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## **Haitong International's Credit Outlook Raised to "Stable" by S&P**

**Hong Kong, 18 April 2017** – Haitong International Securities Group Limited ("Haitong International"; Stock Code: 665.HK) is pleased to announce that the outlook on its credit rating was lifted to "stable" from "negative" by S&P Global Ratings.

The stable outlook on Haitong International mirrors that on Haitong Securities Co. Ltd. ("Haitong Securities"), reflecting its views of Haitong International as a core subsidiary of Haitong Securities, and Haitong International is considered to be an important overseas platform of Haitong Securities with significant contribution, the credit-rating agency said in the report.

S&P also affirmed the "BBB" long-term and "A-2" short-term issuer credit ratings on Haitong International. In 2014, Haitong International became the first Chinese financial institution in Hong Kong to have been assigned a "BBB" long-term credit rating by S&P.

Haitong International is pleased about S&P's outlook revision. The management will continue to spare no effort in developing all lines of businesses in response to the support from our shareholders and investors.

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### **Haitong International Securities Group Limited**

Haitong International Securities Group Limited ("Haitong International"; Stock Code: 665.HK) is an international financial institution with established presence in Hong Kong and a rapidly expanding network across the globe. It strives to serve as a bridge linking up the Chinese and overseas capital markets. Haitong International is a subsidiary of Haitong International Holdings Limited, a company incorporated in Hong Kong and wholly owned by Haitong Securities Co., Ltd. ("Haitong Securities", Stock Code: 600837.SH; 6837.HK).

To date, Haitong International is well positioned to serve about 200,000 corporate, institutional and retail clients worldwide. Its well-established investment banking business platform provides corporate finance, brokerage, asset management, fixed income, currency and commodities (FICC), institutional equities and a full spectrum of financial products and services. Haitong International possesses a sound risk management system that is in line with international standards. In 2014, it became the first Chinese financial institution in Hong Kong to have been assigned a "BBB" long-term credit rating by Standard and Poor's.

Haitong International has more than 10 branches in Hong Kong and Macau, as well as a representative office in each of Beijing and Shanghai. In 2014, Haitong International quickened the pace of overseas expansion by establishing its Singapore subsidiary. It also completed the acquisition of Japaninvest Group plc in March of 2015, setting up a financial servicing network covering the world's major capital markets including Hong Kong, New York, London, and Tokyo.

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