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# KAISA GROUP HOLDINGS LTD.

# 佳兆業集團控股有限公司\*

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 1638)

## CHANGE OF AUDITORS

This announcement is made by Kaisa Group Holdings Ltd. (the "Company", together with its subsidiaries, the "Group") under Rule 13.51(4) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

### RESIGNATION OF AUDITOR

The board (the "Board") of directors (the "Directors") of the Company hereby announces that Elite Partners CPA Limited ("Elite Partners") has resigned as auditor of the Company with effect from 31 October 2024 after taking into account many factors including its available internal resources. The Board also noted that in a public statement made by the Ministry of Finance of the People's Republic of China (the "MoF") on 2 August 2024, the MoF has imposed restrictions on Elite Partners from undertaking audit services for Mainland enterprises listed outside the Mainland for a period of five years. After taking into account the above reason and circumstances, the Board believed that it was not appropriate to engage Elite Partners as the auditor of the Company and hence accepted Elite Partners' resignation.

Elite Partners has confirmed in its notice of resignation that, save as disclosed above, there were no other matters connected with its resignation that it considered should be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company (the "Shareholders"). The Board is not aware of any disagreements between the Company and Elite Partners or other matters save as disclosed above in relation to the change of auditor that need to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders.

As at the date of this announcement, Elite Partners has not commenced any audit work on the consolidated financial statements of the Group for the financial year ending 31 December 2024. Therefore, the Board believes that the resignation of Elite Partners will not have any significant impact on the annual audit and the release of annual results of the Group for the financial year ending 31 December 2024.

<sup>\*</sup> For identification purposes only

The Board would like to express its gratitude to Elite Partners for its professional services rendered to the Company over the years.

### APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR

The Board further announces that it has resolved, having regard to the recommendation from the audit committee of the Board, to appoint SFAI (HK) CPA Limited ("SFAI Hong Kong") as the new auditor of the Company to fill the casual vacancy following the resignation of Elite Partners and to hold office until the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company.

The Board considers that SFAI Hong Kong's appointment as the new auditor of the Company is in the interest of the Company and its Shareholders as a whole. The Board and the Audit Committee in proposing the appointment of SFAI Hong Kong as the new auditor have considered a number of factors, including but not limited to: (i) its extensive experience, industry knowledge and technical competence in providing audit work to companies listed on the Stock Exchange; (ii) its independence from the Group and objectivity; (iii) its resources and capabilities; and (iv) the audit fee proposed by SFAI Hong Kong with regard to the scope of audit services required by the Group and the size of the Group's business operations and assets.

The Board would like to extend its warm welcome to SFAI Hong Kong on its appointment as the auditor of the Company.

By Order of the Board
KAISA GROUP HOLDINGS LTD.
Kwok Ying Shing
Chairman and Executive Director

Hong Kong, 31 October 2024

As at the date of this announcement, the executive Directors are Mr. Kwok Ying Shing, Mr. Mai Fan, Mr. Li Haiming, Mr. Kwok Hiu Kwan, Ms. Luo Tingting, Mr. Song Wei and Mr. Liu Lihao; and the independent non-executive directors are Mr. Rao Yong, Mr. Zhang Yizhao and Mr. Liu Xuesheng.