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CHINA CHENGTONG DEVELOPMENT GROUP LIMITED

中國誠通發展集團有限公司

(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 217)

MAJOR TRANSACTION – SALE AND LEASEBACK ARRANGEMENT

SALE AND LEASEBACK ARRANGEMENT

On 25 June 2025, Chengtong Financial Leasing, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, entered into the Sale and Leaseback Agreements with the Lessee, pursuant to which Chengtong Financial Leasing will purchase the Leased Assets from the Lessee and will lease the Leased Assets back to the Lessee for a Lease Term of five (5) years, subject to early termination in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Sale and Leaseback Agreements.

IMPLICATIONS UNDER THE LISTING RULES

As the highest applicable percentage ratio (as defined in the Listing Rules) in respect of the Sale and Leaseback Arrangement exceeds 25% but is less than 100%, the Sale and Leaseback Arrangement constitutes a major transaction of the Company and is subject to the notification, announcement, circular and Shareholders' approval requirements under Chapter 14 of the Listing Rules.

To the best of the Director's knowledge, information and belief, having made all reasonable enquiries, no Shareholder or any of his/her/its close associate(s) (as defined in the Listing Rules) has a material interest in the Sale and Leaseback Arrangement. Thus, no Shareholder is required to abstain from voting if the Company were to convene a general meeting to approve the Sale and Leaseback Arrangement. In light of the foregoing, written Shareholders' approval may be accepted in lieu of holding a general meeting pursuant to Rule 14.44 of the Listing Rules. The Company has obtained written Shareholder's approval in respect of the Sale and Leaseback Arrangement from China Chengtong Hong Kong Company Limited, which is a controlling shareholder (as defined in the Listing Rules) of the Company holding 3,169,656,217 issued shares of the Company, representing approximately 53.14% of the issued share capital of the Company as at the date of this announcement. Accordingly, no general meeting of the Company will be convened for the purpose of approving the Sale and Leaseback Arrangement.

A circular containing, among other things, (i) information on the Sale and Leaseback Arrangement, and (ii) other information required under the Listing Rules will be despatched to the Shareholders on or before 17 July 2025, which is within 15 business days after the publication of this announcement.

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SALE AND LEASEBACK ARRANGEMENT

Date of the Sale and Leaseback Agreements

25 June 2025

Parties

Lessor: Chengtong Financial Leasing

Lessee: Lessee

Subject matter

Subject to the fulfilment of the conditions as set out in the Sale and Leaseback Agreements (including but not limited to the provision of all necessary documents or information by the Lessee evidencing its ownership in the Leased Assets, and the obtaining of all necessary approvals by the Lessee in relation to the Sale and Leaseback Arrangement), Chengtong Financial Leasing will purchase the Leased Assets from the Lessee at a total Purchase Price of RMB300 million (equivalent to HK\$327 million), and the Leased Assets will be leased back to the Lessee for a Lease Term of five (5) years from the date on which the Purchase Price is paid by Chengtong Financial Leasing in respect of the Leased Assets, subject to early termination in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Sale and Leaseback Agreements.

If any of the conditions under the Sale and Leaseback Agreements is not satisfied on or before 31 July, 2025, Chengtong Financial Leasing shall have the right to unilaterally terminate the Sale and Leaseback Agreements.

Purchase Price

The Purchase Price of the Leased Assets was agreed between Chengtong Financial Leasing and the Lessee with reference to the net book value of the Leased Assets of approximately RMB312.23 million (equivalent to approximately HK\$340.33 million). The Leased Assets are not revenue generating assets with identifiable income stream.

The Purchase Price will be satisfied by the general working capital of the Group.

Legal title

Chengtong Financial Leasing owns the legal title of the Leased Assets during the Lease Term.

Lease payment

The total amount of lease payment over the Lease Term is estimated to be approximately RMB323.51 million (equivalent to approximately HK\$352.63 million) which shall be payable by the Lessee to Chengtong Financial Leasing in twenty (20) quarterly installments during the Lease Term.

The total amount of lease payment represents the sum of the lease principal amount (being the amount of Purchase Price to be paid by Chengtong Financial Leasing) and the lease interest which is estimated to be approximately RMB23.51 million (equivalent to approximately HK\$25.63 million).

Service Fee

The Lessee shall pay a one-off service fee of approximately RMB1.53 million (equivalent to approximately HK\$1.67 million) (“**Service Fee**”) to Chengtong Financial Leasing for the preliminary services provided by Chengtong Financial Leasing. The Service Fee is non-refundable.

The lease payment and the Service Fee of the Sale and Leaseback Arrangement have been agreed between the parties after arm’s length negotiation taking into account a number of factors, such as the amount of lease principal, the lease term, the overall return rate attained by the Group having considered the amount of lease interests, the Service Fee and the prevailing market conditions.

Guarantee

The Guarantor has provided a guarantee in favour of Chengtong Financial Leasing as security for all amounts payable by the Lessee under the Sale and Leaseback Agreements including but not limited to liquidated damages, outstanding and prospective lease payments and other payables. The guarantee is irrevocable and continuing in nature.

To the best of the Directors’ knowledge, information and belief, having made all reasonable enquiries, (i) the Guarantor is a directly wholly-owned subsidiary of SASAC of Hebei Province People’s Government; (ii) the Guarantor and its ultimate beneficial owner are Independent Third Parties; and (iii) the Guarantor is principally engaged in the business of sales of steel, furnace materials, metallic and non-metallic ores, coke and refractory materials.

Lessee's right to repurchase the Leased Assets

Upon the Lessee having paid all the lease payments and other payables (if any) to Chengtong Financial Leasing in accordance with the terms of the Sale and Leaseback Agreements, the Lessee shall have the right to repurchase the Leased Assets under the Sale and Leaseback Agreements at a nominal consideration of RMB0.60.

Credit enhancement measures

Depending on the overall risks associated with a sale and leaseback arrangement, Chengtong Financial Leasing may request appropriate credit enhancement measure(s) on a case-by-case basis. Chengtong Financial Leasing will monitor, among others, the financial conditions of the lessee(s) and the security provider(s) (if any) from time to time and may request the lessee(s) to provide security such as the payment of security money and the provision of corporate guarantee to safeguard its interests as the lessor as and when Chengtong Financial Leasing considers necessary.

The Lessee

To the best of the Directors' knowledge, information and belief, after making all reasonable inquiries, and based on the information publicly available as of the date of this announcement, the Lessee is directly owned as to approximately 75.91% by HBIS Company Limited, whose shares are listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange (stock code: 000709), which is in turn 64.30% controlled by the Guarantor, whose ultimate controller is SASAC of Hebei Province People's Government; (ii) the Lessee and its ultimate beneficial owner are Independent Third Parties; and (iii) the Lessee is principally engaged in the business of steel smelting, steel rolling, steel processing, and etc.

REASONS FOR AND BENEFITS OF THE SALE AND LEASEBACK ARRANGEMENT

The Group is principally engaged in leasing, property development and investment, marine recreation services and hotel business as of the date of this announcement. The Group's leasing business is mainly carried out through Chengtong Financial Leasing as its principal business.

The entering into the Sale and Leaseback Arrangement is in the ordinary and usual course of business of Chengtong Financial Leasing and it is expected that Chengtong Financial Leasing will earn an income of approximately RMB25.04 million (equivalent to approximately HK\$27.29 million), being the total of the Service Fee and the lease interest to be received by Chengtong Financial Leasing pursuant to the Sale and Leaseback Arrangement.

In light of the above, the Directors are of the view that the terms of the Sale and Leaseback Arrangement are fair and reasonable and are in the interests of the Company and the Shareholders as a whole.

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DEFINITIONS

In this announcement, the following expressions shall, unless the context requires otherwise, have the following meanings:

“Board”	means the board of Directors
“Chengtong Financial Leasing”	means Chengtong Financial Leasing Company Limited, a company established in the PRC with limited liability and an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company
“Company”	means China Chengtong Development Group Limited, a company incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability, the shares of which are listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange
“Director(s)”	means the director(s) of the Company

“Group”	means the Company and its subsidiaries as at the date of this announcement
“Guarantor”	means HBIS Group Co., Ltd., a state-owned enterprise established in the PRC with limited liability
“HK\$”	means Hong Kong dollar, the lawful currency of Hong Kong
“Hong Kong”	means the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the PRC
“Independent Third Party(ies)”	means third party(ies) independent of the Company and its connected persons (having the meaning ascribed to it under the Listing Rules)
“Lease Term”	means the lease term under the Sale and Leaseback Agreements
“Leased Assets”	means steel production line equipment mainly includes denitrification, desiliconization, acid regeneration, iron-making, testing center and steel rolling air compression equipment, etc
“Lessee”	means HBIS Laoting Iron and Steel Co., Ltd., a state-owned enterprise established in the PRC with limited liability
“Listing Rules”	means the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited
“PRC”	means the People’s Republic of China which, for the purpose of this announcement, excludes Hong Kong, the Macau Special Administrative Region of the People’s Republic of China and Taiwan
“Purchase Price”	means the consideration payable by Chengtong Financial Leasing for the purchase of the Leased Assets from the Lessee
“RMB”	means Renminbi, the lawful currency of the PRC

“Sale and Leaseback Agreements”	means, collectively, the following agreements in respect of the Leased Assets dated 25 June 2025 and signed between Chengtong Financial Leasing and the Lessee:
	(1) leaseback assets transfer agreement; and
	(2) finance lease agreement (sale and leaseback)
“Sale and Leaseback Arrangement”	means the purchase of the Leased Assets by Chengtong Financial Leasing from the Lessee and the leaseback of the Leased Assets to the Lessee pursuant to the terms of the Sale and Leaseback Agreements
“SASAC”	means The State-owned Assets Supervision and Administration Commission
“Shareholder(s)”	means the shareholder(s) of the Company
“Stock Exchange”	means The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited
“%”	means per cent.

In this announcement, amounts quoted in RMB have been converted into HK\$ at the rate of RMB1.00 to approximately HK\$1.09. Such exchange rate has been used, where applicable, for the purpose of illustration only and does not constitute a representation that any amounts were or may have been exchanged at this or any other rates or at all.

The English names of all PRC entities in this announcement are for identification purpose only.

By order of the Board
China Chengtong Development Group Limited
Li Qian
Chairman

Hong Kong, 25 June 2025

As at the date of this announcement, the executive Directors are Mr. Li Qian and Ms. Sun Jie; and the independent non-executive Directors are Mr. Lee Man Chun, Tony, Professor He Jia and Mr. Liu Lei.