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# **NOVA Group Holdings Limited**

諾發集團控股有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock code: 1360)

# DISCLOSEABLE TRANSACTION PROVISION OF FACTORING LOAN

#### **PROVISION OF FACTORING LOAN TO THE CUSTOMER**

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## LISTING RULES IMPLICATIONS

As one of the applicable percentage ratios under Rule 14.07 of the Listing Rules in respect of the entering into of the Factoring Agreement is more than 5% but all of them are less than 25%, the provision of factoring loan under the Factoring Agreement constitutes a discloseable transaction for the Company under Chapter 14 of the Listing Rules and is therefore subject to the notification and announcement requirements under Chapter 14 of the Listing Rules.

# FACTORING AGREEMENT

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The principal terms of the Factoring Agreement are set out as below:

Date	:	8 January 2021
Parties	:	(1) the Customer
		(2) Shanghai Shouxin
Principal amount	:	RMB28,000,000 (equivalent to approximately HK\$33,373,000)
Financing term	:	From 11 January 2021 to 12 August 2021
Interest rate	:	12% per annum
Transfer of account receivable	:	Subject to the terms and conditions of the Factoring Agreement, the account receivables due from the debtor(s) of the Customer as stipulated in the underlying transaction documents entered into between the parties pursuant to the Factoring Agreement shall be transferred to Shanghai Shouxin.
Interest payment	:	Interest shall be made payable by the Customer to Shanghai Shouxin on a quarterly basis.
Other expenses	:	Apart from the foregoing interest, the Customer shall pay Shanghai Shouxin (i) a management fee representing 1% of the amount of the transferred account receivables; and (ii) a penalty interest at the rate of 24% per annum during the grace period (as referred to hereinbelow).

- Factor ratio : The factor ratio, which represents the ratio of the maximum factoring principal amount to the account receivables being transferred, shall not exceed 70%.
- Repayment : The factoring principal amount shall be repayable upon the expiry of the Factoring Agreement (together with interest and other expenses payable by the Customer) pursuant to the terms and conditions of and the underlying transaction documents entered into between the parties pursuant to the Factoring Agreement.
- Repurchase : In the event, among others, that: (i) any debtor(s) of the Customer disputes the transferred account receivables or fails to pay any outstanding debt to Shanghai Shouxin in full upon expiry of the relevant financing term; or (ii) the Customer acts in contravention of any provisions under the Factoring Agreement, Shanghai Shouxin shall have the right to demand the Customer to unconditionally repurchase the account receivables transferred to Shanghai Shouxin and repay all the outstanding sum due to Shanghai Shouxin under the Factoring Agreement.
- Grace period : Shanghai Shouxin shall be entitled to grant a grace period of not more than 31 days to the Customer for repurchasing the transferred account receivables and charge the penalty interest of 24% per annum.
- Guarantee : The Guarantor entered into the Guarantee in favour of Shanghai Shouxin in respect of the principal amount, interest, management fee and liability for breach of contract under the Factoring Agreement.

The provision of the factoring loan under the Factoring Agreement will be funded by internal resources of the Group.

#### **INFORMATION ON THE GROUP**

The principal activities of the Group are the organisation and sponsorship of exhibitions and events, operation of cultural and entertainment comprehensive services platform and financing services. In particular, Shanghai Shouxin, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, is principally engaged in the provision of credit factoring services.

#### **INFORMATION ON THE CUSTOMER**

The principal activities of the Customer is import, export and trading of metallic materials in the PRC. As of the date of this announcement, the Customer is owned as to 99% by the Guarantor (i.e. 謝曉燕 (Xie Xiaoyan\*)) and 1% by 謝會岩 (Xie Huiyan\*), both of which are PRC businesspersons.

To the best knowledge, information and belief of the Directors having made all reasonable enquiries, the Customer and its ultimate beneficial owners are the Independent Third Parties.

#### **REASONS FOR ENTERING INTO OF THE FACTORING AGREEMENT**

The provision of financing services is one of the Group's current principal business activities. The terms of the Factoring Agreement, including the principal amount, interest rate and financing term, were agreed between the parties after arm's length negotiations and are on normal commercial terms.

The Directors consider that (1) the Factoring Agreement was entered into in the ordinary and usual course of business of the Group on normal commercial terms and would generate revenue and cash flow from the factoring interest income; and (2) the terms of the Factoring Agreement are fair and reasonable and are in the interests of the Group and the shareholders of the Company as a whole.

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## **DEFINITIONS**

In this announcement, the following expressions shall have the following respective meanings unless the context requires otherwise.

"Board"	the board of Directors
"Company"	NOVA Group Holdings Limited (諾發集團控股有限公司), a company incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability and the issued shares of which are listed on the Stock Exchange
"connected person(s)"	has the meaning ascribed to it under the Listing Rules
"Customer"	上海澤嘉商貿有限公司 (Shanghai Zejia Trading Co., Ltd.*), a company established in the PRC with limited liability
"Director(s)"	the director(s) of the Company
"Factoring Agreement"	the recourse revolving factoring agreement dated 8 January 2021, together with its underlying transaction documents, which include, among others, account receivables transfer registration agreement and account receivables repurchase agreement, entered into between the Customer and Shanghai Shouxin, as secured by the Guarantee

"Guarantee"	a guarantee contract entered into between Shanghai Shouxin on one part of creditor and the Guarantor on the other part of guarantor to ensure performance of the Factoring Agreement
"Guarantor"	謝曉燕 (Xie Xiaoyan*), the major shareholder, sole director and legal representative of the Customer
"Group"	the Company and its subsidiaries
"Hong Kong"	the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the PRC
"Independent Third party(ies)"	the independent third party(ies) who is/are, to the best of the Directors' knowledge, information and belief having made all reasonable enquiries, independent of and not connected with the Company and the connected person(s) (as defined in the Listing Rules) of the Company
"Listing Rules"	the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange
"percentage ratios"	the percentage ratio(s) as defined in Chapter 14 of the Listing Rules
"PRC"	the People's Republic of China, which shall, for the purpose of this announcement only, exclude Hong Kong, Macau Special Administrative Region of the PRC and Taiwan
"Shanghai Shouxin"	上海守信商業保理有限公司 (Shanghai Shouxin Commercial Factoring Co., Ltd*), an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company and established in the PRC with limited liability
"Stock Exchange"	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited

"HK\$"	Hong Kong dollars, the lawful currency of Hong Kong
"RMB"	Renminbi, the lawful currency of the PRC
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\* For identification purposes only

*Translation of Renminbi into Hong Kong dollars is based on the exchange rate of HK\$1 = RMB0.8390.* 

By Order of the Board NOVA Group Holdings Limited Deng Zhonglin Chairman

Hong Kong, 8 January 2021

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises Mr. Deng Zhonglin, Mr. Xu Feng and Mr. Wong Yuk Lun Alan as executive Directors; Ms. Huang Chian Sandy as non-executive Director; and Mr. Choi Hung Fai, Mr. Tsang Wing Ki, Dr. Wong Kong Tin, JP and Mr. Qiu Peiyuan as independent non-executive Directors.