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# FEC completed the disposal of the office portion in Kai Tak

(28 March 2024 - Hong Kong) **Far East Consortium International Limited** ("FEC", together with its subsidiaries, the "Group") is pleased to announce that on 28 March 2024, a wholly owned subsidiary of FEC completed the disposal of the office portion in Kai Tak development to CLP Properties Limited ("CLP") for a consideration of HK\$3,380,000,000. The Group retains ownership of the hotel and retail portion of the Kai Tak development.

Upon completion of the disposal, the Group has received an aggregate of 90% of the consideration, being an amount of HK\$3,042,000,000. The remaining 10% of consideration will be received upon obtaining the certificate of compliance subject to the terms of the transaction. The proceeds from the disposal were used to fully settle the development loan and will be used for general working capital of the Group (including debt reduction).

In connection with the successful listing of Palasino Holdings Limited ("Palasino") on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited on 26 March 2024, the total gross fund raising size was approximately HK\$371,000,000, and the Group currently has a controlling stake of 73.21% in Palasino (before the exercise of over allotment option).

The Group will continue to review our business portfolio to unlock potential value and execute our monetisation strategy to recycle capital and reduce our debt level and gearing without impacting our long-term business performance to strengthen our financial position to generate sustainable value for stakeholders.

Ms. Winnie CHIU JP, Joint Managing Director and Executive Director of FEC and Chairman and Executive Director of Dorsett Hospitality International, said, "FEC's successful disposal of the office portion in the Kai Tak development to CLP demonstrates our unwavering commitment to value generation for stakeholders and maximising our business portfolio's potential. As we progress to the next stage of the project, we look forward to the launch of Dorsett Kai Tak, our Group's 10<sup>th</sup> hotel in Hong Kong. Located within the Kai Tak Sports Park, our 373-room flagship hotel, with restaurant and banqueting facilities, will complement the park, bringing more exciting world-class events and visitors to the city promoting community well-being."

**Ms. Wendy CHIU, Joint Managing Director and Executive Director of FEC**, said, "We would like to express our sincere gratitude for the excellent partnership with the CLP team. They have been incredibly professional throughout this successful journey.

The successful completion of the disposal of the office portion in the Kai Tak development and the recent listing of Palasino Holdings Limited stand as powerful evidence of our ability to deliver high-quality properties and assets and effectively monetise their potential value. These transactions exemplify our unwavering commitment to delivering high-quality projects, continuously reducing the Group's gearing, strengthening our financial position and enhancing our stakeholder's value."

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## About Far East Consortium International Limited

Far East Consortium International Limited ("FEC", together with its subsidiaries, the "Group") has been listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange since 1972 (HKEx Stock code: 35.HK). The Group is mainly engaged in property development and investment, hotel development and management, car park operations and facilities management, gaming and related operations, securities and financial product investments and provision of mortgage services. The Group adopts the diversified regional strategy and the "Asian Wallet" strategy with business covering Hong Kong, Mainland China, Australia, New Zealand, Malaysia, Singapore, the United Kingdom and other European countries.

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