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中遠海運發展股份有限公司
COSCO SHIPPING Development Co., Ltd.*

(Formerly known as 中海集裝箱運輸股份有限公司 China Shipping Container Lines Company Limited)
(A joint stock limited company incorporated in the People's Republic of China with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 02866)

**DESPATCH OF CIRCULAR
IN RELATION TO
(1) PROPOSED NON-PUBLIC ISSUANCE OF A SHARES
(2) CONNECTED TRANSACTION -
PROPOSED SUBSCRIPTION OF A SHARES BY THE CONTROLLING
SHAREHOLDER
(3) APPLICATION FOR WHITEWASH WAIVER
(4) SPECIAL DEAL
(5) PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION
AND
(6) PROPOSED ADOPTION OF THE SHAREHOLDERS' RETURN PLAN**

Reference is made to (a) the announcement of COSCO SHIPPING Development Co., Ltd.* (the “**Company**”) dated 11 October 2016 in relation to, among other things, (i) the Proposed Non-public Issuance of A Shares, (ii) the CS Subscription, (iii) the Specific Mandate, (iv) the Whitewash Waiver, (v) the Special Deal, (vi) the Proposed Amendments to the Articles of Association and (vii) the Shareholders' Return Plan; (b) the announcement of the Company dated 31 October 2016 in relation to the delay in the despatch of the Circular; (c) the announcement of the Company dated 31 October 2016 in relation to the appointment of the Independent Financial Adviser; (d) the notice of the EGM dated 1 November 2016; (e) the notice of the H Shares Class Meeting dated 1 November 2016; and (f) the circular of the Company dated 1 December 2016 (the “**Circular**”). Unless otherwise defined, capitalised terms used in this announcement shall have the same meanings as those defined in the Circular.

The Board wishes to announce that the Circular containing, among other things, (i) further details of the Proposed Non-public Issuance of A Shares, the CS Subscription, the Specific Mandate, the Whitewash Waiver, the Special Deal, the Proposed Amendments to the Articles of Association and the Shareholders' Return Plan; (ii) a letter from the Independent Board Committee to the Independent Shareholders containing its recommendation in respect of the Proposed Non-public Issuance of A Shares, the CS Subscription, the Specific Mandate, the Whitewash Waiver and the Special Deal; and (iii) a letter from the Independent Financial Adviser to the Independent Board Committee and the Independent Shareholders containing its recommendation in respect of the Proposed Non-public Issuance of A Shares, the CS Subscription, the Specific Mandate, the Whitewash Waiver and the Special Deal has been despatched to the Shareholders on 1 December 2016 in accordance with the requirements of the Listing Rules and the Takeovers Code. The notices of EGM and the Class Meetings, which have been despatched to the Shareholders on 1 November 2016, were also reproduced in the Circular.

The Shareholders are encouraged to read the Circular carefully, including the letter from the Independent Board Committee to the Independent Shareholders and the letter from the Independent Financial Adviser to the Independent Board Committee and the Independent Shareholders, before deciding as to how to vote on the resolutions approving, among other things, the Proposed Non-public Issuance of A Shares, the CS Subscription, the Specific Mandate, the Whitewash Waiver and the Special Deal.

The completion of the Proposed Non-public Issuance of A Shares and the CS Subscription are subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions. Accordingly, the Proposed Non-public Issuance of A Shares and the CS Subscription may or may not proceed. Shareholders and potential investors are advised to exercise caution when dealing in the securities of the Company.

By order of the Board
COSCO SHIPPING Development Co., Ltd.*
Yu Zhen
Joint Company Secretary

Shanghai, the People's Republic of China
1 December 2016

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises of Ms. Sun Yueying, Mr. Wang Daxiong, Mr. Liu Chong and Mr. Xu Hui, being executive Directors, Mr. Feng Boming, Mr. Huang Jian and Mr. Chen Dong, being non-executive Directors, and Mr. Cai Hongping, Mr. Tsang Hing Lun, Ms. Hai Chi Yuet and Mr. Graeme Jack, being independent non-executive Directors.

All the Directors jointly and severally accept full responsibility for the accuracy of the information in this announcement and confirm, having made all reasonable enquiries, that to the best of their knowledge, opinions expressed in this announcement have been arrived at after due and careful consideration and there are no other facts not contained in this announcement, the omission of which would make any of the statements in this announcement misleading.

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