



Hysan Development Company Limited

希慎興業有限公司

(Incorporated under Hong Kong Companies Ordinance, Cap. 32, with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 00014)

BOARD CHANGES EFFECTIVE AS FROM ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Hysan Development Company Limited (the "Company") announces the following changes and new appointment to the Board of Directors ("Board"):

Stepping down of Mr. Michael T.H. Lee and Mr. Per Jorgensen

Mr. Michael T.H. Lee has stepped down as Managing Director to pursue his personal goals, effective from the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting of the Company held on 8 May 2007 ("AGM"). The Board wishes to express its appreciation to Mr. Lee for his contribution to the Company. It is the Board's intention to appoint a new Chief Executive Officer after an open search process. International executive recruitment consultants have been appointed to advise on the search process. In the meantime, Mr. Peter T.C. Lee, Chairman of the Company, will lead the executive team and continue with the established Company directions.

Mr. Per Jorgensen has also stepped down having decided not to stand for re-election after serving on the Board for 26 years. The Board would like to express its gratitude to Mr. Jorgensen whose global business experience and insight provided the Board with much guidance and wise counsel over the years.

Appointment of Mr. Tom Behrens-Sorensen as Independent non-executive Director

The Board is also pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Tom Behrens-Sorensen as Independent non-executive Director of the Company effective 8 May 2007.

Mr. Tom Behrens-Sorensen, aged 49, is the Group Executive Vice President of A.P. Moller-Maersk Group, a member of its Global Strategy Leadership Team as well as Executive Vice Chairman and Chief Executive of Maersk China Limited. He is also the Chairman of the Danish Chamber of Commerce in China and Chairman of the European Chamber of Commerce in China Transportation Working Group. He has over 20 years of experience with the A.P. Moller-Maersk Group in Asia and Australia.

Mr. Behrens-Sorensen will receive from the Company a fee of HK\$100,000 per annum for being a Director and a fee of HK\$30,000 per annum for serving as a member of the Audit Committee effective from 8 May 2007 having given consideration to the level of responsibility, experience and abilities required of the Director and the remuneration offered for similar positions in comparable companies. He receives no other compensation from, and has no service contract with, the Company or any of its subsidiaries. Mr. Behrens-Sorensen holds 10,000 shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance as at the date of this announcement.

In accordance with the Articles of Association of the Company, Mr. Behrens-Sorensen will hold office until the next annual general meeting of the Company and will be eligible for re-election. All Directors of the Company are subject to retirement by rotation at least once every three years at the annual general meeting of the Company since last re-election.

Appointment of Mr. Timothy John Smith as alternate Director to Mr. Tom Behrens-Sorensen

The Board is pleased to announce that Mr. Timothy John Smith is appointed as an alternate Director to Mr. Tom Behrens-Sorensen (Independent non-executive Director) with effect from 8 May 2007. Mr. Smith had been an alternate to Mr. Per Jorgensen, Independent non-executive Director.

Mr. Smith, aged 44, is currently Chief Commercial Officer, Greater China Area of Maersk Line, responsible for Sales and Maersk Logistics functions in the Greater China Area. He is also Managing Director of Maersk Hong Kong Limited and a member of the Maersk Line Global Management Team. Mr. Smith received his BA in Geography from the University of Oxford. He has over 20 years of experience in the transportation and logistics industry.

There is no service contract between Mr. Smith and the Company and no terms have been fixed or proposed for his length of service with the Company. Mr. Smith will not receive any remuneration as alternate Director and does not have any interests in the shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance.

General

For the purpose of Rule 13.51(2) of The Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Listing Rules"), the Board confirms that it is not aware of any disagreement between either Mr. Lee or Mr. Jorgensen and the Board nor any other matter that needs to be brought to the attention of the shareholders.

Save as disclosed above, neither Mr. Behrens-Sorensen nor Mr. Smith (i) has any other relationship with any Directors, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholders of the Company; (ii) has held any position with the Company or any of its subsidiaries or any directorship in other listed public companies in the last three years; and there is no other information that should be disclosed under Rule 13.51(2) of the Listing Rules nor any other matter that needs to be brought to the attention of the shareholders.

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises (Chairman) Mr. Peter Ting Chang Lee; (Independent non-executive Deputy Chairman) Sir David Akers-Jones; (Independent non-executive Directors) Mr. Tom Behrens-Sorensen; Dr. Geoffrey Meou-tsen Yeh; (Non-executive Directors) Mr. Fa-kuang Hu, Mr. Hans Michael Jebsen, Mr. Anthony Hsien Pin Lee, Mr. Chien Lee and Dr. Deanna Ruth Tak Yung Rudgard; and (Executive Director) Mrs. Pauline Wah Ling Yu Wong.

By Order of the Board
Wendy W.Y. Yung
Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 8 May 2007

Please also refer to the published version of this announcement in South China Morning Post - Business.