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Aspen Glove Sdn. Bhd. Inks 2 Years Master Supply **Agreement With Honeywell International Inc** For USD210 Million

- Aspen Glove Sdn. Bhd. will manufacture and supply nitrile medical grade examination gloves from July 2021 to June 2023
- Construction of Phase 3 and Phase 4 to be expedited to add capacity for another 7.2 billion pieces of gloves per annum
- Projected to achieve a total annual production capacity of approximately 14.4 billion pieces of gloves per annum progressively from 1Q2022.

Singapore, 13 April 2021 – Aspen (Group) Holdings Limited ("Aspen" and together with its subsidiaries, the "Group"), co-developer of Aspen Vision City at Batu Kawan Penang with IKEA Southeast Asia, today announced that the Company's subsidiary, Aspen Glove Sdn. Bhd. ("AGSB") has entered into a Master Supply Agreement (the "Agreement") with Honeywell International Inc ("Honeywell"), a multinational conglomerate, to sell part of Phase 1(b) production capacity from July 2021 to June 2023 valued at USD210 million (RM868 million).

Under the Agreement, AGSB will manufacture and supply to Honeywell, nitrile medical grade examination gloves on an original equipment manufacturing (OEM) basis mainly for the market in the United States of America (US).

Pursuant to the Agreement, AGSB shall receive a series of upfront payments from Honeywell totaling USD20 million by May 2021, which shall be set off against initial shipments. The consideration for subsequent shipments shall be paid by Honeywell monthly based on the actual shipment size of the gloves.

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As earlier announced in 13 January 2021, AGSB has already secured sales of USD100 million

by entering into a Sales and Distribution Agreement. With the entry of the Agreement, AGSB

has now secured a cumulative sales value of USD310 million (RM1,281 million).

Dato' M. Murly, the President and Group Chief Executive Officer said, "We have achieved

another major milestone by securing the Agreement for a period of 2 years for a significant

portion of our production. Having Honeywell as our OEM partner will further strengthen AGSB's

brand positioning and help gain significant market share in the US and Europe (EU)."

"Working with international brands such as Honeywell will require continuous improvement of

AGSB's products and strict compliance to environmental, social, and governance (ESG) best

practices. This will set new standards that could have a significant impact on the glove

manufacturing industry in the medium to long-term."

The Group also highlighted that it is currently negotiating to sell the entire production capacity

for Phase 2 from 4Q2021 estimated to be 3.6 billion gloves per annum. The Group referred to

a report that the demand for rubber gloves is projected to increase 15% on a compounded

annual growth rate, mainly supported by the rise in consumption from the medical segment. On

the back of this, AGSB is currently working on plans to expedite the completion of production

facilities for Phase 3 and Phase 4 in 2022 which will add another 7.2 billion pieces of gloves

per annum.

"The recent grant of 100% Investment Tax Allowance for a period of 10 years to AGSB for its

business activity of designing, developing, and manufacturing of examination and surgical nitrile

gloves further encourages our investment. Now that AGSB has achieved significant sales beyond its initial target, the Group will accelerate its Phase 3 and Phase 4 by 2022 to ensure it

remains well-positioned to meet the continued demand. When Phase 4 is completed next year,

AGSB will be producing approximately 14.4 billion pieces of gloves per annum and this will

enable AGSB to expand its customer base in the US and the EU markets. AGSB's target is to

be one of the largest gloves manufacturers supplying the US and EU market within the next 3

years.," Dato' M. Murly added.

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About Aspen (Group) Holdings Limited

Property Development Sector

Listed on the SGX-ST Mainboard, Aspen (Group) Holdings Limited is a Malaysia-based property

group developing residential and mixed development properties at strategic locations with good

infrastructure and amenities at affordable price points. The Group's flagship project, Aspen Vision

City, a 245-acres freehold mixed development project well-located in Bandar Cassia, Batu

Kawan - Penang's third satellite city, is a joint-partnership with IKEA Southeast Asia. With a gross

development value of over RM13 billion, of which the Group has launched over RM3 billion of

properties; Aspen Vision City features the first IKEA Store in the Northern Region of Malaysia

and a state-of-the-art regional integrated shopping centre. Aspen Group also has several

property developments in Penang Island and Central Region of Malaysia, which captured a total

gross development value of over RM3 billion. In addition, Aspen Group's associated company

Global Vision Logistics Sdn. Bhd. is part of a joint venture with Logos SE Asia Pte. Ltd for the

development of an integrated e-commerce logistics hub in Shah Alam, Selangor. Upon its

completion, the facility is expected to be one of the largest one stop logistics solutions provider

in Malaysia.

Combining its vision and powered by a dynamic team, Aspen Group is poised to make a

significant impact in the marketplace and scale greater heights in the years to come. For more

information about the Group and its projects, please visit http://aspen.sg

<u>Healthcare Sector – Aspen Glove</u>

Aspen Glove Sdn Bhd is a manufacturer and distributor of high-quality medical grade latex and

nitrile gloves, jointly established by two prominent corporate entities, Aspen Vision All Sdn Bhd

and CMY Capital Sdn Bhd. The inception of Aspen Glove is a strategic and timely venture as the

global demand for latex and nitrile medical examination gloves continues to surge in healthcare,

industrial, F&B, hospitality and travel sectors.

Aspen Glove Sdn Bhd envisions to penetrate the market and gain a reasonable share with

strategic planning around pricing, competitors, marketing strategies and distinctive positioning

and expand in successive phases to also include own brand manufacturing (OBM) and own

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distribution network globally. The first phase of the manufacturing facilities is expected to be operational by March 2021 and production to commence gradually from May 2021 onwards with initial capacity of between 1.6 to 1.8 billion gloves annual production capacity leading to the ramping up of its production capacity up to 28.8 billion gloves per annum within the next three to five years. For more information on Aspen Glove, please visit https://aspenglove.com.my/

Food and Beverage Sector - Kanada-Ya

Kanada-Ya SG Pte Ltd secured the master franchise rights from Kanada-Ya UK Ltd, the developer of a system for the operation of specialised authentic Japanese ramen dining outlets under the 'KANADA-YA' brand. Kanada-Ya SG Pte Ltd has the exclusive territorial rights to establish and operate KANADA-YA outlets as well as develop the franchise of KANADA-YA in Malaysia, Thailand and Singapore. Established in 2009 in the small town of Yukuhashi, Fukuoka, Japan, KANADA-YA has since expanded to 14 outlets worldwide- 2 in Japan, 3 in London, 6 in Hong Kong, 1 in Barcelona, and 4 in Singapore. KANADA-YA has been voted the number one ramen in London by The Telegraph and has garnered numerous other accolades under their belt. For more information on KANADA-YA, please visit https://kanada-ya.sg/