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(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 1233)

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT** the annual general meeting (the "Annual General Meeting") of Times China Holdings Limited (the "Company") will be held at Boardroom II, Level 5, Four Seasons Hotel Hong Kong, 8 Finance Street, Central, Hong Kong on 21 May 2021 (Friday) at 10:00 a.m. for the following purposes:

- 1. to receive and adopt the audited consolidated financial statements of the Company and the reports of the directors and independent auditor of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2020;
- 2. to declare a final dividend for the year ended 31 December 2020 (payable in cash in Hong Kong dollar with scrip option);
- 3. (A) to re-elect the following retiring directors of the Company (the "Directors"):
  - (i) Mr. Guan Jianhui as executive Director:
  - (ii) Mr. Bai Xihong as executive Director; and
  - (iii) Mr. Li Qiang as executive Director;
  - (B) to authorise the board of Directors (the "Board") to fix the remuneration of the Directors;
- 4. to re-appoint Ernst & Young as auditor of the Company to hold office until the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company and to authorise the Board to fix their remuneration for the year ending 31 December 2021;
- 5. to consider and, if thought fit, to pass, with or without modification, the following resolutions as ordinary resolutions:
  - (A) "That:
    - (i) subject to paragraph (iii) below, the exercise by the Directors during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all the powers of the Company to

allot, issue and otherwise deal with additional shares in the capital of the Company (the "Shares"), or options, warrants or similar rights to subscribe for Shares or other securities convertible into Shares and to make or grant offers, agreements and/or options (including bonds, warrants and debentures exchangeable for or convertible into Shares) which may require the exercise of such powers be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;

- (ii) the approval in paragraph (i) above shall be in addition to any other authorisation given to the Directors and shall authorise the Directors during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) to make or grant offers, agreements and/or options (including bonds, warrants and debentures exchangeable or convertible into Shares) which may require the exercise of such power either during and after the end of the Relevant Period;
- (iii) the aggregate number of Shares allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted (whether pursuant to options or otherwise) by the Directors during the Relevant Period pursuant to paragraph (i) of this resolution 5(A) above, otherwise than pursuant to
  - (1) a Rights Issue (as hereinafter defined);
  - (2) the grant or exercise of any option under any share option scheme of the Company (if applicable) or any other option, scheme or similar arrangements for the time being adopted for the grant or issue to the Directors, officers and/or employees of the Company and/or any of its subsidiaries and/or other eligible participants specified thereunder of options to subscribe for Shares or rights to acquire Shares;
  - (3) any scrip dividend or similar arrangement providing for the allotment and issue of Shares in lieu of the whole or part of a dividend on Shares in accordance with the articles of association of the Company; or
  - (4) any issue of Shares upon the exercise of rights of subscription or conversion under the terms of any existing convertible notes issued by the Company or any existing securities of the Company which carry rights to subscribe for or are convertible into Shares, shall not exceed the aggregate of:
    - (a) 20% of the number of issued Shares as at the date of passing this resolution 5; and
    - (b) (if the Board is so authorised by resolution 5(C)) the aggregate number of issued Shares bought back by the Company subsequent to the passing of resolution 5(B) (up to a maximum equivalent to 10% of the number of the issued Shares as at the date of passing resolution 5(B)),

and the approval shall be limited accordingly; and

- (iv) for the purpose of this resolution 5(A):
  - (a) "Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earlier of:
    - (1) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
    - (2) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by any applicable laws or the articles of association of the Company to be held; and
    - (3) the revocation or variation of the authority given under this resolution by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting; and
  - (b) "Rights Issue" means an offer of Shares, or an offer or issue of warrants, options or other securities which carry a right to subscribe for Shares, open for a period fixed by the Directors to holders of Shares whose names appear on the register of members on a fixed record date in proportion to their holdings of Shares (subject to such exclusion or other arrangements as the Directors 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 jurisdiction applicable to the Company, any recognised regulatory body or any stock exchange applicable to the Company)."

## (B) "That:

- (i) subject to paragraph (ii) below, the exercise by the Directors during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all the powers of the Company to buy back Shares on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") or on any other stock exchange on which the Shares may be listed and recognised for this purpose by the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong and the Stock Exchange in accordance with all applicable laws, the Hong Kong Code on Share Buy-backs and the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules"), be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (ii) the aggregate number of the Shares, which may be bought back pursuant to the approval in paragraph (i) above of this resolution 5(B) shall not exceed 10% of the number of the issued Shares as at the date of passing of this resolution 5(B), and the said approval shall be limited accordingly;
- (iii) subject to the passing of each of the paragraphs (i) and (ii) of this resolution 5(B), any prior approvals of the kind referred to in paragraphs (i) and (ii) of this resolution 5(B) which had been granted to the Directors and which are still in effect be and are hereby revoked; and

(iv) for the purpose of this Resolution:

"Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earlier of:

- (a) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (b) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by any applicable laws or the articles of association of the Company to be held; and
- (c) the revocation or variation of the authority given under this resolution by ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting."
- (C) "That conditional upon resolutions 5(A) and 5(B) set out in this notice being passed, the aggregate number of Shares which are bought back by the Company after the date of passing of resolution 5(B) (up to a maximum of 10% of the number of the issued Shares as at the date of passing of resolution 5(B) shall be added to the aggregate number of Shares that may be (or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be) allotted, issued and otherwise dealt with by the Directors pursuant to resolution 5(A)."

By Order of the Board
Times China Holdings Limited
Shum Chiu Hung
Chairman

Hong Kong, 15 April 2021

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## Notes:

- (i) A shareholder entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting is entitled to appoint another person as his/ her proxy to attend and vote instead of him/her. A proxy need not be a shareholder.
- (ii) In the case of joint holders of any share, any one of such persons may vote at the Annual General Meeting, either personally or by proxy, in respect of such share as if he/she were solely entitled thereto. However, if more than one of such joint holders be present at the Annual General Meeting personally or by proxy, the vote of the senior who tenders a vote, whether in person or by proxy, will be accepted to the exclusion of the vote(s) of the other joint holder(s) and for this purpose seniority shall be determined as that one of the said persons so present whose name stands first on the register of members of the Company in respect of such share shall alone be entitled to vote in respect thereof.
- (iii) In order to be valid, a form of proxy must be completed, signed and returned to the Hong Kong share registrar of the Company, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at 17M Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong together with the power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed (or a notarially certified copy thereof) not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for the holding of the Annual General Meeting or any adjournment thereof. The completion and return of the form of proxy shall not preclude the shareholders from attending and voting in person at the Annual General Meeting (or any adjourned meeting thereof) if they so wish.
- (iv) The transfer books and register of members of the Company will be closed from 17 May 2021 (Monday) to 21 May 2021 (Friday), both days inclusive, to determine the entitlement of shareholders to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting, during which period no share transfers can be registered. All transfers accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Hong Kong share registrar of the Company, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at Shops 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong not later than 4:30 p.m. on 14 May 2021 (Friday).
- (v) The transfer books and register of members of the Company will be closed from 27 May 2021 (Thursday) to 31 May 2021 (Monday), both days inclusive, to determine the entitlement of shareholders to receive final dividend, during which period no share transfers can be registered. All transfers accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Hong Kong share registrar of the Company, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at Shops 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong not later than 4:30 p.m. on 26 May 2021 (Wednesday).
- (vi) In respect of ordinary resolution 3 above, Mr. Guan Jianhui, Mr. Bai Xihong and Mr. Li Qiang will retire and be eligible to stand for re-election at the Annual General Meeting. Biographical details of the above retiring Directors standing for re-election are set out in Appendix I to the circular dated 15 April 2021 containing this notice.
- (vii) In respect of the ordinary resolution 5(A) above, the Directors wish to state that they have no immediate plans to issue any new shares of the Company. Approval is being sought from shareholders of the Company as a general mandate for the purposes of the Listing Rules.
- (viii) In respect of ordinary resolution 5(B) above, the Directors wish to state that they will exercise the powers conferred by the general mandate to buy back shares of the Company in circumstances which they deem appropriate for the benefits of shareholders of the Company. The explanatory statement containing the information necessary to enable shareholders of the Company to make an informed decision on whether to vote for or against the resolution to approve the buy-back by the Company of its own shares, as required by the Listing Rules, is set out in Appendix II to the circular dated 15 April 2021 containing this notice.

As at the date of this announcement, the executive directors of the Company are Mr. Shum Chiu Hung, Mr. Guan Jianhui, Mr. Bai Xihong, Mr. Li Qiang, Mr. Shum Siu Hung and Mr. Niu Jimin; and the independent non-executive directors of the Company are Mr. Jin Qingjun, Ms. Sun Hui and Mr. Wong Wai Man.