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EASYKNIT INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS LIMITED

永義國際集團有限公司*

(incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 1218)

DISCLOSEABLE TRANSACTION DISPOSAL OF SECURITIES OF INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL BANK OF CHINA LIMITED

The Group disposed on-market a total of 6,920,400 ICBC Shares in a series of transactions conducted on 23 June 2016, at an average price of HK\$4.44 per ICBC Share for an aggregate gross sale proceeds of approximately HK\$30,726,000 (excluding transaction costs).

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THE DISPOSAL

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As the Disposal was made on the market, the Company is not aware of the identities of the purchasers of the ICBC Shares. To the best of the knowledge, information and belief of the Directors, having made all reasonable enquiries, each of the purchasers of the ICBC Shares and their ultimate beneficial owners are third parties independent of the Company and its connected persons (as defined in the Listing Rules).

Assets disposed

The Group disposed of 6,920,400 ICBC Shares, representing approximately 0.0019% of the issued share capital of ICBC (based on the 356,406,257,089 ICBC Shares as at 31 May 2016 according to publicly available information).

Consideration

The aggregate gross sale proceeds of the Disposal is approximately HK\$30,726,000 (excluding transaction costs), which is receivable in cash on settlement. The price for the Disposal represented the market price of the ICBC Shares at the time of the Disposal.

REASONS FOR AND BENEFITS OF THE DISPOSAL

The Group's principal businesses are property investment, property development, securities investment and money lending business.

** for identification purposes only*

The purpose of the Disposal is to obtain a balanced securities investment portfolio. As a result of the Disposal, the Group is expected to recognize a gain of approximately HK\$726,000 which is calculated on the basis of the difference between the acquisition price and the disposal price (exclusive of the transaction costs). The Group intends to use the proceeds of the Disposal for general working capital.

The Disposal was made at market price and the Directors (including the independent non-executive Directors) are of the view that the Disposal will enhance the liquidity of the Company, was fair and reasonable, on normal commercial terms and in the interests of the Company and its Shareholders as a whole.

INFORMATION ON ICBC

ICBC is a joint-stock company incorporated in the PRC with limited liability and the H shares of which are listed on the main board of the Stock Exchange (Stock Code: 1398). According to its company profile made available on the internet, ICBC provides corporate and personal banking, treasury operations, investment banking, asset management, trust, financial leasing and other financial services.

The following information is extracted from the third quarter and annual reports of ICBC:

	For the three months ended 31 March 2016 RMB million	For the year ended 31 December 2015 RMB million	2014 RMB million
Revenue	168,992	668,733	634,858
Profit before taxation	97,922	363,235	361,612
Net profit after taxation attributable to shareholders of ICBC	74,764	277,131	275,811
Total assets	22,883,325	22,209,780	20,609,953

GENERAL

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DEFINITIONS

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

“Board”	the board of Directors
“Company”	Easyknit International Holdings Limited, an exempted company incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability, the shares of which are listed on the main board of Stock Exchange
“Director(s)”	director(s) of the Company
“discloseable transaction”	as defined in the Listing Rules

“Disposal”	the disposal by the Group for a total of 6,920,400 ICBC Shares on 23 June 2016 for a sale gross proceeds of approximately HK\$30,726,000
“Group”	the Company and its subsidiaries
“HK\$”	Hong Kong dollars, the lawful currency of Hong Kong
“Hong Kong”	the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the PRC
“ICBC”	Industrial and Commercial Bank of China Limited, a joint stock company incorporated in the PRC with limited liability, the H shares of which are listed on the main board of the Stock Exchange (Stock code: 1398)
“ICBC Share(s)”	shares in the share capital of ICBC
“Independent Third Party”	third party(ies) independent of the Company and connected persons of the Company
“Listing Rules”	the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange
“percentage ratios”	as defined in the Listing Rules
“PRC”	the People’s Republic of China
“RMB”	Renminbi, the lawful currency of the PRC
“Share(s)”	ordinary share(s) of HK\$0.10 each in the share capital of the Company
“Shareholder(s)”	holder(s) of Shares
“Stock Exchange”	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited
“%”	per cent

By Order of the Board
Easyknit International Holdings Limited
Kwong Jimmy Cheung Tim
President and Chief Executive Officer

Hong Kong, 4 July 2016

As at the date hereof, the Board comprises Mr. Kwong Jimmy Cheung Tim, Ms. Lui Yuk Chu and Ms. Koon Ho Yan Candy as executive directors; Mr. Tse Wing Chiu Ricky and Mr. Lai Law Kau as non-executive directors; and Mr. Tsui Chun Kong, Mr. Jong Koon Sang and Mr. Hon Tam Chun as independent non-executive directors.