

SPINDEX INDUSTRIES LIMITED
(Registration No.: 198701451M)

CLARIFICATION ON THE STRAITS TIMES ARTICLE

The board of directors (“**Board**”) of Spindex Industries Limited (the “**Company**”) refers to the article entitled “Pattern of disclosures from Spindex raises questions” published in The Straits Times on 7 March 2017 (“**Article**”).

All capitalised terms used and not defined herein shall have the same meanings given to them in the Company’s update announcement released at 7.40 p.m. on 3 March 2017 (“**Update Announcement**”), unless otherwise expressly stated or the context otherwise requires.

The Article referred to, amongst other things, the disclosures made by the Company in relation to certain letters that were received by the directors who are considered independent (the “**Independent Directors**”) for the purposes of the mandatory conditional cash offer by DBS Bank Ltd. for and on behalf of Hong Wei Holdings Ltd for all the Shares.

The Article appears to suggest that the Company did not disclose on a timely basis, a written request by a party (“**Third Party**”) on 23 February 2017 to conduct due diligence on the Company (“**Request**”).

The Company disagrees with any such suggestion and makes the following clarification regarding the disclosure of the Request by way of the Update Announcement on 3 March 2017.

The Independent Directors had on 23 February 2017 (Thursday) received the (unsolicited) Request. The Independent Directors after legal advice and due consideration, responded to the Request as soon as practicable on 1 March 2017 (Wednesday), informing the Third Party that the Independent Directors were not at that point in the position to consent to the Request. Given that the Request did not contain any offer or indicative terms, it was premature for any announcement to be made.

The following day, on 2 March 2017, the Independent Directors received a further letter from the same Third Party requesting for access to Company’s information on the basis of Rule 9.2 of the Singapore Code on Take-overs and Mergers. In light of this development, the Independent Directors requested for the Third Party on 3 March 2017, to specify the questions to which it requires Company information; and disclosure was made of the correspondence with the Third Party in the Update Announcement on 3 March 2017, as well as the termination of the Scheme.

The reference to Mr Chew in the Article is unfortunate as he was travelling at that time, and did not have access to the relevant documents to meaningfully address any query.

Shareholders are advised to exercise caution when dealing in their Shares and to refrain from taking any action in relation to their Shares which may be prejudicial to their interests.

Persons who are in doubt as to the action they should take should consult their stockbroker, bank manager, solicitor or other professional advisers.

The directors of the Company (including any who may have delegated detailed supervision of the preparation of this announcement) have taken all reasonable care to ensure that the facts stated and all opinions expressed in this announcement are fair and accurate and that, where appropriate, no

material facts in relation thereto have been omitted from this announcement, and the directors of the Company jointly and severally accept responsibility accordingly.

Where any information has been extracted or reproduced from published or otherwise publicly available sources, the sole responsibility of the directors of the Company has been to ensure that, through reasonable enquiries, such information is accurately extracted from such sources or, as the case may be, reflected or reproduced in this announcement.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Chan Meng Wah Alexander

Independent Director

7 March 2017