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## **CMB WING LUNG BANK LIMITED**

(招商永隆銀行有限公司)

Incorporated the 5th day of December, 1956.

Certified True Copy For and on behalf of CMB WING LUNG BANK LIMITED Director(s)

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## [COPY] COMPANIES REGISTRY

## CERTIFICATE OF CHANGE OF NAME

I hereby certify that

WING LUNG BANK, LIMITED (永隆銀行有限公司)

having by special resolution changed its name, is now incorporated under the

Companies Ordinance (Chapter 622 of the Laws of Hong Kong) in the name of

CMB WING LUNG BANK LIMITED 招商永隆銀行有限公司

Issued on 28 September 2018.

(Signed)

Ms Ada L L CHUNG Registrar of Companies Hong Kong Special Administrative Region

Note:

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(永隆銀行有限公司)

SPECIAL RESOLUTION

Pursuant to Section 548 of the Companies Ordinance, Cap.622

Passed the 28th day of September 2018

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By a written resolution signed by China Merchants Bank Co., Ltd, the sole shareholder of the Bank, pursuant to Section 548 of the Companies Ordinance, the following resolution was passed as Special Resolution on 28th day of September 2018:

That the Articles of Association of the Bank be amended as follows:

(a) Memorandum of Association

By deleting such part in its entirety.

(b) Sub-heading above Article 1

By deleting the words "TABLE A" and substituting therefor the words "MODEL ARTICLES".

(c) Article 1

By deleting the words "the First Schedule to the Companies Ordinance" and substituting therefor the words "the Companies (Model Articles) Notice (LN77 of 2013)".

(d) Article 2

 (i) By deleting the word "32" and substituting therefor the word "622" in the definition of "The Ordinance or the Companies Ordinance".

- (ii) By deleting the word "32" and substituting therefor the word "622" and adding the words "the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance (Chapter 32) of the Laws of Hong Kong" immediately after the words "Hong Kong" in the definition of "The Statutes".
- (iii) By adding the words "including, where applicable, communication by means of inclusion of the relevant information on the Company's website" immediately after the word "medium" in the definition of "Electronic communication".
- (e) New Sub-heading and New Articles 2A and 2B

By adding the following as new Sub-heading and new Articles 2A and 2B immediately after Article 2:

"2A. The name of the Company is "CMB WING LUNG BANK LIMITED"(招商永隆銀 行有限公司).

2B. The liability of members of the Company shall be limited to any amount unpaid on the shares held by the members."

(f) Article 3

By deleting the words "suffered by it to be in abeyance" and substituting therefor the words "temporarily suspended".

(g) Article 6

By deleting this Article in its entirety.

(h) Article 7

- (i) By deleting the words "Subject to the provisions of the Statutes and these Articles the shares (whether forming part of the initial capital or not) shall be under the control of the Board which may allot and issue the same to such persons (including any Director) on such terms and conditions and at such times as it shall think fit, but so that no shares shall be issued at a discount except in accordance with the Statutes." and substituting therefor the words "The Directors must not exercise any power conferred on them to allot shares in the Company without the prior approval of the Company by ordinary resolution if the approval is required by section 140 of the Ordinance. ".
- (ii) By adding the word "ordinary" immediately after the words "the Company may from time to time by".

- (i) Article 11
  - (i) By deleting the words "within two months after allotment or" immediately before "within ten business days".
  - (ii) By adding the words "allotment or" immediately before "lodgment of a transfer".

(j) Article 22

By deleting the words ",whether on account of the amount of the share or by way of premium" immediately after "at any fixed date".

(k) Sub-heading above Article 44

By deleting this Sub-heading in its entirety.

(1) Articles 44 to 47

By deleting these Articles in their entirety.

(m) Article 48

- (i) By deleting the punctuation "-" immediately after the words "Ordinary Resolution" and the following sub-paragraphs (a) to (c) and substituting therefor the words "alter its share capital in any manner authorised and subject to any conditions prescribed by the Statutes".
- (ii) By deleting the punctuation "-" immediately after the words "Special Resolution", the word "(d)" immediately before "reduce its share capital" and the words "or any capital redemption reserve fund" immediately after the words "reduce its share capital".
- (n) New Article 48A

By adding the following as new Article 48A after Article 48:

"48A. The Board shall not exercise any power conferred on it to allot shares in the Company without the prior approval of the Company by ordinary resolution if the approval is required by section 140 of the Ordinance."

- (o) Article 53
  - (i) By adding the word "financial" immediately after the words "The Company shall in each".

- (ii) By deleting the words "Not more than fifteen months shall elapse between the date of one Annual General Meeting of the Company and that of the next.".
- (iii) By adding the words "in accordance with the Ordinance" immediately after the words "in that year".
- (p) Article 54

By adding the words "or sent to the Company in hard copy form or in electronic form" immediately after the words "deposited at the Office".

(q) Article 56

By adding the words "(and if the meeting is to be held in two or more places, the principal place of the meeting and the other place or places of the meeting)" immediately after the words "specifying the place".

(r) Article 59

By adding the words "In determining attendance for the purposes of quorum, it is immaterial whether members attending a meeting are in the same place as each other. Two or more persons who are not in the same place as each other attend a general meeting if their circumstances are such that; if they have rights to speak and vote at the meeting, they are able to exercise them." to the end of this Article.

(s) Article 69

By adding the words "(save that, where a member appoints more than one proxy, the proxies so appointed are not entitled to vote on a show of hands)" immediately after the words "shall have one vote".

(t) Article 74

By deleting the words "Provided that the number of proxies so appointed by the member to attend on the same occasion shall not exceed 2" immediately after the words "the same occasion".

(u) Article 76

By adding the words ", or, if an electronic address is specified in the notice of meeting or in the instrument of proxy issued by the Company, sent by electronic means to that address (subject to any conditions or limitations specified therein)" immediately after the words "by the Company".

- (v) Article 77
  - (i) By adding the word "CMB" immediately before the words "WING LUNG BANK" and deleting the punctuation "," immediately before the word "LIMITED" in line 3 of paragraph (a) and line 4 of paragraph (b).
  - (ii) By deleting the word "19" in lines 9 and 10 of paragraph (a) and substituting therefor the word "20".
  - (iii) By deleting the word "19" in lines 11 and 12 of paragraph (b) and substituting therefor the word "20".
- (w) Article 86
  - (i) By adding the words ", transaction" immediately after the word "contract" in lines 3, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16 and 37 of paragraph (b).
  - (ii) By adding the words "as long as such Director has complied with the requirement to declare his interest under this sub-paragraph," immediately after the words "established," in line 7 of paragraph (b).
  - (iii) By adding the words "the contracts, transactions or arrangements mentioned as follows ("the Exempted Contracts, Transactions and Arrangements"), namely" immediately after the words "this prohibition shall not apply to" in line 16 of paragraph (b).
  - (iv) By deleting the words "nor to" immediately after the words "such fund and scheme relates," in line 36 of paragraph (b).
  - (v) By adding the words ", transaction or arrangement" immediately after the word "contract" in lines 49 and 52 of paragraph (b) and line 4 of paragraph (c).
  - (vi) By adding the words ", and for the latter case, the quorum shall be determined in accordance with Article 114(b)" immediately after the word "considered" in line 5 of paragraph (c).
- (x) Article 93
  - (i) By deleting the word "wives" and substituting therefor the word "spouses" in lines 6, 9 and 12 of paragraph (a) and line 7 of paragraph (b).
  - (ii) By adding the words "or widowers" immediately after the word "widows" in lines 6, 9 and 12 of paragraph (a) and line 7 of paragraph (b).

- (iii) By deleting the word "wife" in line 1 of paragraph (b) and substituting therefor the words "or her spouse".
- (iv) By adding the words "or widower" immediately after the word "widow" in line 1 of paragraph (b).
- (y) Article 104

By adding the words "or sent to the Company in hard copy form or in electronic form and received by the Company" immediately after the words "left at the Office".

(z) Article 109

By adding the punctuation "," immediately after the words "nominate any other Director".

- (aa) Article 113
  - (i) By adding the word "CMB" immediately before the words "WING LUNG BANK" and deleting the punctuation "," immediately before the word "LIMITED" in line 3 of the paragraph.
  - (ii) By deleting the word "19" in line 10 of paragraph and substituting therefor the word "20".

(bb) Article 114

By deleting this Article in its entirety and substituting therefor the following new Article:

"114. (a) The Directors may meet together for the despatch of business, adjourn, and otherwise regulate their meetings and proceedings, as they think fit, and may determine the quorum necessary for the transaction of business. Until otherwise determined, half of all the Directors (rounded up to the nearest and upper whole number) shall constitute a quorum. \*

(b) Subject to the exceptions mentioned in Article 86(b), at any Directors' meeting where any contract, transaction or arrangement in which a Director or any of his associates (as defined in Article 86(d)) is materially interested is considered, such interested Director shall still be counted in the quorum."

(cc) Article 115

By deleting the words "It shall not be necessary to give notice of a Board Meeting to any Director for the time being absent from Hong Kong."

(dd) Article 116

By deleting the words "be Chairman of" immediately after the words "choose some one of their number to" and substituting therefor the words "preside at".

(ee) Article 118

By deleting this Article in its entirety and substituting therefor the following new Article:

"118. (a) Questions arising at any meeting shall be decided by a majority of votes of all those Directors who are entitled to vote according to sub-paragraph (b) below and who shall constitute majority of all those Directors who are not Interested Directors (whether present in the meeting or not).

(b) (i) Subject to sub-paragraph (ii) below, all the Directors present shall be entitled to vote at the meeting.

(ii) An Interested Director shall not be entitled to vote in respect of the relevant contract, transaction or arrangement, and if he/she shall vote his/her vote shall not be counted;

(c) (i) Subject to sub-paragraph (ii) below, in case of an equality of votes, the Chairman or such other Director presiding at the meeting of the Board shall have a second and casting vote;

(ii) If the Chairman or such other Director presiding at the meeting of the Board (as the case may be) is an Interested Director, then the Chairman or such other Director shall not be entitled to any second and casting vote in respect of the relevant contract, transaction or arrangement, and no other Director shall not be entitled to any second and casting vote in respect of such contract, transaction or arrangement.

(d) In this Article, "Interested Director" means a director or any of his associates (as defined in Article 86(d)) is materially interested a contract, transaction or arrangement to be considered in the meeting of the Board (save and except the Exempted Contracts, Transactions and Arrangements (as defined in Article 86(b))."

(ff) New Article 118A

By adding the following as new Article 118A after Article 118:

"118A. Any Director or his alternate may validly participate in a meeting of the Board or a committee of the Board through the medium of telephone conference or similar form of communication equipment, provided that all persons participating in the meeting are able to hear and speak to each other throughout such meeting. A person so participating shall be deemed to be present in person at the meeting and shall accordingly be counted in a quorum and be entitled to vote. Such a meeting shall be deemed to take place where the largest group of those participating is assembled or, if there is no group which is larger than any other group, where the Chairman of the meeting then is."

(gg) Article 123

By deleting this Article in its entirety and substituting therefor the following new Article:

"123. (a) A resolution in writing signed, or assented to by electronic communication, by majority of all the Directors or alternate Directors for the time being who are entitled to Notice of Board Meetings and entitled to sign on or assent to such resolution according to sub-paragraph (b) of this Article in Hong Kong (rounded up to the nearest whole and upper number) shall be as effective for all purposes as a resolution passed at a meeting of the Board duly convened, held and constituted and may consist of several documents in like form each signed by one or more of the Directors.\*

(b) (i) Subject to sub-paragraph (ii) below, all the Directors or alternate Directors for the time being entitled to Notice of Board Meetings shall be entitled to sign on or assent to a resolution in writing.

(ii) Subject to the exception mentioned in Article 86(b), where any contract, transaction or arrangement in which a director or any of his/her associates (as defined in Article 86(d)) is materially interested is considered, such interested Director shall not be entitled to sign on or assent to a resolution in respect of such contract, transaction or arrangement, and if he shall sign on or assent to such resolution his signature or assent shall not be counted."

(hh) Article 125

- (i) By adding the words "The Board may decide by what means and in what form the Seal or Official Seal (whether for use outside Hong Kong or for sealing securities) is to be used." immediately before the words "The Board shall provide" in paragraph (a).
- (ii) By adding the words "This Article is without prejudice to the Company's ability to execute a document in any other manner provided for in the Ordinance." immediately after the words "previously given." in paragraph (a).

(ii) Article 138

By adding the words "and the Company shall not be constituted a trustee in respect thereof" immediately after the words "until claimed".

(jj) Article 140

By deleting the words "Provided that a share premium account and a capital redemption reserve fund may, for the purposes of this regulation, only be applied in the paying up of unissued shares to be issued to members of the Company as fully paid shares. " in paragraph (a).

## (kk) Article 145

By adding the words "subject to due compliance with the Statutes and other applicable laws, rules and regulations, by publishing it on the Company's computer network or its website, giving access to such network or website to the member and giving to the member a notice by any permitted means stating that the notice or other document is available there (a "notice of availability") or (vi)" immediately after the words "newspaper circulating in Hong Kong or (v)".

(II) Article 150

By deleting paragraph (ii) of this Article in its entirety and substituting therefor the following new paragraph (ii):

"(ii) (a) if sent by electronic communication (other than by making the notice or document available on the Company's computer network or website), shall be deemed to be given on the day on which it is transmitted from the server of the Company or its agent;

(b) if sent by making the notice or document available on the Company's computer network or website, shall be deemed to have been served after its first posting on the network or website of the Company, or after receipt of the notice of availability from the Company which contains details as specified in the Ordinance from time to time, whichever is later;"

(mm)Article 151

(i) By deleting the word "The" in line 1 and substituting therefor the words "Subject to Article 151A, the".

- (ii) By deleting the words "in defending any proceedings, whether civil or criminal, in which judgment is given in their favour or in which they are acquitted or in connection with any application under Section 358 of the Statutes in which relief is granted by the Court save and except any liability in respect of any negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust of which he may be guilty in relation to the Company or the subsidiary or holding company of the Company or the subsidiary of the holding company of the Company "immediately after the words "office or appointment" in line 3.
- (nn) New Articles 151A, 151B and 151C

By adding the following as new Articles 151A, 151B and 151C immediately after Article 151:

"151A. Article 151 does not apply to:

(a) any liability of the Executive Director, Director, Auditor, Secretary and other Officer incurred to the Company or associated company, including but not limited any liability in connection with any negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust in relation to the Company or associated company (as the case may be);

- (b) any liability of the Executor Director or Director to pay
  - (i) a fine imposed in criminal proceedings; or
  - (ii) a sum payable by way of a penalty in respect of non-compliance with any requirement of a regulatory nature; or
- (c) any liability incurred by the Executor Director or Director:
  - (i) in defending criminal proceedings in which the Director is convicted,
  - (ii) in defending civil proceedings brought by the Company, or an associated company of the Company, in which judgment is given against the Director;
  - (iii) in defending civil proceedings brought on behalf of the Company by a member of the Company or of an associated company of the Company, in which judgment is given against the Director,
  - (iv) in defending civil proceedings brought on behalf of an associated company of the Company by a member of the associated company or by a member of an associated company of the associated company, in which judgment is given against the Director; or

 (v) in connection with an application for relief under section 903 or 904 of the Ordinance in which the Court refuses to grant the Director relief; or

151B. (a) A reference in paragraph (c) of Article 151A to a conviction, judgment or refusal of relief is a reference to the final decision in the proceedings

(b) For the purposes of paragraph (a) of this Article, a conviction, judgment or refusal of relief:

- (i) if not appealed against, becomes final at the end of the period for bringing an appeal; or
- (ii) if appealed against, becomes final when the appeal, or any further appeal, is disposed of

(c) For the purposes of sub-paragraph (ii) of paragraph (b) of this Article, an appeal is disposed of if:

- (i) it is determined, and the period for bringing any further appeal has ended; or
- (ii) it is abandoned or otherwise ceases to have effect.

151C. In Articles 151 to 151B, "associated company", in relation to a the Company, has the meaning given to it in the Ordinance."

(00) Article 153

By deleting this Article in its entirety and substituting therefor the following new Article:

"153. If the Company is wound up and a surplus remains after the payment of debts proved in the winding up, the liquidator:

- (a) may, with the required sanction, divide amongst the members in specie or kind the whole or any part of the assets of the Company (whether they consist of property of the same kind or not) and may, for this purpose, set a value the liquidator thinks fair on any property to be so divided; and
- (b) may determine how the division is to be carried out between the members or different classes of members."

(pp) New Articles 154 and 155

By adding the following as new Articles 154 and 155 after Article 153:

"154. The liquidator may, with the required sanction, vest the whole or part of those assets in trustees on trust for the benefit of the contributories that the liquidator, with the required sanction, thinks fit, but a member must not be compelled to accept any shares or other securities on which there is any liability.

155. In Articles 153 and 154, "required sanction" means the sanction of a special resolution of the Company and any other sanction required by the Ordinance. "

For China Mcrchants Bank Co., Ltd (Sd.) Tian Huiyu

#### (永隆銀行有限公司)

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## SPECIAL RESOLUTION

Pursuant to Section 548 of the Companies Ordinance, Cap.622

Passed the 18th day of September 2018

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By a written resolution signed by China Merchants Bank Co., Ltd, the sole shareholder of the Bank, pursuant to Section 548 of the Companies Ordinance, the following resolution was passed as Special Resolution on 18th day of September 2018:

"That subject to the approval of the Registrar of Companies, the name of the Company be changed to 'CMB WING LUNG BANK LIMITED 招商永隆銀行有限公司'."

For China Merchants Bank Co., Ltd (Sd.) Tian Huiyu

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### (永隆銀行有限公司)

#### SPECIAL RESOLUTION

Pursuant to Section 116B of the Companies Ordinance, Cap.32

Passed the 8th day of June 2010

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By a written resolution signed by China Merchants Bank Co., Ltd, the sole shareholder of the Bank, pursuant to Section 116B of the Companies Ordinance, the following resolution was passed as Special Resolution on 8th day of June 2010:

That the Articles of Association of the Bank be amended as follows:

(a) Article 7A

By deleting the words "provided always that any such purchase or other acquisition or financial assistance shall only be made or given in accordance with any relevant rules or regulations issued by The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited or the Securities and Futures Commission from time to time in force and provided further that purchases or acquisitions not made through the open market or by tender shall be limited to a maximum price; and if purchases or acquisitions are by tender, tenders shall be available to all members alike" at the end.

(b) Article 12

- (i) By deleting the words "Without prejudice to S.71A of the Ordinance," at the beginning.
- (ii) By deleting the words "which shall not exceed the maximum fee prescribed or permitted from time to time by The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited" at the end and substituting therefor the words "of HK\$5 or determined by the Directors from time to time"

(c) Article 26

By deleting the words "provided that the Board may in its absolute discretion and on such terms and conditions as the Board may deem fit accept machine imprinted or mechanically produced signatures" immediately after the words "and the transfeeree" in the second line.

## (d) Article 27

- (i) By deleting the words "not being" in the second line and substituting therefor the words "whether or not it is".
- (i) By deleting the words "Provided That shares which are fully paid shall be free from any restriction on the right of transfer except when permitted by The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited and from all lien" immediately after the words "has a lien" in the forth line.

#### (e) Article 28

By deleting the words "the maximum fees prescribed or permitted by The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited from time to time in its Listing Rules" immediately after the words "A fee not exceeding" in the first line and substituting therefor the words "HK\$5".

(f) Article 29

By deleting the words "the maximum fee prescribed or permitted from time to time by The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited in its Listing Rules" at the end and substituting theredfor the words "HK\$5".

(g) Article 52(a)

By adding the words "in the case where there are more than one holder of shares of the class, and one person where there is only one holder of shares of the class" immediately after the words "the issued shares of the class" in the third line.

(h) Article 56

By deleting the words "to the Auditors for the time being of the Company" in the sixth line and seventh line.

(i) Article 59

By deleting the words "For all purposes the quorum shall be not less than three members personally present" at the end and substituting therefor the words "; save as herein otherwise provided, if the Company has more than one member, 2 members present in person shall be a quorum. If the Company has only one member, one member present in person shall be a quorum".

(j) Article 69

By deleting the words "Provided however that where any member is, under the Listing Rules from time to time made by The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, required to abstain from voting on any particular resolution or restricted to voting only for or only against any particular resolutions, any votes cast by or on behalf of such member in contravention of such requirement or restriction shall not be counted" at the end.

(k) Article 74

By deleting the following words at the end:

"Without prejudice and in addition to the above, where a member is a recognised clearing house with the meaning of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong), it may authorise such person or persons as it thinks fit to act as its representative (or representatives) at any members' general meeting or any meeting of any class of members' meeting provided that, if more than one person is so authorised, the authorisation must specify the number and class of shares in respect of which each such person is so authorised. The person so authorised will be entitled to exercise the same power on behalf of the recognised clearing house as that clearing house (or its nominees) could exercise if it were an individual member of the company."

and substituting therefor the following:

"Provided That the number of proxies so appointed by the member to attend on the same occasion shall not exceed 2."

#### (l) Article 76

By deleting the words "No instrument appointing a proxy shall be valid after the expiration of twelve months from the date named in it as the date of its execution, except at an adjourned meeting or on a poll demanded at a meeting or an adjourned meeting in cases where the meeting was originally held within twelve months from such date." at the end.

## (m) Article 143

By deleting the words "(collectively the "Relevant Financial Documents")" in the fifth line.

## (n) Article 143A

By deleting Article 143A in its entirely.

(o) Article 143B

By deleting Article 143B in its entirely.

(p) Article 145

By deleting the words "subject to due compliance with the Statutes and other applicable laws, rules and regulations and to the consent in writing of the member, by publishing it on the Company's computer network or website, giving access to such network or website to the member and giving to the member a notice stating the address and location of such network or website and that the notice or other document is available there or (vi)" immediately after the words "in Hong Kong or (v)" in the thirteenth line.

#### (q) Article 150

- (i) By deleting the following paragraph:
  - "(iii) if placed on the Company's computer network or website, shall be deemed given by the Company to a member on the day on which a notice of availability is deemed served on the member;"
- (ii) By renumbering paragraph (iv) as (iii).
- (iii) By renumbering paragraph (v) as (vi).
- (iv) By renumbering paragraph (vi) as (v).

For China Merchants Bank Co., Ltd (Sd.) Qin Xiao

(永隆銀行有限公司)

## SPECIAL RESOLUTION

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Pursuant to Section 13(1) and Section 117(1) of the Companies Ordinance, Cap.32

Passed the 28th day of April 2007

At an Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Bank duly convened and held at the Bank's Head Office at No 45 Des Voeux Road Central, 21st Floor, Hong Kong on Saturday, the 28th day of April 2007 at 10:30 am, the following resolution was passed as a Special Resolution:

That the Articles of Association of the Bank be amended as follows:

(a) Article 2

(i) By adding the following new definition for "Electronic communication" after the existing definition "Dividend" in Article 2:

"Electronic Communication sent by electronic transmission in any form through any medium."

(ii) By deleting the following paragraph in Article 2:

"Writing shall include printing and lithography and any other mode or modes of representing or reproducing words in a visible form." and substituting therefor the following:

"Writing shall include printing, lithography, photography, typewriting, photocopies, telecopier messages and every other mode of representing words or figures in a visible form (including electronic communication)."

(iii) By adding the following new paragraphs at the end of Article 2:

"References to a document being executed include references to it being executed under hand or under seal or by electronic signature or by any other method.

References to a notice or document include a notice or document recorded or stored in any digital, electronic, electrical, magnetic or other retrievable form or medium and information in visible form whether having physical substance or not."

- (b) Article 143
  - (i) By deleting the words "summary financial reports" in Article 143.
  - (ii) By adding the words "(collectively the "Relevant Financial Documents")" immediately after the words "to be annexed thereto" in the fifth line of Article 143.
- (c) Article 143A

By adding the following new Article as Article 143A:

- "143A. To the extent permitted by and subject to due compliance with the Statutes and other applicable laws, rules and regulations, and to obtaining all necessary consents, if any, required thereunder, the requirements in Article 143 shall be deemed satisfied in relation to any member if the Company sends to the member, instead of a copy of the Relevant Financial Documents, a summary financial report derived from the Relevant Financial Documents which shall be in the form and containing the information required by the Statutes and other applicable laws, rules and regulations, provided that any person who is otherwise entitled to the Relevant Financial Documents may, if he so requires and in accordance with the Statutes and other applicable laws, rules and regulations, by notice in writing served on the Company, demands that the Company sends to him, in addition to a summary financial report, a complete printed copy of the Relevant Financial Documents."
- (d) Article 143B

By adding the following new Article as Article 143B:

"143B. The requirement to send to a member the Relevant Financial Documents as referred to in Article 143 or a summary financial report in accordance with Article 143A shall be deemed satisfied where, in accordance with the Statutes and other applicable laws, rules and regulations, the Company publishes copies of the Relevant Financial Documents and, if applicable, a summary financial report complying with Article 143A, on the Company's computer network or its website or in any other permitted manner (including sending by any form of electronic communication), and that member has agreed or is deemed to have agreed to treat the publication or receipt of such documents in such manner as discharging the Company's obligation to send to him a copy of the Relevant Financial Documents or summary financial report."

## (e) Article 145

By deleting Article 145 in its entirety and substituting therefor the following new Article 145:

"145. Any notice or other document to be given or issued by the Company to a member, whether or not under the Statutes, other applicable laws, rules and regulations or these Articles, may be given in writing or by cable, telex or facsimile transmission message, any form of electronic communication or transmission or in any other form of permitted means of communication and any such notice and document may be served or delivered by the Company on or to any member (i) personally or (ii) by sending it through the post in a prepaid letter, envelope or wrapper addressed to such member at his registered address as appearing in the register of members, whether in or outside Hong Kong, or by delivering it or leaving it at such registered address or any telex or facsimile transmission number or electronic number or address or website supplied by that member to the Company for giving of notice or document to that member or (iv) (in the case of a notice) by advertisement in an English language daily newspaper and a Chinese language daily newspaper circulating in Hong Kong or

(v) subject to due compliance with the Statutes and other applicable laws, rules and regulations and to the consent in writing of the member, by publishing it on the Company's computer network or website, giving access to such network or website to the member and giving to the member a notice stating the address and location of such network or website and that the notice or other document is available there or (vi) in any other permitted manner from time to time."

(f) Article 148

By deleting Article 148 in its entirety and substituting therefor the following new Article 148:

"148. A notice or other document may be given by or on behalf of the Company to the person entitled to a share in consequence of the death, mental disorder or bankruptcy of a member in such manner as provided in Article 145 in which the same might have been given if the death, mental disorder or bankruptcy had not occurred."

(g) Article 148A

By adding the following new Article as Article 148A:

"148A. Any notice or other document delivered or sent to any member in such manner as provided in Article 145 in pursuance of these Articles shall, notwithstanding that such member be then deceased, suffering from mental disorder or bankrupt and whether or not the Company has notice of his death, mental disorder or bankruptcy, be deemed to have been duly served in respect of any registered shares whether held solely or jointly with other persons by such member until some other person is registered in his stead as the holder or joint holder thereof, and such service shall for all purposes of these Articles be deemed as sufficient service of such notice or document on his personal or legal representatives and all persons (if any) jointly interested with him in any such shares."

#### (h) Article 150

By deleting Article 150 in its entirety and substituting therefor the following new Article 150:

- "150. Any notice or other document given or issued by the Company:
  - (i) if served by post, shall be deemed to have been served at the expiration of forty-eight hours after the envelope or wrapper containing the same is posted and in proving such service it shall be sufficient to prove that the envelope or wrapper containing the notice or other document was properly prepaid, addressed and posted (in the case of an address outside Hong Kong by air-mail postage prepaid where air-mail posting from Hong Kong to such place is available) and a certificate in writing signed by the Secretary or other person appointed by the Board that the envelope or wrapper containing the notice or other document was so addressed and put into the post shall be conclusive evidence thereof;
  - (ii) if sent by electronic communication, shall be deemed to be given on the day on which it is transmitted from the server of the Company or its agent;
  - (iii) if placed on the Company's computer network or website, shall be deemed given by the Company to a member on the day on which a notice of availability is deemed served on the member;
  - (iv) if served or delivered in any other manner contemplated by these Articles other than by advertisement in newspapers in accordance with Article 145, shall be deemed to have been served or delivered at the time of personal service or delivery or, as the case may be, at the time of the relevant despatch or transmission; and in proving such service or delivery a certificate in writing signed by the Secretary or other person appointed by the Board as to the fact and time of such service, delivery, despatch or transmission shall be conclusive evidence thereof;
  - (v) if served by advertisement in newspapers in accordance with Article 145, shall be deemed to have been served on the day on which the notice is first published; and
  - (vi) may be given to a member either in the English language or the Chinese language only or in both the English language and Chinese language, subject to due compliance with the Statutes and other applicable laws, rules and regulations."

(Sd.) Michael Po-ko Wu

Chairman

(永隆銀行有限公司)

#### SPECIAL RESOLUTION

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Passed the 23rd day of April 2005

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At an Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Bank duly convened and held at the Bank's Head Office at No 45 Des Voeux Road Central, 21st Floor, Hong Kong on Saturday, the 23rd day of April 2005 at 10:30 am, the following resolution was passed as a Special Resolution:

That the Bank's Articles of Association be amended as follows:

(a) Article 7A

By the addition of the words "and provided further that purchases or acquisitions not made through the open market or by tender shall be limited to a maximum price; and if purchases or acquisitions are by tender, tenders shall be available to all members alike" at the end of Article 7A.

(b) Article 11

By the deletion of the words "lodgment of a transfer" in the second line and the substitution therefor the words "within ten business days after lodgment of a transfer".

(c) Article 27

By the addition of the words "Provided That shares which are fully paid shall be free from any restriction on the right of transfer except when permitted by The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited and from all lien" immediately after the words "a lien" in the fourth line.

(d) Article 28

By the addition of the words "in its Listing Rules" immediately after the words "from time to time" in the second line.

(e) Article 29

By the addition of the words "in its Listing Rules" at the end of Article 29.

(f) Article 69

By the addition of the words "Provided however that where any member is, under the Listing Rules from time to time made by The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, required to abstain from voting on any particular resolution or restricted to voting only for or only against any particular resolutions, any votes cast by or on behalf of such member in contravention of such requirement or restriction shall not be counted" at the end of Article 69.

- (g) Article 74
  - (i) By the deletion of the words "Clearing Houses" in the fourth line.
  - (ii) By the deletion of the word "420" in the fourth line and the substitution therefor the word "571".

#### (h) Article 86(b)

- (i) By the addition of the words "or any of his associates (as defined below)" immediately before the words "is materially interested," in the fourteenth line.
- (ii) By the addition of the words "or any of his associates" immediately after the words "a Director" in the fifteenth line.
- (iii) By the addition of the words "or any of his associates" immediately after the words "the Director" in the seventeenth line.
- (iv) By the deletion of the words "by him" which first appear in the twentieth line.
- (v) By the addition of the words "or any of his associates" immediately before the words "for the benefit" in the twentieth line.
- (vi) By the addition of the following immediately after the word "Company" in the twenty-first line:

"or any of its subsidiaries, nor to any contract or resolution for the giving of any security or indemnity to a third party in respect of a debt or obligation of the Company or any of its subsidiaries for which the Director or any of his associates has himself or themselves assumed responsibility in whole or in part and whether alone or jointly under a guarantee or indemnity or by the giving of security,".

- (vii) By the addition of the words "or any of his associates" immediately after the word "he" in the twenty-second line.
- (viii) By the deletion of the words "a director," in the twenty-second line and the substitution therefor the words "or are interested only whether directly or indirectly as a".
- (ix) By the addition of the following immediately after the words "such corporation" in the twenty-second line:

", nor to any proposal or arrangement concerning the benefit of employees of the Company or its subsidiaries including the adoption, modification or operation of any employees' share scheme or any share incentive or share option scheme under which the Director or any of his associates may benefit; or the adoption, modification or operation of a pension fund or retirement, death or disability benefits scheme which relates both to the Directors, his associates and employees of the Company or any of its subsidiaries and does not provide in respect of any Director, or any of his associates, as such any privilege or advantage not generally accorded to the class of persons to which such scheme or fund relates, nor to any contract or arrangement in which the Director or any of his associates is/are interested in the same manner as other holders of shares or debentures or other securities of the Company.".

- (x) By the deletion of the words "(as defined below)" in the twenty-third line.
- (xi) By the addition of the words "(or of any third company through which his interest or that of his associates is derived)" immediately after the words "such corporation" in the twenty-fourth line.
- (xii) By the addition of the words "or any of his associates" immediately after the words "the Director" in the twenty-seventh line.
- (xiii) By the addition of the words "or any of his associates" immediately after the word "he" in the twenty-ninth line.
- (i) Article 86(c)
  - (i) By the deletion of the word "or" and the substitution therefor the words "but he shall not be counted in the quorum present at any meeting" in the fourth line.

- (ii) By the addition of the words "or any of his associates" immediately after the words "which he" in the fourth line.
- (iii) By the addition of the word "materially" immediately before the words "interested is considered" in the fourth line.
- (j) Article 86(d)(i)
  - (i) By the addition of the words ", natural or adopted," immediately after the word "step-child" in the first line.
  - (ii) By the deletion of the word "21" and the substitution therefor the word "18" in the first line.
- (k) Article 86(d)(ii)

By the addition of the words "(to his knowledge)" immediately after the word "is" in the third line.

- (1) Article 86(d)(iii)
  - (i) By the addition of the words "("the trustee-controlled company")" immediately after the words "any company" in the first line.
  - (ii) By the deletion of the words "he and/or his family interests taken together" in the first line and the second line and the substitution therefor the words "the trustees, acting in their capacity as such trustees,".
  - (iii) By the deletion of the word "35" and the substitution therefor the word "30" in the third line.
  - (iv) By the deletion of the words "or holding company or a fellow subsidiary of any such holding company" in the seventh line and eighth line and the substitution therefor the words "(together the "trustee interests")".
- (m) New Article 86(d)(iv) and (v)

By the addition of the following new Article 86(d)(iv) and (v):

- "(iv) a holding company of a trustee-controlled company or a subsidiary of any such holding company; and
- (v) any company in the equity capital of which the Director, his family interests, any of the trustees referred to in (d)(ii) and (iii) above, acting in their capacity as such trustees, and/or any trustee interests taken together are directly or indirectly interested so as to exercise or control the exercise of 30% (or such other amount as may from time to time be specified in the Takeovers Code as being the level for triggering a mandatory general offer) or more of the voting power at general meetings, or to control the composition of a majority of the board of directors and any other company which is its subsidiary or holding company or a fellow subsidiary of any such holding company."
- (n) Article 143
  - (i) By the addition of the words "the report of the Directors" immediately before the words "such profit" in the second line.
  - (ii) By the addition of the words ", summary financial reports" immediately after the words "(if any)" in the third line.
- (o) Article 147

By the addition of the words "whether in Hong Kong or overseas" immediately after the words "register of members" in the second line.

## (p) Article 151

By the addition of the words "save and except any liability in respect of any negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust of which he may be guilty in relation to the Company or the subsidiary or holding company of the Company or the subsidiary of the holding company of the Company" at the end of Article 151.

(Sd.) Michael Po-ko Wu

Chairman

## (永隆銀行有限公司)

#### SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS

Passed the 24th day of April 1999

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At an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Bank duly convened and held at the Bank's Head Office at No 45 Des Voeux Road Central, 21st Floor, Hong Kong on Saturday, the 24th day of April 1999 at 10:40 am, the following resolutions were passed as Special Resolutions:

- (1) That the Memorandum of Association of the Bank be and it is hereby amended in the following manner, namely:
  - (a) The Second ClauseBy deletion of the words "the Colony of" in the second line thereof.
  - (b) The Third Clause, sub-clause (a) By deletion of the words "Victoria, in the Colony of " in the third line hereof.
- (2) That the Articles of Association of the Bank be and they are hereby amended in the following manner, namely:
  - (a) New Article 7A

By the addition of the following as new Article 7A immediately after Article 7:

"7A. The Company may exercise any powers conferred or permitted by the Ordinance or any other ordinance from time to time to purchase or otherwise acquire its own shares (including any redeemable shares) at any price or to give, directly or indirectly, by means of a loan, guarantee, the provision of security or otherwise, financial assistance for the purpose of or in connection with a purchase or other acquisition made or to be made by any person of any shares in the Company and should the Company purchase or otherwise acquire its own shares neither the Company nor the Board shall be required to select the shares to be purchased or otherwise acquired ratably or in any other particular manner as between the holders of shares of the same class or as between them and the holders of shares of any other class or in accordance with the rights as to dividends or capital conferred by any class of shares provided always that any such purchase or other acquisition or financial assistance shall only be made or given in accordance with any relevant rules or regulations issued by The Stock

Exchange of Hong Kong Limited or the Securities and Futures Commission from time to time in force."

(b) Article 12

By deletion of the words "such sum not exceeding HK\$2 as the Directors may from time to time require" in the last two lines and the substitution therefor of the following words "a fee which shall not exceed the maximum fee prescribed or permitted from time to time by The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited".

- (c) Article 26
  - By the addition of the words "and on such terms and conditions as the Board may deem fit" immediately after the word "discretion".
  - (i) By the addition of the words "or mechanically produced" immediately after the word "imprinted".
- (d) Article 28
  - (i) By the addition of the words "or permitted" immediately after the word "prescribed".
  - (ii) By the deletion of the words "in the Exchange Listing Rules".
- (e) Article 29
  - (i) By the substitution of the first word "No" with the word "A".
  - (ii) By the addition of the words "from time to time determined by the Board which shall not exceed the maximum fee prescribed or permitted from time to time by The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited" at the end.
- (f) Article 74
  - (i) By the substitution of the word "that" immediately after the word "where" when it first appears with the word "a".
  - (ii) By the deletion of the words "and/or warrantholder" immediately before the words "is a recognised".
  - (iii) By the deletion of the words "member and/or warrantholders" and the substitution therefor of the word "members".
  - (iv) By the deletion of the words "and/or warrants" immediately after the words "class of shares".
  - (v) By the deletion of the words "and/or warrantholder" immediately after the words "individual member".
- (g) Article 132

By the addition of the following at the end:

"Where required, a contract shall be filed in accordance with the provisions of the Ordinance and the Board may appoint any person to sign such contract on behalf of the persons entitled to the dividends and such appointment shall be effective and binding on such persons."

(h) Article 136

By the addition of the following at the end:

"If a cheque or warrant is not cashed after it is sent to the member or person entitled thereto in manner aforesaid on two separate but consecutive occasions, the Board may, if it deems fit, cease sending further cheques or warrants to such member. The Company may also cease sending further cheques or warrants to a member if the cheque or warrant is returned undelivered."

(i) Article 153

By deletion of the words "an Extraordinary" in the second line and the substitution therefor of the following words "a Special".

(Sd.) Michael Po-ko Wu

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Chairman

## (永隆銀行有限公司)

### ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS

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Passed the 26th day of April 1997

At an Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Bank duly convened and held at the Bank's Head Office at No 45 Des Voeux Road Central, 21st Floor, Hong Kong on Saturday, the 26th day of April 1997, at 10:30 am, the following resolutions were passed as Ordinary Resolutions:

- 1. That the authorised capital of the Bank be increased from HKD1,200,000,000 to HKD1,500,000,000 by the creation of 60,000,000 additional shares of HKD5 each.
- 2. That:
  - (a) it is desirable to capitalise a sum of HKD193,491,760 from the general reserve of the Bank and that accordingly the said sum be capitalised and applied in payment in full for 38,698,352 unissued shares of the Bank of HKD5 each;
  - (b) such new shares, credited as fully paid up, be accordingly issued and allotted and distributed to the shareholders who on 26 April 1997 were registered shareholders of the Bank in the proportion of one such new share for every complete number of five of the 193,491,763 shares then held by them respectively;
  - (c) such new shares shall not rank for any final dividend payable in respect of the year ended 31 December 1996 but shall rank in all other respects pari passu with the existing issued shares of the Bank; and
  - (d) no fractional new shares shall be issued but that new shares representing fractions be disposed of by the Directors and the net proceeds distributed to the shareholders entitled thereto.

(Sd.) Michael Po-ko Wu

Chairman

## (永隆銀行有限公司)

## SPECIAL RESOLUTION

Pursuant to Section 13(1) and Section 117(1) of the Companies Ordinance, Cap.32

Passed the 27th day of April 1996

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At an Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Bank duly convened and held at the Bank's Head Office at No 45 Des Voeux Road Central, 21st Floor, Hong Kong on Saturday, the 27th day of April 1996, at 10:30 am, the following resolution was passed as a Special Resolution:

THAT the Articles of Association of the Bank be and they are hereby amended in the following manner, namely:

(a) Article 26

By the addition of the following after the word "transferee" at the 2nd line thereof: "provided that the Board may in its absolute discretion accept machine imprinted signatures."

(b) Article 28

By deleting Article 28 in its entirety and replacing the same by the following:-

"A fee not exceeding the maximum fees prescribed by The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited from time to time in the Exchange Listing Rules may be charged for registration of a transfer."

(c) Article 74

By the addition of the following after the end thereof:

"Without prejudice and in addition to the above, where that member and/or warrantholder is a recognised clearing house with the meaning of the Securities and Futures (Clearing Houses) Ordinance (Chapter 420 of the Laws of Hong Kong), it may authorise such person or persons as it thinks fit to act as its representative (or representatives) at any members' general meeting or any meeting of any class of members and/or warrantholders' meeting provided that, if more than one person is so authorised,

the authorisation must specify the number and class of shares and/or warrants in respect of which each such person is so authorised. The person so authorised will be entitled to exercise the same power on behalf of the recognised clearing house as that clearing house (or its nominees) could exercise if it were an individual member and/or warrantholder of the company."

(Sd.) Michael Po-ko Wu

Chairman

## (永隆銀行有限公司)

## ORDINARY RESOLUTION

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Passed the 27th day of April 1996

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At an Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Bank duly convened and held at the Bank's Head Office at No 45 Des Voeux Road Central, 21st Floor, Hong Kong on Saturday, the 27th day of April 1996, at 10:30 am, the following resolution was passed as an Ordinary Resolution:

That:

- (a) it is desirable to capitalise a sum of HKD161,243,135 from the general reserve of the Bank and that accordingly the said sum be capitalised and applied in payment in full for 32,248,627 unissued shares of the Bank of HKD5.00 each;
- (b) such new shares, credited as fully paid up, be accordingly issued and allotted and distributed to the shareholders who on 27 April 1996 were registered shareholders of the Bank in the proportion of one such new share for every complete number of five of the 161,243,136 shares then held by them respectively;
- (c) such new shares shall not rank for any final dividend payable in respect of the year ended 31 December 1995 but shall rank in all other respects pari passu with the existing issued shares of the Bank; and
- (d) no fractional new shares shall be issued but that new shares representing fractions be disposed of by the Directors and the net proceeds distributed to the shareholders entitled thereto.

(Sd.) Michael Po-ko Wu

Chairman

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## (永隆銀行有限公司)

### ORDINARY RESOLUTION

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Passed the 22nd day of April 1995

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At an Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Bank duly convened and held at the Bank's Head Office at No 45 Des Voeux Road Central, 21st Floor, Hong Kong on Saturday, the 22nd day of April 1995, at 10:30 am, the following resolution was passed as Ordinary Resolution:

That :

- (a) it is desirable to capitalise a sum of HKD134,369,280 from the general reserve of the Bank and that accordingly the said sum be capitalised and applied in payment in full for 26,873,856 unissued shares of the Bank of HKD5.00 each;
- (b) such new shares, credited as fully paid up, be accordingly issued and allotted and distributed to the shareholders who on 22 April 1995 were registered shareholders of the Bank in the proportion of one such new share for every complete number of five of the 134,369,280 shares then held by them respectively;
- (c) such new shares shall not rank for any final dividend payable in respect of the year ended 31 December 1994 but shall rank in all other respects pari passu with the existing issued shares of the Bank; and
- (d) no fractional new shares shall be issued but that new shares representing fractions be disposed of by the Directors and the net proceeds distributed to the shareholders entitled thereto.

(Sd.) Michael Po-ko Wu

Chairman

## (永隆銀行有限公司)

## ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS

#### Passed the 23rd day of April 1994

At an Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Bank duly convened and held at the Bank's Head Office at No 45 Des Voeux Road Central, 21st Floor, Hong Kong on Saturday, the 23rd day of April 1994, at 10:30 am, the following resolutions were passed as Ordinary Resolutions:

- 1. That the authorised capital of the Bank be increased from HKD800,000,000 to HKD1,200,000,000 by the creation of 80,000,000 additional shares of HKD5.00 each.
- 2. That:
  - (a) it is desirable to capitalise a sum of HKD111,974,400 from the general reserve of the Bank and that accordingly the said sum be capitalised and applied in payment in full for 22,394,880 unissued shares of the Bank of HKD5.00 each;
  - (b) such new shares, credited as fully paid up, be accordingly issued and allotted and distributed to the shareholders who on 23 April 1994 were registered shareholders of the Bank in the proportion of one such new share for every complete number of five of the 111,974,400 shares then held by them respectively;
  - (c) such new shares shall not rank for any final dividend payable in respect of the year ended 31 December 1993 but shall rank in all other respects pari passu with the existing issued shares of the Bank; and
  - (d) no fractional new shares shall be issued but that new shares representing fractions be disposed of by the Directors and the net proceeds distributed to the shareholders entitled thereto.

(Sd.) Michael Po-ko Wu Chairman
## (永隆銀行有限公司)

# ORDINARY RESOLUTION

#### Passed the 24th day of April 1993

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At an Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Bank duly convened and held at the Bank's Head Office at No 45 Des Voeux Road Central, 21st Floor, Hong Kong on Saturday, the 24th day of April 1993, at 10:30 am, the following resolution was passed as an Ordinary Resolution:

That:

- (a) it is desirable to capitalise a sum of HKD111,974,400 from the general reserve of the Bank and that accordingly the said sum be capitalised and applied in payment in full for 22,394,880 unissued shares of the Bank of HKD5.00 each;
- (b) such new shares, credited as fully paid up, be accordingly issued and alloted and distributed to the shareholders who on 24 April 1993 were registered shareholders of the Bank in the proportion of one such new share for every complete number of four of the 89,579,520 shares then held by them respectively;
- (c) such new shares shall not rank for any final dividend payable in respect of the year ended 31 December 1992 and the bonus dividend but shall rank in all other respects pari passu with the existing issued shares of the Bank; and
- (d) no fractional new shares shall be issued but that new shares representing fractions be disposed of by the Directors and the net proceeds distributed to the shareholders entitled thereto.

(Sd.) Michael Po-ko Wu

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## (永隆銀行有限公司)

#### ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS

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Passed the 25th day of April 1992

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At an Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Bank duly convened and held at the Bank's Head Office at No 45 Des Voeux Road Central, 21st Floor, Hong Kong on Saturday, the 25th day of April 1992, at 10:30 am, the following resolutions were passed as Ordinary Resolutions:

- 1. That the authorised capital of the Bank be increased from HKD500,000,000 to HKD800,000,000 by the creation of 60,000,000 additional shares of HKD5.00 each.
- 2. That:
  - (a) it is desirable to capitalise a sum of HKD74,649,600 from the general reserve of the Bank and that accordingly the said sum be capitalised and applied in payment in full for 14,929,920 unissued shares of the Bank of HKD5.00 each;
  - (b) such new shares, credited as fully paid up, be accordingly issued and alloted and distributed to the shareholders who on 25 April 1992 were registered shareholders of the Bank in the proportion of one such new share for every complete number of five of the 74,649,600 shares then held by them respectively;
  - (c) such new shares shall not rank for any final dividend payable in respect of the year ended 31 December 1991 but shall rank in all other respects pari passu with the existing issued shares of the Bank; and
  - (d) no fractional new shares shall be issued but that new shares representing fractions be disposed of by the Directors and the net proceeds distributed to the shareholders entitled thereto.

(Sd.) Michael Po-ko Wu

## (永隆銀行有限公司)

#### ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS

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Passed the 27th day of April 1991

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At an Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Company duly convened and held at the Company's Head Office at No. 45 Des Voeux Road Central, 21st Floor, Hong Kong on Saturday, the 27th day of April 1991, at 10:30 am, the following resolutions were passed as Ordinary Resolutions:

- 1. That the authorised capital of the Bank be increased from HK\$400,000,000 to HK\$500,000,000 by the creation of 20,000,000 additional shares of HK\$5.00 each.
- 2. That:
  - (a) it is desirable to capitalise a sum of HK\$62,208,000 from the general reserve of the Bank and that accordingly the said sum be capitalised and applied in payment in full for 12,441,600 unissued shares of the Bank of HK\$5.00 each;
  - (b) such new shares, credited as fully paid up, be accordingly issued and alloted and distributed to the shareholders who on 27 April 1991 were registered shareholders of the Bank in the proportion of one such new share for every complete number of five of the 62,208,000 shares then held by them respectively;
  - (c) such new shares shall not rank for any final dividend payable in respect of the year ended 31 December 1990 but shall rank in all other respects pari passu with the existing issued shares of the Bank; and
  - (d) no fractional new shares shall be issued but that new shares representing fractions be disposed of by the Directors and the net proceeds distributed to the shareholders entitled thereto.

(Sd.) Michael Po-ko Wu

## (永隆銀行有限公司)

#### SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS

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Pursuant to Section 13(1) and Section 117(1) of the Companies Ordinance, Cap.32

Passed the 28th day of April 1990.

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At an Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Company duly convened and held at the Company's Head Office at No. 45 Des Voeux Road Central, 21st Floor, Hong Kong on Saturday, the 28th day of April 1990, at 10:30 am, the following resolution was passed as a Special Resolution:

"THAT the Articles of Association of the Bank be and they are hereby amended in the following manner, namely:

(a) Article 2

By the addition of the following after the definition of "The Seal":

The Official Seal ... The Official Seal adopted pursuant to Article 125(b)

(b) Article 7

By the addition of the words "the Statutes and" before the words "these Articles" in the first line.

(c) Article 10

- (i) By the addition of the word "the" before the word "Statute" in the seventh line.
- (ii) By the substitution of the word "Statute" for the word "Statutes" in the seventh line.

(d) Article 11

By the addition of the word "Official" before the word "Seal" in the fourth line and eighteenth line.

- (e) Article 12
  - (i) By the addition of the words "Without prejudice to S. 71A of the Ordinance, if" at the beginning of the Article.
  - (ii) By the deletion of the word "If " in the first line.
- (f) Article 43
  - (i) By the addition of the words "Official Seal" before the word "seal" in the ninth line.
  - (ii) By the deletion of the word "seal" in the ninth line.
- (g) Article 52(a)
  - (i) By the deletion of the words "an Extraordinary" in the fifth line and the substitution therefor of the words "a Special".
  - (ii) By the addition of the words "two" and "at least" before the words "persons" and "one-third" respectively in the eleventh line.
  - (iii) By the deletion of the words "any two holders" in the sixteenth line and the substitution therefor of the words "a holder".
  - (iv) By the substitution of the word "is" for the word "are" in the seventeenth line.
  - (v) By the addition of the words "or by proxy" before the words "shall be" in the seventeenth line.
- (h) Article 56
  - (i) By the deletion of the words "Section 116(2) of" in the first line.
  - (ii) By the deletion of the word "seven" in the second line and the substitution therefor of the words "twenty one".
  - (iii) By the addition of the words "for an Annual General Meeting and fourteen days' notice at the least for an Extraordinary General Meeting" after the words "the least" in the third line.

## (i) Article 58

By the addition of the words "Directors and" before the word "Auditors" in the eighth line.

(j) Article 63

By the substitution of the figure "10" for the figure "15" in the sixth and tenth lines.

(k) Article 76

By the substitution of the words "twenty-four" for the words "forty-eight" in the seventh line.

- (l) Article 77
  - (i) By the re-numbering of the existing Article 77 as paragraph (a).
  - (ii) By the addition of a new paragraph (b) which reads as follows:

(b) Where it is desired to afford members an opportunity of voting for or against a resolution the instrument appointing a proxy shall be in the following form or a form as near thereto as circumstances admit–

#### WING LUNG BANK LIMITED

I/We, , of , being a Member/Members of Wing Lung Bank Limited, hereby appoint of , or failing him, of as my/our proxy to vote for me/us on my/our behalf at the (Annual or Extraordinary, as the case may be) General Meeting of the company, to be held on the day of 19 , and at any adjournment thereof.

Signed this day of 19.

This form is to be used against \*in favour of the resolution.

Unless otherwise instructed, the proxy will vote as he thinks fit.

\*Strike out whichever is not desired."

(m) Article 86

Article 86(b) be amended as follows:

- (i) By the deletion of the word "so" before the word "interested" in the twentieth line.
- (ii) By the addition of the word "materially" before the word "interested" in the twentieth line.
- (iii) By the deletion of the words ", guarantee or underwrite" in the twenty second line and twenty third line and the addition of the words "or purchase" before the word "shares" in the twenty third line.
- (iv) By the addition of the words "where the Director is interested or to be interested as a participant in the underwriting or sub-underwriting of such purchase or subscription," at the end of the twenty fourth line.
- (v) By the deletion of the word "sole" in the twenty eighth line.
- (vi) By the deletion of the words "Director" and "creditor" in the twenty ninth line.
- (vii) By the addition of the word "director" before the word "member" and the words ", officer or executive" after the word "member" in the twenty ninth line.
- (viii) By the addition of the words "provided that he together with any of his associates (as defined below), is not beneficially interested in five per cent or more of the issued shares of any class of such corporation or of the voting rights," after the word "corporation" in the twenty ninth line.
- (ix) By the addition of the words "at which the Director who is materially interested in such contract, arrangement or transaction does not exercise any voting rights which he would otherwise be entitled to exercise at such General Meeting" after the word "Meeting" in the thirty second line.
- (x) By the addition of a new Article 86(d) which reads as follows:
  - (d) In this Article, "associate" in relation to a Director means:
    - (i) his spouse and any child or step-child under the age of 21 years of the Director or of his spouse ("family interests"); and
    - (ii) the trustees, acting in their capacity as such trustees, of any trust of which he or any of his family interests is a

beneficiary or, in the case of a discretionary trust, is a discretionary object; and

(iii) any company in the equity capital of which he and/or his family interests taken together are directly or indirectly interested so as to exercise or control the exercise of 35 per cent (or such lower amount as may from time to time be specified in the Takeover Code as being the level for triggering a mandatory general offer) or more of the voting power at general meetings, or to control the composition of a majority of the board of directors and any other company which is its subsidiary or holding company or a fellow subsidiary of any such holding company.

#### (n) Article 104

By the substitution of the word "seven" for the word "three" in the fourth line.

(o) Article 125

By the deletion in its entirety (including the heading) and the substitution therefor a new Article 125 which reads as follows:

#### THE SEAL AND THE OFFICIAL SEAL

125. (a) The Board shall provide for the safe custody of the Seal, and the Seal shall not be used without the prior authority of the Board, and two members of the Board or one member of the Board together with one other person so appointed by the Board shall sign every instrument to which the Seal is affixed. Every instrument executed in the manner provided by this Article shall be deemed to be sealed and executed with the authority of the Directors previously given.

(b) The Company shall have, for use for sealing share certificates issued by the Company and such other documents constituting securities to be issued by the Company as the Board may from time to time approve (in this Article referred to as an "Authorised Document"), an Official Seal which is a facsimile of the Seal of the Company with the addition on its face of the word "securities". No signature of any director, officer or any other person and no mechanical reproduction thereof shall be required on any of the Company's share certificates or Authorised Documents and every share certificate and Authorised Document to which such Official Seal is affixed shall be valid and shall be deemed to have been sealed and executed with the authority of the Board notwithstanding the absence of any such signature or mechanical reproduction thereof as aforesaid. (p) Article 143

By the addition of the words "an Annual" before the words "General Meeting" in the third line and by the substitution of the word "twenty-one" for the word "fourteen" in the sixth line.

(q) Article 147

By the deletion in its entirety and the substitution therefor of the following:

Any member described in the register of members shall be entitled to have served upon him at his registered address as appearing in the register of members any notice to which he would be entitled under these Articles.

(Sd.) Michael Po-ko Wu

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## (永隆銀行有限公司)

## ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS

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Passed the 28th day of April 1990.

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At an Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Company duly convened and held at the Company's Head Office at No. 45 Des Voeux Road Central, 21st Floor, Hong Kong on Saturday, the 28th day of April 1990, at 10:30 am, the following resolutions were passed as Ordinary Resolutions:

- 1. That the authorised capital of the Bank be increased from HK\$300,000,000 to HK\$400,000,000 by the creation of 20,000,000 additional shares of HK\$5.00 each.
- 2. That:
  - (a) it is desirable to capitalise a sum of HK\$51,840,000 from the general reserve of the Bank and that accordingly the said sum be capitalised and applied in payment in full for 10,368,000 unissued shares of the Bank of HK\$5.00 each;
  - (b) such new shares, credited as fully paid up, be accordingly issued and alloted and distributed to the shareholders who on 28 April 1990 were registered shareholders of the Bank in the proportion of one such new share for every complete number of five of the 51,840,000 shares then held by them respectively;
  - (c) such new shares shall not rank for any final dividend payable in respect of the year ended 31 December 1989 but shall rank in all other respects pari passu with the existing issued shares of the Bank; and
  - (d) no fractional new shares shall be issued but that new shares representing fractions be disposed of by the Directors and the net proceeds distributed to the shareholders entitled thereto.

(Sd.) Michael Po-ko Wu Chairman

## (永隆銀行有限公司)

#### ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS

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Passed the 29th day of April 1988

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At an Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Company duly convened and held at the Company's Head Office at 45 Des Voeux Road Central, 21st Floor, Hong Kong on Friday, the 29th day of April 1988, at 10.30 am, the following resolutions were passed as Ordinary Resolutions:-

- That pursuant to Article 140 of the Bank it is desirable to capitalise a sum of (1)\$86,400,000 being firstly the amount now standing to the credit of the Share Premium Account of the Bank and the balance from General Reserve of the Bank and accordingly that such sum be set free for distribution amongst the holders of the Ordinary Shares who would have been entitled thereto if distributed by way of dividend and in the same proportion on condition that the same be not paid in cash but be applied either in or towards paying up 17,280,000 unissued Ordinary Shares of the Bank to be allotted and credited as fully paid up and be distributed amongst the shareholders who at the close of business on 29 April 1988 are registered ordinary shareholders of the Bank in the proportion of one Ordinary Share for every two Ordinary Shares then held by such shareholders respectively and that such new Ordinary Shares shall not rank for final dividend for the year ended 31 December 1987 but in all other respects shall rank pari passu with the existing issued Ordinary Shares of and in the Bank. No fractional certificates will be issued but shares representing fractions will be allotted to a trustee to be nominated by the Board of Directors upon trust for sale upon such conditions as they consider expedient and the net proceeds of sale will be distributed proportionately amongst those shareholders who would otherwise be entitled to such fractions and in satisfaction thereof.
- (2) That the Board be and is hereby authorised to allot and issue such new Ordinary Shares for distribution in the manner and proportion aforesaid.

(Sd.) Michael Po-ko Wu

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## (永隆銀行有限公司)

#### ORDINARY RESOLUTION

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Pursuant to Section 55(1) & (2) and Section 117(1) of the Companies Ordinance, Cap.32

Passed the 27th day of April 1987

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At the Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Company duly convened and held at the Company's Head Office at No 45 Des Voeux Road Central, 21st Floor, Hong Kong on Monday, the 27th day of April 1987 at 3 pm, the following resolution was passed as an Ordinary Resolution:-

"That the authorised capital of the Company be increased from HK\$200,000,000 to HK\$300,000,000 by the creation of 20,000,000 additional shares of HK\$5 each."

(Sd.) Michael Po-ko Wu

## (永隆銀行有限公司)

#### ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS

Passed the 26th day of April 1986

At an Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Company duly convened and held at the Company's Head Office at 45 Des Voeux Road Central, 21st Floor, Hong Kong on Saturday, the 26th day of April 1986, at 10.30 am, the following resolutions were passed as Ordinary Resolutions:-

- (1)That pursuant to Article 140 of the Bank it is desirable to capitalise a sum of \$28,800,000 being part of the amount now standing to the credit of the Share Premium Account of the Bank and accordingly that such sum be set free for distribution amongst the holders of the Ordinary Shares who would have been entitled thereto if distributed by way of dividend and in the same proportion on condition that the same not be paid in cash but be applied either in or towards paying up 5,760,000 unissued Ordinary Shares of the Bank to be allotted and credited as fully paid up and be distributed amongst the shareholders who at the close of business on 26 April 1986 are registered ordinary shareholders of the Bank in the proportion of one Ordinary Share for every five Ordinary Shares then held by such shareholders respectively and that such new Ordinary Shares shall not rank for final dividend for the year ended 31 December 1985 but in all other respects shall rank pari passu with the existing issued Ordinary Shares of and in the Bank. No fractional certificates will be issued but shares representing fractions will be allotted to a trustee to be nominated by the Board of Directors upon trust for sale upon such conditions as they consider expedient and the net proceeds of sale will be distributed proportionately amongst those shareholders who would otherwise be entitled to such fractions and in satisfaction thereof.
- (2) That the Board be and is hereby authorised to allot and issue such new shares for distribution in the manner and proportion aforesaid.

(Sd.) Michael Po-ko Wu

## (永隆銀行有限公司)

#### ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS

Passed the 3rd day of April 1982

At an Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Company duly convened and held at the Company's Head Office at 45 Des Voeux Road Central, 21st Floor, Hong Kong on Saturday, the 3rd day of April 1982, at 11.30 am, the following resolutions were passed as Ordinary Resolutions:-

- (1)That pursuant to Article 140 of the bank it is desirable to capitalise a sum of \$24,000,000 being part of the amount now standing to the credit of the Share Premium Account of the bank and accordingly that such sum be set free for distribution amongst the holders of the Ordinary Shares who would have been entitled thereto if distributed by way of dividend and in the same proportion on condition that the same be not paid in cash but be applied either in or towards paying up 4,800,000 unissued Ordinary Shares of the bank to be allotted and credited as fully paid up and be distributed amongst the shareholders who at the close of business on 3 April 1982 are registered ordinary shareholders of the bank in the proportion of one Ordinary Share for every five Ordinary Shares then held by such shareholders respectively and that such new Ordinary Shares shall not rank for final dividend for the year ended 31 December 1981 but in all other respects shall rank pari passu with the existing issued Ordinary Shares of and in the bank. No fractional certificates will be issued but shares representing fractions will be allotted to a trustee to be nominated by the Board of Directors upon trust for sale upon such conditions as they consider expedient and the net proceeds of sale will be distributed proportionately amongst those shareholders who would otherwise be entitled to such fractions and in satisfaction thereof.
- (2) That the Board be and is hereby authorised to allot and issue such new shares for distribution in the manner and proportion aforesaid.

(Sd.) Jieh-yee Wu

## (永隆銀行有限公司)

#### ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS

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Passed the 30th day of March 1981

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At an Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Company duly convened and held at the Company's Head Office at 45 Des Voeux Road Central, 21st Floor, Hong Kong on Saturday, the 30th day of March 1981, at 11.00 am, the following resolutions were passed as Ordinary Resolutions:-

- (1)That pursuant to Article 140 of the Bank it is desirable to capitalise a sum of \$20,000,000 being part of the amount now standing to the credit of the Share Premium Account of the Bank and accordingly that such sum be set free for distribution amongst the holders of the Ordinary Shares who would have been entitled thereto if distributed by way of dividend and in the same proportion on condition that the same be not paid in cash but be applied either in or towards paying up 4,000,000 unissued Ordinary Shares of the Bank to be allotted and credited as fully paid up and be distributed amongst the shareholders who at the close of business on 30 March 1981 are registered ordinary shareholders of the Bank in the proportion of one Ordinary Share for every five Ordinary Shares then held by such shareholders respectively and that such new Ordinary Shares shall not rank for final dividend for the year ended 31 December 1980 but in all other respects pari passu with the existing issued Ordinary Shares of and in the Bank. No fractional certificates will be issued but shares representing fractions will be allotted to a trustee to be nominated by the Board of Directors upon trust for sale upon such conditions as they consider expedient and the net proceeds of sale will be distributed proportionately amongst those shareholders who would otherwise be entitled to such fractions and in satisfaction thereof.
- (2) That the Board be and is hereby authorised to allot and issue such new shares for distribution in the manner and proportion aforesaid.

(Sd.) Jieh-yee Wu

## (永隆銀行有限公司)

#### SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS

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Pursuant to Section 13(1) and Section 117(1) of the Companies Ordinance, Cap.32

Passed the 5th day of March, 1980

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At an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Company duly convened and held at the Conference Room of the Company's Head Office at No. 45, Des Voeux Road Central, 5th Floor, Hong Kong on Wednesday, the 5th day of March, 1980, at 10:15 o'clock in the forenoon, the following resolution was passed as a Special Resolution:-

"That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered and amended in the following manner:-

- 1. By deleting the words "other than a Managing Director" at the end of line 18 and the beginning of line 19 of Article 86(b);
- 2. By deleting the words "A Director so appointed shall not whilst holding that office be subject to retirement by rotation or be taken into account in determining the rotation of retirement of Directors, but his appointment shall be automatically determined if he ceases from any cause to be a Director." at the end of Article 95(a); and
- 3. By deleting Article 95(b)."

(Sd.) Jieh-yee Wu

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## (永隆銀行有限公司)

#### SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS

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Pursuant to Section 13(1) and Section 117(1) of the Companies Ordinance, Cap.32

Passed the 5th day of March, 1980

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At an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Company duly convened and held at the Conference Room of the Company's Head Office at No. 45, Des Voeux Road Central, 5th Floor, Hong Kong on Wednesday, the 5th day of March, 1980, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, the following resolutions were passed as Special Resolutions:-

"That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered and amended in the following manner:--

- 1. By deleting in Article 12 the words "HK\$5" and substituting therefor the words "HK\$2";
- 2. By deleting in Article 20 the figure "10" at the end of the 4th line and substituting therefor the figure "15";
- 3. By deleting in whole of Article 24 and substituting therefor the following:-

"The Board may, if it thinks fit, receive from any member willing to advance the same all or any part of the moneys due upon his shares beyond the sums actually called thereon, and upon the moneys so paid in advance, or so much thereof as exceeds the amount for the time being called up on the shares in respect of which such advance has been made, the Board may pay or allow such interest as may be agreed between it and such member, but so that until such part of the share in respect of which such advance has been made is actually called up the dividends (if any) payable on such share shall be those which would have been payable had no such advance been made. The Board may at any time repay the amount so advanced upon giving to such member not less than 3 months' notice in writing of their intention in that behalf unless before the expiration of such notice the amount so advanced shall have been called up on the shares in respect of which it was advanced.";

- 4. By adding the words "not being a fully paid share" at the end of line 2 of Article 27 after the words "register a transfer of any share";
- 5. By deleting Article 28 and substituting therefor the following:-

"A fee not exceeding HK\$2 may be charged for registration of a transfer.";

- 6. By deleting the word "actually" in the last but one line of Article 37 and substituting therefor the word "actually";
- 7. By deleting the word "directory" in the last but 3rd line of Article 38 and substituting therefor the word "discretionary";
- 8. By adding the words "having preferential rights" in between the words "in the capital of the Company" and "shall not be deemed" in the third line of Article 52(b);
- 9. By deleting the words "Directors and" in the last line of Article 58;
- 10. By deleting the words "or more than eleven" at the end of Article 81;
- 11. By deleting the words "Managing Director" in Article 83 and substituting therefor the words "Executive Director";
- 12. By deleting sub-paragraph (h) in Article 84(1);
- 13. By deleting the words "MANAGING DIRECTORS" in the heading of Article 95 and substituting therefor the words "EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS";
- 14. (a) By deleting the words "Managing Director" in the 2nd line of Article 95(a) and substituting therefor the words "Executive Director";
  - (b) By deleting the words "Managing Directors" in the 3rd line of Article 95(a) and substituting therefor the words "Executive Directors";
- 15. By deleting the words "a managing director" at the end of the 1st and the beginning of the 2nd lines of Article 95(c) and substituting therefor the words "an Executive Director";
- 16. (a) By deleting the words "Managing Directors" in the 4th and 5th lines of Article 114 and substituting therefor the words "Executive Directors";
  - (b) By deleting the words "a substitute Managing Director" in the 6th line of Article 114 and substituting therefor the words "an alternate Director to an Executive Director";
  - (c) By deleting the words "a Managing" at the end of the 6th line of Article 114 and substituting therefor the words "an Executive";

- 17. By adding the words "(or alternate Directors for the time being entitled to Notice of Board Meetings) in Hong Kong" between the words "all of the Directors" and "shall" at the end of the 1st line of Article 123;
- 18. By deleting the word "any" in the second last line of Article 125 and substituting therefor the word "and";
- 19. By deleting the word "seven" at the end of the last but 4th line of Article 143 and substituting therefor the word "fourteen";
- 20. By adding the following words in the 2nd line of Article 145 between the words "any member either" and "personally or by sending":-

'by advertisement (in at least one leading English language daily newspaper circulating in Hong Kong and at least one leading Chinese language daily newspaper circulating in Hong Kong) or';

21. By deleting the words "Managing Directors" in Article 151 and substituting therefor the words "Executive Directors".

"That the Memorandum and Articles of the Company be reprinted to incorporate all amendments passed since the previous printing thereof and that the Articles be renumbered, with such consequential amendments as may thereby be required, in numerical sequence."

(Sd.) Jieh-yee Wu

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## (永隆銀行有限公司)

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#### ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS

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PURSUANT TO SECTION 55 OF THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE, CAP. 32

Passed the 5th day of March 1980

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At an extraordinary General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Company duly convened and held at the Company's Head Office at No 45 Des Voeux Road Central, 5/F, Hong Kong on Wednesday, the 5th day of March 1980 at 10 am, the following resolutions were passed as ordinary resolutions:-

- 1. "That each of the shares of HK\$10.00 each (whether issued or unissued) in the capital of the Company be subdivided into 2 shares of HK\$5.00 each."
- 2. "That the authorised capital of the Company be increased from HK\$100,000,000.00 to HK\$200,000,000.00 by the creation of 20,000,000 additional shares of HK\$5.00 each ranking pari passu with the existing shares of the Company in all respects."

(Sd.) Jieh-yee Wu

#### SPECIAL RESOLUTION

Pursuant to Section 116(2) and filed pursuant to Section 117(1)

Passed the 23rd day of February, 1973

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At an Extraordinary General Meeting of members of WING LUNG BANK, LIMITED, duly convened and held at No. 112, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Friday, the 23rd day of February, 1973, the following resolution was passed as Special Resolution:-

"That the Company henceforth be a public company and that the regulations contained in the printed document submitted to the meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the chairman thereof be approved and adopted as the Articles of Association of the Company, in substitution for, and to the exclusion of, all the existing Articles".

(Signed) Wu Yee Sun

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#### THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE

(Chapter 32 of the Revised Edition, 1950, of the Laws of Hong Kong)

#### **CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION ON CHANGE OF NAME**

(Pursuant to Section 22(4))

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WHEREAS WING LUNG BANK, LIMITED (永隆銀號有限公司) was incorporated as a limited company under the Companies Ordinance (Chapter 32) on the fifth day of December, 1956.

AND WHEREAS by special resolution of the Company and with the approval of His Excellency the Governor given by me on his behalf under delegated powers it has changed its Chinese name to "(永隆銀行有限公司)".

**NOW THEREFORE** I hereby certify that the Company is a limited company incorporated under the name of WING LUNG BANK, LIMITED (永隆銀行有限公司).

**GIVEN** under my hand and seal of office at Victoria in the Colony of Hong Kong this Thirty-first day of March One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty.

L.S.

(Signed) W. K. Thomson Registrar of Companies, Hong Kong.

#### SPECIAL RESOLUTION

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Pursuant to Section 22(1) and Section 117(1) of the Companies Ordinance, Cap.32.

Passed the 17th day of March, 1960.

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At an Extraordinary General Meeting of the members of Wing Lung Bank, Limited, duly convened and held at No. 112, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Thursday, the 17th day of March, 1960, the following resolution was passed as special resolution:-

"That the Chinese name of the Company be changed from '永隆銀號有限公司'to '永隆銀行有限公司'".

(Signed) Yee Sun Wu Chairman.

## (COPY)

## **CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION**

## I HEREBY CERTIFY that

# WING LUNG BANK, LIMITED

(永隆銀號有限公司)

is this day incorporated in Hong Kong under the Companies Ordinance, ( Chapter 32 ) and that this Company is limited.

Given under my hand and seal of office this Fifth day of December, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-six.

L.S.

(Sd.) W. Aneurin Jones Registrar of Companies, Hong Kong.

#### THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE

#### **COMPANY LIMITED BY SHARES**

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#### **ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION**

(Adopted by Special Resolution passed on 23rd February, 1973)

OF

#### **CMB WING LUNG BANK LIMITED\***

(招商永隆銀行有限公司)

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#### **MODEL ARTICLES EXCLUDED\***

1. The regulations contained in Table A in the Companies (Model Articles) Notice (LN77 of 2013) shall not apply to the Company but the following shall be the Articles of Association of the Company.\*

#### INTERPRETATION

2. In these Articles the words standing in the first column of the table next hereinafter contained shall bear the meanings set opposite to them respectively in the second column thereof, if not inconsistent with the subject or context -

Words	Meanings
The Company	CMB WING LUNG BANK LIMITED*
The Ordinance or the Companies Ordinance	The Companies Ordinance, Chapter 622 of the Laws of Hong Kong.*
The Statutes	The Companies Ordinance, Chapter 622 of the Laws of Hong Kong, the Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance (Chapter 32) of the Laws of Hong Kong and every other Ordinance for the time being in force and affecting the Company. *

These Articles	These Articles of Association, as originally framed or as altered from time to time by Special Resolution.
The Board	The Board of Directors for the time being of the Company or the Directors present at a duly convened meeting of Directors at which a quorum is present.
The Office	The registered office for the time being of the Company.
The Seal	The common seal of the Company.
The Official Seal	The Official Seal adopted pursuant to Article 125(b).*
Month	Calendar month.
Paid up	Paid up or credited as paid up.
Dividend	Dividend and/or cash bonus.
Electronic communication	Communication sent by electronic transmission in any form through any medium including, where applicable, communication by means of inclusion of the relevant information on the Company's website.**

- Writing shall include printing, lithography, photography, typewriting, photocopies, telecopier messages and every other mode of representing words or figures in a visible form (including electronic communication).\*\*\*
- Words importing the singular number only shall include the plural number and vice versa.

Words importing the masculine gender only shall include the feminine gender; and

- Words importing persons shall include corporations, and the expressions "share" and "shareholder" shall include stock and stockholder, and the expressions "debenture" and "debenture-holder" shall include debenture stock and debenture stockholder, and the expression "Secretary" shall (subject to the provisions of the Statutes) include a temporary or Assistant Secretary and any person appointed by the Board to perform any of the duties of the Secretary.
- Reference to any section or provision of the Statutes shall, if not inconsistent with the subject or context, include any corresponding or substituted section or the provision of any Statute amending, consolidating or replacing such Statutes.

\*\* As amended by Special Resolutions dated 28th April, 2007 and 28th September, 2018.

<sup>\*</sup> As amended by Special Resolution dated 28th April, 1990.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> As amended by Special Resolution dated 28th April, 2007.

- Subject as aforesaid any words or expressions defined in the Statutes shall, if not inconsistent with the subject or context, bear the same meanings in these Articles.
- References to a document being executed include references to it being executed under hand or under seal or by electronic signature or by any other method.\*
- References to a notice or document include a notice or document recorded or stored in any digital, electronic, electrical, magnetic or other retrievable form or medium and information in visible form whether having physical substance or not.\*

#### COMPANY NAME AND LIABILITY OF MEMBERS

2A. The name of the Company is "CMB WING LUNG BANK LIMITED"(招商永隆銀行 有限公司).\*\*

2B. The liability of members of the Company shall be limited to any amount unpaid on the shares held by the members. \*\*

#### BUSINESS

3. Any branch or kind of business which the Company is either expressly or by implication authorised to undertake may be undertaken by the Board at such time or times as it shall think fit, and further may be temporarily suspended, whether such branch or kind of business may have been actually commenced or not, so long as the Board may deem it expedient not to commence or proceed with the same.\*\*

4. The Office shall be at such place in Hong Kong as the Board shall from time to time appoint.

5. The Company shall not give, whether directly or indirectly and whether by means of a loan, guarantee, the provision of security or otherwise, any financial assistance for the purpose of or in connection with a purchase or subscription made or to be made by any person of or for any shares in the Company nor shall the Company make a loan for any purpose whatsoever on the security of its shares but nothing in this Article shall prohibit transactions not prohibited by the Statutes.

This Article shall not prejudicially affect the power of the Company to enforce repayment of any loans to members of the Company or to exercise the lien conferred by Article 13.

#### SHARES

### 6. Deleted\*\*

\* As amended by Special Resolution dated 28th April, 2007.

\*\* As amended by Special Resolution dated 28th September, 2018.

7. The Directors must not exercise any power conferred on them to allot shares in the Company without the prior approval of the Company by ordinary resolution if the approval is required by section 140 of the Ordinance. Without prejudice to any special rights previously conferred on the holders of the existing shares, any share may be issued with such preferential, deferred, qualified, or other special rights, privileges or conditions, whether in regard to dividend, voting, return of capital or otherwise, as the Company may from time to time by ordinary resolution determine. Any Preference Share may, with the sanction of a Special Resolution, be issued on the terms that it is, or at the option of the Company is liable, to be redeemed.\*

7A. The Company may exercise any powers conferred or permitted by the Ordinance or any other ordinance from time to time to purchase or otherwise acquire its own shares (including any redeemable shares) at any price or to give, directly or indirectly, by means of a loan, guarantee, the provision of security or otherwise, financial assistance for the purpose of or in connection with a purchase or other acquisition made or to be made by any person of any shares in the Company and should the Company purchase or otherwise acquire its own shares neither the Company nor the Board shall be required to select the shares to be purchased or otherwise acquired ratably or in any other particular manner as between the holders of shares of the same class or as between them and the holders of shares of any other class or in accordance with the rights as to dividends or capital conferred by any class of shares.\*\*

8. The Company (or the Board on behalf of the Company) may pay to any person a commission in consideration of his subscribing or agreeing to subscribe, whether absolutely or conditionally, or procuring or agreeing to procure subscriptions, whether absolute or conditional, for any shares in the Company: Provided that such commission shall not exceed 10 per cent of the price at which such shares are issued or an amount equivalent to such percentage; and the requirements of the Statutes shall be observed. Any such commission may be satisfied in fully paid shares of the Company. The Company (or the Board on behalf of the Company) may also on any issue of shares pay such brokerage as may be lawful.

9. If two or more persons are registered as joint holders of any share, any one of such persons may give effectual receipts for any dividends or other moneys payable in respect of such share, and the Company shall not be bound to register more than four persons as joint holders of any share but such power shall not apply to the legal personal representative of a deceased member.

10. No person shall be recognised by the Company as holding any share upon any trust, and the Company shall not be bound by or required to recognise any equitable, contingent, future or partial interest in any share or any right whatsoever in respect of any share other than an absolute right to the entirety thereof in the registered holder, except as by these Articles otherwise expressly provided or as by the Statutes required or pursuant to any Order of Court.\*\*\*

\*\* As amended by Special Resolutions dated 24th April, 1999, 23rd April, 2005 and 8th June, 2010.

<sup>\*</sup> As amended by Special Resolutions dated 28th April, 1990 and 28th September, 2018.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> As amended by Special Resolution dated 28th April, 1990.

11. Every member shall be entitled, without payment, to receive within ten business days after allotment or lodgment of a transfer (unless the conditions of issue provide otherwise) one certificate or one series of certificates under the Official Seal for all the shares registered in his name, and the amount paid up thereon: Provided that in the case of joint holders the Company shall not be bound to issue more than one certificate or one series of certificates to all the joint holders, and delivery of such certificate or series of certificates to any one of them shall be sufficient delivery to all: Provided also that where a member has sold or otherwise transferred part only of the shares comprised in his certificate he shall be entitled without charge to a certificate for the balance of his shares: Provided also that a share certificate shall, if sent by post, be at the risk of the member(s) in whose name(s) the shares are registered and the Company shall be under no liability to such member(s) in the event of loss or non-delivery of a certificate if it is proved that the letter containing the certificate was properly addressed and posted as a prepaid letter. Every share certificate shall be issued under the Official Seal.\*\*

12. If any share certificate shall be defaced, worn out, destroyed or lost, a new share certificate may be issued to replace it on such evidence being produced and such indemnity (if any) being given as the Board shall require, and on payment of the out-of-pocket expenses of the Company of investigating such evidence and (in case of defacement or wearing out) on delivery up of the old certificate, and on payment of a fee of HK\$5 or determined by the Directors from time to time.\*

#### LIEN ON SHARES

13. The Company shall have a first and paramount lien upon every share (not being a fully paid up share) registered in the name of any member, either alone or jointly with any other person, for his debts, liabilities and engagements, whether solely or jointly with any other person, to or with the Company, whether the period for the payment, fulfilment or discharge thereof shall have actually arrived or not, and such lien shall extend to all dividends from time to time declared in respect of every such share. But the Board may at any time declare any share to be exempt, wholly or partially, from the provisions of this Article.

14. The Board may sell all or any of the shares subject to any such lien at such time or times and in such manner as it may think fit, but no sale shall be made until such time as the moneys in respect of which such lien exists or some part thereof are or is presently payable or the liability or engagement in respect of which such lien exists is liable to be presently fulfilled or discharged, and until a demand and notice in writing stating the amount due or specifying the liability or engagement and demanding payment or fulfilment or discharge thereof and giving notice of intention to sell in default shall have been served on such member or the persons (if any) entitled by transmission to the shares, and default in payment, fulfilment or discharge shall have been made by him or them for fourteen days after such notice.

<sup>\*</sup> As amended by Special Resolutions dated 5th March, 1980, 28th April, 1990, 24th April, 1999 and 8th June, 2010.

<sup>\*\*</sup> As amended by Special Resolutions dated 28th April, 1990 and 23rd April, 2005 and 28th September, 2018.

15. To give effect to any such sale as aforesaid, the Board may authorise some person to transfer the shares sold to the purchaser and may enter the purchaser's name in the register as holder of the shares, and the purchaser shall not be bound to see to the application of the purchase money, nor shall his title to the shares be affected by any irregularity or invalidity in the proceedings in reference to the sale.

16. The net proceeds of any such sale shall be applied in or towards satisfaction of the amount due to the Company, or of the liability or engagement, as the case may be, and the balance (if any) shall be paid to the member or the person (if any) entitled by transmission to the shares so sold.

#### CALLS ON SHARES

17. The Board may, subject to the provisions of these Articles, from time to time make such calls upon the members in respect of all moneys unpaid on their shares as it may think fit, provided that fourteen days' notice at least is given of each call and each member shall be liable to pay the amount of every call so made upon him to the persons, by the instalments (if any) and at the times and places appointed by the Board.

18. A call shall be deemed to have been made at the time when the resolution of the Board authorising such call was passed and may be required to be paid by instalments.

19. The joint holders of a share shall be jointly and severally liable to the payment of all calls and instalments in respect thereof.

20. If before or on the day appointed for payment thereof a call or an instalment payable in respect of a share is not paid, the person from whom the same is due shall pay interest on the amount of the call or instalment at such rate not exceeding 15 per cent per annum as the Board shall fix from the day appointed for payment thereof to the time of actual payment, but the Board may waive payment of such interest wholly or in part.\*

21. No member shall be entitled to receive any dividend or to be present and vote at any General Meeting either personally or (save as proxy for another member) by proxy, or be reckoned in a quorum, or to exercise any other privilege as a member until he shall have paid all calls for the time being due and payable on every share held by him, whether alone or jointly with any other person, together with interest and expenses of the Company that may have accrued by reason of such non-payment (if any).

22. Any sum which by the terms of issue of a share is made payable upon allotment or at any fixed date, shall, for all purposes of these Articles be deemed to be a call duly made and payable on the date fixed for payment, and in case of non-payment the provisions of these Articles as to payment of interest and expenses, forfeiture and the like, and all the other relevant provisions of these Articles shall apply as if such sum were a call duly made and notified as hereby provided.\*\*

23. The Board may, from time to time, make arrangements on the issue of shares for a difference between the holders of such shares in the amount of calls to be paid and in the time of payment of such calls.

24. The Board may, if it thinks fit, receive from any member willing to advance the same all or any part of the moneys due upon his shares beyond the sums actually called up thereon, and upon the moneys so paid in advance, or so much thereof as exceeds the amount for the time being called up on the shares in respect of which such advance has been made, the Board may pay or allow such interest as may be agreed between it and such member, but so that until such part of the share in respect of which such advance has been made is actually called up the dividends (if any) payable on such share shall be those which would have been payable had no such advance been made. The Board may at any time repay the amount so advanced upon giving to such member not less than 3 months' notice in writing of their intention in that behalf, unless before the expiration of such notice the amount so advanced shall have been called up on the share in respect of which it was advanced.\*

#### TRANSFER OF SHARES

25. Subject to such of the restrictions of these regulations as may be applicable any member may transfer all or any of his shares by instrument in writing in the usual common form, or in such other form as the Board shall from time to time approve, which must be left at the Office or such other place as the Board shall determine, accompanied by the certificate of the shares to be transferred and such other evidence (if any) as the Board may require to prove the title of the intending transferor. Every transfer must be in respect of only one class of shares.

26. The instrument of transfer of a share shall be signed by or on behalf of the transferor and the transferee, and the transferor shall be deemed to remain the holder of the share until the name of the transferee is entered in the register of members in respect thereof.\*\*

27. The Board may, in its absolute discretion, and without assigning any reason, refuse to register a transfer of any share whether or not it is a fully paid share to a person of whom it does not approve, and it may also refuse to register any transfer of shares on which the Company has a lien. If the Board shall refuse to register a transfer of any share, it shall, within two months after the date on which the transfer was lodged with the Company, send to the transferee notice of the refusal as required by the Statutes.\*\*\*

\*\* As amended by Special Resolutions dated 27th April, 1996, 24th April, 1999 and 8th June, 2010.

\*\*\* As amended by Special Resolutions dated 5th March, 1980, 23rd April, 2005 and 8th June, 2010.

28. A fee not exceeding HK\$5 may be charged for registration of a transfer.\*

29. A fee shall be charged on the registration of any probate, letters of administration, certificate of death or marriage, power of attorney, notice in lieu of distringas, or other instrument relating to or affecting the title to any shares from time to time determined by the Board which shall not exceed HK\$5.\*\*

30. The registration of transfers may be suspended at such times and for such periods as the Board may from time to time determine, provided always that such registration shall not be suspended for more than thirty days in any year.

#### **TRANSMISSION OF SHARES**

31. In the case of the death of a member, the survivors or survivor, where the deceased was a joint holder, and the executors or administrators of the deceased, where he was a sole or only surviving holder, shall be the only persons recognised by the Company as having any title to his shares, but nothing herein contained shall release the estate of a deceased joint holder from any liability in respect of any share jointly held by him.

32. Subject to the provisions of these Articles, any person becoming entitled to a share in consequence of the death or bankruptcy of a member may, upon such evidence as to his title being produced as may from time to time be required by the Board, elect either to be registered himself as holder of the share or to have some person nominated by him registered as the transferee thereof.

33. If the person so becoming entitled shall elect to be registered himself, he shall deliver or send to the Company a notice in writing signed by him stating that he so elects. If he shall elect to have another person registered, he shall testify his election by executing a transfer of such share to such person. All the limitations, restrictions and provisions of these Articles relating to the right to transfer and the registration of transfers of shares shall be applicable to any such notice of transfer as aforesaid as if the death or bankruptcy of the member had not occurred and the notice of transfer were a transfer executed by such member.

34. A person entitled to a share by transmission shall be entitled to receive, and may give a discharge for, any dividends or other moneys, payable in respect of the share, but he shall not be entitled in respect of it to receive notices of, or to attend or vote at meetings of the Company, or save as aforesaid, to exercise any of the rights or privileges of a member, unless and until he shall become a member in respect of the share.

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#### **FORFEITURE OF SHARES**

35. If a member fails to pay the whole or any part of any call or instalment of a call on or before the day appointed for the payment thereof, the Board may at any time thereafter, during such time as the call or instalment or any part thereof remains unpaid, serve a notice on him or on the person entitled to the share by transmission requiring him to pay such call or instalment, or such part thereof as remains unpaid, together with interest at such rate not exceeding 10 per cent per annum as the Board shall determine, and any expenses that may have accrued by reason of such non-payment.

36. The notice shall name a further day (not earlier than the expiration of fourteen days from the date of the notice) on or before which such call or instalment, or such part as aforesaid and all interest and expenses that have accrued by reason of such non-payment, are to be paid. It shall also name the place where the payment is to be made, and shall state that, in the event of non-payment at or before the time and at the place appointed, the shares in respect of which such call was made will be liable to be forfeited.

37. If the requirements of any such notice as aforesaid are not complied with, any share in respect of which such notice has been given may at any time thereafter, before the payment required by the notice has been made, be forfeited by a resolution of the Board to that effect. A forfeiture of shares shall include all dividends in respect of the shares not actually paid before the forfeiture, notwithstanding that they shall have been declared.\*

38. When any share has been forfeited in accordance with these Articles, notice of the forfeiture shall forthwith be given to the holder of the share or to the person entitled to the share by transmission, as the case may be, and an entry of such notice having been given, and of the forfeiture with the date thereof, shall forthwith be made in the register of members opposite to the share; but the provisions of this Article are discretionary only, and no forfeiture shall be in any manner invalidated by any omission or neglect to give such notice or to make such entry as aforesaid.\*

39. Notwithstanding any such forfeiture as aforesaid, the Board may, at any time before the forfeited share has been otherwise disposed of, annul the forfeiture, upon the terms of payment of all calls and interest due thereon and all expenses incurred in respect of the share and upon such further terms (if any) as it shall see fit.

40. Every share which shall be forfeited may be sold, re-allotted, or otherwise disposed of, either to the person who was before forfeiture the holder thereof, or entitled thereto, or to any other person, upon such terms and in such manner as the Board shall think fit, and the Board may, if necessary, authorise some person to transfer the same to such other person as aforesaid.

41. A shareholder whose shares have been forfeited shall, notwithstanding, be liable to pay to the Company, all calls made and not paid on such shares at the time of forfeiture,

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interest thereon to the date of payment and expenses of the Company that may have accrued by reason of such non-payment, in the same manner in all respects as if the shares had not been forfeited, and to satisfy all (if any) the claims and demands which the Company might have enforced in respect of the shares at the time of forfeiture without any deduction or allowance for the value of the shares at the time of forfeiture.

42. The forfeiture of a share shall involve the extinction at the time of forfeiture of all interest in and all claims and demands against the Company in respect of the share, and all other rights and liabilities incidental to the share as between the shareholder whose share is forfeited and the Company, except only such of those rights and liabilities as are by these Articles expressly saved, or as are by the Statutes given or imposed in the case of past members.

43. A statutory declaration in writing that the declarant is a Director or Secretary of the Company, and that a share has been duly forfeited in pursuance of these Articles, and stating the date upon which it was forfeited, shall, as against all persons claiming to be entitled to the share adversely to the forfeiture thereof, be conclusive evidence of the facts therein stated and such declaration, together with the receipt of the Company for the consideration (if any) given for the share on the sale or disposition thereof, and a certificate for the share under the Official Seal delivered to the person to whom the same is sold or disposed of, shall constitute a good title to the share, and (subject to the execution of any necessary transfer) such person shall be registered as the holder of the share and shall be discharged from all calls made prior to such sale or disposition, and shall not be bound to see to the application of the purchase money (if any), nor shall his title to the share be affected by any act, omission or irregularity relating to or connected with the proceedings in reference to the forfeiture, sale, re-allotment or disposal of the share.\*

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\* As amended by Special Resolution dated 28th April, 1990.

\*\* As amended by Special Resolution dated 28th September, 2018.

#### **ALTERATIONS OF CAPITAL**

48. The Company may from time to time by Ordinary Resolution alter its share capital in any manner authorised and subject to any conditions prescribed by the Statutes and by Special Resolution reduce its share capital in any manner authorised and subject to any conditions prescribed by the Statutes.\*

48A. The Board shall not exercise any power conferred on it to allot shares in the Company without the prior approval of the Company by ordinary resolution if the approval is required by section 140 of the Ordinance.\*

#### **INCREASE OF CAPITAL**

49. The Company in General Meeting may from time to time, whether all the shares for the time being authorised shall have been issued or all the shares for the time being issued shall have been fully called up or not, by Ordinary Resolution increase its share capital by the creation of new shares, such new capital to be of such amount and to be divided into shares of such respective amounts and to carry such preferential, deferred, qualified or other special rights or privileges (if any), or to be subject to such conditions or restrictions (if any), in regard to dividend, return of capital, voting or otherwise as the General Meeting resolving upon such increase directs.

50. Subject to any provisions made by the Company when resolving on the increase of capital, the new shares shall be at the disposal of the Board in accordance with Article 7 hereof.

51. Except so far as otherwise provided by or pursuant to these Articles or by the conditions of issue, any new share capital shall be considered as part of the original share capital of the Company, and shall be subject to the same provisions with reference to the payment of calls, lien, transfer, transmission, forfeiture and otherwise as the original share capital.

## **MODIFICATION OF CLASS RIGHTS**

52. (a) All or any of the rights or privileges for the time being attached to any shares or class of shares in the capital of the Company may, either with the consent in writing of the holders of not less than three-fourths of the issued shares of the class in the case where there are more than one holder of shares of the class, and one person where there is only one holder of shares of the class, or with the sanction of a Special Resolution passed at a separate General Meeting of the holders of shares of the class duly convened and held as hereinafter provided (but not otherwise), be varied or abrogated. All the provisions hereinafter contained as to General Meetings shall mutatis mutandis apply to every such meeting, but so that the quorum thereat shall be two persons holding or representing by proxy at least one-third of the capital paid up on the issued shares of the class, and that each holder of shares of the class, present in person or by proxy, shall on a poll be entitled to one vote for each share of the class held by him, and if at any adjourned meeting of such holders such quorum as aforesaid is not present a holder of shares of the class who is personally present or by proxy shall be a quorum. The Board shall comply with the provisions of the Statutes as to forwarding a copy of any such consent or resolution to the Registrar of Companies.\*

(b) Subject to the terms upon which any shares may be issued, the rights or privileges attached to any class of shares in the capital of the Company having preferential rights shall not be deemed to be varied or abrogated by the issue of any new shares hereafter created as shares of that class ranking *pari passu* in all respects with those already issued.\*\*

#### **GENERAL MEETINGS**

53. The Company shall in each financial year hold a General Meeting as its Annual General Meeting in addition to any other meetings in that year in accordance with the Ordinance. The Annual General Meeting shall be held at such time and place as the Board shall determine. All General Meetings, other than Annual General Meetings, shall be called Extraordinary General Meetings.\*\*\*

54. The Board may call an Extraordinary General Meeting whenever it thinks fit, and Extraordinary General Meetings shall also be convened on such requisition, or in default may be convened by such requisitionists, as provided by the Statutes. The requisition must in each case state the objects of the meeting, and must be signed by the requisitionists, and deposited at the Office or sent to the Company in hard copy form or in electronic form, and may consist of several documents in like form, each signed by one or more of the requisitionists. If the Directors do not proceed to cause a meeting to be held within twenty-one days from the date of the requisition being so deposited, the requisitionists, or a majority of them in value, may themselves convene the meeting, but any meeting so convened shall not be held after three months from the date of such deposit. Any meeting convened under this Article by the requisitionists shall be convened in the same manner as nearly as possible as that in which meetings are to be convened by the Board.\*\*\*

\* As amended by Special Resolutions dated 28th April, 1990 and 8th June, 2010.

<sup>\*\*</sup> As amended by Special Resolution dated 5th March, 1980.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> As amended by Special Resolution dated 28th September, 2018.
55. The Company shall comply with the provisions of the Statutes as to giving notice of resolution and circulating statements on the requisition of members.

56. Subject to the provisions of the Ordinance relating to Special Resolution, twenty one days' notice at the least for an Annual General Meeting and fourteen days' notice at the least for an Extraordinary General Meeting (exclusive of the day on which the notice is served or deemed to be served, but inclusive of the day for which notice is given), specifying the place (and if the meeting is to be held in two or more places, the principal place of the meeting and the other place or places of the meeting), the day and the hour of meeting, and in the case of special business the general nature of such business shall be given in manner hereinafter mentioned and to such persons as are under the provisions of these Articles entitled to receive notices of General Meetings from the Company, but with the consent of all persons for the time being entitled as aforesaid or of such proportion thereof as is prescribed by the Statutes, a meeting may be convened upon a shorter notice, and in such manner as such persons may approve. The accidental omission to give such notice to, or the non-receipt of such notice by, any such person shall not invalidate any resolution passed or proceeding at any such meeting. Every notice convening an Annual General Meeting of the Company shall describe the meeting as an Annual General Meeting.\*\*

57. In cases where instruments of proxy are sent out with notices, the accidental omission to send such instrument of proxy to, or the non-receipt of such instrument of proxy by, any person entitled to receive notice shall not invalidate the proceedings at the meeting.

# **PROCEEDINGS AT GENERAL MEETINGS**

58. All business shall be deemed special that is transacted at an Extraordinary General Meeting, and all that is transacted at an Annual General Meeting shall also be deemed special, with the exception of declaring a dividend, the consideration of the accounts and balance sheet and the reports of the Directors and Auditors, and any other documents accompanying or annexed to the balance sheet, the election of Directors and Auditors and the fixing of the remuneration of the Directors and Auditors.\*

59. No business shall be transacted at any General Meeting unless a quorum is present when the meeting proceeds to business; saved as herein otherwise provided, if the Company has more than one member, 2 members present in person shall be a quorum. If the Company has only one member, one member present in present shall be a quorum. In determining attendance for the purposes of quorum, it is immaterial whether members attending a meeting are in the same place as each other. Two or more persons who are not in the same place as each other their circumstances are such that; if they have rights to speak and vote at the meeting, they are able to exercise them.\*\*\*

\*\* As amended by Special Resolutions dated 28th April, 1990, 8th June, 2010 and 28th September, 2018.

\*\*\* As amended by Special Resolutions dated 8th June, 2010 and 28th September 2018.

<sup>\*</sup> As amended by Special Resolutions dated 5th March, 1980 and 28th April, 1990.

60. If within half an hour from the time appointed for the holding of a General Meeting a quorum is not present, the meeting if convened on the requisition of members, shall be dissolved. In any other case it shall stand adjourned to the same day in the next week at the same time and place, or to such other day and at such time and place as the Board may determine, and if at such adjourned meeting a quorum is not present within half an hour from the time appointed for holding the meeting, the members present shall be a quorum.

61. The Chairman (if any) of the Board shall preside at every General Meeting of the Company. If there be no such Chairman, or if at any meeting he shall not be present within fifteen minutes after the time appointed for holding the same, or shall be unwilling to act as Chairman, one of the Vice-Chairmen shall if present and willing to act preside at such meeting, but if the Chairman and a Vice-Chairman shall not be so present and willing to act the Directors present shall choose one of their number to act, or if there be only one Director present he shall be Chairman if willing to act. If there be no Director present and willing to act, the members present shall choose one of their number to be Chairman of the meeting.

62. The Chairman may, with the consent of any meeting at which a quorum is present, and shall, if so directed by the meeting, adjourn any meeting from time to time and from place to place as the meeting shall determine. Whenever a meeting is adjourned for fourteen days or more, seven clear days' notice at the least, specifying the place, the day and the hour of the adjourned meeting shall be given in the same manner as in the case of an original meeting, but it shall not be necessary to specify in such notice the nature of the business to be transacted at the adjourned meeting. Save as aforesaid, no member shall be entitled to any notice of an adjournment or of the business to be transacted at an adjourned meeting. No business shall be transacted at any adjourned meeting other than the business which might have been transacted at the meeting from which the adjournment took place.

63. At any General Meeting a resolution put to the vote of the meeting shall be decided on a show of hands, unless before or upon the declaration of the result of the show of hands a poll be demanded by the Chairman or by at least two members present in person or by proxy for the time being entitled to vote at the meeting, or by a member or members representing not less than 10 per cent of the total voting rights of all the members having the right to vote at the meeting, or by a member or members holding shares conferring a right to vote at the meeting being shares on which an aggregate sum has been paid up equal to not less than 10 per cent of the total sum paid up on all the shares conferring that right, and unless a poll be so demanded a declaration by the Chairman of the meeting that a resolution has on a show of hands been carried, or carried unanimously, or by a particular majority, or lost, or not carried by a particular majority, shall be conclusive, and an entry to that effect in the minute book of the Company shall be conclusive evidence thereof, without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour of or against such resolution. If any votes shall be counted which ought not to have been counted, or might have been rejected, the error shall not vitiate the resolution, unless it be pointed out at the same meeting, and unless it shall in the opinion of the Chairman of the meeting be of sufficient magnitude to vitiate the resolution.\*

64. If a poll be demanded in manner aforesaid, it shall be taken at such time and place, and in such manner, as the Chairman shall direct (including the use of ballot or voting papers or tickets), and the result of the poll shall be deemed to be the resolution of the meeting at which the poll was demanded.

65. A poll demanded on the election of a Chairman or on a question of adjournment shall be taken forthwith. A poll demanded on any other question shall be taken at such time and place as the Chairman directs not being more than thirty days from the date of meeting or adjourned meeting at which the poll was demanded.

66. In the case of an equality of votes, either on a show of hands or on a poll, the Chairman of the meeting at which the show of hands takes place or at which the poll is demanded shall be entitled to a second or casting vote.

67. The demand for a poll shall not prevent the continuance of a meeting for the transaction of any business, other than the question on which a poll has been demanded.

68. The demand for a poll may be withdrawn and no notice need be given of a poll not taken immediately.

### **VOTES OF MEMBERS**

69. Subject and without prejudice to any special rights, privileges or restrictions as to voting for the time being attached to any special class of shares for the time being forming part of the capital of the Company, at any General Meeting on a show of hands every member who (being an individual) is present in person or (being a corporation) is present by proxy or by a duly authorised representative, shall have one vote (save that, where a member appoints more than one proxy, the proxies so appointed are not entitled to vote on a show of hands), and in case of a poll every member present in person or by proxy shall have one vote for every share of which he is the holder.\*

70. A member of unsound mind, or in respect of whom an order has been made by any court having jurisdiction in lunacy, may vote, whether on a show of hands or on a poll, by his committee, receiver, *curator bonis*, or other person in the nature of a committee, receiver, or *curator bonis* appointed by such court, and such committee, receiver, *curator bonis* or other person may on a poll vote by proxy, provided that such evidence as the Board may require of the authority of the person claiming to vote shall have been deposited at the Office not less than thirty-six hours before the time for holding the meeting. 71. If two or more persons are jointly entitled to a share, then in voting upon any question the vote of the senior who tenders a vote, whether in person or by proxy, shall be accepted to the exclusion of the votes of the other registered holders of the share, and for this purpose seniority shall be determined by the order in which the names stand in the register of members.

72. Save as herein expressly provided, no person other than a member duly registered and who shall have paid everything for the time being due from him and payable to the Company in respect of his shares shall be entitled to be present or to vote on any question either personally or by proxy, or to be reckoned in a quorum, at any General Meeting.

73. On a poll votes may be given either personally or by proxy.

74. Any person (whether a member of the Company or not) may be appointed to act as a proxy. A member may appoint more than one proxy to attend on the same occasion.\*\*

75. The instrument appointing a proxy shall be in writing under the hand of the appointor or of his attorney duly authorised in writing, or if such appointor is a corporation, either under its common seal or under the hand of some officer duly authorised in that behalf. An instrument appointing a proxy to vote at a meeting shall be deemed to include the power to demand or concur in demanding a poll on behalf of the appointor.

76. The instrument appointing a proxy and the power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed, or a notarially certified copy (where executed abroad) or office copy of such power or authority, shall be deposited at the Office or at such other place within Hong Kong as is specified in the notice of meeting or in the instrument of proxy issued by the Company, or, if an electronic address is specified in the notice of meeting or in the instrument of proxy issued by the Company, sent by electronic means to that address (subject to any conditions or limitations specified therein) not less than twenty-four hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the person named in the instrument proposes to vote and in default the instrument of proxy shall not be treated as valid.\*

\* As amended by Special Resolutions dated 28th April, 1990, 8th June, 2010 and 28th September, 2018.

\*\* As amended by Special Resolutions dated 27th April, 1996, 24th April, 1999, 23rd April, 2005, 8th June, 2010 and 28th September, 2018.

77. (a) An instrument appointing a proxy shall be in the following form, or in any other form of which the Directors shall approve and need not be witnessed:-

### **CMB WING LUNG BANK LIMITED**

I of being a Member of the CMB Wing Lung Bank Limited hereby appoint of and failing him of as my proxy to vote for me and on my behalf at the Annual (or Extraordinary, as the case may be) General Meeting of the Company to be held on the day of 20 , and at any adjournment thereof.

Dated this

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Signature of member.

(b) Where it is desired to afford members an opportunity of voting for or against a resolution the instrument appointing a proxy shall be in the following form or a form as near thereto as circumstances admit–

day of

# CMB WING LUNG BANK LIMITED

I/We, , of , being a Member/Members of CMB Wing Lung Bank Limited hereby appoint of , or failing him, of as my/our proxy to vote for me/us on my/our behalf at the (Annual or Extraordinary, as the case may be) General Meeting of the company, to be held on the day of

20 , and at any adjournment thereof.

Signed this

day of

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This form is to be used  $\stackrel{* \text{ in favour of}}{\underset{\text{against}}{\text{ marginal}}}$  the resolution.

Unless otherwise instructed, the proxy will vote as he thinks fit.

\* Strike out whichever is not desired." \*\*

78. The Board may at the expense of the Company send, by post or otherwise, to the members instruments of proxy (with or without stamped envelopes for their return), for use at any General Meeting or at any meeting of any class of members of the Company, either in blank or nominating in the alternative any one or more of the Directors or any other persons. If for the purpose of any meeting invitations to appoint as proxy a person or one of a number of persons specified in the invitations are issued at the expense of the Company, such invitations shall be issued to all (and not to some only) of the members entitled to be sent a notice of the meeting and to vote thereat by proxy.

79. A vote given in accordance with the terms of an instrument of proxy shall be valid, notwithstanding the death or insanity of the principal or the revocation of the instrument of proxy, or of the authority under which the instrument of proxy was executed, or the transfer of the share in respect of which the instrument of proxy is given, provided that no intimation in writing of such death, insanity, revocation or transfer shall have been received by the Company at the Office before the commencement of the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the instrument of proxy is used.

# **CORPORATION ACTING BY REPRESENTATIVES**

80. Any corporation which is a member of the Company may, by resolution of its directors or other governing body, authorise such person as it thinks fit to act as its representative at any meeting of the Company, or at any meeting of any class of members of the Company, and the person so authorised shall be entitled to exercise the same powers on behalf of the corporation which he represents as that corporation could exercise if it were an individual member of the Company.

### DIRECTORS

81. Until otherwise determined by a General Meeting the number of Directors shall not be less than four.\*

82. A Director shall not be required to hold any share qualification.

83. The Directors shall be paid out of the funds of the Company, by way of remuneration, such sum (if any) as may from time to time be determined by the Company in General Meeting. Unless otherwise directed by the resolution by which it is voted, any such remuneration shall be divided amongst the Directors as they may agree, or, failing agreement, equally. All such remuneration shall be exclusive of the sums (if any) which, under the provisions hereinafter contained, the Board may agree to pay to any Executive Director or to any Director holding any other office in the management of the business of the Company. The Directors shall also be entitled to be repaid all travelling and hotel expenses incurred by them respectively in or about the performance of their duties as Directors, including their expenses of travelling to and from Board Meetings, Committee Meetings or General Meetings, or

otherwise incurred while engaged on the business of the Company. If by arrangement with the other Directors any Director shall perform or render any special duties or service outside his ordinary duties as a Director, the Board may pay him special remuneration, in addition to his ordinary remuneration, and such special remuneration may be by way of salary, commission, participation in profits or otherwise as may be arranged, and shall be charged as part of the Company's ordinary working expenses.\*

84. (1) Subject as herein otherwise provided the office of a Director shall be vacated:-

- (a) If a receiving order is made against him or he makes any arrangement or composition with his creditors.
- (b) If he is found lunatic or becomes of unsound mind.
- (c) If he absents himself from the meetings of the Board during a continuous period of six months without special leave of absence from the Board, and his alternate Director (if any) shall not during such period have attended in his stead, and the Board passes a resolution that he has by reason of such absence vacated his office.
- (d) If he is prohibited from being a Director by any order made under any provision of the Statutes.
- (e) If by notice in writing given to the Company he resigns his office.
- (f) If he is requested in writing by all the other Directors to resign his office.
- (g) If he is removed from office by Ordinary Resolution in accordance with the provisions of Article 107.
- (h) Deleted\*

(2) There shall be no retiring age for a director and no person shall be debarred from being a director or be required to vacate his office of director by reason of his age.

85. A Director of the Company may be or become a Director or other officer of, or otherwise interested in, any company promoted by the Company or in which the Company may be interested, and no such Director shall be accountable for any remuneration or other benefits received by him as a Director or officer of, or from his interest in such other company. The Board may also exercise the voting power conferred by the shares in any other company held or owned by the Company in such manner in all respects as it thinks fit, including the exercise in favour of any resolution appointing it, or any of its number, Directors or officers of such other company. And any Director of the Company may vote in favour of the exercise of such

voting rights in manner aforesaid notwithstanding that he may be, or be about to become, a Director or officer of such other company and as such, or in any other manner, is or may be interested in the exercise of such voting rights in manner aforesaid.

86. (a) A Director may be appointed by the Board to any other office or place of profit under the Company, except that of Auditor, for such period on such terms and at such remuneration (by way of salary, percentage of profits, pension, superannuation or otherwise) as the Board may determine, and such remuneration shall be charged as part of the Company's ordinary working expenses. A Director may vote as a Director in regard to the appointment or continuance in any such office as is mentioned in this Article of any other Director and in regard to the remuneration (including any pension, superannuation or other rights) of such other Director in respect thereof notwithstanding that he may be regarded as interested in the matter by reason that he himself also holds or may be about to hold another such office and any Director may vote as a Director in regard to any superannuation or pension fund notwithstanding that he may himself be or be about to become a member of or contributor to such fund. A Director may not vote on his own appointment or the arrangement of the terms thereof.

(b)No Director or intending Director shall be disqualified by his office from contracting with the Company either as vendor, purchaser or otherwise, nor shall any such contract or any contract, transaction or arrangement entered into by or on behalf of the Company in which any Director is in any way directly or indirectly interested be liable to be avoided, nor shall any Director so contracting or being so interested be liable to account to the Company for any profit realised by any such contract, transaction or arrangement by reason of such Director holding that office, or of the fiduciary relation thereby established, as long as such Director has complied with the requirement to declare his interest under this subparagraph, but the nature of his interest must be declared by him at the meeting of the Board at which the question of entering into the contract, transaction or arrangement is first taken into consideration, or if the Director was not at the date of that meeting interested in the proposed contract, transaction or arrangement, then at the next meeting of the Board held after he became so interested, and in a case where the Director becomes interested in a contract, transaction or arrangement after it is made, then at the first meeting of the Board held after he becomes so interested: Provided nevertheless that a Director shall not vote in respect of any contract, transaction or arrangement in which he or any of his associates (as defined below) is materially interested, and if he shall do so his vote shall not be counted, but this prohibition shall not apply to the contracts, transactions or arrangements mentioned as follows ("the Exempted Contracts, Transactions and Arrangements"), namely any contract or arrangement by a Director or any of his associates to subscribe for or purchase shares or debentures of the Company, or of any other company which the Company may promote or be interested in, where the Director or any of his associates is interested or to be interested as a participant in the underwriting or subunderwriting of such purchase or subscription, nor to any contract or resolution for giving to a Director any security or indemnity in respect of money lent or obligations undertaken by him or any of his associates for the benefit of the Company or any of its subsidiaries, nor to any contract or resolution for the giving of any security or indemnity to a third party in respect of a debt or obligation of the Company or any of its subsidiaries for which the Director or any of his associates has himself or themselves assumed responsibility in whole or in part and whether alone or jointly under a guarantee or indemnity or by the giving of security, nor to any contract

or dealing with a corporation where the interest of a Director is that he or any of his associates is or are interested only whether directly or indirectly as a member, officer or executive or of such corporation, nor to any proposal or arrangement concerning the benefit of employees of the Company or its subsidiaries including the adoption, modification or operation of any employees' share scheme or any share incentive or share option scheme under which the Director or any of his associates may benefit; or the adoption, modification or operation of a pension fund or retirement, death or disability benefits scheme which relates both to the Directors, his associates and employees of the Company or any of its subsidiaries and does not provide in respect of any Director, or any of his associates, as such any privilege or advantage not generally accorded to the class of persons to which such scheme or fund relates, any contract, transaction or arrangement in which the Director or any of his associates is/are interested in the same manner as other holders of shares or debentures or other securities of the Company by virtue only of his or their interest in shares or debentures or other securities of the Company provided that he together with any of his associates, is not beneficially interested in five per cent or more of the issued shares of any class of such corporation (or of any third company through which his interest or that of his associates is derived) or of the voting rights, and it may at any time be suspended or relaxed to any extent, and either generally or in respect of any particular contract, arrangement or transaction, by the Company in General Meeting at which the Director or any of his associates who is materially interested in such contract, arrangement or transaction does not exercise any voting rights which he would otherwise be entitled to exercise at such General Meeting. A general notice in writing given to the Board by any Director to the effect that he or any of his associates is a member of any specified company or firm, and is to be regarded as interested in any contract, transaction or arrangement which may thereafter be made with that company or firm, shall (if such Director shall give the same at a meeting of the Board or shall take reasonable steps to secure that the same is brought up and read at the next meeting of the Board after it is given) be deemed a sufficient declaration of interest in relation to any contract, transaction or arrangement so made.\*

(c) A Director notwithstanding his interest may be counted in the quorum present at any meeting whereat he or any other Director is appointed to hold any such office or place of profit under the Company or whereat the terms of any such appointment are arranged but he shall not be counted in the quorum present at any meeting whereat any contract, transaction or arrangement in which he or any of his associates is materially interested is considered, and for the latter case, the quorum shall be determined in accordance with Article 114(b).\*\*

- (d) In this Article, "associate" in relation to a Director means:
- (i) his spouse and any child or stcp-child, natural or adopted, under the age of 18 years of the Director or of his spouse ("family interests"); and\*\*
- (ii) the trustees, acting in their capacity as such trustees, of any trust of which he or any of his family interests is a beneficiary or, in the case of a discretionary trust, is (to his knowledge) a discretionary object; and\*\*

<sup>\*</sup> As amended by Special Resolutions dated 5th March, 1980, 28th April, 1990, 23rd April, 2005 and 28th September, 2018.

<sup>\*\*</sup> As amended by Special Resolutions dated 23rd April, 2005 and 28th September 2018.

(iii) any company ("the trustee-controlled company") in the equity capital of which the trustees, acting in their capacity as such trustees, are directly or indirectly interested so as to exercise or control the exercise of 30 per cent

(or such lower amount as may from time to time be specified in the Takeover Code as being the level for triggering a mandatory general offer) or more of the voting power at general meetings, or to control the composition of a majority of the board of directors and any other company which is its subsidiary (together the "trustee interests"); and\*

- (iv) a holding company of a trustee-controlled company or a subsidiary of any such holding company; and\*\*
- (v) any company in the equity capital of which the Director, his family interests, any of the trustees referred to in (d)(ii) and (iii) above, acting in their capacity as such trustees, and/or any trustee interests taken together are directly or indirectly interested so as to exercise or control the exercise of 30% (or such other amount as may from time to time be specified in the Takeovers Code as being the level for triggering a mandatory general offer) or more of the voting power at general meetings, or to control the composition of a majority of the board of directors and any other company which is its subsidiary or holding company or a fellow subsidiary of any such holding company.\*\*

87. Any Director may act by himself or his firm in a professional capacity for the Company and he or his firm shall be entitled to remuneration for professional services as if he were not a Director, provided that nothing herein contained shall authorise a Director or his firm to act as Auditor to the Company.

# **POWERS AND DUTIES OF DIRECTORS**

88. The business of the Company shall be managed by the Board, who may exercise all such powers of the Company, and do on behalf of the Company all such acts as may be exercised and done by the Company, and as are not by the Statutes or by these Articles required to be exercised or done by the Company in General Meeting, subject nevertheless to any regulations of these Articles, to the provisions of the Statutes, and to such regulations being not inconsistent with such aforesaid regulations or provisions as may be prescribed by the Company in General Meeting, but no regulation made by the Company in General Meeting shall invalidate any prior act of the Board which would have been valid if such regulation had not been made. The general powers given by this Article shall not be limited or restricted by any special authority or power given to the Board by any other Article.

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89. The Directors may exercise all the powers of the Company to borrow and raise money, and to mortgage or charge its undertaking, property and assets (present and future) and uncalled capital, or any part thereof, and to issue debentures, debenture stock and other securities, whether outright or as security for any debt, liability or obligation of the Company or of any third party.

90. The continuing Directors may act as a Board at any time notwithstanding any vacancy in their body: Provided always that in case the Directors shall at any time be reduced in number to less than the minimum number prescribed by or in accordance with these Articles, it shall be lawful for them to act as Directors for the purpose of filling up vacancies in their body, or of summoning a General Meeting of the Company but not for any other purpose.

91. All cheques, promissory notes, drafts, bills of exchange and other negotiable instruments, and all receipts for moneys paid to the Company shall be signed, drawn, accepted, endorsed or otherwise executed as the case may be, in such manner as the Board shall from time to time by resolution determine.

92. The Board may establish any committees, local boards or agencies for managing any of the affairs of the Company, either in Hong Kong or elsewhere, and may appoint any persons to be members of such committees, local boards or agencies and may fix their remuneration, and may delegate to any committee, local board, or agent any of the powers, authorities and discretions vested in the Board (other than their power to make calls, forfeit shares or accept surrenders of shares), with power to sub-delegate, and may authorise the members of any local board, or any of them, to fill any vacancies therein, and to act notwithstanding vacancies, and any such appointment or delegation may be made upon such terms and subject to such conditions as the Board may think fit, and the Board may remove any person so appointed, and may annul or vary any such delegation, but no person dealing in good faith and without notice of any such annulment or variation shall be affected thereby.

(a) The Board may establish and maintain or concur in or procure the 93. establishment and maintenance of trusts, funds or schemes (whether contributory or noncontributory) with a view to providing pensions or other benefits for any persons who are or have at any time been in the employment or service of the Company or its associated or subsidiary companies or who are or have at any time been Directors or officers of the Company or of any such other company as aforesaid and the spouses, widows or widowers, families and dependents of any such persons and may give or procure the giving of donations, gratuities, pensions, allowances and bonuses to and may make payments for or towards insurance on the lives of any such persons as aforesaid, their spouses, widows or widowers, families and dependents. The Board may also establish or support and subsidise or subscribe to any institutions, associations, clubs or funds calculated to be, whether directly or indirectly, for the benefit of the Company or of such person as aforesaid or their spouses, widows or widowers, families and dependents and may subscribe or guarantee money for any national, charitable, benevolent, public, general or useful object or for any exhibition. The Board may do any of the matters aforesaid either alone or in conjunction with any such other company as aforesaid.\*

(b) Except in the case of a Director (and his or her spouse, widow or widower, family and dependents) who holds or has held a salaried office or employment in the Company or in an associated or subsidiary company the Board shall only permit Directors of the Company and their wives, widows, families and dependents to participate in any such trust, fund or scheme as mentioned in paragraph (a) of this Article provided that the aggregate amount of the contributions paid or other provision made by the Company in respect of the Directors (other than Directors excepted as aforesaid) and their spouses, widows or widowers, families and dependents in any year when added to the aggregate remuneration paid to the Directors (other than remuneration in respect of the salaried offices or employments of the Directors excepted as aforesaid) by the Company in such year does not exceed the sum determined by the Company in General Meeting under Article 83 as the remuneration of the Directors for such year. Any Director shall be entitled to participate in and retain for his own benefit any such donation, gratuity, pension, allowance or bonus as is mentioned in paragraph (a) of this Article, but the provisions of this Article shall be subject to the provisions of the Statutes so far as the same may be applicable.\*\*

94. The Board may from time to time, and at any time, by power of attorney under the Seal, appoint any company, firm or person, or any fluctuating body of persons, whether nominated directly or indirectly by the Board, to be the attorney or attorneys of the Company for such purposes and with such powers, authorities and discretions (not exceeding those vested in or exercisable by the Board under these presents) and for such period and subject to such conditions as they may think fit, and any such power of attorney may contain such provisions for the protection and convenience of persons dealing with any such attorney as the Board may think fit, and may also authorise any such attorney to sub-delegate all or any of the powers, authorities and discretions vested in him.

# **EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS\***

95. (a) The Directors may from time to time appoint one or more of their body to the office of Executive Director (but so that the total number of Executive Directors shall not be less than two at any one time) for such period and on such terms as it thinks fit and, subject to the terms of any agreement in any particular case, may revoke such appointment.\*

(b) Deleted\*

(c) The directors may entrust to and confer upon an Executive Director any of the powers exercisable by them upon such terms and conditions and with such restrictions as they may think fit, and either collaterally with or to the exclusion of their own powers and may from time to time revoke, withdraw, alter or vary all or any of such powers.\*

# **GENERAL MANAGERS**

96. The Company shall have one or more General Managers.

97. Subject to the last preceding Article, the Directors may, from time to time, appoint any person to be a General Manager of the Company, either for a fixed term or without any limitation as to the period for which he is to hold such office, and may from time to time (subject to the provisions of any contract between him and the Company) remove or dismiss him from office and appoint other in this place.

98. The remuneration of a General Manager shall (subject to the provisions of any contract between him and the Company) from time to time be fixed by the Directors, and may be by way of fixed salary, or commission on dividends, profits or turnover of the Company or of any other company in which the Company is interested, or by participation in any such profits, or by any, or all of these modes provided that, unless otherwise agreed, the General Manager's remuneration or money payable to him hereunder shall be in addition to his remuneration as a Director, if he is one, and in addition to any other remuneration that may be provided by any contract between him and the Company.

99. The Directors may from time to time entrust to and confer upon the General Manager for the time being such of the powers exercisable under these Presents by the Directors as they may think fit, and may confer such powers for such time, and to be exercised for such objects and purposes, and upon such terms and conditions, and with such restrictions as they think expedient; and they may confer such powers, either collaterally with, or to the exclusion of, and in substitution for, all or any of the powers of the Directors in that behalf; and may from time to time revoke, withdraw, alter or vary all or any of such powers.

# **ROTATION APPOINTMENT AND REMOVAL OF DIRECTORS**

100. At the Annual General Meeting of the Company in every year one-third of the Directors for the time being, or, if their number is not three or a multiple of three, then the number nearest to but not exceeding one-third, shall retire from office.

101. The Directors to retire in every year shall be those who have been longest in office since their last election, but as between persons who became Directors on the same day those to retire shall (unless they otherwise agree among themselves) be determined by lot.

102. A retiring Director shall be eligible for re-election.

103. The Company at the meeting at which a Director retires in manner aforesaid may fill the vacated office by electing a person thereto, and in default the retiring Director shall if offering himself for re-election be deemed to have been re-elected, unless at such meeting it is expressly resolved not to fill such vacated office or unless a resolution for the re-election of such Director shall have been put to the meeting and lost.

104. No person other than a Director retiring at the meeting shall, unless recommended by the Directors, be eligible for election to the office of Director at any General Meeting unless not less than seven nor more than twenty-one days before the date appointed for the meeting there shall have been left at the Office or sent to the Company in hard copy form or in electronic form and received by the Company notice in writing signed by a member duly qualified to attend and vote at the meeting for which such notice is given of his intention to propose such person for election, and also notice in writing signed by that person of his willingness to be elected.\*

105. The Company may from time to time by Ordinary Resolution increase or reduce the number of Directors, and may also determine in what rotation the increased or reduced number is to go out of office.

106. The Directors shall have power at any time, and from time to time, to appoint any person to be a Director, either to fill a casual vacancy or as an addition to the existing Directors. Any Director so appointed shall hold office only until the next following Annual General Meeting and shall then be eligible for re-election but shall not be taken into account in determining the Directors who are to retire by rotation at such meeting.

107. The Company may by Ordinary Resolution remove any Director before the expiration of his period of office notwithstanding anything in these regulations or in any agreement between the Company and such Director. Such removal shall be without prejudice to any claim such Director may have for damages for breach of any contract of service between him and the Company.

108. The Company may by Ordinary Resolution appoint another person in place of a Director removed from office under the immediately preceding regulation, and without prejudice to the powers of the Directors under Article 106 the Company in General Meeting may appoint any person to be a Director either to fill a casual vacancy or as an additional Director. A person appointed in place of a Director so removed or to fill such a vacancy shall be subject to retirement at the same time as if he had become a Director on the day on which the Director in whose place he is appointed was last elected a Director.

# **ALTERNATE DIRECTORS**

109. A Director shall have the power to nominate any other Director, or any other person approved for that purpose by a resolution of the Board to act as an alternate Director in his place during his absence, and at his discretion to revoke such nomination, and, on such appointment being made, each alternate Director, whilst so acting shall exercise and discharge all the functions, powers and duties and undertake all the liabilities and obligations of the Director he represents, but shall not require any qualification and shall not be entitled to receive any remuneration from the Company. A nomination as an alternate Director shall *ipso facto* be revoked if the appointor ceases for any reason to be a Director.\*\*

\* As amended by Special Resolutions dated 28th April, 1990 and 28th September, 2018.

\*\* As amended by Special Resolution dated 28th September, 2018.

110. Notice of all Board and General Meetings shall be sent to every alternate Director as if he were a Director and member of the Company until revocation of his appointment.

111. The appointment of an alternate Director shall be revoked and the alternate Director shall cease to hold office whenever the Director who appointed such alternate Director shall give notice in writing to the Secretary of the Company that he revokes such appointment.

112. Every person acting as an alternate Director shall while so acting be deemed to be an officer of the Company and shall alone be responsible to the Company for his own acts and defaults, and he shall not be deemed to be the agent of or for the Director appointing him.

113. Any instrument appointing an alternate Director shall be left at the office and shall, as nearly as circumstances will admit, be in the form or to the effect following:-

# CMB WING LUNG BANK LIMITED

I,

a Director of the above-named Company, in pursuance of the power in that behalf contained in Article 109 of the Articles of Association of the Company, do hereby nominate and appoint , of , to act as alternate Director in my place during my absence, and to exercise and discharge all my duties as a Director of the Company.

Dated this day of 20

Signature of Director.\*\*

#### **PROCEEDINGS OF DIRECTORS**

114. (a) The Directors may meet together for the despatch of business, adjourn, and otherwise regulate their meetings and proceedings, as they think fit, and may determine the quorum necessary for the transaction of business. Until otherwise determined, half of all the Directors (rounded up to the nearest and upper whole number) shall constitute a quorum.\*

(b) Subject to the exceptions mentioned in Article 86(b), at any Directors' meeting where any contract, transaction or arrangement in which a Director or any of his associates (as defined in Article 86(d)) is materially interested is considered, such interested Director shall still be counted in the quorum.\*\*

115. A Director may, and on the request of a Director the Secretary shall, at any time summon a meeting of the Board.\*\*

<sup>\*\*</sup> As amended by Special Resolution dated 28th September, 2018.

116. The Board may from time to time elect a Chairman and one or more Vice-Chairmen and determine the period for which each of them is to hold office. The Chairman, or in his absence any one of the Vice-Chairmen, shall preside at meetings of the Board, but if no such Chairman or Vice-Chairman be elected, or if at any meeting the Chairman or Vice-Chairman be not present within five minutes after the time appointed for holding the same, the Directors present shall choose some one of their number to preside at such meeting.\*

117. A meeting of the Directors for the time being at which a quorum is present shall be competent to exercise all or any of the authorities, powers, and discretions by or under the regulations of the Company for the time being vested in or exercisable by the Directors generally.

118. (a) Questions arising at any meeting shall be decided by a majority of votes of all those Directors who are entitled to vote according to sub-paragraph (b) below and who shall constitute majority of all those Directors who are not Interested Directors (whether present in the meeting or not).\*

(b) (i) Subject to sub-paragraph (ii) below, all the Directors present shall be entitled to vote at the meeting.\*

(ii) An Interested Director shall not be entitled to vote in respect of the relevant contract, transaction or arrangement, and if he/she shall vote his/her vote shall not be counted;\*

(c) (i) Subject to sub-paragraph (ii) below, in case of an equality of votes, the Chairman or such other Director presiding at the meeting of the Board shall have a second and casting vote;\*

(ii) If the Chairman or such other Director presiding at the meeting of the Board (as the case may be) is an Interested Director, then the Chairman or such other Director shall not be entitled to any second and casting vote in respect of the relevant contract, transaction or arrangement, and no other Director shall not be entitled to any second and casting vote in respect of such contract, transaction or arrangement.\*

(d) In this Article, "Interested Director" means a director or any of his associates (as defined in Article 86(d)) is materially interested a contract, transaction or arrangement to be considered in the meeting of the Board (save and except the Exempted Contracts, Transactions and Arrangements (as defined in Article 86(b)).\*

118A. Any Director or his alternate may validly participate in a meeting of the Board or a committee of the Board through the medium of telephone conference or similar form of communication equipment, provided that all persons participating in the meeting are able to hear and speak to each other throughout such meeting. A person so participating shall be deemed to be present in person at the meeting and shall accordingly be counted in a quorum and be entitled to vote. Such a meeting shall be deemed to take place where the largest group of those participating is assembled or, if there is no group which is larger than any other group, where the Chairman of the meeting then is.\*

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119. The Directors may delegate any of their powers to committees consisting of such member or members of their body as they think fit, and may, from time to time, revoke such delegation or revoke the appointment of and discharge any such committee either wholly or in part, and either as to persons or purposes; but every committee so formed shall, in the exercise of the powers so delegated, conform to any regulations that may from time to time be imposed on it by the Directors.

120. All acts done by such committee in conformity with such regulations and in fulfilment of the purposes for which it is appointed, but not otherwise, shall have the like force and effect, as if done by the Directors, and the Directors shall have power, with the consent of the Company in general meeting, to remunerate the members of any such committee, and charge such remuneration to the current expenses of the Company.

121. The meetings and proceedings of any such committee, consisting of two or more members, shall be governed by the provisions herein contained for regulating the meetings and proceedings of the Directors, so far as the same are applicable thereto, and are not superseded by any regulations made by the Directors under Article 119 hereof.

122. All acts done by any meeting of the Directors or of a committee of Directors or by any person acting as a Director, shall, notwithstanding that it shall afterwards be discovered that there was some defect in the appointment of any such Directors or persons acting as aforesaid, or that they or any of them were disqualified, be as valid as if every such person had been duly appointed and was qualified to be a Director.

123. (a) A resolution in writing signed, or assented to by electronic communication, by majority of all the Directors or alternate Directors for the time being who are entitled to Notice of Board Meetings and entitled to sign on or assent to such resolution according to sub-paragraph (b) of this Article (rounded up to the nearest whole and upper number) shall be as effective for all purposes as a resolution passed at a meeting of the Board duly convened, held and constituted and may consist of several documents in like form each signed by one or more of the Directors.\*

(b) (i) Subject to sub-paragraph (ii) below, all the Directors or alternate Directors for the time being entitled to Notice of Board Meetings shall be entitled to sign on or assent to a resolution in writing.\*\*

(ii) Subject to the exception mentioned in Article 86(b), where any contract, transaction or arrangement in which a director or any of his/her associates (as defined in Article 86(d)) is materially interested is considered, such interested Director shall not be entitled to sign on or assent to a resolution in respect of such contract, transaction or arrangement, and if he shall sign on or assent to such resolution his signature or assent shall not be counted.\*\*

#### **MINUTES**

- 124. The Board shall cause minutes to be made -
- (a) Of all appointments of officers made by the Board.
- (b) Of the names of the Directors present at each meeting of the Board and of any committee of Directors.
- (c) Of all resolutions and proceedings at all meetings of the Company and of the Board and of committees of Directors.

Any such minute if purporting to be signed by the Chairman of the meeting at which the proceedings were held, or by the Chairman of the next succeeding meeting, shall be conclusive evidence of the proceedings.

# THE SEAL AND THE OFFICIAL SEAL

125. (a) The Board may decide by what means and in what form the Seal or Official Seal (whether for use outside Hong Kong or for sealing securities) is to be used. The Board shall provide for the safe custody of the Seal, and the Seal shall not be used without the prior authority of the Board, and two members of the Board or one member of the Board together with one other person so appointed by the Board shall sign every instrument to which the Seal is affixed. Every instrument executed in the manner provided by this Article shall be deemed to be sealed and executed with the authority of the Directors previously given. This Article is without prejudice to the Company's ability to execute a document in any other manner provided for in the Ordinance.\*

(b) The Company shall have, for use for sealing share certificates issued by the Company and such other documents constituting securities to be issued by the Company as the Board may from time to time approve (in this Article referred to as an "Authorised Document"), an Official Seal which is a facsimile of the Seal of the Company with the addition on its face of the word "securities". No signature of any director, officer or any other person and no mechanical reproduction thereof shall be required on any of the Company's share certificates or Authorised Documents and every share certificate and Authorised Document to which such Official Seal is affixed shall be valid and shall be deemed to have been sealed and executed with the authority of the Board notwithstanding the absence of any such signature or mechanical reproduction thereof as aforesaid.\*\*

### SECRETARY

126. The Secretary shall be appointed by the Board for such term, at such remuneration and upon such conditions as it may think fit; and any Secretary so appointed may be removed by the Board. Anything by the Statutes or these Articles required or authorised to be done by or to the Secretary may, if the office is vacant or there is for any other reason no Secretary capable of acting, be done by or to any assistant or deputy Secretary, or if there is no assistant or deputy Secretary capable of acting, by or to any officer of the Company authorised generally or specially in that behalf by the Board.

127. No person shall be appointed or hold office as Secretary who is -

- (a) the sole Director of the Company; or
- (b) a corporation the sole Director of which is the sole Director of the Company; or
- (c) the sole Director of a corporation which is the sole Director of the Company.

128. A provision of the Statutes or these Articles requiring or authorising a thing to be done by or to a Director and the Secretary shall not be satisfied by its being done by or to the same person acting both as Director and as, or in place of, the Secretary.

# **DIVIDENDS AND RESERVE FUND**

129. The profits of the Company, which it may from time to time determine to distribute by way of dividend, shall be applied in the payment of dividends on the several classes of shares in the Company in accordance with their respective rights and priorities and the Company in General Meeting may declare dividends accordingly.

130. All dividends shall be declared and paid according to the amounts paid on the shares in respect whereof the dividend is paid, but no amount paid on a share in advance of calls shall be treated for purposes of this Article as paid on the share. All dividends shall be apportioned and paid *pro rata* according to the amounts paid up on the shares during any portion or portions of the period in respect of which the dividend is paid; but if any share is issued on terms providing that it shall rank for dividend as from a particular date such share shall rank for dividend accordingly.

131. No dividend shall be payable except out of the profits of the Company. The Board may, if it thinks fit, from time to time declare and pay to the members such interim dividends as appear to it to be justified by the position of the Company, and may also from time to time, if in its opinion such payment is so justified, pay any preferential dividends on fixed dates. No higher dividend shall be paid than is recommended by the Board but the Company may by Ordinary Resolution declare a smaller dividend. The declaration of the Board as to the amount of the net profits shall be conclusive.

132. A General Meeting declaring a dividend may direct payment of such dividend wholly or in part by the distribution of specific assets, and in particular of paid-up shares or debentures of any other company, and the Board shall give effect to such resolution; and where any difficulty arises in regard to the distribution it may settle the same as it thinks expedient and in particular to deal with fractions, and may fix the value for distribution of such specific assets or any part thereof, and may determine that cash payments shall be made to any members upon the footing of the value so fixed in order to adjust the rights of members, and may vest any specific assets in trustees upon trust for the persons entitled to the dividend as may seem expedient to the Board, and generally may make such arrangements for the allotment, acceptance and sale of such specific assets or otherwise as it thinks fit. Where required, a contract shall be filed in accordance with the provisions of the Ordinance and the Board may appoint any person to sign such contract on behalf of the persons entitled to the dividends and such appointment shall be effective and binding on such persons.\*

133. Before recommending any dividend the Board may out of the profits of the Company set aside such sums as it thinks proper as a depreciation fund for meeting depreciation of and repairing and maintaining the Company's assets and property or as suspense funds for the purpose of meeting contingent or unascertained losses or as a reserve or reserves which shall at the discretion of the Directors be applicable for any purpose to which the profits of the Company may be properly applied.

134. After deduction being made for all expenses properly chargeable against gross profits, including any sums set aside for any depreciation suspense or reserve fund, any part of the ultimate profits may from time to time be carried forward to the following year.

135. Any depreciation, suspense or reserve fund or any part thereof, may be invested in such manner as the Board may determine, or may be retained as part of the general assets of the Company and not be otherwise invested, and may from time to time be applied for the purpose of equalising dividends for the purpose of paying special dividends or bonuses, or for such of the purposes of the Company as the Board may think fit.

136. Any dividend or other moneys payable on or in respect of a share may be paid by cheque or warrant sent through the post to the registered address of the member or person entitled thereto, and in the case of joint holders to any one of such joint holders, or to such person and such address as the holder or joint holders may direct. Every such cheque or warrant shall be made payable to the order of the person to whom it is sent or to such person as the holder or joint holders may direct, and payment of the cheque or warrant, shall be a good discharge to the Company. Every such cheque or warrant shall be sent at the risk of the person entitled to the money represented thereby. If a cheque or warrant is not cashed after it is sent to the member or person entitled thereto in manner aforesaid on two separate but consecutive occasions, the Board may, if it deems fit, cease sending further cheques or warrants to such member. The Company may also cease sending further cheques or warrants to a member if the cheque or warrant is returned undelivered.\*

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137. The Board may deduct from any dividend or other moneys payable to any member on or in respect of a share all sums of money (if any) presently payable by him to the Company on account of calls or otherwise in relation to the shares of the Company.

138. All unclaimed dividends may be invested or otherwise made use of by the Board for the benefit of the Company until claimed and the Company shall not be constituted a trustee in respect thereof. No dividend shall bear interest as against the Company. All dividends unclaimed for a period of twelve years after having been declared shall be forfeited and shall revert to the Company.\*

139. The Company may by Ordinary Resolution upon the declaration of a dividend resolve that the same or any part thereof be applied in paying up *pro tanto* the capital (if any) uncalled upon the shares held by the members to whom such dividend would otherwise be payable and the Board shall give effect to such resolution provided that any member whose shares are fully paid up shall be entitled to be paid his proportion of the dividend in cash.

# **CAPITALISATION OF PROFITS**

140. (a) The Company in General Meeting may upon the recommendation of the Board resolve that it is desirable to capitalise any part of the amount for the time being standing to the credit of any of the Company's reserve accounts (including capital reserves) or to the credit of the profit and loss account or otherwise available for distribution, and accordingly that such sum be set free for distribution amongst the members who would have been entitled thereto if distributed by way of dividend and in the same proportions on condition that the same be not paid in cash but be applied either in or towards paying up any amounts for the time being unpaid on any shares held by such members respectively or paying up in full unissued shares or debentures of the Company to be allotted and distributed credited as fully paid up to and amongst such members in the proportion aforesaid, or partly in the one way and partly in the other, and the Board shall give effect to such resolution:\*

(b) Whenever such a resolution as aforesaid shall have been passed the Board shall make all appropriations and applications of the undivided profits resolved to be capitalised thereby, and all allotments and issues of fully paid shares or debentures if any, and generally shall do all acts and things required to give effect thereto with full power to the Board to make such provision by the issue of fractional certificates or by payment in cash or otherwise as it thinks fit for the case of shares or debentures becoming distributable in fractions, and also to authorise any person to enter on behalf of all the members entitled thereto into an agreement with the Company providing for allotment to them respectively, credited as fully paid up, of any further shares or debentures to which they may be entitled upon such capitalisation, or (as the case may require) for the payment up by the Company on their behalf, by the application thereto of their respective proportions of the profits resolved to be capitalised, of the amounts or any part of the amounts remaining unpaid on their existing shares, and any agreement made under such authority shall be effective and binding on all such members.

## ACCOUNTS

- 141. The Board shall cause such accounts to be kept-
- (a) of the assets and liabilities of the Company,
- (b) of all sums of money received and expended by the Company, and the matters in respect of which such receipts and expenditure take place, as are necessary to give a true and fair view of the Company's affairs and to explain its transactions. The books of account shall be kept at the Office, or at such other place or places as the Board shall think fit, and shall always be open to the inspection of the Directors.

142. The Board shall from time to time determine whether, in any particular case or class of cases, or generally, and to what extent, and at what times and places and under what conditions or regulations, the accounts and books of the Company, or any of them, shall be open to the inspection of members, and no member (not being a Director) shall have any right of inspecting any account or book or document of the Company, except as conferred by Statutes or authorised by the Board or by a resolution of the Company in General Meeting.

143. The Directors shall from time to time in accordance with the Statutes, cause to be prepared and to be laid before the Company in an Annual General Meeting the report of the Directors, such profit and loss accounts, balance sheets, group accounts (if any) and reports as are prescribed by the Statutes. Copies of all such documents and any other documents required by law to be annexed thereto shall not less than twenty-one days before the date of the meeting before which they are to be laid be sent to all the members and to the Auditors as required by and subject to the provisions of the Statutes.\*

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143B.Deleted \*\*

# AUDIT

144. Auditors shall be appointed and their duties regulated in accordance with the Statutes.

# NOTICES

145. Any notice or other document to be given or issued by the Company to a member, whether or not under the Statutes, other applicable laws, rules and regulations or these Articles, may be given in writing or by cable, telex or facsimile transmission message, any form of electronic communication or transmission or in any other form of permitted means of communication and any such notice and document may be served or delivered by the Company on or to any member (i) personally or (ii) by sending it through the post in a prepaid letter, envelope or wrapper addressed to such member at his registered address as appearing in the register of members, whether in or outside Hong Kong, or by delivering it or leaving it at such registered address as aforesaid or (iii) as the case may be, by transmitting it to any such address or any telex or facsimile transmission number or electronic number or address or website supplied by that member to the Company for giving of notice or document to that member or (iv) (in the case of a notice) by advertisement in an English language daily newspaper and a Chinese language daily newspaper circulating in Hong Kong or (v) subject to due compliance with the Statutes and other applicable laws, rules and regulations, by publishing it on the Company's computer network or its website, giving access to such network or website to the member and giving to the member a notice by any permitted means stating that the notice or other document is available there (a "notice of availability") or (vi) in any other permitted manner from time to time.\*

146. All notices directed to be given to the members shall, with respect to any share to which persons are jointly entitled, be given to whichever of such persons is named first in the register of members, and any notice so given shall be sufficient notice to the holders of such share.

147. Any member described in the register of members shall be entitled to have served upon him at his registered address as appearing in the register of members whether in Hong Kong or overseas any notice to which he would be entitled under these Articles.\*\*

148. A notice or other document may be given by or on behalf of the Company to the person entitled to a share in consequence of the death, mental disorder or bankruptcy of a member in such manner as provided in Article 145 in which the same might have been given if the death, mental disorder or bankruptcy had not occurred.\*\*\*

148A.Any notice or other document delivered or sent to any member in such manner as provided in Article 145 in pursuance of these Articles shall, notwithstanding that such member be then deceased, suffering from mental disorder or bankrupt and whether or not the Company has notice of his death, mental disorder or bankruptcy, be deemed to have been duly

\* As amended by Special Resolutions dated 5th March, 1980, 28th April, 2007, 8th June, 2010 and 28th September, 2018. \*\* As amended by Special Resolutions dated 28th April, 1990 and 23rd April, 2005.

\*\*\* As amended by Special Resolution dated 28th April, 2007.

served in respect of any registered shares whether held solely or jointly with other persons by such member until some other person is registered in his stead as the holder or joint holder thereof, and such service shall for all purposes of these Articles be deemed as sufficient service of such notice or document on his personal or legal representatives and all persons (if any) jointly interested with him in any such shares.\*

149. Any member present, either personally or by proxy, at any meeting of the Company shall for all purposes be deemed to have received due notice of such meeting, and, where requisite, of the purposes for which such meeting was convened.

150. Any notice or other document given or issued by the Company:\*

- (i) if served by post, shall be deemed to have been served at the expiration of forty-eight hours after the envelope or wrapper containing the same is posted and in proving such service it shall be sufficient to prove that the envelope or wrapper containing the notice or other document was properly prepaid, addressed and posted (in the case of an address outside Hong Kong by air-mail postage prepaid where air-mail posting from Hong Kong to such place is available) and a certificate in writing signed by the Secretary or other person appointed by the Board that the envelope or wrapper containing the notice or other document was so addressed and put into the post shall be conclusive evidence thereof;\*
- (i) (a) if sent by electronic communication (other than by making the notice or document available on the Company's computer network or website), shall be deemed to be given on the day on which it is transmitted from the server of the Company or its agent;\*\*

(b) if sent by making the notice or document available on the Company's computer network or website, shall be deemed to have been served after its first posting on the network or website of the Company, or after receipt of the notice of availability from the Company which contains details as specified in the Ordinance from time to time, whichever is later;\*\*

- (iii) if served or delivered in any other manner contemplated by these Articles other than by advertisement in newspapers in accordance with Article 145, shall be deemed to have been served or delivered at the time of personal service or delivery or, as the case may be, at the time of the relevant despatch or transmission; and in proving such service or delivery a certificate in writing signed by the Secretary or other person appointed by the Board as to the fact and time of such service, delivery, despatch or transmission shall be conclusive evidence thereof;\*
- (iv) if served by advertisement in newspapers in accordance with Article 145, shall be deemed to have been served on the day on which the notice is first published; and\*

\*\* As amended by Special Resolutions dated 28th April, 2007, 8th June, 2010 and 28th September, 2018.

<sup>\*</sup> As amended by Special Resolutions dated 28th April, 2007 and 8th June 2010.

(v) may be given to a member either in the English language or the Chinese language only or in both the English language and Chinese language, subject to due compliance with the Statutes and other applicable laws, rules and regulations.\*

### INDEMNITY

151. Subject to Article 151A, the Executive Directors, Directors, Auditors, Secretary and other Officers for the time being of the Company shall be indemnified out of the assets of the Company against any liability incurred by them or any of them as the holder of any such office or appointment.\*\*

151A. Article 151 does not apply to:

(a) any liability of the Executive Director, Director, Auditor, Secretary and other Officer incurred to the Company or associated company, including but not limited any liability in connection with any negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust in relation to the Company or associated company (as the case may be);

- (b) any liability of the Executor Director or Director to pay
  - (i) a fine imposed in criminal proceedings; or
  - (ii) a sum payable by way of a penalty in respect of non-compliance with any requirement of a regulatory nature; or
- (c) any liability incurred by the Executor Director or Director:
  - (i) in defending criminal proceedings in which the Director is convicted,
  - (ii) in defending civil proceedings brought by the Company, or an associated company of the Company, in which judgment is given against the Director;
  - (iii) in defending civil proceedings brought on behalf of the Company by a member of the Company or of an associated company of the Company, in which judgment is given against the Director,
  - (iv) in defending civil proceedings brought on behalf of an associated company of the Company by a member of the associated company or by a member of an associated company of the associated company, in which judgment is given against the Director; or
  - (v) in connection with an application for relief under section 903 or 904 of the Ordinance in which the Court refuses to grant the Director relief; or \*\*\*

\*\* As amended by Special Resolutions dated 5th March, 1980, 23rd April, 2005 and 28th September, 2018.

<sup>\*</sup> As amended by Special Resolutions dated 28th April, 2007 and 8th June 2010.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> As amended by Special Resolution dated 28th September, 2018.

151B. (a) A reference in paragraph (c) of Article 151A to a conviction, judgment or refusal of relief is a reference to the final decision in the proceedings

(b) For the purposes of paragraph (a) of this Article, a conviction, judgment or refusal of relief:

- (i) if not appealed against, becomes final at the end of the period for bringing an appeal; or
- (ii) if appealed against, becomes final when the appeal, or any further appeal, is disposed of

(c) For the purposes of sub-paragraph (ii) of paragraph (b) of this Article, an appeal is disposed of if:

- (i) it is determined, and the period for bringing any further appeal has ended; or
- (ii) it is abandoned or otherwise ceases to have effect.\*

151C. In Articles 151 to 151B, "associated company", in relation to a the Company, has the meaning given to it in the Ordinance.\*

# WINDING UP

152. If the Company shall be wound up and the assets available for distribution among the Members as such shall be insufficient to repay the whole of the paid-up Capital, such assets shall be distributed so that as near as may be the loss shall be borne by the members in proportion to the capital paid up or which ought to have been paid up at the commencement of the winding up on the shares held by them respectively and if in a winding up the assets available for distribution among the Members shall be more than sufficient to repay the whole of the capital paid up at the commencement of the winding up the excess shall be distributed among the members in proportion to the Capital at the commencement of the winding up paid up or which ought to have been paid up on the shares held by them respectively. But this Article is to be without prejudice to the rights of the holders of any share issued upon special terms and conditions.

153. If the Company is wound up and a surplus remains after the payment of debts proved in the winding up, the liquidator:

(a) may, with the required sanction, divide amongst the members in specie or kind the whole or any part of the assets of the Company (whether they consist of property of the same kind or not) and may, for this purpose, set a value the liquidator thinks fair on any property to be so divided; and

(b) may determine how the division is to be carried out between the members or different classes of members.\*\*

<sup>\*\*</sup> As amended by Special Resolutions dated 24th April, 1999 and 28th September, 2018.

154. The liquidator may, with the required sanction, vest the whole or part of those assets in trustees on trust for the benefit of the contributories that the liquidator, with the required sanction, thinks fit, but a member must not be compelled to accept any shares or other securities on which there is any liability.\*

155. In Articles 153 and 154, "required sanction" means the sanction of a special resolution of the Company and any other sanction required by the Ordinance.\*

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