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# **EVI** Education Asia Limited

## EVI 教育亞洲有限公司\*

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 8090)

#### NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that an extraordinary general meeting of EVI Education Asia Limited (the "Company") will be held at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, 8 November 2004 at 14/F, Causeway Bay Plaza 2, 463-483 Lockhart Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolutions of the Company:

#### **ORDINARY RESOLUTION**

1. "THAT Grant Thornton Certified Public Accountants be hereby appointed as the auditors of the Company to hold office until the conclusion of the next annual general meeting and to authorise the board of directors of the Company to fix the auditors' remuneration."

#### SPECIAL RESOLUTION

2. "THAT the articles of association (the "Articles of Association") of the Company be and are hereby amended in the following manner:

## (a) Article 2

- (i) by inserting the following new definition of "associate" in Article 2(1):
  - "associate" shall have the meaning attributed to it in the rules of the Designated Stock Exchange.";
- (ii) by deleting the words "a recognised clearing house within the meaning of Section 2 of the Securities and Futures (Clearing Houses) Ordinance of Hong Kong or" in the definition of "clearing house";

## (b) Article 76

by re-numbering the existing Article 76 as Article 76(1) and inserting the following new Article 76(2) immediately after the new Article 76(1):

"76.(2) Where the Company has knowledge that any Member is, under the rules of the Designated Stock Exchange, required to abstain from voting on any particular resolution or restricted to voting only for or only against any particular resolution, any votes cast by or on behalf of such Member in contravention of such requirement or restriction shall not be counted.";

## (c) Article 84

By deleting the existing Article 84 in its entirety and substituting therefor a new Article 84 as follows:

"84. Any corporation which is a Member may, by resolution of its directors or other governing body or by power of attorney, authorise such person or persons as it thinks fit to act as its corporate representative or representatives at any meeting of the Company or at any meeting of any class of members of the Company provided that, if more than one person is so authorised, the authority shall specify the number and class of shares held by the relevant member in respect of which each such person is authorised to act as such corporate representative. Each person so appointed under the provisions of this Article shall be entitled to exercise the same powers on behalf of the corporation (or its nominee) which he represents as that corporation (or its nominee) could exercise as if it were an individual Member including the right to vote individually on a show of hands notwithstanding the provisions of Article 66. The number of persons a corporation may authorise to act as its corporate representative or representatives shall not exceed the number of shares held by that corporation (or its nominee), being shares in respect of which there is an entitlement to attend and vote at the relevant meeting.";

#### (d) Article 88

by deleting the existing Article 88 in its entirety and substituting therefor a new Article 88 as follows:

"88. No person other than a Director retiring at the meeting shall, unless recommended by the Directors for election, be eligible for election as a Director at any general meeting unless a Notice signed by a Member (other than the person to be proposed) duly qualified to attend and vote at the meeting for which such notice is given of his intention to propose such person for election and also a Notice signed by the person to be proposed of his willingness to be elected shall have been lodged at the head office or at the Registration Office provided that the minimum length of the period, during which such Notices are given, shall be last least seven (7) days and that the period for lodgment of such Notices shall commence no earlier than the day after the despatch of the notice of the general meeting appointed for such election and end no later than seven (7) days prior to the date of such general meeting.";

## (e) Article 103

by deleting the existing Article 103 in its entirety and substituting therefor a new Article 103 as follows:

- "103. (1) A Director shall not vote (nor be counted in the quorum) on any resolution of the Board in respect of any contract or arrangement or any other proposal in which he or any of his associate(s) is materially interested, and if he shall do so his vote shall not be counted (nor is he to be counted in the quorum present at the meeting) but this prohibition shall not apply to any of the following matters namely:
  - (i) any contract or arrangement for the giving to such Director or his associate(s) any security or indemnity in respect of money lent by him or any of his associate(s) or obligations incurred or undertaken by him or any of his associate(s) at the request of or for the benefit of the Company or any of its subsidiaries;
  - (ii) any contract or arrangement for the giving of any security or indemnity to a third party in respect of a debt or obligation of the Company or any of its subsidiaries for which the Director or his associate(s) has himself/themselves assumed responsibility in whole or in part whether alone or jointly under a guarantee or indemnity or by the giving of security;
  - (iii) any contract or arrangement concerning an offer of shares or debentures or other securities of or by the Company or any other company which the Company may promote or be interested in for subscription or purchase, where the Director or his associate(s) is/are or is/are to be interested as a participant in the underwriting or sub-underwriting of the offer;
  - (iv) any contract or arrangement in which the Director or his associate(s) is/are interested in the same manner as other holders of shares or debentures or other securities of the Company or any of its subsidiaries by virtue only of his/their interest in shares or debentures or other securities of the Company;
  - (v) any contract or arrangement concerning any other company in which the Director or his associate(s) is/are interested only, whether directly or indirectly, as an officer or executive or a shareholder other than a company in which the Director and any of his associate(s) are not in aggregate beneficially interested in five (5) per cent. or more of the issued shares or of the voting rights of any class of shares of such company (or of any third company through which his interest or that of any of his associate(s) is derived); or
  - (vi) any proposal or arrangement concerning the adoption, modification or operation of a share option scheme, a pension fund or retirement, death or disability benefits scheme or other

arrangement which relates both to directors, his associates and employees of the Company or of any of its subsidiaries and does not provide in respect of any Director, or his associate(s), as such any privilege or advantage not generally accorded to the class of persons to which such scheme or fund relates.

- (2) A company shall be deemed to be a company in which a Director and/or his associate(s) own(s) five (5) per cent. or more if and so long as (but only if and so long as) he and/or his associates, (either directly or indirectly) is/are the holder(s) of or beneficially interested in five (5) per cent. or more of any class of the equity share capital of such company or of the voting rights available to members of such company (or of any third company through which his interest or that of any of his associates is derived). For the purpose of this paragraph there shall be disregarded any shares held by a Director or his associate(s) as bare or custodian trustee and in which he or any of them has no beneficial interest, any shares comprised in a trust in which the interest of the Director and/or his associate(s) is/are in reversion or remainder if and so long as some other person is entitled to receive the income thereof, and any shares comprised in an authorised unit trust scheme in which the Director and/or his associate(s) is/are interested only as a unit holder and any shares which carry no voting right at general meetings and very restrictive dividend and return of capital right.
- (3) Where a company in which a Director and/or his associate(s) hold(s) five (5) per cent. or more of its issued share capital is materially interested in a transaction, then that Director and/or his associate(s) shall also be deemed materially interested in such transaction.
- (4) If any question shall arise at any meeting of the Board as to the materiality of the interest of a Director (other than the chairman of the meeting) or his associate(s) or as to the entitlement of any Director (other than such chairman) to vote or be counted in the quorum and such question is not resolved by his voluntarily agreeing to abstain from voting or not being counted in the quorum, such question shall be referred to the chairman of the meeting and his ruling in relation to such other Director shall be final and conclusive except in a case where the nature or extent of the interest of the Director and/or his associate(s) concerned as known to such Director has not been fairly disclosed to the Board. If any question as aforesaid shall arise in respect of the chairman of the meeting such question shall be decided by a resolution of the Board (for which purpose such chairman shall not be counted in the quorum and shall not vote thereon) and such resolution shall be final and conclusive except in a case where the nature or extent of the interest of such chairman as known to such chairman has not been fairly disclosed to the Board."; and

#### (f) Article 152

By inserting the words "at the same time as the notice of annual general meeting" immediately after the word "thereto" in the fifth line of the existing Article 152.

As at the date of this announcement, Mr. Pong Wai San, Wilson, Mr. Cheung Shi Kwan, Wings, Madam Pong Lo Shuk Yin, Dorothy and Mr. Lau Wai Shu are the executive directors of the Company. Mr. Hung Tak Chow, Charles, Mr. Hung Fan Wai, Wilfred and Mr. Lai Hin Wing, Henry are the independent non-executive directors.

By order of the Board
EVI Education Asia Limited
Pong Wai San, Wilson
Chairman

Hong Kong, 21 October 2004

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#### Notes:

- 1. A member entitled to attend and vote at the extraordinary general meeting convened by the above notice is entitled to appoint one or more proxy to attend and, subject to the provisions of the Articles of Association, to vote on his behalf. A proxy need not be a member of the Company but must be present in person at the extraordinary general meeting to represent the member. If more than one proxy is so appointed, the appointment shall specify the number and class of shares in respect of which each such proxy is so appointed.
- 2. A form of proxy for use at the extraordinary general meeting is enclosed. Such form of proxy is also published on the GEM website at <a href="www.hkgem.com">www.hkgem.com</a>. In order to be valid, the form of proxy must be duly completed and signed in accordance with the instructions printed thereon and deposited together with a power of attorney or other authority, if any, under which it is signed, or a certified copy of such power or authority, at the offices of the Company's branch registrar, Tengis Limited, at Ground Floor, Bank of East Asia Harbour View Centre, 56 Gloucester Road, Hong Kong not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the extraordinary general meeting or any adjournment thereof. Completion and return of a form of proxy will not preclude a member from attending in person and voting at the extraordinary general meeting or any adjournment thereof, should he so wish.
- 3. In the case of joint holders of shares, any one of such holders may vote at the extraordinary general meeting, either personally or by proxy, in respect of such share as if he was solely entitled thereto, but if more than one of such joint holders are present at the extraordinary general meeting personally or by proxy, that one of the said persons so present whose name stands first on the register of members of the Company in respect of such shares shall alone be entitled to vote in respect thereof.

4. The Articles of Association are written in English. There is no official Chinese translation in respect thereof. Therefore, the Chinese version of proposed resolution above on amendments of the Articles of Association of the Company is purely a translation only. Should there be any discrepancy, the English version shall prevail.

## \* For identification purpose only

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