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## Hong Kong Finance Group Limited 香港信貸集團有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 1273)

# DISCLOSEABLE TRANSACTION PROVISION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

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Prior to the entering into the New Loan Agreement, HK Finance, as the lender, has entered into the Previous Loan Agreement to grant the Previous Loan to the Borrowers for a principal amount of HK\$18,000,000. The proceeds of the New Loan is utilised for the fully settlement of the principal of the Previous Loan.

#### LISTING RULES IMPLICATIONS

Since the Previous Loan was granted by the HK Finance to the Borrowers within a 12-month period prior to the date HK Finance grants the New Loan to the Borrowers, the grant of the New Loan requires aggregation under Rule 14.22 of the Listing Rules. As certain applicable percentage ratios under Rule 14.07 of the Listing Rules in respect of the New Loan and the Previous Loan granted to the Borrowers in aggregate exceed 5% but are less than 25%, the grant of the New Loan constitutes a discloseable transaction for the Company under Chapter 14 of the Listing Rules.

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Further details of the Previous Loan Agreement for the Borrowers have been set out in the Company's announcement dated 27 September 2024. Summarised below are the principal terms of the New Loan Agreement.

#### THE NEW LOAN AGREEMENT

Date of the loan : 27 March 2025

agreement

Lender : HK Finance

Borrowers : Customer AI, Customer AJ, Customer AK, Customer

AL and Customer AM

Principal : HK\$18,000,000

Interest rate : 1.8% per month (equivalent to 21.6% per annum)

Term : 6 months commencing from the drawdown date

Security : A second mortgage in respect of a residential property

located at Cornwall Street, Kowloon with valuation conducted by an independent property valuer with the amount of approximately HK\$92,000,000 as at 20

February 2025

Repayment : the Borrowers will repay the interest on a monthly

basis with a principal sum to be repaid at the maturity

of the New Loan

#### INFORMATION ON THE CREDIT RISK RELATING TO THE NEW LOAN

The making of the New Loan is collateralised. The collateral provided by the Borrowers for the New Loan are sufficient based on the value of the mortgaged property for the New Loan determined by an independent valuer.

The advance in respect of the New Loan is also made on the basis of the Group's credit assessments with reference to the facts that (i) the collateral provided by the Borrowers is at the prime site in Hong Kong; (ii) the financial backgrounds of both Customer AJ and Customer AK are solid to prove the repayment ability of the Borrowers; (iii) the Borrowers are repeated customers with satisfactory repayment history; and (iv) the term of the advance is relatively short. After taking into account the factors as disclosed above in assessing the risks of the relevant advance, the Group considers that the risks involved in the advance to the Borrowers are manageable.

#### FUNDING OF THE NEW LOAN

The Group will finance the New Loan with the Group's general working capital.

#### INFORMATION ON THE BORROWERS

Customer AI, Customer AJ and Customer AK are individuals and Customer AI and Customer AJ are closely connected to each other. Customer AJ and Customer AK are employees and holding directorships in several companies listed in Hong Kong. Customer AL is a company incorporated in Hong Kong engaging in the business of property investment holdings and is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Customer AM, a company incorporated in British Virgin Islands and is directly and ultimately owned by Customer AI and Customer AJ equally. The Borrowers were approached by the Group through its network. To the best of the knowledge, information and belief of the Directors having made all reasonable enquiry, the Borrowers are Independent Third Parties and not connected with the Group.

#### INFORMATION ON THE GROUP AND THE LENDER

The Company is an investment holding company. The Group is principally engaged in money lending business in Hong Kong under the Money Lenders Ordinance. HK Finance, as the lender, is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company.

#### REASONS FOR ENTERING INTO THE NEW LOAN AGREEMENT

Taking into account the principal business activities of the Group, the grant of the New Loan to the Borrowers is in the ordinary and usual course of business of the Group.

The terms of the New Loan Agreement was negotiated on an arm's length basis between HK Finance and the Borrowers. The Directors consider that the grant of the New Loan is a financial assistance provided by the Group within the meaning of the Listing Rules. The Directors are of the view that the terms of the New Loan Agreement was entered into on normal commercial terms based on the Group's credit policy. Taking into account the satisfactory financial background of the Borrowers and that a stable revenue and cashflow stream from the interest income is expected, the Directors consider that the terms of the New Loan Agreement are fair and reasonable and the entering into the New Loan Agreement is in the interests of the Company and its Shareholders as a whole.

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#### **DEFINITIONS**

In this announcement, the following expressions have the following meanings:

"Board" the board of Directors

"Borrowers" Customer AI, Customer AJ, Customer AK, Customer AL,

and Customer AM collectively

"Company" Hong Kong Finance Group 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

"Customer AI" Ms. Lok Hoi Yan (駱海茵), an individual who is an

Independent Third Party

"Customer AJ" Mr. Lei Hong Wei (李雄偉), an individual who is an

Independent Third Party

"Customer AK" Mr. Cheung Kwok Wai Elton (張國偉), an individual who is

an Independent Third Party

"Customer AL" Mander International Limited (名達國際有限公司), a

company incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability,

and is an Independent Third Party

"Customer AM" Business Power Holdings Limited, a company incorporated

in British Virgin Islands with limited liability, and is an

Independent Third Party

"Director(s)" the director(s) of the Company

"Group" the Company and its subsidiaries

"HK\$" Hong Kong Dollars, the lawful currency of Hong Kong

"HK Finance" Hong Kong Finance Company Limited, a company

incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability with money lenders licence registered under Money Lenders Ordinance, and is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of

the Company

"Hong Kong" the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the

People's Republic of China

"Independent Third

Party(ies)"

party(ies) who is/are independent of the Company and its

connected person(s) (as defined in the Listing Rules)

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

Exchange

"Money Lenders Ordinance"	the Money Lenders Ordinance (Chapter 163 of the laws of Hong Kong) as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time
"New Loan"	a second mortgage loan in the principal amount of HK\$18,000,000 provided by HK Finance to the Borrowers under the New Loan Agreement
"New Loan Agreement"	the loan agreement dated 27 March 2025 entered into between HK Finance and the Borrowers
"Previous Loan"	the second mortgage loan in the principal amount of HK\$18,000,000 provided by HK Finance to the Borrowers under the Previous Loan Agreement
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"Share(s)"	ordinary share(s) of HK $\$0.01$ each in the share capital of the Company
"Shareholder(s)"	holder(s) of the Share(s)

On behalf of the Board

Hong Kong Finance Group Limited

Chan Kwong Yin William

Chairman

Hong Kong, 27 March 2025

"Stock Exchange"

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises the following members:

The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited

### **Executive Directors:** Independent Non-executive Directors:

Mr. Chan Kwong Yin William (*Chairman*) Mr. Chu Yat Pang Terry Mr. Chan Koung Nam Mr. Cheung Kok Cheong

Mr. Tse Pui To (Chief Executive Officer) Mr. Wong Kai Man

Ms. Chan Siu Ching