



# 新世界發展有限公司

## New World Development Company Limited

(incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 0017)

### ANNOUNCEMENT PURSUANT TO RULE 13.09 OF THE LISTING RULES

#### CLARIFICATION IN RELATION TO THE PRESS ARTICLE

Reference is made to the Press Article and the Board wishes to announce that the Company is continuously studying the feasibility of the Potential Spin-off. However, no final decision has been made regarding the Potential Spin-off, including the size of any offer of securities or definite timetable. It should also be noted that the decision of the Board to proceed with the Potential Spin-off is dependent on various factors including market conditions. **Further, there can be no assurance as to whether and when the Company will, or can, implement the Potential Spin-off and shareholders of the Company and potential investors are reminded to exercise caution when dealing in the securities of the Company.**

Further announcement will be made as and when necessary in compliance with the Listing Rules.

This announcement is made pursuant to Rule 13.09 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules").

#### CLARIFICATION IN RELATION TO THE PRESS ARTICLE

Reference is made to a newspaper article appearing in Hong Kong Economic Times dated 22 February 2007 (the "Press Article") containing statements in respect of, among other things, New World Development Company Limited's (the "Company") intention to spin off its department stores business in the People's Republic of China (the "Potential Spin-off").

The board of directors of the Company (the "Board") is not aware of the source of the information in the Press Article. The Board wishes to announce that the Company is continuously studying the feasibility of the Potential Spin-off. However, no final decision has been made regarding the Potential Spin-off, including the size of any offer of securities or definite timetable. It should also be noted that the decision of the Board to proceed with the Potential Spin-off is dependent on various factors including market conditions. **Further, there can be no assurance as to whether and when the Company will, or can, implement the Potential Spin-off and shareholders of the Company and potential investors are reminded to exercise caution when dealing in the securities of the Company.**

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By Order of the Board  
New World Development Company Limited  
Leung Chi-kin, Stewart  
Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 22 February 2007

At the date hereof, the Board comprises:

*Dato' Dr. Cheng Yu-tung, Dr. Cheng Kar-shun, Henry, Dr. Sin Wai-kin, David, Mr. Liang Chong-hou, David, Mr. Leung Chi-kin, Stewart, Mr. Cheng Yue-pui#, Mr. Cheng Kar-shing, Peter#, Mr. Chow Kwai-cheung#, Mr. Liang Cheung-biu, Thomas#, Mr. Ho Hau-hay, Hamilton#, Lord Sandberg, Michael\*, Mr. Yeung Ping-leung, Howard\*, Dr. Cha Mou-sing, Payson\* (alternate director to Dr. Cha Mou-sing, Payson: Mr. Cha Mou-zing, Victor) and Mr. Lee Luen-wai, John\**

# non-executive Directors

\* independent non-executive Directors