

## **KITCHEN CULTURE HOLDINGS LTD.**

(Company Registration No: 201107179D) (Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore on 25 March 2011)

# UPDATE ON LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

The Board of Directors (the "**Board**") of Kitchen Culture Holdings Ltd. (the "**Company**" and together with its subsidiaries, the "**Group**") refers to the announcements dated 10 August 2021, 17 September 2021 and 28 October 2021 ("**Previous Announcements**") in relation to the following actions:

- (1) The action commenced by the Company's subsidiary, KHL Marketing Asia-Pacific Pte. Ltd. ("KHLM"), against the Company's former Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Lim Wee Li, and two foreign nationals, Mr. Du Kun and Mr. Wang Yanchao, to recover the amount of S\$520,000 from the three defendants ("KHLM's Suit"); and
- (2) The action commenced by Mr. Lim Wee Li against the Company ("Mr. Lim Wee Li's Suit").

#### Updates on KHLM's Suit

With respect to KHLM's Suit, the following developments have taken place since the Previous Announcements:

- (a) KHLM has filed its Reply (Amendment No. 1) dated 29 October 2021, in response to Mr. Lim Wee Li's Defence (Amendment No. 1) dated 14 October 2021.
- (b) KHLM has also filed its Reply and Defence to the Counterclaim dated 5 November 2021 in response to Mr. Du and Mr. Wang's Defence and Counterclaim dated 22 October 2021.

Mr. Du and Mr. Wang's solicitors have filed a Defence and Counterclaim (Amendment No. 1) dated 11 November 2021 ("**Defence and Counterclaim (Amendment No. 1)**)". Their Defence and Counterclaim (Amendment No. 1) purports to further join Mr. Lincoln Teo, the Interim CEO and Executive Director of the Company, as the 3<sup>rd</sup> Defendant to their counterclaim for defamation and conspiracy.

- (c) On 12 November 2021, Mr. Du and Mr. Wang's solicitors served the Company with Mr. Du and Mr. Wang's Defence and Counterclaim dated 22 October 2021 and their Defence and Counterclaim (Amendment No. 1).
- (d) The Court wrote to Mr. Du and Mr. Wang's solicitors on 13 November 2021, informing that:
  - (i) The addition of Mr. Lincoln Teo as the 3<sup>rd</sup> Defendant in Counterclaim in the Defence and Counterclaim (Amendment No. 1) requires the leave of Court; and
  - (ii) If Mr. Du and Mr. Wang do not take steps to rectify their omission to seek leave by 18 November 2021, 4pm, the Court will take steps to strike out and expunge their Defence and Counterclaim (Amendment No. 1).

- (e) Mr. Du and Mr. Wang's solicitors wrote to Court on 18 November 2021 to, among other things:
  - (i) Submit that leave of Court is not required for Mr. Lincoln Teo to be added as the 3<sup>rd</sup> Defendant in Counterclaim; and
  - (ii) Request that should the Court take the view that an application for leave is nonetheless necessary, Mr. Du and Mr. Wang be allowed one week from the Court's directions to file the leave application, and for the Defence and Counterclaim (Amendment No. 1) to remain on record in the meantime pending the final determination of the said application.
- (f) The Court responded on 18 November 2021 to:
  - (i) Direct that Mr. Wang and Mr. Du file their application for leave to join Mr Lincoln Teo as 3<sup>rd</sup> Defendant in Counterclaim in KHLM's Suit in one week; and
  - (ii) Approve Mr. Wang and Mr. Du's request for the Defence and Counterclaim (Amendment No. 1) to remain on record in the meantime pending the final determination of the said application.

KHLM and the Company are being advised by their solicitors in relation to the aforesaid developments and any leave application filed by Mr. Wang and Mr. Du.

#### Updates on Mr. Lim Wee Li's Suit

With respect to Mr. Lim Wee Li's Suit, Mr. Lim Wee Li has filed a Statement of Claim (Amendment No. 1) dated 5 November 2021.

The Company is reviewing Mr. Lim's Statement of Claim (Amendment No. 1) with its solicitors, with a view to filing the Company's Defence and Counterclaim (Amendment No. 1) in response to the same.

The Board will make further announcements on any material developments, as and when required.

### By Order of the Board

Hao Dongting Non-Executive Chairperson 22 November 2021

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