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(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability)  
(Stock Code: 388)

## **Notice of Annual General Meeting**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT** the annual general meeting of shareholders of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited (“HKEx”) will be held at the Exchange Auditorium in the Exchange Exhibition Hall of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (“Stock Exchange”) on 1st Floor, One and Two Exchange Square, Central, Hong Kong on Thursday, 23 April 2009 at 4:30pm for the following purposes:

1. To receive and consider the Audited Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2008 together with the Reports of the Directors and Auditor thereon.
2. To declare a Final Dividend.
3. To elect Directors.
4. To re-appoint Auditor and to authorise the Directors to fix their remuneration.

To consider as special business and, if thought fit, pass with or without modification the following resolution as an Ordinary Resolution:

### **Ordinary Resolution**

5. **“THAT:**

- (a) subject to paragraph (b) below, a general mandate be and is hereby unconditionally given to the Directors of HKEx to exercise during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) all powers of HKEx to repurchase shares of HKEx on the Stock Exchange or on any other stock exchange on which the shares of HKEx may be listed and which is recognised by the Securities and Futures Commission and the Stock Exchange for this purpose, subject to and in accordance with all applicable laws and/or the requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited or of any other stock exchange as amended from time to time;
- (b) the aggregate nominal amount of shares which HKEx is authorised to repurchase pursuant to the mandate in paragraph (a) above shall not exceed 10 per cent of the aggregate nominal amount of the issued share capital of HKEx at the date of the passing of this Resolution, and the said mandate 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 earlier of:

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of HKEx;
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of HKEx is required by law to be held; or
- (iii) the passing of an ordinary resolution by shareholders of HKEx in general meeting revoking or varying the authority given to the Directors of HKEx by this Resolution.”

By Order of the Board  
**HONG KONG EXCHANGES AND CLEARING LIMITED**  
**Joseph Mau**  
Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 20 March 2009

Notes:

- (1) A shareholder entitled to attend and vote at the above meeting (or at any adjournment thereof) is entitled to appoint one or more proxies to attend and vote in his/her stead. The proxy needs not be a shareholder of HKEx.
- (2) Where there are joint registered holders of any shares, any one of such persons may vote at the above meeting (or at any adjournment thereof), either personally or by proxy, in respect of such shares as if he/she were solely entitled thereto; but if more than one of such joint holders are present at the above meeting personally or by proxy, that one of the said persons so present whose name stands first on the register of members of HKEx in respect of such shares shall alone be entitled to vote in respect thereof.
- (3) In order to be valid, the proxy form, together with the power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed or a certified copy of that power of attorney or authority (such certification to be made by either a notary public or a solicitor qualified to practise in Hong Kong), must be deposited with HKEx's registrar, Hong Kong Registrars Limited, at Rooms 1806-1807, 18th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the above meeting or adjourned meeting (as the case may be).
- (4) The register of members of HKEx will be closed from Monday, 20 April 2009 to Thursday, 23 April 2009, both dates inclusive, during which period, no transfer of shares will be registered. In order to qualify for the proposed final dividend and be entitled to attend and vote at the above meeting, all properly completed transfer forms accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged for registration with HKEx's registrar, Hong Kong Registrars Limited, at Shops 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong not later than 4:30pm on Friday, 17 April 2009.
- (5) Concerning Resolution 5 of this Notice, the Board wishes to state that there are no immediate plans to repurchase any shares of HKEx pursuant to the relevant general mandate. The general mandate is being sought from shareholders in compliance with the Companies Ordinance and the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Listing Rules").
- (6) There will be two elected Director vacancies to be filled at the above meeting. If a shareholder wishes to nominate a person to stand for election as a Director, (i) his/her notice of intention to propose a resolution; and (ii) a notice executed by the nominated candidate of his/her willingness to be appointed together with (A) the candidate's information as required to be disclosed under Rule 13.51(2) of the Listing Rules, and (B) the candidate's written consent to the publication of his/her personal data, have to be validly served on the Secretary of HKEx, as early as practicable, preferably before 5:00pm on Thursday, 2 April 2009. Details of the foregoing are set out under Appendix I of the circular dated 20 March 2009.
- (7) Pursuant to Rule 13.39(4) of the Listing Rules, all resolutions set out in this Notice will be decided by poll at the above meeting.
- (8) The registration of the above meeting will start at 3:45pm on 23 April 2009. In order to ensure the meeting can start on time, shareholders or their proxies or authorised representatives are encouraged to arrive for registration 20 minutes before the meeting starts.
- (9) A circular containing further information concerning proposals for (i) election of Directors; and (ii) renewal of the general mandate to repurchase shares will be sent to shareholders together with HKEx's 2008 Annual Report today.

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**Please note that only light beverages will be served at the above meeting.**

As at the date of this notice, the Board of Directors of HKEx comprises 12 Independent Non-executive Directors, namely Mr ARCULLI, Ronald Joseph (Chairman), Mrs CHA May-Lung, Laura, Dr CHENG Mo Chi, Moses, Dr CHEUNG Kin Tung, Marvin, Mr FAN Hung Ling, Henry, Mr FONG Hup, Dr KWOK Chi Piu, Bill, Mr LEE Kwan Ho, Vincent Marshall, Dr LOH Kung Wai, Christine, Mr STRICKLAND, John Estmond, Mr WILLIAMSON, John Mackay McCulloch and Mr WONG Sai Hung, Oscar, and one Executive Director, Mr CHOW Man Yiu, Paul, who is also the Chief Executive.