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FORNTON GROUP LIMITED

豐臨集團有限公司

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 1152)

VOLUNTARY ANNOUNCEMENT STATUS OF APPLICATION FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF A FINANCE LEASING COMPANY

Reference is made to the announcement of Fornton Group Limited (the “**Company**”) dated 30 December 2013. The Company is in the application process of setting up a wholly foreign owned enterprise, namely 山西華威融資租賃有限公司 (Shanxi Huawei Finance Leasing Company Limited*) (the “**WFOE**”) in the People’s Republic of China (the “**PRC**”) through Sino Top Capital Resources Limited (“**Sino Top**”), an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, to carry out finance leasing business in the PRC.

The board of directors of the Company is pleased to announce that the Shanxi Provincial People’s Government (山西省人民政府) has issued the certificate of approval in respect of the establishment of the WFOE (the “**Certificate**”) on 10 January 2014. According to the Certificate, the establishment of the WFOE has been approved. The registration capital of the WFOE is US\$35,000,000 (equivalent to approximately HK\$272.3 million) which has not been paid up as at the date of this announcement. The approved business scope of the WFOE includes finance leasing business; leasing business; purchasing of leased assets at domestic and overseas market; disposal of residual value and maintenance of leased assets; provision of consultation and guarantees for lease transactions; import and export of equipment (excluding the commodities subject to the State-run trade management; with regard to the commodities subject to quota and license management, applications shall be made in accordance with the relevant regulations of the State); automatic system engineering, software system engineering and etc.; technological consulting services and etc. The approved business operation period is 30 years commencing from the date of the issuance of the business license. Sino Top is required to attend the registration formalities with the relevant administrative authority for industry and commence within 30 days from the date of collection of the Certificate.

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By order of the Board
Fornton Group Limited
Yam Tak Cheung
Chairman

Hong Kong, 10 January 2014

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises five executive Directors, namely, Mr. Yam Tak Cheung (Chairman), Ms. Wong Kan Kan Kandy, Mr. Wong Tat Wai Derek, Mr. Zheng Qiang and Mr. Han Hanting, one non-executive Director, namely, Mr. Chan Yee, Herman and three independent non-executive Directors, namely, Mr. Wang Wei Hung Andrew, Mr. Cheng Dickson and Mr. Sin Ka Man.

* *For identification purposes only*