

CELESTIAL ASIA SECURITIES HOLDINGS LIMITED

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ANNOUNCEMENT

The Board noted the recent decreases in the price of the shares in the Company and wishes to state that, it is not aware of any reasons for such decreases save as disclosed below.

On 20 December 2001, two directors of the Company purchased from the market a total number of 3,156,000 shares in the Company which constituted approximately 0.05% of the total issued share capital of and 32% of the total trading volume of the shares in the Company on 20 December 2001.

This announcement is made by the board of directors ("Board") of Celestial Asia Securities Holdings Limited ("Company") at the request of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited. The Board noted the recent decreases in the price of the shares in the Company and wishes to state that, it is not aware of any reasons for such decreases save as disclosed below.

On 20 December 2001, two directors of the Company purchased from the market a total number of 3,156,000 shares which constituted approximately 0.05% of the total issued share capital of and 32% of the total trading volume of the shares in the Company on 20 December 2001. In addition, the Company issued an announcement in relation to the expiry of the January 2002 warrants on 19 December 2001.

We confirm that there are no negotiations or agreements relating to intended acquisitions or realisations which are discloseable under paragraph 3 of the Listing Agreement, neither is the Board aware of any matter discloseable under the general obligation imposed by paragraph 2 of the Listing Agreement, which is or may be of a price-sensitive nature.

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Made by the order of the Board, the directors of which individually and jointly accept responsibility for the accuracy of this announcement.

By order of the Board
Joan Elmond O K Kwok
Executive Director

Hong Kong, 21 December 2001

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