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## **CELESTIAL ASIA SECURITIES HOLDINGS LIMITED**

*(incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)*

### **ANNOUNCEMENT**

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On 19 March 2002, a director of the Company purchased from the market a total number of 2,070,000 shares in the Company which constituted approximately 0.03% of the total issued share capital of and 9.34% of the total trading volume of the shares in the Company on 19 March 2002.

This announcement is made by the board of directors (“Board”) of Celestial Asia Securities Holdings Limited (“Company”) at the request of the Stock Exchange. The Board noted the recent increase in the trading volume of the shares in the Company and wishes to state that, it is not aware of any reason for such increase save as disclosed below.

On 19 March 2002, a director of the Company purchased from the market a total number of 2,070,000 shares which constituted approximately 0.03% of the total issued share capital of and 9.34% of the total trading volume of the shares in the Company on 19 March 2002. In addition, the Company issued a result announcement for the year ended 31 December 2001 on 15 March 2002.

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.

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, 19 March 2002

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