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# Asia Alliance Holdings Limited

亞洲聯盟集團有限公司\*

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)

## **DESPATCH OF CIRCULAR**

The circular (the "Circular") containing, among other things, details of the proposed Capital Reduction, Subdivision, increase in authorised share capital, Rights Issue, the general mandates to issue and repurchase Shares (collectively as "Proposed Transactions"), the advices from the independent board committee and the independent financial adviser in relation to the Rights Issue and the notice of special general meeting ("SGM") has been despatched on 10 February 2004.

The SGM for the purpose of approving the Proposed Transactions will be convened on 4 March 2004. The register of members of the Company will be closed from 1 March 2004 to 4 March 2004 (both dates inclusive) during which period no transfer of Existing Shares will be registered.

Reference is made to the announcement dated 12 January 2004 ("the Announcement") issued by the Company. Capitalised terms used in this announcement shall have the same meanings as those defined in the Announcement unless the context requires otherwise.

### **DESPATCH OF THE CIRCULAR**

The Circular in relation to the proposed Rights Issue encompassing the notice of SGM to consider and, if thought fit, pass the special resolution in respect of the Capital Reduction and Subdivision and the ordinary resolutions in respect of the increase in authorised share capital, the Rights Issue and the general mandates to issue and repurchase Shares has been despatched on 10 February 2004.

#### **REVISION TO PROPOSED INCREASE IN AUTHORISED SHARE CAPITAL**

It was proposed in the Announcement that the authorised share capital of the Company be increased from HK\$300,000,000 to HK\$750,000,000 by the creation of an additional 4,500,000,000 Shares. The proposal has been revised such that the authorised share capital of the Company be increased from HK\$300,000,000 to HK\$650,000,000 by the creation of an additional 3,500,000,000 Shares instead.

#### **CLARIFICATION OF INFORMATION IN THE CIRCULAR**

Your attention is drawn to page iii of the Circular under the section headed "Expected Timetable" where 30 March should reference to Tuesday instead of Monday.

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#### **REVISED EXPECTED TIMETABLE**

The expected timetable relating to the Proposed Transactions is as follows:

Last day of dealings in Existing Shares on a cum-rights basis Wednesday, 25 February
First day of dealings in Existing Shares on an ex-rights basis Thursday, 26 February
Latest time for lodging transfers of Existing Shares in order to qualify for the Rights Issue 4:00 p.m. on Friday, 27 February
Register of members close (both dates inclusive) Monday, 1 March to Thursday, 4 March
Latest time for lodging form of proxy for the SGM 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, 2 March
SGM 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, 4 March
Record Date Thursday, 4 March
Prospectus Documents posted to Qualifying Shareholders Thursday, 4 March
Effective time and date of the Capital Reduction and Subdivision
Commencement of dealings in Shares
First day for free exchange of certificates for Existing Shares for new certificates for Shares Friday, 5 March
Register of members re-opened Friday, 5 March
First day of dealings in nil-paid Rights Shares Monday, 8 March
Latest time for splitting nil-paid Rights Shares 4:00 p.m. on Friday, 12 March
Last day of dealings in nil-paid Rights Shares Wednesday, 17 March
Latest time and date for acceptance of and payment for Rights Shares, the Acceptance Date 4:00 p.m. on Monday, 22 March
Rights Issue becomes unconditional after 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, 24 March

Announcement of results of acceptances of the Rights Issue and excess applications Thursday, 25 Mar	ch
Despatch of refund cheques in respect of wholly or partially unsuccessful excess applications Friday, 26 Mar	ch
Despatch of certificates for fully-paid Rights Shares Friday, 26 Mar	ch
First day of dealings in fully-paid Rights Shares Tuesday, 30 Mar	ch
Last day for free exchange of certificates for Existing Shares for new certificates for Shares Friday, 2 Ap	ril

All time references contained in this announcement refer to Hong Kong local time.

Dates or deadlines of events in the timetable specified in this announcement for (or otherwise in relation to) the Proposed Transactions are for indication purpose only and are subject to changes made by the Company and the Underwriters. Any consequential changes to the above expected timetable will be announced and published.

Any dealings in Existing Shares, Shares or Rights Shares in their nil-paid form are accordingly at the investors' own risk. Any Shareholders or other persons contemplating selling or purchasing Existing Shares, Shares and/or Rights Shares in their nil-paid form who are in any doubt about their position are recommended to consult their professional advisers.

By order of the Board Asia Alliance Holdings Limited Koon Wing Yee President and Chief Executive Officer

Hong Kong, 10 February 2004

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Please also refer to the published version of this announcement in The Standard.