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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 LISTED SECURITIES

The Group disposed on-market the Disposal in a series of transactions conducted between 3 January 2013 and 31 October 2013, at the price between HK\$15.02 and HK\$17.88 per CMB Share for an aggregate gross sale proceeds of approximately HK\$19,635,866 (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 CMB Shares. To the best of the knowledge, information and belief of the Directors, having made all reasonable enquiries, each of the purchasers of the CMB 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 1,204,400 CMB Shares, representing approximately 0.0048% of the issued share capital of CMB (based on the 25,219,845,601 CMB Shares as at 30 September 2013 according to publicly available information).

#### Consideration

The aggregate gross sale proceeds of the Disposal is approximately HK\$19,635,866 (excluding transaction costs), which is receivable in cash on settlement. The consideration for the Disposal represented the market price of the CMB Shares at the time of the Disposal.

<sup>\*</sup> for identification only

#### REASONS FOR AND BENEFITS OF THE DISPOSAL

The Group's principal businesses are property investments, property development, garment sourcing and exporting businesses, investment in listed securities and loan financing.

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\$963,000 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 CMB

According to publicly available information, CMB is a 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: 03968). According to its company profile made available on the internet, CMB provides corporate and personal banking services, conducts treasury business, provides asset management and trustee services and other financial services. Further information on CMB can be found on the website of the Stock Exchange. Based on the quarterly report of CMB for the nine months ended 30 September 2013, the unaudited net asset value of CMB as at 30 September 2013 was RMB257,274 million. In the annual reports of CMB for the two years ended 31 December 2011 and 31 December 2012 respectively, its net profits from ordinary activities before and after taxation were approximately RMB47,122 million and RMB36,127 million; and RMB59,564 million and RMB45,277 million respectively.

#### **GENERAL**

The Disposal constitutes a discloseable transaction of the Company under Chapter 14 of the Listing Rules, as one of the applicable percentage ratios exceeds 5% but is less than 25%.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

"Board"

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

the board of Directors

"CMB" China Merchants Bank Co., Ltd, a company incorporated in the PRC with limited liability, the H

incorporated in the PRC with limited liability, the H shares of which are listed on the main board of the

Stock Exchange (Stock code: 03968)

"CMB Shares" overseas listed foreign shares with a par value of

RMB1.00 each in the share capital of CMB, listed on the main board of the Stock Exchange and traded in

Hong Kong dollars

"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 the Stock Exchange

"Director(s)" director(s) of the Company

"Disposal" the disposal by the Company, through its wholly

owned subsidiary, of a total of 1,204,400 CMB Shares on the market from 3 January 2013 to 31 October 2013 for a consideration of approximately

HK\$19,635,866

"discloseable transaction" as defined in the Listing Rules

"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** 

"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, 1 November 2013

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 as non-executive director and Mr. Tsui Chun Kong, Mr. Jong Koon Sang and Mr. Hon Tam Chun as independent non-executive directors.