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## **APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND CHANGES OF COMPOSITION OF BOARD COMMITTEES**

The Board is pleased to announce that with effect from 1 May 2023:

1. Mr. Song Sio Chong has been appointed as an independent non-executive Director of the Company, the chairman of the Nomination Committee, a member of the Audit Committee and a member of the Remuneration Committee; and
2. Ir Siu Man Po, an independent non-executive Director, has ceased to be the chairman of the Nomination Committee, a member of the Audit Committee and a member of the Remuneration Committee.

This announcement is made by Deson Development International Holdings Limited (the “**Company**”, together with its subsidiaries, the “**Group**”) pursuant to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “**Listing Rules**”).

### **APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

The board (the “**Board**”) of directors (the “**Directors**” and each a “**Director**”) of the Company is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Song Sio Chong (“**Mr. Song**”) as an independent non-executive Director of the Company with effect from 1 May 2023.

Biographical details of Mr. Song are as follows:

**Mr. Song Sio Chong**, aged 68, has been appointed as an independent non-executive Director of the Company with effect from 1 May 2023. Mr. Song has more than 25 years of experience in structural design, site supervision and contract management. Mr. Song graduated from the Hong Kong Baptist College (now known as the Hong Kong Baptist University) Civil Engineering Department with a Diploma in June 1979 and was awarded Associateship in Civil and Structural Engineering from Hong Kong Polytechnic (now

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known as the Hong Kong Polytechnic University) in November 1982. Mr. Song obtained a Master Degree of Business Administration and a Doctoral Degree of Chinese Literature from Hong Kong Chu Hai College (formerly known as Chu Hai University) in July 1983 and June 1988, respectively. He also obtained a Bachelor Degree in Law, Master Degree in Civil Law and Doctoral Degree in Constitutional and Administrative Laws from Peking University in July 1991, July 1996 and July 1999, respectively, and further received his Certified Postgraduate Examination Diploma in English Law and Hong Kong Law from The Manchester Metropolitan University of the United Kingdom (“UK”) in September 2001. Mr. Song is a member of both The Institution of Structural Engineers of the UK and The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers. He is also a Registered Professional Engineer (Structural) in Hong Kong and a Class 1 Registered Structural Engineer in the People’s Republic of China.

Mr. Song was appointed as the honorary consultant of China Law Office from July 2003 to July 2008. He served as a part-time member of the Central Policy Unit of the Government of Hong Kong from 2007 to 2008 and was a member of the National Committee of the Chinese Association of Hong Kong & Macao Studies from 2016 to 2022. He has been a full-time professor of the Centre for Basic Laws of Hong Kong and Macau Special Administrative Region at Shenzhen University from 2010 to 2022.

As at the date of this announcement, Mr. Song has entered into a letter of appointment with the Company for an initial fixed term of three years commencing from 1 May 2023, which may be terminated by either party serving on the other not less than three months’ written notice, subject to retirement by rotation and re-election at least once every three years in accordance with the Bye-laws of the Company and the Listing Rules. Mr. Song is entitled to an annual director’s fee of HK\$240,000, which is determined by the Remuneration Committee of the Board with reference to his duties and responsibilities with the Group. Save as disclosed above, Mr. Song is not entitled to any other emoluments. Mr. Song has confirmed that he met the independence criteria set out in Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules.

Save as disclosed above, as at the date of this announcement, Mr. Song:

- (i) did not hold any position in the Company or other members of the Company;
- (ii) did not hold any directorship in any public companies, the securities of which are listed in Hong Kong or overseas, in the last three years preceding the date of this announcement;
- (iii) did not have any interest in any Shares or underlying Shares or any debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong); and
- (iv) was not connected and had no relationship with any Directors, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholders of the Company (as defined in the Listing Rules).

Save as disclosed above, there is no other information related to the appointment of Mr. Song that needs to be disclosed pursuant to paragraphs (h) to (v) of Rule 13.51(2) of the Listing Rules nor are there other matters that need to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company.

The Board would like to welcome Mr. Song to join the Board.

## **CHANGES OF BOARD COMMITTEE COMPOSITION**

The Board further announces that with effect from 1 May 2023:

1. Mr. Song has been appointed as the chairman of the nomination committee of the Board (the “**Nomination Committee**”), a member of the audit committee of the Board (the “**Audit Committee**”) and a member of the remuneration committee of the Board (the “**Remuneration Committee**”); and
2. Ir Siu Man Po, an independent non-executive Director, has ceased to be the chairman of the Nomination Committee, a member of the Audit Committee and a member of the Remuneration Committee.

By Order of the Board  
**Deson Development International Holdings Limited**  
**Tjia Boen Sien**  
*Managing Director and Chairman*

Hong Kong, 28 April 2023

*As at the date of this announcement, the executive Directors of the Company are Mr. Tjia Boen Sien, Mr. Wang Jing Ning, Mr. Tjia Wai Yip, William, and Ms. Tse Hoi Ying, the independent non-executive Directors of the Company are Dr. Ho Chung Tai, Raymond, Ir. Siu Man Po and Mr. Siu Kam Chau.*