Public Consultation on Application for Renewal of a Non-domestic Television Programme Service Licence

Notice is hereby given that the Communications Authority has received an application from Times International Media Group Limited ("TIMG"), a company duly incorporated in Hong Kong whose registered office is situated at Suite 805A, 8/F, Sino Plaza, 255-257 Gloucester Road, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong, for renewal of its non-domestic television programme service licence.

The current 12-year licence of TIMG will expire on 28 September 2019. TIMG has applied to renew its licence for a term of 12 years under section 11(2) of the Broadcasting Ordinance (Cap. 562). The particulars of this application are set out below for reference:-

1. COMPANY INFORMATION

TIMG is a company incorporated in Hong Kong on 16 April 2007. It is owned by Ran Duowen (64.1277%), Zheng Wei Li (18.6170%), Success Light International Limited (13.2979%), Diao Liying (1.9574%) and Liang Ping (2%).

2. PROGRAMMING INFORMATION

TIMG plans to provide a non-domestic television programme service, with one 24-hour television channel named HKMG TV Chinese Channel, featuring programmes on cultural, arts, general entertainment and TV dramas etc. The service targets Chinese audiences in the Mainland and Asia Pacific and will not primarily target Hong Kong. The programmes comprise self-produced and acquired programmes. The sources of acquired programmes are the United States of America, Korea, Mainland and Hong Kong. To ensure that its service is in compliance with the codes of practice issued by the Communications Authority and relevant laws in the recipient countries, TIMG will establish a standard and practices department to review the contents of all programmes and advertisements.

3. TECHNICAL INFORMATION

The service is proposed to be uplinked from Hong Kong to satellite Chinasat 15. The service footprint covers Asia Pacific and Africa.

Interested parties may make representations on the application to the Communications Authority by **25 February 2019** by the following means:-

By mail: The Communications Authority c/o Office of the Communications Authority 20/F, Wu Chung House 213 Queen's Road East Wan Chai Hong Kong By fax: 2507 2219 2598 5509 (Confidential) By e-mail: consultation-hktimg2019@ofca.gov.hk

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Secretary, Communications Authority