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**CHINA AUTOMOBILE NEW RETAIL (HOLDINGS) LIMITED**

**中國汽車新零售（控股）有限公司**

*(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)*

**(Stock Code: 526)**

**CONTINUING CONNECTED TRANSACTION  
IN RELATION TO LEASE AGREEMENT**

**THE LEASE AGREEMENT**

On 30 August 2022 after trading hours, Lisi Household, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company entered into the Lease Agreement with Da Mei to lease the Property with a term commencing from 1 October 2022 to 30 September 2023, for the renewal of the Previous Lease Agreement which will expire on 30 September 2022.

**LISTING RULES IMPLICATIONS**

Da Mei is a non-wholly owned subsidiary of Lisi Group, which is beneficially owned as to 98.15% by Mr. Li Lixin, an executive Director and the controlling shareholder of the Company, and his son. Therefore, Da Mei is a connected person of the Company. Accordingly, the Lease Agreement constitutes a continuing connected transaction for the Company.

Since the applicable percentage ratios under Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules in respect of the maximum annual value under the Lease Agreement are more than 0.1% but less than 5%, therefore, the Lease Agreement is subject to the reporting and announcement requirements but exempt from the circular and independent shareholder's approval requirements under Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules.

## **INTRODUCTION**

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The principal terms of the Lease Agreement are summarised below:

### **Date**

30 August 2022

### **Parties**

- (i) 達美(寧波)新材料有限公司 (Da Mei (Ningbo) New Materials Company Limited\*) as the lessor; and
- (ii) 寧波利時日用品有限公司 (Ningbo Lisi Household Products Company Limited\*) as the lessee.

Da Mei is principally engaged in property holding. Da Mei is a non-wholly owned subsidiary of Lisi Group, which is beneficially owned as to 98.15% by Mr. Li Lixin, an executive Director and the controlling shareholder of the Company, and his son. Therefore Da Mei is a connected person of the Company.

### **Subject Matter**

Da Mei shall lease the Property to Lisi Household pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Lease Agreement.

### **Details of the Property**

<b>Description</b>	<b>Approximate gross area</b>
Workshop (1 <sup>st</sup> Floor)	24,823.56 sq.m.
Workshop (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)	15,055.93 sq.m.
Office (2 <sup>nd</sup> to 5 <sup>th</sup> Floor)	10,759.49 sq.m.

### **Term**

The Lease Agreement is for a term of 12 months commencing from 1 October 2022 and expiring on 30 September 2023.

### **Historical transaction amount**

The historical amounts of rental payment paid to Da Mei under the 2018 Lease Agreement and the Previous Lease Agreement are as follows:

<b>Period</b>	<b>Amount</b>
From 1 January 2019 to 31 March 2019	RMB1,596,726
From 1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020	RMB6,386,904
From 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021	RMB6,386,904
From 1 April 2021 to 31 December 2021	RMB4,790,178
From 1 January to 31 August 2022	RMB5,612,224

### **Consideration and annual cap**

The monthly rental for the Property shall be RMB701,528. A security deposit equivalent to one month's rental will be paid to Da Mei. The rental shall be payable quarterly.

The monthly rental was determined after arm's length negotiations by the parties with reference to the market rental charge for adjacent lands and buildings in the local property market.

The aggregate amount of rent payable by Lisi Household to Da Mei for the entire lease term of the Lease Agreement (from 1 October 2022 to 30 September 2023) will not exceed RMB8,418,336. The above annual cap has been determined by the Directors after arm's length negotiation between Da Mei and Lisi Household with reference to (i) the historical amount of rent paid to Da Mei under the 2018 Lease Agreement and the Previous Lease Agreement; and (ii) the prevailing market rent of comparable properties in vicinity.

### **REASONS OF ENTERING INTO THE LEASE AGREEMENT**

The principal activities of the Group are (i) manufacturing and trading of plastic and metal household products; (ii) operation of department stores and supermarkets; (iii) wholesale of alcohol, wine, beverages and electrical appliances; and (iv) investment holding.

The Lease Agreement will enable Lisi Household to make use of the Property as its factory and office, which will enhance the operation and management capacity of the Company and facilitate the continuing smooth operation of Lisi Household's businesses. The Lease Agreement is a renewal of the Previous Lease Agreement which will expire on 30 September 2022.

The Board (including the independent non-executive Directors) are of the view that the transaction contemplated under the Lease Agreement is conducted in the ordinary and usual course of the business of the Group, and the terms of the Lease Agreement are fair and reasonable, and on normal commercial terms or better. The Board thus considers that the transaction contemplated under the Lease Agreement is in the interest of the Company and the Shareholders as a whole.

Since Mr. Li Lixin, who is an executive Director and the controlling shareholder of the Company, has material interest in the Lease Agreement, he has abstained from voting on the Board resolutions approving the Lease Agreement.

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**DEFINITIONS**

In this announcement, unless the context otherwise requires, the following words and phrases have the following meanings:

- “2018 Lease Agreement”      the lease agreement dated 22 November 2018 made between Da Mei (as lessor) and Lisi Household (as lessee) relating to the leasing of the Property
  
- “Board”                              the board of Directors of the Company
  
- “Company”                            China Automobile New Retail (Holdings) Limited (stock code: 526), a company incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability, the issued Shares of which are listed on the main board of the Stock Exchange

“Da Mei”	達美(寧波)新材料有限公司 (Da Mei (Ningbo) New Materials Company Limited*), a sino-foreign equity joint venture incorporated under the laws of the PRC
“Directors”	the directors of the Company
“Group”	the Company and its subsidiaries
“Lease Agreement”	the lease agreement dated 30 August 2022 made between Da Mei (as lessor) and Lisi Household (as lessee) relating to the leasing of the Property
“Lisi Group”	利時集團股份有限公司 (Lisi Group Co., Ltd.*)
“Lisi Household”	寧波利時日用品有限公司 (Ningbo Lisi Household Products Company Limited*), a wholly foreign owned enterprise established in the PRC and a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company
“Listing Rules”	the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange
“PRC”	the People’s Republic of China, which for the purpose of this announcement and unless context suggests otherwise, excludes Hong Kong, the Macau Special Administrative Region and Taiwan
“Previous Lease Agreement”	the lease agreement dated 20 December 2021 made between Da Mei (as lessor) and Lisi Household (as lessee) relating to the leasing of the Property
“Property”	39,879.49 square meters of factory space and 10,759.49 square meters of office premises located in 中國寧波市鄞州區投資創業中心誠信路518號 (518 Cheng Xin Lu, Yinzhou Investment & Venture Centre, Yinzhou, Ningbo, PRC*) which is the subject matter of the Lease Agreement
“RMB”	Reminbi, the lawful currency of the PRC

“Shareholders”	shareholders of the Company
“Stock Exchange”	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited
“%”	per cent.

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By Order of the Board  
**CHINA AUTOMOBILE NEW RETAIL (HOLDINGS) LIMITED**  
**Cheng Jianhe**  
*Executive Director*

Hong Kong, 30 August 2022

*As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises Mr Li Lixin, Mr Cheng Jianhe and Ms Jin Yaxue being executive Directors, Ms Cheng Weihong being non-executive Director, Mr He Chengying, Mr Shin Yick Fabian and Mr Kwong Kwan Tong being independent non-executive Directors.*

\* *for identification purpose only*