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ST INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS COMPANY LIMITED

智紡國際控股有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock code: 8521)

UPDATE ON FINANCIAL INFORMATION

This announcement is made by ST International Holdings Company Limited (“**Company**”, together with its subsidiaries, “**Group**”) pursuant to Rule 17.10(2) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on GEM of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (“**GEM Listing Rules**”) and the Inside Information Provisions (as defined under the GEM Listing Rules) under Part XIVA of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong).

The board (“**Board**”) of directors (“**Directors**”) of the Company wishes to inform the shareholders of the Company (“**Shareholders**”) and potential investors of the Company that, based on the preliminary assessment of the latest unaudited consolidated management accounts of the Group for the three months ended 31 March 2023 (“**1Q2023**”) and the information currently available, the Group is expected to record a net loss of not more than HK\$4.1 million for 1Q2023 as compared with a net loss of approximately HK\$4.4 million for the three months ended 31 March 2022 (“**1Q2022**”).

The Group continued to suffer loss for 1Q2023 notwithstanding that the Group recognised a significant improvement in revenue of around 81.8% (Q12022: HK\$6.3 million). The Group’s increase in revenue was mainly attributable to increase in sales of yarns which yielded a profit margin of less than 3%.

The gross profit margin increased by 3.1 percent points from 10.4% for 1Q2022 to approximately 13.5% for 1Q2023, which was due to the combined effect of the increase in sales of yarns which only generated a low profit margin and the effective cost control measures.

The Group expected to record an increase in selling and distribution expenses of not more than HK\$0.6 million for 1Q2023 compared to approximately HK\$0.9 million for 1Q2022 primarily due to (i) the increase in staff cost of approximately HK\$0.4 million; and (ii) the increase in travelling and entertainment expenses of approximately HK\$0.2 million.

The administrative and other expenses of the Group for 1Q2023 remained relatively stable, with a decrease of 1.7% compared to 1Q2022.

As the Company is still in the process of finalising the results of the Group for 1Q2023, the information contained in this announcement is only a preliminary assessment by the management of the Company with reference to the information currently available including the unaudited consolidated management accounts of the Group for 1Q2023, which has not been audited or reviewed by the auditors of the Company nor reviewed by the audit committee of the Board, and may be subject to adjustments and changes. Finalised results of the Group for 1Q2023 and other details will be disclosed in the results announcement for 1Q2023 to be published by the Company.

Shareholders and potential investors should exercise caution when dealing in the shares of the Company.

On behalf of the Board
ST International Holdings Company Limited
Wong Kai Hung Kelvin
Chairman

Hong Kong, 4 May 2023

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises two executive Directors, namely, Mr. Wong Kai Hung Kelvin and Mr. Xi Bin; one non-executive Director, namely, Mr. Hung Yuk Miu; and three independent non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Ng Wing Heng Henry, Mr. Sze Irons BBS JP and Mr. Fong Kin Tat.

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