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New World Development Company Limited NEW WORLD MOBILE HOLDINGS LIMITED *prated in Hong Kong with limited liability*) 新世界移動控股有限公司

> (Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability) (Stock Code: 862)

## JOINT ANNOUNCEMENT

## DELAY IN DESPATCH OF CIRCULARS OF (1) NEW WORLD DEVELOPMENT COMPANY LIMITED; AND (2) NEW WORLD MOBILE HOLDINGS LIMITED

Sole financial adviser to New World Development Company Limited



Joint financial advisers to New World Mobile Holdings Limited





Each of NWD and NWM has applied to the Stock Exchange for a waiver from strict compliance with Rule 14.38 of the Listing Rules, such that the date of despatch of the circular to its shareholders be postponed to no later than 17 March 2006.

## **INTRODUCTION**

Reference is made to (i) the joint announcement (the "First Announcement") issued by NWD and NWM dated 12 December 2005; and (ii) the joint announcement (the "Second Announcement") dated 30 December 2005 issued by NWD and NWM. Terms used in this announcement shall have the same meanings as those defined in the First Announcement unless the context requires otherwise.

## **DELAY IN DESPATCH OF CIRCULARS**

As referred to in the Second Announcement, the circulars of NWD and NWM were originally expected to be despatched on or before 28 February 2006. As advised by the NWM Board, additional time is required to finalise certain information to be included in NWM's circular, including but without limitation to (i) the accountants' report on the NWM Group for the three years ended 30 June 2005 and the four months ended 31 October 2005; (ii) the accountants' report on the Telstra CSL Group for the three years ended 30 June 2005 and the four months ended 31 October 2005; (ii) the accountants' report on the Telstra CSL Group for the three years ended 30 June 2005 and the four months ended 31 October 2005; and (iii) the proforma financial information on the NWM Group as a result of Completion. As such, NWM has applied to the Stock Exchange for a waiver from strict compliance with Rule 14.38 of the Listing Rules such that the date of despatch of NWM's circular be postponed to no later than 17 March 2006.

NWD intends to despatch its circular to the NWD Shareholders on the same day as NWM despatches its circular to the NWM Shareholders in order to ensure that the information to be included in both circulars are consistent. As such, the despatch date of NWD's circular has to be delayed by reason of the delay in despatch of NWM's circular. Accordingly, NWD has also applied to the Stock Exchange for a waiver from strict compliance with Rule 14.38 of the Listing Rules such that the date of despatch of NWD's circular be postponed to no later than 17 March 2006.

Based on the information of the NWD Board and the NWM Board, the Stock Exchange has agreed to grant a waiver to each of NWD and NWM from strict compliance with Rule 14.38 of the Listing Rules, such that the date of despatch of the circular to its shareholders be postponed from 28 February 2006 to no later than 17 March 2006.

By Order of the Board ofBy Order of the Board ofNew World Development Company Limited<br/>LEUNG Chi-Kin, Stewart<br/>Company SecretaryBy Order of the Board ofNew World Mobile Holdings Limited<br/>SIEN Yun-Man, Raymond<br/>Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 28 February 2006

As at the date of this announcement, the NWD Board comprises: (i) executive directors: Dato' Dr. CHENG Yu-Tung, Dr. CHENG Kar-Shun, Henry, Dr. SIN Wai-Kin, David, Mr. LIANG Chong-Hou, David and Mr. LEUNG Chi-Kin, Stewart; (ii) non-executive directors: Mr. CHENG Yue-Pui, Mr. CHENG Kar-Shing, Peter, Mr. CHOW Kwai-Cheung, Mr. HO Hau-Hay, Hamilton and Mr. LIANG Cheung-Biu, Thomas and (iii) independent non-executive directors: Lord SANDBERG, Michael, Mr. YEUNG Ping-Leung, Howard, Dr. CHA Mou-Sing, Payson, JP, Mr. CHA Mou-Zing, Victor (as alternate director to Dr. CHA Mou-Sing, Payson) and Mr. LEE Luen-Wai, John, JP.

As at the date of this announcement, the NWM Board comprises (i) executive directors: Dr. CHENG Kar-Shun, Henry, Mr. DOO Wai-Hoi, William, JP, Dr. WAI Fung-Man, Norman, Mr. TO Hin-Tsun, Gerald, Mr. CHOW Yu-Chun, Alexander, and; (ii) non-executive directors: Mr. LO Lin-Shing, Simon and Mr. HO Hau-Chong, Norman; and (iii) independent non-executive directors: Mr. WEI Chi-Kuan, Kenny, Mr. KWONG Che-Keung, Gordon and Mr. HUI Chiu-Chung, JP.

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