



ALLIED GROUP LIMITED
(聯合集團有限公司)

(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability)



ALLIED PROPERTIES (H.K.) LIMITED
(聯合地產(香港)有限公司)

(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability)

JOINT ANNOUNCEMENT

**NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF
INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

The board of directors of Allied Group Limited and Allied Properties (H.K.) Limited (collectively the “Companies”) hereby jointly give notice that Mr. John Douglas Mackie has been appointed as independent non-executive director of the Companies respectively with effect from 1st February, 2004.

By Order of the Board
Allied Group Limited
Phoebe Lau Mei Yi
Company Secretary

By Order of the Board
Allied Properties (H.K.) Limited
Cindy Yung Yee Mei
Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 2nd February, 2004