FORISE INTERNATIONAL LIMITED
(Company Registration No. 200804077W)
(Incorporated in Singapore)

RESPONSE TO QUERIES FROM THE SINGAPORE STOCK EXCHANGE SECURITIES TRADING LIMITED ("SGX-ST") ON EARLIER ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Board of Directors of Forise International Limited (the "**Company**"), and together with its subsidiaries, the "**Group**") refers to the earlier Announcements dated 13 November 2019 and 30 November 2019 respectively titled "Change – Announcement of Cessation:: Resignation of Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director" ("CEO") and "Change – Announcement of Cessation:: Resignation of Executive Chairman and Executive Director" ("Executive Chairman") (the "**Earlier Announcements**").

Unless otherwise defined, all capitalized terms herein shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Earlier Announcements.

The Board would like to respond to the further queries raised by the SGX-ST on 5 December 2019 as follows:

SGX-ST's Query A

A. Resignation of CEO on 13 November 2019

1. On 13 November 2019, it was disclosed that Mr Ching Yeh had resigned on 13 November 2019 "to pursue personal interests". We note that Mr Ching Yeh was appointed as Group CEO on 26 July 2019, a mere 4 months ago.

   a. Please disclose whether the Nominating Committee had ascertained Mr Ching Yeh's principal commitments and considered whether he would be able to devote sufficient time to managing the affairs of the Group, prior to his appointment on 26 July 2019. Please disclose the bases for such assessment, if any;

   b. Please disclose what are these personal interests that led to Mr Ching Yeh's resignation;

   c. As Mr Ching Yeh was "responsible for driving the Group's strategic direction, development and growth of the Group", please disclose the Director(s) who would be taking over Mr Ching Yeh's duties and whether the Nominating Committee intends to appoint another executive Director to replace Mr Ching Yeh and what is the track record and experience of his replacement.

Company's Response

1.a. Prior to the appointment of Mr. Ching Yeh as CEO, the Nominating Committee ("NC") had ascertained Mr. Ching's principal commitments and considered whether he would be able to devote sufficient time in managing the affairs of the Group.

The NC together with the Board had assessed Mr. Ching's qualifications, experience and capabilities to assume the duties and responsibilities as CEO and Executive Director of the Company.

During the interview session between the NC and Mr. Ching, the NC acknowledged that Mr. Ching was the CEO of Xmax Foundation Pte. Ltd. and a director of Truedeal Lab Foundation Ltd, a dormant company. Mr. Ching assured that he would relinquish his role and position in Xmax Foundation Pte. Ltd. upon him becoming the CEO of the Company (as announced on 26 July 2019, 31 July 2019 and 13 August 2019 respectively). On the basis that Mr. Ching would relinquish his role and position in Xmax Foundation Pte. Ltd., the NC was of the view that Mr. Ching would be able to devote his time in managing the Group.

1.b. As announced in our earlier response to SGT-ST query dated 26 November 2019, the Board and Mr. Ching were unable to reach an agreement on his remuneration package, accordingly, with our agreement, Mr. Ching relinquished his position as CEO of the Company.

There were no other personal interests that led to Mr. Ching's resignation which were made known to the Company.

1.c. Upon resignation of Mr. Ching as CEO of the Company and prior to resignation of Mr. Wang Xin ("Mr. Wang"), the other Executive Directors of the Company, namely Mr. Wang and Mr. Peng Weile ("Mr. Peng") had continued to oversee the operations of the Company. As at the date of this announcement, Mr. Peng is the Executive Director responsible for and overall in charge of the management and operations of the Company.

Notwithstanding the above, the Nominating Committee will continuously assess and consider various options in respect of the composition of the Board of Directors, including, the appointment of executive Directors. The Company will make such further announcement(s) when there are further material developments.

SGX-ST's Query B

B. Resignation of Executive Chairman on 29 November 2019

2. On 30 November 2019, it was disclosed that Mr Wang Xin had resigned as Executive Chairman on 29 November 2019 "due to personal reasons".

   a. Please disclose what are these personal interests that led to Mr Wang Xin's resignation;

   b. We note that Mr Wang Xin's role was to "formulate and set strategic directions for the Group and is responsible for the daily operation management, development and growth of the Group". Mr Wang Xin had also led the Group through the diversification of the business. Please disclose the Director(s) who would be taking over Mr Wang Xin's duties and whether the Nominating Committee intends to appoint another executive Director to replace Mr Wang Xin and what is the track record and experience of his replacement;

3. Following the resignation of 2 key executive officers of the Company, namely Mr Ching Yeh and Mr Wang Xin, in such a short span of 2 weeks', please disclose whether there are any matters of concern which are required to be brought to the attention of the shareholders.

Company's Response

2.a. Mr. Wang had resigned as Executive Chairman due to his personal reasons. As the nature of the reasons for his resignation was personal, it had been not disclosed to the Company.

2.b. Following Mr. Wang's resignation as Executive Chairman, Mr. Peng, the existing Executive Director of the Company will take over Mr. Wang's duties. Since his appointment to the Board in August 2015, Mr. Peng had worked closely with Mr. Wang in connection with the management and day-to-day operations of the Group's business. Mr. Peng has, since his appointment to the Board, been responsible for the management of the Group as well as executing all strategic directions set by the Board. As a member of the Board and the senior Management team, Mr. Peng has always been actively involved with decision-making and the formulation of strategic directions

of the Group. In this regard, the Nominating Committee and the Board are of the view that he has the necessary track record and experience to take over Mr. Wang's duties.

In respect of the Group's new joint venture business for the provision of strategic planning, corporate advisory, financial restructuring advisory and management consultancy services (the "**JVC Business**"), the Group will be able to continue to tap on the experience and expertise of the Company's joint venture partner, Prisma AI Corporation Pte. Ltd. (the "**JV Partner**"). The Management and the JV Partner will continue to jointly manage the JVC Business.

Notwithstanding the above, the Nominating Committee will continuously assess and consider various options in respect of the composition of the Board of Directors, including, if deemed appropriate, appointing another executive Director. The Company will make such further announcement(s) if there are any further material developments to the composition of the Board of Directors, as and when appropriate.

3. To the best of the Company's knowledge, there are no other matters of concern which are required to be brought to the attention of the shareholders.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Peng Weile
Executive Director
8 December 2019