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(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability) (Stock Code: 2383)



TOM Online Inc. TOM在線有限公司

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PRIVATISATION OF TOM ONLINE INC. $\mathbf{R}\mathbf{Y}$

TOM GROUP LIMITED BY WAY OF A SCHEME OF ARRANGEMENT (UNDER SECTION 86 OF THE COMPANIES LAW OF THE CAYMAN ISLANDS)

AT THE PRICE OF HK\$1.52 PER SCHEME SHARE (INCLUDING SCHEME SHARES UNDERLYING ADSs)

SANCTION OF THE SCHEME BY THE GRAND COURT, EFFECTIVE DATE, CESSATION IN DEALINGS IN AND WITHDRAWAL OF LISTING OF THE SHARES AND THE ADSs AND DESPATCH OF CHEQUES FOR CASH PAYMENT UNDER THE PROPOSALS

Financial Adviser to TOM Group Limited

Goldman Sachs

Goldman Sachs (Asia) L.L.C.

Independent Financial Adviser to the Independent Board Committee of TOM Online Inc.



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The Scheme was sanctioned without modification by the Grand Court on Friday, 31 August 2007 (Cayman Islands time).

All of the conditions of the Share Proposal and the Scheme have been fulfilled, and the Scheme became effective on Friday, 31 August 2007 (Cayman Islands time). The Option Proposal also became effective on the same day (Cayman Islands time).

The last day for dealings in the Shares on GEM was on Monday, 27 August 2007 (Hong Kong time). The last day for dealings in the ADSs on NASDAQ was on Monday, 27 August 2007 (New York time). The listing of the Shares on GEM will be withdrawn with effect from 9:30 a.m. on Monday, 3 September 2007 (Hong Kong time). The listing of the ADSs on NASDAQ will be withdrawn with effect from Thursday, 6 September 2007 (New York time).

Cheques for cash payment under the Proposals are expected to be despatched by or on behalf of TOM as soon as possible on or before Friday, 7 September 2007 (Hong Kong time), but in any event they will be despatched by Monday, 10 September 2007 (Hong Kong time).

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 and Rule 17.10 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Growth Enterprise Market of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

of Securities on the Growth Enterprise Market of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited. Reference is made to the joint announcement dated 9 March 2007 made by TOM Group Limited ("TOM") and TOM Online Inc. ("TOM Online"), the announcement dated 28 March 2007 made by TOM Online, the joint announcement dated 30 March 2007 made by TOM and TOM Online, the announcement dated 11 April 2007 made by TOM, the announcement dated 25 April 2007 made by TOM, the joint announcement dated 6 June 2007 made by TOM and TOM Online, the joint announcement dated 6 June 2007 made by TOM and TOM Online, the joint announcement dated 8 June 2007 made by TOM and TOM Online, the joint announcement dated 25 June 2007 made by TOM and TOM Online, the joint announcement dated 10 July 2007 made by TOM and TOM Online and the joint announcement dated 10 August 2007 made by TOM and TOM Online. Terms defined in the composite document dated 30 April 2007 containing, among other things, details of the Proposals (the "Scheme Document") have the same meaning when used in this announcement unless otherwise defined herein.

Sanction of the Scheme by the Grand Court

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The Scheme was sanctioned without modification by the Grand Court on Friday, 31 August 2007 (Cayman Islands time). The reduction of the share capital of TOM Online was also confirmed by the Grand Court on the same day (Cayman Islands time).

Effective Date of the Scheme and the Proposals

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A copy of the order of the Grand Court, issued under Section 86 of the Companies Law after the Scheme was sanctioned without modification by the Grand Court and the reduction of the share capital of TOM Online was confirmed by the Grand Court on Friday, 31 August 2007 (Cayman Islands time), was delivered to the Registrar of Companies in the Cayman Islands for registration on the same day (Cayman Islands time). All of the conditions set out in the section headed "Conditions of the Share Proposal and the Scheme" in the Explanatory Memorandum on pages 79 to 80 of the Scheme Document have been fulfilled, and the Scheme and the Share Proposal became effective on Friday, 31 August 2007 (Cayman Islands time). The Option Proposal also became effective on the same day (Cayman Islands time). (Cayman Islands time).

Cessation in dealings in and withdrawal of listing of the Shares and the ADSs. The last day for dealings in the Shares on GEM was on Monday, 27 August 2007 (Hong Kong time). The last day for dealings in the ADSs on NASDAQ was on Monday, 27 August 2007 (New York).

An application for the withdrawal of the listing of the Shares on GEM has been made to the Stock Exchange. The listing of the Shares on GEM will be withdrawn with effect from 9:30 a.m. on Monday, 3 September 2007 (Hong Kong time).

A notice for the withdrawal of the listing of the ADSs on NASDAQ has been sent to NASDAQ. The listing of the ADSs on NASDAQ will be withdrawn with effect from Thursday, 6 September 2007 (New York time).

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The sanction of the Scheme by the Grand Court is a condition to the Share Proposal. The Share Proposal is part of a going private transaction subject to Rule 13e-3 of the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934. On 30 April 2007, TOM and TOM Online filed a Schedule 13E-3 with the SEC relating to the proposed going private transaction, as well as amendments to the Schedule 13E-3 on 2 May

 $2007,\ 29$ May $2007,\ 7$ June $2007,\ 8$ June $2007,\ 27$ June $2007,\ 10$ July $2007,\ 25$ July 2007 and 10 August 2007. Investors may view and download a copy of the Schedule 13E-3 and its amendments at the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov.

By Order of the Board of TOM Group Limited
Angela Mak
Executive Director

By Order of the Board of TOM Online Inc. Peter Schloss Executive Director

Hong Kong, 1 September 2007

As at the date of this announcement, the directors of TOM are:

Executive Directors: Ms. Tommei Tong Ms. Angela Mak Mr. Wang Lei Lei

Non-executive Directors: Mr. Frank Sixt (Chairman) Ms. Debbie Chang Mrs. Susan Chow Mr. Edmond Ip Mrs. Angelina Lee

Independent non-executive Directors: Mr. Henry Cheong Ms. Anna Wu Mr. James Sha

The directors of TOM jointly and severally accept full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this announcement (other than that relating to the TOM Online Group) and confirm, having made all reasonable enquiries, that to the best of their knowledge, opinions expressed in this announcement (other than that relating to the TOM Online Group) have been arrived at after due and careful consideration and there are no other facts not contained in this announcement, the omission of which would make any statement in this announcement (other than that relating to the TOM Online Group) misleading. that relating to the TOM Online Group) misleading.

As at the date of this announcement, the directors of TOM Online are:

Executive Directors: Mr. Wang Lei Lei Mr. Peter Schloss Ms. Elaine Feng Mr. Fan Tai

Non-executive Directors: Mr. Frank Sixt (Chairman) Ms. Tommei Tong (Vice Chairman) Ms. Angela Mak

Independent non-executive Directors:

Mr. Gordon Kwong Mr. Ma Wei Hua Dr. Lo Ka Shui

Alternate Director: Mrs. Susan Chow (Alternate to Mr. Frank Sixt)

(Alternate to Mr. Frank Sixt)

This announcement, for which the directors of TOM Online collectively and individually accept full responsibility, includes particulars given in compliance with the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Growth Enterprise Market of the Stock Exchange for the purpose of giving information with regard to TOM Online. The directors of TOM Online, having made all reasonable enquiries, confirm that, to the best of their knowledge and belief: (i) the information contained in this announcement (other than information in relation to TOM Group and parties acting in concert with them (except the TOM Online Group)) is accurate and complete in all material respects and not misleading; (ii) there are no other matters the omission of which would make any statement in this announcement misleading; and (iii) all opinions expressed in this announcement (other than that relating to TOM Group and parties acting in concert with them (except the TOM Online Group)) have been arrived at after due and careful consideration and are founded on bases and assumptions that are fair and reasonable. that are fair and reasonable.

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