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# **CONVENIENCE RETAIL ASIA LIMITED**

# 利亞零售有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 00831)

# PROPOSALS FOR GENERAL MANDATES TO ISSUE AND REPURCHASE SHARES FINAL DIVIDEND RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS AND NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

A notice convening the Annual General Meeting of Convenience Retail Asia Limited (the "Company") to be held at Ground Floor, Hong Kong Spinners Industrial Building, Phases I & II, 800 Cheung Sha Wan Road, Kowloon, Hong Kong on Thursday, 9 May 2019 at 4:00 p.m. is set out on pages 17 to 21 of this circular. Whether or not you are able to attend the Annual General Meeting, you are requested to complete the enclosed form of proxy in accordance with the instructions printed thereon and return it to the Company's Hong Kong branch share registrar, Tricor Abacus Limited, at Level 22, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong, as soon as possible and in any event, not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the Annual General Meeting. Completion and return of the form of proxy will not preclude you from attending and voting at the Annual General Meeting should you so wish.

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## **DEFINITIONS**

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

"AGM"	the annual gene	ral meeting of the	Company to be held

at Ground Floor, Hong Kong Spinners Industrial Building, Phases I & II, 800 Cheung Sha Wan Road, Kowloon, Hong Kong on Thursday, 9 May 2019 at 4:00 p.m., notice of which is set out on pages 17 to 21 of

this circular

"Board" the board of Directors or a duly authorised committee

thereof

"close associate" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Listing Rules

"Company" Convenience Retail Asia Limited, a company

incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability, the Shares of which are listed on the Stock

Exchange

"core connected person" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Listing Rules

"Director(s)" the director(s) of the Company

"Group" the Company and its subsidiaries

"Hong Kong" The Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the

People's Republic of China

"Latest Practicable Date" 26 March 2019, being the latest practicable date prior

to the printing of this circular for ascertaining certain

information contained herein

"Listing Rules" the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the

Stock Exchange, as amended from time to time

"Memorandum and Articles of

Association"

the memorandum and articles of association of the

Company

"Notice" the notice of the AGM set out on pages 17 to 21 of this

circular

DEFINITIONS					
"SFO"	The Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong), as amended from time to time				
"Share(s)"	ordinary share(s) of HK\$0.10 each in the share capital of the Company				
"Shareholder(s)"	holder(s) of the Share(s) in issue				
"Stock Exchange"	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited				

"Takeovers Code" The Code on Takeovers and Mergers

"HK\$" and "HK cents" Hong Kong dollar and cents respectively, the lawful

currency of Hong Kong

"%" per cent



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#### **Executive Directors:**

Richard YEUNG Lap Bun (Chief Executive Officer)
PAK Chi Kin (Chief Operating Officer)

#### Non-executive Directors:

Victor FUNG Kwok King (Chairman)
William FUNG Kwok Lun
Godfrey Ernest SCOTCHBROOK
Benedict CHANG Yew Teck

# Independent Non-executive Directors:

Malcolm AU Man Chung Anthony LO Kai Yiu ZHANG Hongyi Sarah Mary LIAO Sau Tung

#### Malaalm All Man Chung

3 April 2019

To Shareholders

Dear Sirs or Madams,

# PROPOSALS FOR GENERAL MANDATES TO ISSUE AND REPURCHASE SHARES FINAL DIVIDEND RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS AND NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

# INTRODUCTION

The purposes of this circular are to give you notice of the AGM, and information on certain matters to be dealt with at the AGM, which include (i) grant of general mandates to issue and repurchase Shares; (ii) payment of final dividend; and (iii) re-election of Directors.

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#### GENERAL MANDATES TO ISSUE AND REPURCHASE SHARES

At the annual general meeting of the Company held on 10 May 2018, general and unconditional mandates were given to the Directors to allot, issue and deal with additional Shares and to repurchase Shares. These mandates will lapse at the conclusion of the AGM.

The Directors believe that the renewal of such general mandates is in the interests of the Company and the Shareholders. Accordingly, the following ordinary resolutions will be proposed at the AGM to give Directors general and unconditional mandates to exercise powers of the Company to issue and to repurchase Shares:

- (i) an ordinary resolution (resolution 5) to give the Directors a general and unconditional mandate to allot, issue and deal with additional Shares not exceeding (a) 10% of the number of issued Shares as at the date of the AGM (the "Issue Mandate") plus (b) (if the Directors are so authorised by a separate resolution (resolution 7) of the Shareholders) the number of Shares repurchased by the Company subsequent to the passing of such resolution by the Shareholders as described below (collectively the "Issue Mandates"); and
- (ii) an ordinary resolution (resolution 6) to give the Directors a general and unconditional mandate to repurchase Shares not exceeding 10% of the number of issued Shares as at the date of the AGM (the "Repurchase Mandate").

Based on 762,564,974 Shares in issue as at the Latest Practicable Date and assuming no Shares are issued or repurchased before the AGM, the Company would be allowed to issue a maximum of 76,256,497 Shares under the Issue Mandate and to repurchase a maximum of 76,256,497 Shares under the Repurchase Mandate.

Shareholders are invited to refer to the Notice set out on pages 17 to 21 of this circular for full text of the abovementioned ordinary resolutions in relation to the Issue Mandates and Repurchase Mandate. The explanatory statement required under rule 10.06(1)(b) of the Listing Rules containing all the information reasonably necessary to enable the Shareholders to make an informed decision on whether to vote for or against the ordinary resolution in relation to the Repurchase Mandate is set out in Appendix I of this circular.

#### FINAL DIVIDEND

The Board has recommended a final dividend of 17 HK cents per Share subject to Shareholders' approval at the AGM.

# **Record Dates and Closure of Register of Members**

Hong Kong	Time
	2019
For determining Shareholder's right to attend and vote at AGM:	
Latest time to lodge transfer documents with share registrar (i) 4:30 p.m., 3	3 May
Record Date (ii)	3 May
For determining Shareholder's entitlement to the proposed final dividend:	
Latest time to lodge transfer documents with share registrar (i) 4:30 p.m., 15	5 May
Closure of Register of Members (iii)	7 May
(both days inclu	usive)
Record Date (ii)	7 May
Expected despatch date of dividend warrants	3 May

#### Remarks:

- (i) To be eligible to attend and vote at the AGM, and to be entitled to the final dividend, all transfers accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged for registration with the Company's Hong Kong branch share registrar, Tricor Abacus Limited, at Level 22, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong, no later than the respective latest time mentioned above.
- (ii) Shareholders who are eligible to attend and vote at the AGM are those whose names appear on the Register of Members of the Company as at the close of business on Friday, 3 May 2019.
  - Shareholders who are entitled to the final dividend are those whose names appear on the Register of Members of the Company as at the close of business on Friday, 17 May 2019.
- (iii) No transfer of Shares will be registered during the closure of Register of Members.

#### **RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

#### **Process for Nomination of Director**

A Director Nomination Policy has been adopted by the Board in November 2018. The Board has the ultimate responsibility for the selection, appointment and re-appointment of Directors. The Nomination Committee is delegated with the duties to, inter alia, review the composition of the Board. When necessary, the Nomination Committee will identify, select and nominate suitable candidates for appointment as new Director(s), and make recommendations on the re-appointment of incumbent Directors in accordance with the said policy.

When recommending any candidate for directorship, the Nomination Committee will consider various factors including, but not limited to, the potential contribution that the candidate can bring to the Board in terms of qualifications, skills and experience, the candidate must have sufficient time available for the proper performance of Director's duties, the candidate should be of high ethical character with reputation for integrity, the candidate will contribute optimally to diversity, and so forth.

The search process for candidates can be undertaken by the Nomination Committee itself, through referral from various sources, or by the Company's advisors and professional search consultants. The Nomination Committee will then develop a short list of potential candidates for the Board to agree on a preferred candidate.

After the Board has made the appointment, the newly appointed Director is subject to election by shareholders at the first general meeting following the appointment.

Non-executive Directors were appointed for an initial term of three years and will continue in office thereafter subject to termination by not less than three months' prior notice in writing by either party to the other. In addition, pursuant to Article 87 of the Company's Articles of Association, at each annual general meeting one-third of the Directors shall retire from office by rotation and every Director shall be subject to retirement by rotation at least once every three years.

Accordingly, Dr Victor Fung Kwok King, Mr Zhang Hongyi, Mr Godfrey Ernest Scotchbrook and Mr Pak Chi Kin will retire at the AGM, and being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

#### **Recommendation of the Nomination Committee**

On 13 March 2019, the Nomination Committee, having reviewed the Board's composition, recommended Dr Victor Fung Kwok King, Mr Zhang Hongyi, Mr Godfrey Ernest Scotchbrook and Mr Pak Chi Kin to the Shareholders for re-election at the AGM. Dr Victor Fung Kwok King and Mr Zhang Hongyi, who are members of the Nomination Committee, abstained from voting at the Committee meeting when their own nomination were being considered.

The nominations were made in accordance with the Nomination Policy and the objective criteria (including without limitation, professional experience, skills and knowledge), and with due regard to the Board Diversity Policy of the Company.

The Nomination Committee has also taken into account the annual written confirmation provided by Mr Zhang Hongyi to the Company regarding his independence in accordance with Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules, his valuable contribution to the Board and commitment to his role. As an Independent Non-executive Director with extensive knowledge and experience in banking and finance industries as well as in business management in the Pearl River Delta region, after assessment by the Nomination Committee, the Board is of the view that Mr Zhang continues to be independent and provides valuable contributions, relevant insights and can contribute to the diversity of the Board in addition to his ability to fulfill his role as required and thus recommends him to be re-elected.

Details of the Directors who are proposed to be re-elected at the AGM are set out in Appendix II of this circular.

Under resolution 3 in the Notice, the re-election of Directors will be individually voted on by the Shareholders.

#### NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Notice is set out on pages 17 to 21 of this circular.

A form of proxy for use at the AGM is enclosed with this circular. A member entitled to attend and vote at the AGM may appoint one or more proxies to attend and vote instead of him/her. Whether or not you intend to be present at the AGM, you are requested to complete the form of proxy in accordance with the instructions printed thereon and return it to the Company's Hong Kong branch share registrar, Tricor Abacus Limited, at Level 22, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong, not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the AGM. Completion and return of the form of proxy will not preclude you from attending and voting at the AGM should you so wish.

## VOTING

Pursuant to Rule 13.39 of the Listing Rules, all votes of the Shareholders at general meetings must be taken by poll. Chairman of the AGM will therefore demand a poll for every resolution put to the vote of the AGM. Pursuant to Article 66 of the Company's Articles of Association, a poll can be demanded:

- (i) by the chairman of such meeting; or
- (ii) by at least three members present in person or in the case of a member being a corporation by its duly authorised representative or by proxy for the time being entitled to vote at the meeting; or

- (iii) by a member or members present in person or in the case of a member being a corporation by its duly authorised representative or by proxy and representing not less than one-tenth of the total voting rights of all members having the right to vote at the meeting; or
- (iv) by a member or members present in person or in the case of a member being a corporation by its duly authorised representative or by proxy and holding Shares in the Company conferring a right to vote at the meeting being Shares on which an aggregate sum has been paid up equal to not less than one-tenth of the total sum paid up on all Shares conferring that right; or
- (v) if required by the rules of the designated stock exchange, by any Director or Directors who, individually or collectively, hold proxies in respect of Shares representing 5% or more of the total voting rights at such meeting.

The results of the poll will be published on the websites of the Company at www.cr-asia.com and HKExnews at www.hkexnews.hk following the AGM.

#### RECOMMENDATION

The Directors believe that the proposals mentioned above, among others, the proposals for the grant of the Issue Mandates and the Repurchase Mandate, are in the interests of the Company and the Shareholders. Accordingly, the Board recommends you to vote in favour of all these resolutions to be proposed at the AGM.

Yours faithfully
Victor FUNG Kwok King
Chairman

This appendix serves as an explanatory statement, as required by the Listing Rules, to provide requisite information to the Shareholders for their consideration of the Repurchase Mandate.

#### SHARE CAPITAL

As at the Latest Practicable Date, the total number of issued Shares was 762,564,974 Shares. Subject to the passing of resolution 6 approving the Repurchase Mandate as set out in the Notice on pages 17 to 21 of this circular and on the basis that no Shares are issued or repurchased prior to the AGM, the Company would be allowed under the Repurchase Mandate to repurchase a maximum of 76,256,497 Shares until (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company; or (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the Memorandum and Articles of Association or any applicable laws of the Cayman Islands to be held; or (iii) the revocation or variation by an ordinary resolution of the Shareholders in general meeting, whichever is the earliest.

#### REASONS FOR REPURCHASE

A repurchase of Shares may, depending on market conditions and funding arrangements at the time, lead to an enhancement of the net asset value of the Company and/or its earnings per Share and will only be made when the Directors believe that such purchase will be to the benefit of the Company and the Shareholders.

#### **FUNDING OF REPURCHASES**

The Directors propose that repurchases of Shares under the Repurchase Mandate will be financed from the Company's distributable profits or proceeds of a new issue of Shares made for such purpose. In repurchasing Shares, the Company may only apply funds legally available for such purposes in accordance with its Memorandum and Articles of Association and the applicable laws of the Cayman Islands.

It is envisaged that a repurchase of Shares pursuant to the Repurchase Mandate (including repurchase of the maximum number of Shares under such mandate effected in full at any time during the period of the mandate) may have a material adverse impact on the working capital or gearing position of the Company as compared with the position disclosed in the audited financial statements contained in the annual report for the year ended 31 December 2018 but the Directors do not intend to make repurchases pursuant to the Repurchase Mandate to such an extent.

## **DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS**

None of the Directors or (to the best of the knowledge of the Directors having made all reasonable enquiries) any close associates of the Directors have a present intention, in the event that the proposed Repurchase Mandate is approved by the Shareholders, to sell Shares to the Company.

No core connected persons of the Company have notified the Company of a present intention to sell Shares to the Company and no such persons have undertaken not to sell any Shares to the Company in the event that the Repurchase Mandate is granted by the Shareholders.

# **DIRECTORS' UNDERTAKING**

The Directors have undertaken to the Stock Exchange that, so far as the same may be applicable, they will exercise the power of the Company to make purchases pursuant to the Repurchase Mandate in accordance with the Listing Rules, the Memorandum and Articles of Association and the applicable laws of the Cayman Islands.

#### SHARE PRICE

The highest and lowest prices at which Shares were traded on the Stock Exchange in each of the twelve months prior to the Latest Practicable Date were as follows:

	Share prices (per share)	
	Highest	Lowest
	HK\$	HK\$
2018		
	2.00	2.61
March	3.90	3.61
April	3.83	3.63
May	3.70	3.39
June	3.58	3.26
July	3.57	3.25
August	3.64	3.40
September	3.60	3.39
October	3.45	3.20
November	3.44	3.20
December	3.49	3.36
2019		
January	3.58	3.26
February	3.68	3.40
March (up to the Latest Practicable Date)	4.04	3.52

#### **TAKEOVERS CODE**

If as a result of a share repurchase a Shareholder's proportionate interest in the voting rights of the Company increases, such increase will be treated as an acquisition for the purpose of the Takeovers Code. Accordingly, a Shareholder or a group of Shareholders acting in concert could obtain or consolidate control of the Company and become obliged to make a mandatory general offer in accordance with Rule 26 of the Takeovers Code.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Fung Retailing Limited is directly interested in approximately 41% of the Company's issued Shares and is one of the substantial Shareholders (as defined in Rule 1.01 of the Listing Rules). Based on the said interests of Fung Retailing Limited in the issued Shares as at the Latest Practicable Date, in the event that the Directors exercise in full the power to repurchase Shares in accordance with the terms of the resolution to be proposed at the AGM, the interests of Fung Retailing Limited in the issued Shares will be increased from approximately 41% to approximately 45% and they would be obliged to make a mandatory general offer under Rule 26 of the Takeovers Code as a result of such increase. The Directors have no intention to exercise the Repurchase Mandate to such extent that would give rise to an obligation on the part of Fung Retailing Limited to make a mandatory general offer under Rule 26 of the Takeovers Code.

## SHARE REPURCHASE MADE BY THE COMPANY

No purchases have been made by the Company of its Shares (on the Stock Exchange or otherwise) in the six months prior to the Latest Practicable Date.

The following are the details of Dr Victor Fung Kwok King, Mr Zhang Hongyi, Mr Godfrey Ernest Scotchbrook and Mr Pak Chi Kin, all of whom will retire at the AGM in accordance with Article 87 of the Company's Articles of Association and being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

# Victor FUNG Kwok King

Dr Fung, aged 73, brother of Dr William Fung Kwok Lun, has been a Non-executive Director of the Company since 3 January 2001. Dr Fung is Group Chairman of the Fung Group, a Hong Kong-based multinational which comprises major operating groups engaging in trading, logistics, distribution and retailing. They include publicly listed Li & Fung Limited, Global Brands Group Holding Limited and the Company, and other privately held entities. Dr Fung has become Honorary Chairman of Li & Fung Limited after stepping down as its Group Chairman since May 2012. He is also a director of King Lun Holdings Limited, Fung Holdings (1937) Limited and Fung Retailing Limited, which are substantial Shareholders. Dr Fung holds Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Electrical Engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and a Doctorate in Business Economics from Harvard University.

Dr Fung is an independent non-executive director of Chow Tai Fook Jewellery Group Limited and Koç Holding A.Ş.. He has been an independent non-executive director of Chow Tai Fook Jewellery Group Limited (Hong Kong), a company listed on the Stock Exchange, since November 2011 and Koç Holding A.Ş. (Turkey) since 2011. He was independent non-executive director of Kerry Properties Limited (May 1996-August 2003), Orient Overseas (International) Limited (July 1996-April 2009), Hysan Development Company Limited (July 1998-May 2003), Sun Hung Kai Properties Limited (May 1999-December 2007), PCCW Limited (October 2000-May 2007), BOC Hong Kong (Holdings) Limited (June 2002-June 2014), and a non-executive director of Trinity Limited (December 2006-August 2018), all of which are listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange. Dr Fung was also an independent non-executive director of CapitaLand Limited, a company listed on the Singapore Stock Exchange, between May 2005 and April 2010.

Dr Fung is Chairman of the Advisory Board of the Asia Global Institute at The University of Hong Kong, a multi-disciplinary think-tank to assume and carry forward the mission and operations of Fung Global Institute, of which Dr Fung was Founding Chairman (July 2010-June 2015). In public service, Dr Fung has also been an Advisor of the Infrastructure Financing Facilitation Office of The Hong Kong Monetary Authority since 2016 and a member of the Chief Executive's Council of Advisers on Innovation and Strategic Development since March 2018. He is also Chairman of the 2022 Foundation, a non-profit entity focused on research into Hong Kong's long-term competitiveness. Formerly, he was a member of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference (2003-2018), Chairman of the Hong Kong Trade Development Council (1991-2000), the Hong Kong representative on the APEC Business Advisory Council (1996-2003), Chairman of the Hong Kong Airport Authority (1999-2008), Chairman of The Council of The

University of Hong Kong (2001-2009), Chairman of the Greater Pearl River Delta Business Council (2004-2013), a member of the Commission on Strategic Development of the Hong Kong Government (2005-2012), Chairman of the International Chamber of Commerce (2008-2010), a vice chairman of China Centre for International Economic Exchanges (2009-2014), a member of WTO Panel on Defining the Future of Trade (2012-2013) and Chairman of the Steering Committee on the Hong Kong Scholarship for Excellence Scheme (2014-2018).

In 2003 and 2010, the Hong Kong Government awarded Dr Fung the Gold Bauhinia Star and the Grand Bauhinia Medal respectively for his distinguished service to the community.

Save as disclosed above, Dr Fung does not hold any other position with the Group nor hold any directorships in any other listed public companies in Hong Kong or overseas in the last three years and has no other relationship with any Directors, senior management or substantial or controlling Shareholders.

Dr Fung has not entered into any service contract with the Company nor any of its subsidiaries. Each Director is entitled to a director's fee in such an amount as determined by the Board and approved by the Shareholders from time to time with reference to the range of remuneration of other companies listed on the Stock Exchange with similar business nature and market capitalisation, pro rata to the period during which he/she has held office. For the year ended 31 December 2018, each Non-executive Director was paid a director's fee of HK\$200,000 and an additional fee of HK\$50,000 and HK\$70,000 for serving as a member of each of (a) Remuneration Committee and (b) Audit Committee respectively. Chairman of each of (a) Remuneration Committee or Nomination Committee and (b) Audit Committee was also paid an additional fee of HK\$60,000 and HK\$70,000 respectively.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Dr Fung is deemed to have interests in 311,792,000 Shares within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

# ZHANG Hongyi

Mr Zhang, aged 73, has been an Independent Non-executive Director of the Company since 1 July 2012. Mr Zhang is a Senior Economist and a Fellow of the Hong Kong Institute of Bankers, graduated from Peking Institute of Foreign Trade and retired from Bank of China. He is currently a Council Member of China Development Institute (Shenzhen) and an independent non-executive director of Bank of East Asia (China) Limited. He previously served as the President of Shenzhen Branch of Bank of China, Vice Mayor of Shenzhen Municipal Government, Deputy C.E.O. of Hong Kong & Macau Regional Office of Bank of China, Chairman of Nanyang Commercial Bank, Limited, Chairman of Hua Chiao Commercial Bank Ltd., Vice Chairman of BOC Credit Card (International) Limited, General Manager of Macau branch of Bank of China, Managing Director of Banco Tai Fung, Chairman of Nam Tung Trust & Investment Co. Ltd., Chairman of Nantong Bank Ltd. (Zhuhai), Executive Vice President of China Development Institute (Shenzhen), a director of Henderson (China) Investment Company Limited, an independent non-executive director of Shenzhen Rural Commercial Bank Limited, Shenzhen Overseas Chinese Town Co., Ltd. (listed on the Shenzhen Stock Exchange) and Ping An Insurance (Group) Company of China, Ltd. (listed on Hong Kong and Shanghai Stock Exchanges), and a non-executive director of Inter-Citi Minerals Inc. (listed on the Canadian Stock Exchange).

Save as disclosed above, Mr Zhang does not hold any other position with the Group nor hold any directorships in any other listed public companies in Hong Kong or overseas in the last three years and has no other relationship with any Directors, senior management or substantial or controlling Shareholders.

Mr Zhang has not entered into any service contract with the Company nor any of its subsidiaries. Each Director is entitled to a director's fee in such an amount as determined by the Board and approved by the Shareholders from time to time with reference to the range of remuneration of other companies listed on the Stock Exchange with similar business nature and market capitalisation, pro rata to the period during which he/she has held office. For the year ended 31 December 2018, each Independent Non-executive Director was paid a director's fee of HK\$200,000 and an additional fee of HK\$50,000 and HK\$70,000 for serving as a member of each of (a) Remuneration Committee or Nomination Committee and (b) Audit Committee and (b) Audit Committee was also paid an additional fee of HK\$60,000 and HK\$70,000 respectively.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Mr Zhang does not have any interests in the securities of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

# **Godfrey Ernest SCOTCHBROOK**

Mr Scotchbrook, aged 73, prior to re-designation as Non-executive Director of the Company on 3 August 2005, was an Independent Non-executive Director since November 2002. Mr Scotchbrook presently serves as an independent director of Del Monte Pacific Limited and Del Monte Foods, Inc. (companies engaged in the production, marketing and distribution of premium branded beverage and/or food products) and an independent non-executive director of Boustead Singapore Limited (a company engaged in engineering services and geo-spatial technology) in Singapore. Mr Scotchbrook is the Founder of Scotchbrook Communications Ltd., a firm specialising in investor relations, issues management, corporate positioning and public affairs; and is a veteran in corporate governance. He is a Fellow of the Hong Kong Management Association and also of the British Chartered Institute of Public Relations.

Save as disclosed above, Mr Scotchbrook does not hold any other position with the Group nor hold any directorships in any other listed public companies in Hong Kong or overseas in the last three years and has no other relationship with any Directors, senior management or substantial or controlling Shareholders.

Mr Scotchbrook has not entered into any service contract with the Company nor any of its subsidiaries. Each Director is entitled to a director's fee in such an amount as determined by the Board and approved by the Shareholders from time to time with reference to the range of remuneration of other companies listed on the Stock Exchange with similar business nature and market capitalisation, pro rata to the period during which he/she has held office. For the year ended 31 December 2018, each Non-executive Director was paid a director's fee of HK\$200,000 and an additional fee of HK\$50,000 and HK\$70,000 for serving as a member of each of (a) Remuneration Committee or Nomination Committee and (b) Audit Committee and (b) Audit Committee was also paid an additional fee of HK\$60,000 and HK\$70,000 respectively.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Mr Scotchbrook does not have any interests in the securities of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.

## **PAK Chi Kin**

Mr Pak, aged 60, has over 20 years of experience in the retailing and food distribution business and has been a Director of the Company since 10 March 2011. He is currently the Chief Operating Officer of the Group responsible for overseeing the Circle K operations of Hong Kong and providing strategic guidance, leadership support and advice to the operations of the Group jointly with the Chief Executive Officer. Prior to joining the Group in May 1999, Mr Pak was the senior manager at HAVI Food Services Group in charge of the distribution of food products and logistics services to McDonald's Restaurants. Mr Pak graduated from The University of Hong Kong with a Bachelor's degree of Science in Engineering, and also holds a Master's degree of Science in Engineering from The University of Hong Kong. Mr Pak is a member of the executive committee of the Hong Kong Retail Management Association.

Apart from serving as director of certain subsidiaries of the Company, Mr Pak does not hold any other position with the Group and save as disclosed above, does not hold any directorships in any other listed public companies in Hong Kong or overseas in the last three years and has no other relationship with any Directors, senior management or substantial or controlling Shareholders.

According to Mr Pak's terms of employment, he will continue in office subject at all times to termination by not less than three months' prior notice in writing by either party to the other. Mr Pak is entitled to a basic salary and other benefits in kind in the total sum of about HK\$3.3 million per annum. He will also be paid an incentive bonus, the computation of which is based on the Company's consolidated profit before tax and may, at the discretion of the Board, be also granted share options pursuant to the share option scheme as part of the remuneration package. The remuneration of Mr Pak is determined on the basis of his relevant experience, responsibility and contribution to the business development of the Group.

Each Director is also entitled to a director's fee in such amount as determined by the Board and approved by the Shareholders from time to time with reference to the range of remuneration of other companies listed on the Stock Exchange with similar business nature and market capitalisation, pro rata to the period during which he/she has held office. For the year ended 31 December 2018, each Executive Director was paid a director's fee of HK\$200,000.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Mr Pak is interested in 1,134,000 Shares and share options with the right to subscribe for 4,000,000 Shares within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.



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**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT** the Annual General Meeting of Convenience Retail Asia Limited (the "Company") will be held at Ground Floor, Hong Kong Spinners Industrial Building, Phases I & II, 800 Cheung Sha Wan Road, Kowloon, Hong Kong on Thursday, 9 May 2019 at 4:00 p.m. (or, in the event that a black rainstorm warning signal or tropical cyclone warning signal no. 8 or above is in force in Hong Kong at 1:00 p.m. on that day, at the same place on Friday, 10 May 2019 at 4:00 p.m.) for the following purposes:

- 1. To receive and adopt the Audited Consolidated Financial Statements and the Reports of the Directors and the Auditor of the Company and its subsidiaries for the year ended 31 December 2018.
- 2. To declare a final dividend for the year ended 31 December 2018.
- 3. To re-elect the following Directors:
  - (a) Dr Victor FUNG Kwok King;
  - (b) Mr ZHANG Hongyi;
  - (c) Mr Godfrey Ernest SCOTCHBROOK; and
  - (d) Mr PAK Chi Kin.
- 4. To re-appoint PricewaterhouseCoopers as Auditor and authorise the Board to fix their remuneration.

As special business, to consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolutions as ordinary resolutions:

#### 5. **"THAT**:

(a) subject to paragraph (c) of this Resolution, the exercise by the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all

the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with additional shares in the share capital of the Company (the "Shares") and to make or grant offers, agreements and options which might require the exercise of such powers be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;

- (b) the approval in paragraph (a) of this Resolution shall authorise the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period to make or grant offers, agreements and options which might require the exercise of such powers after the end of the Relevant Period;
- the number of Shares allotted, issued or dealt with or agreed conditionally (c) or unconditionally to be allotted, issued or dealt with (whether pursuant to an option or otherwise) by the Directors of the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) of this Resolution, otherwise than pursuant to (i) a Rights Issue (as hereinafter defined); or (ii) the exercise of options under any share option schemes adopted by the Company or similar arrangement for the time being adopted by the Company; or (iii) any scrip dividend or similar arrangement providing for the allotment of Shares in lieu of the whole or part of a dividend on Shares in accordance with the Articles of Association of the Company in force from time to time; or (iv) the exercise of rights of subscription or conversion under the terms of any existing warrants of the Company or any existing securities of the Company which are convertible into Shares, shall not exceed 10% of the number of issued Shares on the date of the passing of this Resolution, and the authority pursuant to paragraph (a) of this Resolution shall be limited accordingly; and
- (d) for the purpose of this Resolution,

"Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this Resolution until whichever is the earliest of:

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company, or any applicable laws of the Cayman Islands, to be held; and
- (iii) the date on which the authority set out in this Resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting.

"Rights Issue" means an offer of Shares, warrants, options or other securities which are attached with rights to subscribe for Shares, open for

a period fixed by the Directors of the Company to holders of Shares whose names appear on the register of members of the Company on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such Shares (subject to such exclusion or other arrangements as the Directors of the Company may deem necessary or expedient in relation to fractional entitlements, or having regard to any restrictions or obligations under the laws of, or the requirements of, any recognised regulatory body or any stock exchange in, any territory applicable to the Company)."

#### 6. "THAT:

- (a) subject to paragraph (b) of this Resolution, the exercise by the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all the powers of the Company to repurchase Shares on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") or any other stock exchange on which the Shares may be listed and recognised by the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong and the Stock Exchange for such purpose, subject to and in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Securities and Futures Commission, the Stock Exchange and any such other stock exchange from time to time and all applicable laws in this regard, be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the number of Shares which the Directors of the Company are authorised to repurchase pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) of this Resolution shall not exceed 10% of the number of issued Shares on the date of the passing of this Resolution, and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and
- (c) for the purpose of this Resolution,

"Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this Resolution until whichever is the earliest of:

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company, or any applicable laws of the Cayman Islands, to be held; and
- (iii) the date on which the authority set out in this Resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting."

7. "THAT conditional upon Resolutions 5 and 6 set out above being duly passed, the general mandate granted to the Directors of the Company to exercise the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with Shares pursuant to Resolution 5 be and is hereby extended by the addition to the number of Shares which may be allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted and issued by the Directors of the Company pursuant to such general mandate of the number of Shares repurchased by the Company under the authority granted pursuant to Resolution 6, provided that such a number shall not exceed 10% of the number of issued Shares as at the date of the passing of this Resolution."

By order of the Board
Maria LI Sau Ping
Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 3 April 2019

#### Notes:

- 1. A member entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting may appoint one or more proxies to attend and vote instead of him/her. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
- 2. To be valid, a form of proxy together with any power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed or a notarially certified copy of such power of attorney or authority shall be deposited with share registrar<sup>(i)</sup> not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the Annual General Meeting or any adjourned meeting. This form of proxy is published on the websites of the Company at <a href="https://www.cr-asia.com">www.cr-asia.com</a> and HKExnews at <a href="https://www.hkexnews.hk">www.hkexnews.hk</a>.
- 3. Record Dates and Closure of Register of Members

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	Hong Kong Time 2019
For determining shareholder's right to attend and vote at Annual General Meeting:	
Latest time to lodge transfer documents with share registrar (i)	
Record Date (ii)	3 May
For determining shareholder's entitlement to the proposed final dividend:	
Latest time to lodge transfer documents with share registrar (i) 4	:30 p.m., 15 May
Closure of Register of Members (iii)	16 to 17 May
(bot	th days inclusive)
Record Date (ii)	17 May
Expected despatch date of dividend warrants	28 May

4. Bad weather arrangements:

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday, 9 May 2019 as scheduled regardless of whether or not an amber or red rainstorm warning signal is in force in Hong Kong at any time on that day. However, if a black rainstorm warning signal or a tropical cyclone warning signal no. 8 or above is in force in Hong Kong at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, 9 May 2019, the Annual General Meeting will not be held on that day but will be automatically postponed and, by virtue of this notice, be held at the same place on Friday, 10 May 2019 at 4:00 p.m. instead.

#### Remarks:

- (i) To be eligible to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting, and to be entitled to the final dividend, all transfers accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged for registration with the Company's Hong Kong branch share registrar, Tricor Abacus Limited, at Level 22, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong, no later than the respective latest time mentioned above.
- (ii) Shareholders who are eligible to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting are those whose names appear on the Register of Members of the Company as at the close of business on Friday, 3 May 2019.
  - Shareholders who are entitled to the final dividend are those whose names appear on the Register of Members of the Company as at the close of business on Friday, 17 May 2019.
- (iii) No transfer of Shares will be registered during the closure of Register of Members.