

# SING TAO NEWS CORPORATION LIMITED 星島新聞集團有限公司\*

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)

(Stock code: 1105)

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Annual General Meeting of Sing Tao News Corporation Limited (the "Company") will be held at the Function Room, Tower A, 6th Floor, Sing Tao Building, 1 Wang Kwong Road, Kowloon Bay, Kowloon, Hong Kong on Wednesday, 17 May 2006 at 3:30 p.m. for the following purposes:—

- 1. To receive, consider and approve the audited financial statements and the reports of the directors and auditors for the year ended 31 December 2005.
- 2. To declare a final dividend and a special final dividend for the year ended 31 December 2005.
- 3. To re-elect directors and to authorise the board of directors to fix their fee.
- 4. To re-appoint auditors and to authorise the board of directors to fix their remuneration.
- 5. To consider as special business and, if thought fit, pass with or without modification, the following resolutions as ordinary resolutions of the Company:

#### A. "THAT:

(a) subject to paragraph A(c) below, the exercise by the directors of the Company during the Relevant Period of all the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with additional shares of the Company and to make or grant offers, agreements and options which would or might require the exercise of such powers be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;

(b) the aggregate nominal amount of share allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted (whether pursuant to an option, warrants or otherwise) by the directors of the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph A(a) above, otherwise than pursuant to (i) a rights issue; or (ii) any scrip dividends or similar arrangement in accordance with bye-laws of the Company as amended from time to time; or (iii) any option scheme or similar arrangement for the time being adopted by the Company for the grant or issue to the employees of the Company or its subsidiaries of shares or rights to subscribe shares of the Company or the exercise of any of the subscription rights attaching to any options that have been or may be granted thereunder; or (iv) any rights of subscription or conversion under any existing convertible bonds, debentures or notes of the Company, shall not exceed 20% of the aggregate nominal amount of the issued share capital of the Company as at the date of the passing of this resolution; and

## (c) for the purposes of these resolutions:

"Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earliest of:

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by any applicable law or the bye-laws of the Company to be held; and
- (iii) the date on which the authority set out in this resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders in general meeting of the Company."

### B. "THAT:

(a) subject to paragraph B(b) below, the exercise by the directors of the Company during the Relevant Period of all powers of the Company to repurchase shares of the Company on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") or any other stock exchange on which the shares of the Company may be listed and recognized by the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong and the Stock Exchange for this purpose, subject to and in

accordance with all applicable laws and the requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange as amended from time to time, be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved; and

- (b) the aggregate nominal amount of share of the Company to be purchased, or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be purchased, by the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph B(a) above shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue as at the passing of this resolution."
- C. "THAT subject to the passing of resolutions No. 5A and No. 5B set out above, the aggregate nominal amount of shares in the capital of the Company which are repurchased by the Company under the authority granted pursuant to the abovementioned resolution No. 5B shall be added to the aggregate nominal amount of share capital of the Company that may be allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted by the directors of the Company pursuant to the authority granted pursuant to the abovementioned resolution No. 5A."
- D. "THAT conditional upon the Listing Committee of the Stock Exchange granting the listing of, and permission to deal in, the Consolidated Shares (as defined below), the 6,000,000,000 shares of HK\$0.1 each in the authorised share capital of the Company be consolidated into 3,000,000,000 shares of HK\$0.2 each on the basis that every two issued and unissued shares of HK\$0.1 each in the share capital of the Company be consolidated into one share of HK\$0.2 each ("Consolidated Shares") with effect from 9:30 a.m. on 18 May 2006 and any one director of the Company be and is hereby authorised to do all things, and to execute all documents in connection with or incidental to such consolidation.".

By Order of the Board
Cheng Lai Chu
Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 18 April 2006

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises: (1) executive directors: Mr. HO Tsu Kwok, Charles (Chairman), Mr. LO Wing Hung (Chief Executive Officer), Mr. JIA Hongping, Mr. JIM Sui Hing, Mr. LAI Ting Yiu, Mr. LAU Chung Man, Louis, Mrs. SY WONG Chor Fong, Mr. YANG Yiu Chong, Ronald Jeffrey; (2) non-executive director: Mr. LEUNG Chun Ying and (3) independent non-executive directors: Mr. Timothy David DATTELS, Ms. HO Chiu King, Pansy Catilina, Mr. KING Richard Yun Zing, Mr. LEE Cho Jat and Mr. TUNG Chee Chen.

#### Notes:

- 1. A member entitled to attend and vote at the meeting convened by the above notice is entitled to appoint one (or if he/she holds two or more shares, more than one) proxy to attend and vote in his/her stead. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
- 2. In case of joint holders, if more than one of the joint holders are present at the above meeting personally or by proxy, that one of the said persons so present whose name stands first on the register of members of the Company in respect of the relevant shares will alone be entitled to vote in respect of them.
- 3. In case of a corporation, the form of proxy must be under its common seal or under the hand of an officer or attorney duly authorised on its behalf.
- 4. In order to be valid, the form of proxy together with a power of attorney or other authority, if any, under which it is signed, or a certified copy of that power of attorney or authority, must be deposited with the Company's branch share registrars and transfer office, Tengis Limited at 26/F, Tesbury Centre, 28 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding of the meeting or any adjournment thereof.
- 5. The register of members of the Company will be closed from 11 May 2006 to 17 May 2006, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be effected. In order to be eligible for attending and voting at the above meeting, all share transfers, accompanied by the relevant share certificates, must be lodged with the Company's branch share registrars and transfer office, Tengis Limited at 26/F, Tesbury Centre, 28 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong not later than 4:30 p.m. on 10 May 2006.

## \* For identification purpose only

Please also refer to the published version of this announcement in The Standard.