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The board of directors of the Company (the “**Board**”) wishes to inform the shareholders of the Company (the “**Shareholders**”) and potential investors that, in the year ended 31 December 2019, the implementation of a new accounting standard had a major impact on the Group’s financial performance.

The Group began to adopt Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standard 16 *Leases* (“**HKFRS 16**”) on 1 January 2019 which became effective for financial periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019 and superseded Hong Kong Accounting Standard 17 *Leases* (“**HKAS 17**”). After the application of HKFRS 16, the amount of expenses relating to the leases entered into by the Group as recognised in the Group’s income statement becomes higher than the amount that would be recognised under the superseded HKAS 17. In addition, the weaker economies in Hong Kong and in the PRC affected consumption and retail sentiment in these places which resulted in the Group’s revenue being lower than last year.

Based on the preliminary assessment of the unaudited consolidated management accounts of the Group and information currently available, the Group’s loss attributable to owners of the Company for the six months ended 30 June 2019 increased by approximately HK\$100 million as compared to the corresponding period in 2018 whereas the increase in loss of approximately HK\$35 million for the second half year of 2019 was less than the increase in the first half year of 2019. As a result, the Group is expected to record an increase in loss attributable to owners of the Company by approximately HK\$135 million for the year ended 31 December 2019 as compared to the preceding year. Approximately 80% of the increase in loss in the year is due to the application of HKFRS 16.

The Company is still in the process of preparing and finalising the Group’s results for the year ended 31 December 2019. The information contained in this announcement is only based on a preliminary assessment of the unaudited management accounts of the Group and the information available for the time being. Such information has not been audited or reviewed by the auditors of the Company and may be subject to change. The audited results of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2019 are expected to be announced by the Company in March 2020.

Shareholders and potential investors are advised to exercise caution when dealing in the shares of the Company.

By Order of the Board
AEON Stores (Hong Kong) Co., Limited
Yuki HABU
Chairman

Hong Kong, 7 February 2020

As at the date of this announcement, the Executive Directors are Mr. Isei Nakagawa, Mr. Chak Kam Yuen, Mr. Lau Chi Sum Sam and Mr. Takenori Nagashima; the Non-executive Directors are Ms. Yuki Habu and Mr. Akinori Yamashita; and the Independent Non-executive Directors are Ms. Chan Yi Jen Candi Anna, Ms. Lo Miu Sheung, Betty, Mr. Chow Chi Tong and Mr. Hideto Mizuno.