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China New Higher Education Group Limited

中國新高教集團有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock code: 2001)

APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND CHANGE OF BOARD COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The board (the “**Board**”) of directors (the “**Director(s)**”) of China New Higher Education Group Limited (the “**Company**”) is pleased to announce that Ms. Wong Ka Ki Ada (王家琦) (“**Ms. Wong**”) has been appointed as an independent non-executive Director and a member of each of the audit committee of the Board and the nomination committee of the Board with effect from 10 December 2024.

The biographical details of Ms. Wong are set out below:

Ms. Wong, aged 44, holds a Bachelor’s Degree of Business Administration with High Distinction from the University of Michigan in the United States. She completed the Global Directorship Program jointly organized by the Hong Kong Institute of Directors and the University of Cambridge Sustainability Leadership Program.

Ms. Wong has more than 20 years of experience in finance and corporate management, and has served as a member of senior management in several prominent companies. She had been the chief executive director of PURE Group in 2024 and was responsible for overseeing day-to-day operations and formulating strategy to drive business growth. Prior to joining PURE Group, from 2021 to 2023, she was the chief strategy officer, chief investment officer and executive director of EC Healthcare, a company listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “**Stock Exchange**”) (stock code: 2138), where she was responsible for the company’s acquisitions and corporate strategy, as well as the implementation of environmental, social and governance strategies. From 2014 to 2021, Ms. Wong progressed from deputy chief executive officer to chief executive officer and executive director of Champion REIT, a company listed on the Stock Exchange (stock code: 2778), formulating the company’s strategic direction and supervising daily operations. She held investment banking positions at leading global financiers including Citibank (2006–2014) and J.P. Morgan (2003–2006), where she provided strategic advices to listed companies, and executed numerous landmark initial public offerings, capital market fund-raising and merger and acquisition transactions.

Ms. Wong's outstanding leadership skills have been widely recognized and she has won multiple accolades from various renowned organizations, including: Distinguished Sustainability Leadership Award from Hong Kong Management Association (2021), the Best CEO from Asset ESG Corporate Awards (2020), Asia's Best CEO from Corporate Governance Asia (for four consecutive years from 2017 to 2020), Outstanding Director Award – Executive Director of a Listed Company from Hong Kong Institute of Directors (2018), Best Investor Relations by CEO from Hong Kong Investor Relations Association (for five consecutive years from 2017 to 2021) and many other awards. She served as the chairperson of the Hong Kong Chapter Board of the Asia Pacific Real Asset Association from 2018 to 2021. She is also a fellow of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors and a fellow of the Hong Kong Institute of Directors.

Ms. Wong has entered into a letter of appointment with the Company for an initial term of one year commencing from 10 December 2024 subject to retirement by rotation and re-election at the general meeting of the Company in accordance with the articles of association of the Company. She will be entitled to a remuneration of HK\$300,000 per annum, which was determined based on the recommendation of the remuneration committee of the Board with reference to her experience, duties and responsibilities of an independent non-executive Director, and prevailing market terms for similar roles for comparable companies.

Save as disclosed above, as at the date of this announcement, Ms. Wong did not hold other directorships in any listed public companies in Hong Kong or overseas in the last three years and Ms. Wong has not held any other positions with the Company and its subsidiaries. Ms. Wong does not have any relationship with any other Directors, senior management, substantial shareholders or controlling shareholders of the Company. As at the date of this announcement, Ms. Wong had no interest in any shares or underlying shares of the Company pursuant to Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the laws of Hong Kong).

Ms. Wong has confirmed (a) her independence as regards each of the factors referred to in Rule 3.13 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange (the "**Listing Rules**"); (b) that she has no past or present financial or other interest in the business of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or any connection with any core connected person (as defined under the Listing Rules) of the Company; and (c) that there are no other factors that may affect Ms. Wong's independence at the time of her appointment.

Save as disclosed above, there is no other information relating to Ms. Wong that is required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51(2) of the Listing Rules, and there is no other matter relating to the appointment of Ms. Wong which needs to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company.

The Board would like to welcome Ms. Wong for joining as a member of the Board.

By order of the Board of
China New Higher Education Group Limited
Li Xiaoxuan
Chairman

Hong Kong, 10 December 2024

As at the date of this announcement and after the aforesaid changes, the executive Directors are Mr. Li Xiaoxuan and Mr. Zhao Shuai, and the independent non-executive Directors are Mr. Kwong Wai Sun Wilson, Mr. Chan Tung Hoi, Dr. Pang Tsz Kit Peter and Ms. Wong Ka Ki Ada.