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## NOTICE OF 2022 THIRD EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the 2022 third extraordinary general meeting (the "**EGM**") of Sinotrans Limited (the "**Company**") will be held at 1st Meeting Room, 11th Floor, Building 10/Sinotrans Tower B, No. 5 Anding Road, Chaoyang District, Beijing 100029, the People's Republic of China at 2 p.m. on 28 September 2022 for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, approving, with or without modifications, the following resolutions:

## SPECIAL RESOLUTION

1. To consider and approve the proposed amendments to the Articles of Association;

## **ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS**

2. To consider and approve the proposed amendments to the Procedural Rules for General Meetings of the Company, the Procedural Rules for Meetings of the Board of Directors of the Company, the Working Manual for the Independent Directors of the Company, the Policy for the Management of Connected Transactions of the Company and the Policy for the Management of External Guarantees to be Provided by the Company;

3. To consider and approve the proposed distribution of an interim dividend of RMB0.10 per share (tax included) for the six months ended 30 June 2022.

Yours faithfully, By order of the Board of **Sinotrans Limited** Li Shichu Company Secretary

Beijing, China 8 September 2022

As at the date of this announcement, the board of directors of the Company comprises Feng Boming (Chairman), Song Dexing (Vice Chairman), Song Rong (executive director), Liu Weiwu (non-executive director), Deng Weidong (non-executive director), Jiang Jian (non-executive director), Jerry Hsu (non-executive director), and four independent non-executive directors, namely Wang Taiwen, Meng Yan, Song Haiqing and Li Qian.

Notes:

- 1. Unless otherwise specified, details of the resolutions are set out in the circular of the Company in relation to the EGM dated 8 September 2022 (the "**Circular**"). Terms defined in the Circular shall have the same meanings when used in this notice unless the context otherwise requires.
- 2. The H Share register of members of the Company will be closed from 24 September 2022 to 28 September 2022 (both days inclusive), during which no transfer of H Shares will be registered. Any holders of H Shares whose names appear on the H Share register of members of the Company at 4:30 p.m. on 23 September 2022 are entitled to attend and vote at the EGM of the Company after completing the registration procedures for attending the meeting. In order for the H Shareholders to be entitled to attend and vote at the EGM, persons holding H Shares shall lodge share transfer documents and the relevant H Share certificates with the Company's H Share registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited at Shops 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong, not later than 4:30 p.m. on 23 September 2022, for registration.
- 3. Shareholders intending to attend the EGM shall give written notice to the Company, which shall be lodged at the office of the Company, at 10th Floor, Building 10/Sinotrans Tower B, No. 5 Anding Road, Chaoyang District, Beijing (Tel: (8610) 5229 5721) (for A Shareholders), or Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, the Company's H Share Registrar, at 17M Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong (for H Shareholders), on or before 26 September 2022.
- 4. Shareholders entitled to attend and vote at the EGM are entitled to appoint one or more persons (whether or not a shareholder of the Company) as their proxy to attend and vote on behalf of themselves.
- 5. In order to be valid, the form of proxy, together with a duly notarised power of attorney or other document of authority, if any, under which the form is signed must be deposited at the office of the Company, at 10th Floor, Building 10/Sinotrans Tower B, No. 5 Anding Road, Chaoyang District, Beijing (Tel: (8610) 5229 5721) (for A Shareholders), or Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited,

the Company's H Share Registrar, at 17M Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong (for H Shareholders), not later than 24 hours before the time for holding the EGM or any adjournment thereof.

- 6. If a proxy attends the EGM on behalf of a Shareholder, he/she should produce his/her ID card and the instrument signed by the appointer or his/her legal representative, and specifying the date of its issuance. If a legal person Shareholder appoints its corporate representative to attend the EGM, such representative should produce his/her ID card and the notarised copy of the resolution passed by the board or other authorities or other notarised copy of the authorisation issued by such legal person Shareholder.
- 7. Shareholders attending the EGM are responsible for their own transportation and accommodation expenses.
- 8. The board of directors of the Company has recommended the payment of an interim dividend of RMB0.10 per share (tax inclusive), subject to passing of the resolution to declare and pay the interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2022 by shareholders at the EGM. The recommended interim dividend will be paid on or before 18 November 2022 to the shareholders as registered at the close of business on 11 October 2022. The record date for the recommended interim dividend is at the close of business on 11 October 2022. For determining the entitlement to the recommended interim dividend, the register of members of the Company will be closed from 6 October 2022 to 11 October 2022, both days inclusive. In order for the H Shareholders to qualify for the recommended interim dividend, all share transfers accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's H Share Registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited at Shops 1712- 1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong, not later than 4:30 p.m. on 5 October 2022, for registration.

Pursuant to the Articles of Association of the Company, dividends payable to the holders of A Shares of the Company will be paid in Renminbi ("**RMB**"), and dividends payable to the holders of H Shares of the Company will be paid in Hong Kong dollars ("**HK\$**"). The exchange rate for dividends payable in HK\$ is the mean average exchange rate of RMB to HK\$ published by the People's Bank of China during the week (18 August 2022 to 24 August 2022) preceding the date of recommendation of the interim dividend by the board of directors of the Company. The average exchange rate of RMB to HK\$ for the said week was HK\$1=RMB0.86913. Accordingly, the amount of interim dividend for each H Share of the Company is HK\$0.1151.

In accordance to the Enterprise Income Tax Law of the People's Republic of China and its implementation regulations which took effect on 1 January 2008, the Company is obliged to withhold and pay enterprise income tax at a tax rate of 10% on behalf of non-resident corporate shareholders on its H share register when making payments of dividend to these shareholders. Shares registered in the name of non-individual shareholders, including HKSCC Nominees Limited, other nominees or trustees or other organisations or bodies shall be deemed as shares held by non-resident corporate shareholders. Such shareholders will receive their dividend net of the enterprise income tax.

The Company will withhold and pay on behalf of the individual holders of H Share the income tax in accordance with the tax regulations of the PRC. Pursuant to the letter titled "Tax arrangements on dividends paid to Hong Kong residents by Mainland companies" issued by the Hong Kong Stock Exchange to the issuers on 4 July 2011, for non-foreign investment companies of the Mainland which are listed in Hong Kong distributing dividends to their shareholders, the individual shareholders in general will be subject to a withholding tax rate of 10%. They do not have to make any applications for entitlement to the above-mentioned tax rate. However, for shareholders who are residents of other

countries and whose home countries have reached an agreement with China on an applicable withholding tax rate higher or lower than 10%, they have to follow the bilateral tax agreement in paying tax in connection with dividends paid by Mainland companies listed in Hong Kong. When making payments of dividend, the Company acting like a withholding agent in general will withhold 10% of the dividend on behalf of the individual H shareholders as individual income tax. If the relevant tax regulations and tax agreements have otherwise provisions, the Company will withhold individual income tax of such dividend in accordance with the tax rates and according to the relevant procedures as specified by the relevant regulations.

In addition, the Company signed the Agreement on Distribution of Cash Dividends of H shares for Southbound Trading (港股通H股股票現金紅利派發協議) with China Securities Depository and Clearing Corporation Limited, pursuant to which, China Securities Depository and Clearing Corporation Limited, as the nominee of the holders of H shares for Southbound Trading, will receive all cash dividends distributed by the Company and distribute the cash dividends to the relevant investors of H shares of Southbound Trading through its depositary and clearing system. The cash dividends for investors of H shares of Southbound Trading will be paid in RMB.

The record date and the date of distribution of interim dividends and other arrangements for the investors of Southbound Trading will be the same as those for the holders of H shares of the Company. Pursuant to the relevant requirements under the Notice on the Tax Policies Related to the Pilot Program of Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Market (關於深港股票市場交易互聯互通機制試點有關税收政策的通知) (Caishui [2016] No.127), for dividends received by domestic investors from investing in H shares listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange through Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect, the company of such H shares shall withhold and pay individual income tax at the rate of 20% on behalf of the investors. For dividends received by domestic securities investment funds from investing in H shares listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange through Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect, the tax payable shall be the same as that for individual investors. The company of such H shares will not withhold and pay the income tax of dividends for domestic enterprise investors and those domestic enterprise investors shall report and pay the relevant tax themselves.