

# **Melco International Development Limited**

(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability)
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(Stock Code: 200)

### **ANNOUNCEMENT**

The board of directors of the Company is pleased to announce that it has approved the establishment of two share incentive award schemes. The purpose of each of the Share Purchase Scheme and the Share Subscription Scheme is to encourage and facilitate the acquisition and holding of shares in the Company by and for the benefit of such employees of the Company and any Subsidiary. The Shares to be awarded pursuant to the Share Purchase Scheme and/or the Share Subscription Scheme may be awarded in such manner as the Board may determine from time to time in order to recognise the contributions of certain employees, to seek to retain them for the continued operation and development of the Group, and to attract suitable personnel for the further development of the Group. The Share Purchase Scheme utilizes Shares purchased in the market whereas the share Subscription Scheme will subscribe for new Shares. Directors of the Company and any Subsidiary will be entitled to participate in the Share Purchase Scheme but not the Share Subscription Scheme.

#### **Share Purchase Scheme**

The Share Purchase Scheme is a form of share incentive award scheme known as The Melco Share Purchase Scheme Trust. Directors of the Company and any Subsidiary will be entitled to participate in the Share Purchase Scheme. The number of Shares to be issued under the Share Purchase Scheme is limited to two per cent. of the issued share capital of the Company (excluding Shares which have already been transferred to employees on vesting).

# **Share Subscription Scheme**

The Share Subscription Scheme is also a form of a share incentive award scheme known as The Melco Share Award Scheme Trust. Directors of the Company and any Subsidiary will not be entitled to participate in the Share Subscription Scheme. The number of Shares to be issued under the Share Subscription Scheme is limited to two per cent. of the issued share capital of the Company (excluding Shares which have already been transferred to employees on vesting).

No Shareholders' approval is required for the Share Purchase Scheme or the Share Subscription Scheme.

### Introduction

The board of directors of the Company is pleased to announce that it has approved the establishment of two share incentive award schemes. The Share Purchase Scheme utilizes Shares purchased in the market whereas the Share Subscription Scheme will subscribe for new Shares. Directors of the Company and any Subsidiary will be entitled to participate in the Share Purchase Scheme but not the Share Subscription Scheme.

## Purpose of the Share Purchase Scheme and the Share Subscription Scheme

The purpose of each of the Share Purchase Scheme and the Share Subscription Scheme is to encourage and facilitate the acquisition and holding of shares in the Company, by and for the benefit of such employees of the Company and any Subsidiary (excluding Directors of the Company and any Subsidiary in respect of the Share Subscription Scheme). The Shares to be awarded pursuant to the Share Purchase Scheme and/or the Share Subscription Scheme may be awarded in such manner as the Board may determine from time to time in order to recognise the contribution of certain employees, to seek to retain them for the continued operation and development of the Group, and to attract suitable personnel for the further development of the Group.

### SHARE PURCHASE SCHEME

**Duration** A term of 20 years from the date of adoption of the scheme.

Scheme Limit Two per cent. of the ordinary issued share capital of the Company

from time to time (excluding Shares which have already been

transferred to employees on vesting).

Operation The Board may, subject to the Purchase Scheme Rules, from time

to time at its absolute discretion select any employee (including any director of the Company or the Subsidiary) to be a participant in the Share Purchase Scheme. The Board or the Trustee (as the case may be) shall either (1) set aside a sum of money or (2) determine a number of Shares which it wishes to be the subject of a bonus or award under the Share Purchase Scheme. Where a sum of money has been set aside (or a number of Shares has been determined), it shall pay (or cause to be paid) that amount or an amount sufficient to purchase that number of Shares to the Trustee (or as it shall direct) from the Group's resources as soon as practicable following such funds being set aside. Within 15 business days of receiving the amount sufficient to purchase that number of Shares, the Trustee shall apply the same towards the purchase of

Shares on the Stock Exchange.

Vesting and lapse Vesting of the Shares will be conditional on the selected employee remaining an employee of the Company or a Subsidiary until the

vesting date. The Board also has the discretion to stipulate such other conditions in respect of a particular employee which will

apply to the vesting of the Shares.

An award will lapse where the company or the business division by which the selected employee is employed ceases to part of the Group or in the event the selected employee does not deliver the notice of exercise within the prescribed time limit to the Trustee for the purpose of exercising his rights to receive the vested Shares.

Where Shares which are referable to a selected employee do not vest or are not acquired by selected employees in accordance with the above procedures, the Trustee shall hold such Shares or any income deriving therefrom exclusively for the benefit of all selected employees of the Group as the Trustee determines in its absolute discretion, after having taken into consideration recommendations of the Board.

**Termination** 

The Board may by resolution terminate the operation of the Share Purchase Scheme at any time provided that such termination shall not affect any subsisting rights of any selected employee. If, at the date of such termination, the Trustee holds Shares which have not vested, then the Trustee shall within 21 business days of receiving notice of such termination sell such Shares and remit the proceeds of sale (after deductions) to the Company.

#### SHARE SUBSCRIPTION SCHEME

Duration

A term of 20 years from the date of adoption of the scheme.

**Scheme Limit** 

Two per cent. of the ordinary issued share capital of the Company from time to time (excluding Shares which have already been transferred to employees on vesting).

**Operation** 

The Board may, from time to time at its absolute discretion select any employee (excluding any Director of the Company or any Subsidiary) to be a participant of the Share Subscription Scheme. The Board or the Trustee (as the case may be) shall at its discretion either (i) determine a notional cash amount or (ii) determine a number of Shares (the "Number of Awarded Shares") which it wishes to be the subject of an award under the Share Subscription Scheme. Where a notional cash amount has been determined by the Board, the Board shall determine the maximum number of Shares (the "Relevant Number of Shares"), rounded down to the nearest whole number which could be purchased with such notional cash amount on the Stock Exchange at the market price prevailing on the date of the award. The Company shall pay (or cause to be paid) an amount or an amount equal to the par value of either (i) the Relevant Number of Shares (where the Board has determined a notional cash amount) or (ii) the Number of Awarded Shares (where the Board has determined such number) to the Trustee (or as it shall direct) from the Group's resources as soon as practicable in accordance with the Subscription Scheme Rules.

### **Vesting and lapse**

Vesting of the Shares will be conditional on the selected employee remaining an employee of the Company or a Subsidiary until the vesting date. The Board also has the discretion to stipulate such other conditions in respect of a particular employee which will apply to the vesting of the Shares.

An award will lapse where the company or the business division by which the selected employee is employed ceases to part of the Group or in the event the selected employee does not deliver the notice of exercise within the prescribed time limit to the Trustee for the purpose of exercising his rights to receive the vested Shares.

Where Shares which are referable to a selected employee do not vest or are not acquired by selected employees in accordance with the above procedures, the Trustee shall hold such Shares or any income deriving therefrom exclusively for the benefit of all selected employees of the Group as the Trustee determines in its absolute discretion after having taken into consideration recommendations of the Board.

### **Termination**

The Board may by resolution terminate the operation of the Share Subscription Scheme at any time provided that such termination shall not affect any subsisting rights of any employee selected thereunder and provided further that if, at the date of such termination, the Trustee holds any Shares which it has not vested, then the Trustee shall within 21 business days of receiving notice of such termination sell such Shares and remit the proceeds of sale (after deductions) to the Company.

## Other provisions

Neither of the Share Subscription Scheme nor the Share Purchase Scheme constitutes a share option scheme or an arrangement analogous to a share option scheme for the purposes of Chapter 17 of the Listing Rules. The Share Subscription Scheme and the Share Purchase Scheme will comply with all applicable disclosure and other regulations including those set out in the Listing Rules. Each of the Subscription Scheme Rules and the Purchase Scheme Rules state that the number of Shares which may be subscribed under each respective scheme (excluding Shares which have already been transferred to employees on vesting) may not exceed two per cent. of the issued share capital of Company from time to time being (24,569,514 Shares based on the current total issued share capital of the Company of 1,228,475,716 Shares as at today's date). The Board has a discretion to alter this limit (in which case the Company will issue an appropriate announcement), however, the Board believes that this limit is sufficient

for the purpose of operating each of the Share Subscription Scheme and the Share Purchase Scheme. Pursuant to the Share Subscription Scheme, Shares will be issued pursuant to the general mandate to issue shares granted to the Board by ordinary resolution of the Company from time to time.

### **DEFINITIONS**

"Board" the board of Directors of the Company, such committee or

such sub-committee or person(s) delegated with the power and authority by the board of directors of the Company to administer the Share Purchase Scheme or the Share

Subscription Scheme;

"business day" a day (other than a Saturday) on which the Stock Exchange

is open for trading and on which banks are open for business

in Hong Kong;

"Company" Melco International Development Limited, a company

incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability, the Shares

of which are listed on the Stock Exchange;

"Directors" directors of the Company;

"Group" the Company and its Subsidiaries;

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

Exchange;

"Purchase Scheme Rules" the rules relating to the Share Purchase Scheme;

"Purchase Scheme the trust deed to be made between the Company as settlor, Trust Deed"

and the Trustee, as trustee, which deed establishes the Share

Purchase Scheme:

"Share Purchase Scheme" the Share Purchase Scheme whereby awards of Shares may

> be made to employees of the Company or any Subsidiary (such Shares being purchased by the Trustee in the market) pursuant to the Purchase Scheme Trust Deed and the Purchase

Scheme Rules;

"Share Subscription Scheme" the Share Subscription Scheme whereby awards of Shares

> may be made to employees of the Company or any Subsidiary (such Shares being issued to the Trustee) pursuant to the Subscription Scheme Trust Deed and the Subscription Scheme

Rules;

"Shares" shares of HK\$0.50 each in the capital of the Company (or of

such other nominal amount as shall result from a sub-division, consolidation, reclassification or reconstruction of the share

capital of the Company from time to time);

"Stock Exchange" The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited;

"Subscription Scheme Rules" the rules relating to the Share Subscription Scheme;

"Subscription Scheme the trust deed to be made between the Company, as settler,

and the Trustee, as trustee, which deed establishes the Share

Subscription Scheme;

"Subsidiary" a company which is for the time being and from time to time

a subsidiary (within the meaning of the Companies Ordinance (Cap.32 of the Laws of Hong Kong)) of the Company, whether

incorporated in Hong Kong or elsewhere; and

"Trustee" BOCI-Prudential Trustee Limited (which is independent and

not connected with the Company).

By order of the board of
Melco International Development Limited
Tsang Yuen Wai, Samuel

Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 18 October 2007

Trust Deed"

As at the date of this announcement, the board of directors of the Company comprises three Executive Directors; namely, Mr. Ho, Lawrence Yau Lung (Chairman and Chief Executive Officer), Mr. Tsui Che Yin, Frank and Mr. Chung Yuk Man, Clarence (Chief Operating Officer); one Non-executive Director, namely Mr. Ng Ching Wo; and three Independent Non-executive Directors, namely Sir Roger Lobo, Dr. Lo Ka Shui and Mr. Sham Sui Leung, Daniel.