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Rights Issue of Haitong International Securities Group

On 6 March 2013, Haitong International Securities Group Limited (“Haitong International” or “the Group”); Stock Code: 665.HK) announced Rights Issue.

Haitong International will provisionally allot 1 Haitong International Rights Share for every 2 Haitong International Shares held by each Haitong International qualifying Shareholder on 20 March 2013 at a subscription price of HK\$2.55, representing 39% discount to the last trading price on 6 March 2013. As a result, no more than 471.52 million shares will be issued to raise gross proceeds of not less than approximately HK\$1,167 million but not more than approximately HK\$1,202 million (before deduction of fee and charges).

Haitong International Holdings Limited as the controlling shareholder of Haitong International Securities Group Limited currently holding 69.98% of Haitong International Securities Group Limited has provided irrevocable undertakings to Haitong International and the underwriter to support the Rights Issue.

The Rights Issue will be underwritten by Haitong International Holdings Limited and HSBC which had agreed to subscribe or procure subscribers to subscribe for Rights shares that are not taken up by the qualifying shareholders. In which, Haitong International Holdings Limited will subscribe Rights Shares that are not taken up by the qualifying shareholders up to 75% of the entire issued share capital of the Group as enlarged by the Rights Shares to comply with the public float requirement under the Listing Rules. The remaining unsubscribed Rights Shares will be taken up by HSBC.

The Group Deputy Chairman and Chief Executive Dr. Lin Yong said, “The major purpose of the Rights Issue is to raise new capital to support the development of margin and structured financing, fixed income and underwriting businesses. Over the past years, the Group has devoted to improve income structure by developing diversified lines of business, with the Group gradually evolving from a traditional trading broker targeting to become an international-class investment bank. The Group is transforming from a trading intermediary to a financial intermediary, which is more capital intensive in nature. The Group’s Corporate Finance business has proven stable growth record and received major breakthrough in 2012, with growing recognition and reputation in the market. The Group is vigorous on expanding its business by taking up large scale projects which post heavy demand on capital resources. Regarding our margin and

structured financing business, market demand on short term bridging loans, long term notes and structured financing remain strong particularly in cross-border financial arrangement, and the Group is optimistic on future business growth. Therefore, the Board of the Group considers that it is appropriate and advantageous to raise additional capital to facilitate the Group's long term development. The Rights Issue shall help the Group to capture the golden opportunities arising from mainland's financial market reform and strengthen Haitong International's market share.”

With respect to the use of a Rights Issue to raise capital, Dr. Lin Yong explained, “It is to provide a fair and equal opportunity to all existing shareholders and potential investors to support the Group's future growth and share prosperity without existing shareholders' right without being diluted.”

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