



HONGKONG CHINESE LIMITED

香港華人有限公司 *

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of Hongkong Chinese Limited (the “Company”) will be held at Marriott Function Rooms — Queensway & Victoria, 3rd Floor, JW Marriott Hotel Hong Kong, Pacific Place, 88 Queensway, Hong Kong on Wednesday, 28th May, 2003 at 9:30 a.m. for the following purposes:

1. To receive and adopt the audited Financial Statements of the Company and the Reports of the Directors and the Auditors for the year ended 31st December, 2002.
2. To consider and declare a final distribution for the year ended 31st December, 2002.
3. To consider the re-election of the retiring Directors and to authorise the Board of Directors to fix the Directors’ remuneration.
4. To consider the re-appointment of Ernst & Young as Auditors of the Company and to authorise the Board of Directors to fix their remuneration.
5. As special business, to consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolutions as Ordinary Resolutions:

A. “**THAT:**

- (a) subject to paragraph (c) below, the exercise by the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with additional shares in the capital of the Company and to make or grant offers, agreements and options, including warrants to subscribe for shares, which might require the exercise of such powers be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the approval in paragraph (a) above shall be in addition to any other authorisation given to the Directors of the Company and shall authorise the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period to make or grant offers, agreements and options, including warrants to subscribe for shares, which might require the exercise of such powers after the end of the Relevant Period;

- (c) the aggregate nominal amount of share capital allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted (whether pursuant to an option or otherwise) by the Directors of the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) above, otherwise than pursuant to a Rights Issue (as hereinafter defined) or on the exercise of any options granted under the share option scheme of the Company, shall not exceed 20 per cent. of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue as at the date of passing this resolution, and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and
- (d) for the purposes of this resolution:

“Relevant Period” means the period from the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earliest of:

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by any applicable law or the Bye-laws of the Company to be held; or
- (iii) the passing of an ordinary resolution of the Company in general meeting revoking or varying the authority set out in this resolution.

“Rights Issue” means an offer of shares open for a period fixed by the Directors of the Company to holders of shares whose names appear on the Register of Members of the Company on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such shares (subject to such exclusions or other arrangements as the Directors of the Company 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 recognised regulatory body or any stock exchange in, any territory applicable to the Company).”

B. “THAT:

- (a) subject to paragraph (b) below, the exercise by the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all the powers of the Company to repurchase issued shares in the capital of the Company on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “Stock Exchange”) or on any other stock exchange on which the shares of the Company may be listed and which is recognised by the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong and the Stock Exchange for this purpose, subject to and in accordance with all applicable laws and/or the requirements of the Stock Exchange or of any other stock exchange as amended from time to time, be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;

(b) the aggregate nominal amount of shares authorised to be repurchased by the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) above during the Relevant Period shall not exceed 10 per cent. of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue at the date of passing 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 passing of this resolution until whichever is the earliest of:

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by any applicable law or the Bye-laws of the Company to be held; or
- (iii) the passing of an ordinary resolution of the Company in general meeting revoking or varying the authority set out in this resolution.”

C. “**THAT** conditional on the passing of the resolution set out in paragraph 5B of the notice convening this meeting, the general mandate granted to the Directors of the Company and for the time being in force to exercise the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with additional shares pursuant to the resolution set out in paragraph 5A of the notice convening this meeting be and is hereby extended by the addition to the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company which may be allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted by the Directors of the Company pursuant to such general mandate of an amount representing the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company repurchased by the Company under the authority granted pursuant to the resolution set out in paragraph 5B of the notice convening this meeting, provided that such extended amount shall not exceed 10 per cent. of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue as at the date of passing this resolution.”

By Order of the Board
Andrew Hau
Secretary

Hong Kong, 30th April, 2003

Principal Place of Business:

24th Floor
Tower One
Lippo Centre
89 Queensway
Hong Kong

Notes:

1. Any member of the Company entitled to attend and vote at the above meeting is entitled to appoint one or more proxies to attend and vote instead of him. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
2. To be valid, a form of proxy, together with the power of attorney or other authority, if any, under which it is signed, or a notarially certified copy of that power or authority must be deposited at the Company's Principal Place of Business at 24th Floor, Tower One, Lippo Centre, 89 Queensway, Hong Kong not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for the holding of the meeting or any adjourned meeting.
3. The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from Thursday, 22nd May, 2003 to Wednesday, 28th May, 2003 (both dates inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares will be registered. In order to qualify for the proposed final distribution to be approved at the meeting, all transfers of shares accompanied by the relevant share certificates and transfer forms must be lodged with Tengis Limited, the Company's Branch Registrars in Hong Kong, at G/F., Bank of East Asia Harbour View Centre, 56 Gloucester Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong not later than 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, 21st May, 2003.

* *For identification purpose only*

Please also refer to the published version of this announcement in The Standard.