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## **HKE Holdings Limited**

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 1726)

# (1) REDESIGNATION OF DIRECTOR AND (2) APPOINTMENT OF NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

### **REDESIGNATION OF DIRECTOR**

The board (the "**Board**") of directors (the "**Directors**" and each a "**Director**") of HKE Holdings Limited (the "**Company**" and together with its subsidiaries, the "**Group**") is pleased to announce that with effect from 19 January 2022, Mr. Lin Ho Man ("**Mr. Lin**") has been redesignated from a non-executive Director to an executive Director. Mr. Lin has been the chairman of the Board and a non-executive Director since 1 June 2021.

Mr. Lin Ho Man, aged 29, has extensive experience in investment and management in various companies. Mr Lin is the founder of Monmonkey Group Holdings Limited (the "Monmonkey Group"), Monmonkey Group's vision is to become a financial technology enterprise that provides one-stop financial services, its subsidiaries are holding the SFC license for Types 1, 4 and 9 regulated activities. Mr. Lin is also the chairman of Ever Royal International Limited with its major business engaged in overseas real estate investment. Other than the positions described above, he is also a member of the 6th Election committee of Hong Kong, a member of the 13th committee of the All-China Youth Federation, the 9th honorary chairman of the Kowloon Federation of Associations, a member of the 64th committee of the Office of the Privacy Commissioner for Personal Data, a director of the year 2021/2022 of Tung Wah Group of Hospitals, the 4th vice president of the Hong Kong CPPCC Youth Association, the 14th deputy secretary general and a member of the executive committee of the Y. Elites Association, a member of the 12th committee of the Jiangsu Youth Federation (Hong Kong and Macao), the 29th executive director of Hong Kong United Youth Association, the 8th honorary director of the South District Youth Association, vice chairman and a secretary general of the Youth Encouragement Foundation, and honorary director of the University of Hong Kong Foundation.

A service contract has been entered into between Mr. Lin and the Company pursuant to which he was appointed for a term of one year as an executive Director. Mr. Lin will be subject to retirement by rotation and re-election at the annual general meeting of the Company in accordance with the requirements of the articles of association of the Company. Mr. Lin will be entitled to a remuneration of HK\$660,000 per annum for acting as an executive Director, which was determined by the Board upon recommendations by the remuneration committee of the Board with reference to his duties and responsibilities with the Company and the prevailing market conditions and practice.

As at the date of this announcement and within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong) (the "**SFO**"), Mr. Lin is deemed to be interested in 584,000,000 shares of the Company being held by Flourish Nation Enterprises Limited, which is wholly owned by Mr. Lin, representing approximately 60.83% of the entire issued capital of the Company. Mr. Lin is also interested in 800,000 share options of the Company granted under the share option scheme of the Company as at the date of this announcement.

Save as disclosed above, Mr. Lin has not held any other directorship in other public companies the securities of which are listed on any securities market in Hong Kong or overseas for the last three years preceding the date of this announcement.

Save as disclosed above, as at the date of this announcement, Mr. Lin (i) does not have any other major appointments and professional qualifications; (ii) does not hold any other positions in the Company or its subsidiaries; and (iii) does not have any other relationship with any other Directors, senior management, substantial shareholders or controlling shareholders (within the meaning of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules")) of the Company.

Save as disclosed herein, there is no other information relating to the redesignation of Mr. Lin as an executive Director that shall be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51(2) of the Listing Rules nor any matters which need to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company as at the date of this announcement.

#### **APPOINTMENT OF NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS**

The Board is pleased to announce that with effect from 19 January 2022, Mr. Cheng Yiu Mo ("**Mr. Cheng**") and Mr. Lim Kai Jia Kesley ("**Mr. Lim**") have been appointed as non-executive Directors, respectively.

#### Set out below are the biographical details of Mr. Cheng:

Mr. Cheng, aged 58, has been appointed as a non-executive Director. Mr. Cheng has extensive experience in Hong Kong law enforcement and international anti-money laundering, who would bring valuable contributions to the compliance matters of both the existing business and the new business of the Group. Mr. Cheng has been an executive director of Parklin Consultancy Limited, a company engages in anti-money laundering ("AML"), financial crime consultancy and investigative services, since April 2019. Mr. Cheng was retired from the Hong Kong Police Force ("HKPF") in September 2018 with his last position as an assistant commissioner of police. During his service with HKPF, Mr. Cheng was the head of the joint financial intelligence unit of Hong Kong and led the financial investigations unit of the HKPF between 2007 and 2010, during which he oversaw major money laundering investigations, held regular AML trainings for local and overseas law enforcement agents and financial regulators, and organized a series of capacity building initiatives for financial institutions and designated non-financial businesses and professions. He was seconded to the Hong Kong Government Secretariat from 2006 to 2007 where he coordinated the legislative and operational efforts of government departments and regulators on AML, as well as prepared the Financial Action Task Force mutual evaluation on Hong Kong in 2008. He was a member of the Global Agenda Council on Organized Crime of the World Economic Forum from 2012 to 2015. Mr. Cheng has been the financial investigation expert of the Wildlife Justice Commission since 2015. Mr. Cheng obtained a bachelor's degree in science and a master's degree in public administration from the University of Hong Kong ("HKU") in 1986 and 2004, respectively. He has been a part-time lecturer at HKU School of Professional and Continuing Education, focusing on AML compliance for money service operators since 2021.

A letter of appointment has been entered into between Mr. Cheng and the Company pursuant to which he was appointed for a term of one year as a non-executive Director. Mr. Cheng will be subject to retirement by rotation and re-election at the annual general meeting of the Company in accordance with the requirements of the articles of association of the Company. Mr. Cheng will be entitled to a director's fee of HK\$360,000 per annum for acting as a non-executive Director, which was determined by the Board upon recommendations by the remuneration committee of the Board with reference to his duties and responsibilities with the Company and the prevailing market conditions and practice. Save as disclosed above, Mr. Cheng has not held any other directorship in other public companies the securities of which are listed on any securities market in Hong Kong or overseas for the last three years preceding the date of this announcement.

Save as disclosed above, as at the date of this announcement, Mr. Cheng (i) does not have any other major appointments and professional qualifications; (ii) does not have any interests in the shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company within the meaning of the SFO; (iii) does not hold any other position with the Company or other members of the Group; and (iv) does not have any relationships with any directors, senior management, substantial shareholders or controlling shareholders (within the meaning of the Listing Rules) of the Company.

Save as disclosed herein, there is no other information relating to the appointment of Mr. Cheng as a non-executive Director that shall be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51(2) of the Listing Rules nor any matters which need to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company as at the date of this announcement.

#### Set out below are the biographical details of Mr. Lim:

Mr. Lim, aged 26, has been appointed as a non-executive Director. Mr. Lim has been a director of a family office based in the Republic of Singapore (the "Singapore") since 2018. He has approximately seven years of experience in venture capital, private equity and investment banking across Southeast Asia ("SEA"). Mr. Lim has been sitting as an advisory board member of 9 Basil Private Equity Fund, an independent funds management business operating a SEA private equity platform with a focus in Thailand since 2019. Mr. Lim has also been acting as an advisor to Teja Ventures, a Singapore-based venture capital fund management business with a focus across SEA since 2020 and an advisor to Chillchat Holdings, a web 3.0 Create-to-Earn blockchain platform, since 2021. Mr. Lim graduated from Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles, the USA, with a bachelor's degree in finance in 2017.

A letter of appointment has been entered into between Mr. Lim and the Company pursuant to which he was appointed for a term of one year as a non-executive Director. Mr. Lim will be subject to retirement by rotation and re-election at the annual general meeting of the Company in accordance with the requirements of the articles of association of the Company. Mr. Lim will be entitled to a director's fee of HK\$360,000 per annum for acting as a non-executive Director, which was determined by the Board upon recommendations by the remuneration committee of the Board with reference to his duties and responsibilities with the Company and the prevailing market conditions and practice.

Save as disclosed above, Mr. Lim has not held any other directorship in other public companies the securities of which are listed on any securities market in Hong Kong or overseas for the last three years preceding the date of this announcement.

Save as disclosed above, as at the date of this announcement, Mr. Lim (i) does not have any other major appointments and professional qualifications; (ii) does not have any interests in the shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company within the meaning of the SFO; (iii) does not hold any other position with the Company or other members of the Group; and (iv) does not have any relationships with any directors, senior management, substantial shareholders or controlling shareholders (within the meaning of the Listing Rules) of the Company.

Save as disclosed herein, there is no other information relating to the appointment of Mr. Lim as a non-executive Director that shall be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51(2) of the Listing Rules nor any matters which need to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company as at the date of this announcement.

By order of the Board HKE Holdings Limited Chan Wing Hang Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 19 January 2022

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises three executive Directors, namely, Mr. Lin Ho Man, Mr. Tsang Wing Fung and Mr. Koh Lee Huat, two non-executive Directors, namely, Mr. Cheng Yiu Mo and Mr. Lim Kai Jia Kesley and three independent non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Siu Man Ho Simon, Prof. Pong Kam Keung, and Mr. Cheung Kwok Yan Wilfred.