certified copy of that power of attorney or authority, must be deposited at the Company's branch share registrar and transfer office in Hong Kong ("Hong Kong Branch Share Registrar"), Tricor Abacus Limited, at Level 54, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting or any adjournment thereof (as the case may be).

- (3) Completion and return of the form of proxy will not preclude a shareholder of the Company from attending and voting in person at the meeting convened or any adjournment thereof (as the case may be) and in such event, the authority of the proxy shall be deemed to be revoked.
- (4) In the case of joint holders of a share, any one of such joint holders may vote, either in person or by proxy, in respect of such shares as if he/she were solely entitled thereto but if more than one of such joint holders are 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. 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.
- (5) For the purpose of ascertaining the rights of the shareholders of the Company attending and voting at the annual general meeting, the register of members of the Company will be closed from Monday, May 16, 2022 to Friday, May 20, 2022, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be registered. In order to be entitled to attend the annual general meeting, all completed transfer forms accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's Hong Kong Branch Share Registrar, Tricor Abacus Limited, at Level 54, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong not later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, May 13, 2022.
- (6) For determining the entitlement for the proposed final dividend, the register of members of the Company will be closed from Tuesday, May 31, 2022 to Thursday, June 2, 2022, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be registered. In order to qualify for the proposed final dividend, all completed transfer forms accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's Hong Kong Branch Share Registrar, Tricor Abacus Limited, at Level 54, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong not later than 4:30 p.m. on Monday, May 30, 2022.
- (7) Details of the Directors standing for re-election (resolutions 3(a) and 3(b)), further information on the general mandates to issue and repurchase shares of the Company (resolutions 6 and 7) are set out in this circular.
- (8) In accordance with the Listing Rules, voting on the above resolutions will be taken by poll.
- (9) If Typhoon Signal No. 8 or above, or a "black" rainstorm warning is in effect any time after 7:30 a.m. on the date of the above meeting, the meeting will be postponed. The Company will post an announcement on its website (http://corp.giordano.com.hk) and the website of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited (www.hkexnews.hk) to notify shareholders of the date, time and place of the rescheduled meeting.

#### (10) Special arrangement for AGM

Accessing proceedings of AGM by live webcast

Registered and non-registered shareholders may view and listen to the AGM through a live webcast of the AGM which can be accessed on a computer, tablet or any browser enabled device. For the designated URL of AGM and meeting pass code details, please contact the Company's branch share registrar and transfer office in Hong Kong, Tricor Abacus Limited, by dialing (852) 2980 1333 (office hours: 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.) or by sending an email to is-enquiries@hk.tricorglobal.com, no later than 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, May 18, 2022 (being not less than forty-eight (48) hours before the AGM). Shareholders will be able to access the live webcast at the start of the AGM until its conclusion.

Shareholders should note that viewing the live streaming webcast of the AGM will not be counted towards a quorum nor will they be able to cast their votes online (but can vote by proxy in the manner described elsewhere in this circular). Shareholders who wish to vote are strongly encouraged to appoint the chairman of the AGM as their proxy to vote on the relevant resolutions at the AGM by completing and returning the relevant proxy form in accordance with the instructions therein by a time not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for the AGM.

#### Questions from shareholders

Shareholders can submit questions for the Board in advance of the AGM via this email address: hkcomsec@giordano.com, no later than 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, May 18, 2022 (being not less than forty-eight (48) hours before the AGM); or during the AGM. Questions relevant to the business of the AGM will be addressed by the Board during the AGM as much as possible. It should also be noted that; firstly, shareholders remain free to attend the AGM in person, and, secondly, that shareholders can also submit the questions after the AGM by sending emails to the Company's investor relations department at investorrelations@giordano.com. Shareholders who attend the AGM in person can submit questions to the Board during the AGM.

The Company will keep monitoring the evolving COVID-19 situation and may implement additional measures which, if any, will be announced closer to the date of the AGM.