

APPENDIX TO ANNUAL REPORT 2023 DATED 28 MARCH 2024

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If you are in any doubt as to the action you should take, you should consult your stockbroker, bank manager, solicitor, accountant or other professional adviser immediately.

This Appendix is circulated to Shareholders of QAF Limited (the “**Company**”) together with the Company’s Annual Report for FY2023 and may be accessed at the Company’s corporate website at the URL <https://www.qaf.com.sg/company-announce/> and the SGXNET website at the URL <https://www.sgx.com/securities/company-announcements>. The purpose of this Appendix is to provide information to the Shareholders relating to the proposed renewal of the IPT Mandate to be tabled at the Annual General Meeting of the Company to be held, in a wholly physical format, at William Pickering Ballroom, Level 2, PARKROYAL COLLECTION Pickering, 3 Upper Pickering Street, Singapore 058289, on 26 April 2024 at 11.00 a.m.. **There will be no option for members to attend, speak and vote via virtual meeting technology.**

If shares in the Company held through The Central Depository (Pte) Limited (“**CDP**”) have been sold or transferred, the Shareholder or investor (as the case may be) need not forward the Notice of Annual General Meeting and the Proxy Form to the purchaser or transferee, as arrangements will be made by CDP for these documents to be sent to the purchaser or transferee. If shares in the Company represented by physical share certificate(s) have been sold or transferred, the Shareholder should immediately forward the Notice of Annual General Meeting and the Proxy Form to the purchaser or transferee or the bank, stockbroker or other agent through whom the sale or transfer was effected for onward notification to the purchaser or transferee.

Capitalised terms appearing on the cover of this Appendix have the same meanings as defined herein.

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QAF LIMITED

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore on 3 March 1958)
(Company Registration No. 195800035D)

APPENDIX TO THE ANNUAL REPORT

IN RELATION TO

THE PROPOSED RENEWAL OF THE IPT MANDATE

DEFINITIONS

In this Appendix, the following definitions shall apply throughout unless the context otherwise requires:

“2023 AGM”	:	Annual general meeting of the Company held on 27 April 2023
“2024 AGM”	:	Annual general meeting of the Company to be held on 26 April 2024
“Annual Report”	:	Annual report of the Company for FY2023
“Appendix”	:	This appendix dated 28 March 2024 to the Annual Report
“approved exchange”	:	A stock exchange that has rules which safeguard the interests of shareholders against interested person transactions according to similar principles to Chapter 9 of the Listing Manual
“associate”	:	(a) In relation to any director, chief executive officer, substantial shareholder or controlling shareholder (being an individual) means: <ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) his immediate family (that is, the person’s spouse, child, adopted-child, step-child, sibling and parent);(ii) the trustees of any trust of which he or his immediate family is a beneficiary or, in the case of a discretionary trust, is a discretionary object; and(iii) any company in which he and his immediate family together (directly or indirectly) have an interest of 30% or more; and (b) In relation to a substantial shareholder or a controlling shareholder (being a company) means any other company which is its subsidiary or holding company or is a subsidiary of such holding company or one in the equity of which it and/or such other company or companies taken together (directly or indirectly) have an interest of 30% or more
“Audit & Risk Committee”	:	The audit and risk committee of the Company for the time being
“Board”	:	The board of Directors of the Company for the time being
“Companies Act”	:	The Companies Act 1967 of Singapore as amended or modified from time to time
“Company”	:	QAF Limited

“Controlling Shareholder”	:	<p>A person who:</p> <p>(a) holds directly or indirectly 15% or more of the total voting rights in the Company. The SGX-ST may determine that a person who satisfies this paragraph is not a controlling shareholder; or</p> <p>(b) in fact exercises control over the Company</p>
“Directors”	:	The directors of the Company for the time being
“entity at risk”	:	<p>(a) The listed company;</p> <p>(b) A subsidiary of the listed company that is not listed on the SGX-ST or an approved exchange; or</p> <p>(c) An associated company of the listed company that is not listed on the SGX-ST or an approved exchange, provided that the listed group, or the listed group and its interested person(s), has control over the associated company</p>
“FY”	:	Financial year ended or ending 31 December
“Group”	:	The Company and its subsidiaries
“immediate family”	:	In relation to a person, means the person’s spouse, child, adopted child, step-child, sibling and parent
“Interested Persons”	:	Has the meaning ascribed to it in Section 2.3 of this Appendix
“IPT” or “Interested Person Transactions”	:	Transactions between an entity at risk within the meaning of Chapter 9 of the Listing Manual and any of the Interested Persons which fall within the scope of the IPT Mandate
“IPT Mandate” or “Interested Person Transactions Mandate”	:	The general mandate pursuant to Chapter 9 of the Listing Manual for the Company and its subsidiaries and associated companies which are considered to be “entities at risk” under Chapter 9 of the Listing Manual, or any of them, to enter into any of the transactions falling within the types of interested person transactions as set out in this Appendix, provided that such transactions are made on normal commercial terms and in accordance with the review procedures for such interested person transactions
“Latest Practicable Date”	:	15 March 2024, being the latest practicable date prior to the issue of this Appendix
“Listing Manual”	:	The listing manual of the SGX-ST, as amended or modified from time to time
“Notice of Annual General Meeting”	:	The Notice of Annual General Meeting of the Company dated 28 March 2024 convening the 2024 AGM

“NTA”	:	Net tangible assets
“Salim Group”	:	Mr Anthoni Salim and the group of companies controlled by him or, if the context requires, Mr Anthoni Salim
“SGX-ST”	:	Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited
“Shareholders”	:	Means: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) where the Depository is named in the register of members of the Company as the holder of Shares, a Depositor in respect of the number of Shares standing to the credit of his name in the Depository Register; and (b) in any other case, a person whose name appears on the register of members maintained by the Company pursuant to Section 190 of the Companies Act and/or any other applicable law
“Shares”	:	Ordinary shares in the capital of the Company
“Substantial Shareholder”	:	A person who has an interest in one or more voting shares in a company and the total votes attached to such share(s) is not less than 5% of the total votes attached to all the voting shares in the company
“S\$” or “\$” and “cents”	:	Singapore dollars and cents, respectively
“%” or “per cent”	:	Percentage or per centum

The terms “Depositor”, “Depository” and “Depository Register” shall have the meanings ascribed to them respectively in Section 81SF of the Securities and Futures Act 2001 of Singapore.

Words importing the singular shall, where applicable, include the plural and vice versa and words importing the masculine gender shall, where applicable, include the feminine and neuter genders and vice versa. References to persons shall include corporations.

Any reference in this Appendix to any statute or enactment is a reference to that statute or enactment for the time being amended or re-enacted. Any word defined under the Companies Act, the Listing Manual or any modification thereof and used in this Appendix shall have the meaning assigned to it under the Companies Act, the Listing Manual or any modification thereof, as the case may be, unless otherwise provided.

Any reference to a time of day and date in this Appendix is a reference to Singapore time and date, respectively, unless otherwise stated. Any reference to currency set out in this Appendix is a reference to S\$ unless otherwise stated.

Any discrepancies in figures included in this Appendix between the amounts shown and the totals thereof are due to rounding. Accordingly, figures shown as totals in this Appendix may not be an arithmetic aggregation of the figures that precede them.

Rajah & Tann Singapore LLP has been appointed as the Singapore legal adviser to the Company in relation to the proposed renewal of the IPT Mandate.

QAF LIMITED

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)
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Board of Directors

Lam Sing Chung (*Chairman, Non-Independent, Non-Executive Director*)
Philip Yeo Liat Kok (*Vice-Chairman, Independent, Non-Executive Director*)
Lin Kejian (*Joint Group Managing Director, Executive Director*)
Michael Darren Hewat (*Joint Group Managing Director, Executive Director*)
Dawn Pamela Lum (*Independent, Non-Executive Director*)
Norman Ip (*Independent, Non-Executive Director*)
Chee Teck Kwong Patrick (*Independent, Non-Executive Director*)
Lian Hwee Peng Rebecca (*Independent, Non-Executive Director*)
Aw Syee Chia (*Independent, Non-Executive Director*)
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28 March 2024

To: The Shareholders of **QAF Limited**

Dear Shareholders

1. INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this Appendix is to provide Shareholders with information relating to the proposed renewal of the IPT Mandate, which is referred to in Ordinary Resolution 12 set out in the notice convening the 2024 AGM to be held on 26 April 2024.

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2. THE PROPOSED RENEWAL OF THE IPT MANDATE

2.1 Existing IPT Mandate

At the 2023 AGM, the Shareholders had approved the renewal of the IPT Mandate to authorise the entry by the Company and its entities at risk (as defined in Rule 904(2) of the Listing Manual) into any of the transactions falling within certain types of interested person transactions as set out in the IPT Mandate. Particulars of the IPT Mandate were set out in the appendix circulated to Shareholders together with the annual report of the Company for FY2022.

The IPT Mandate was expressed to take effect until the conclusion of the then next annual general meeting of the Company, namely, the 2024 AGM which is scheduled to be held on 26 April 2024. Accordingly, Shareholders' approval is being sought for the renewal of the IPT Mandate at the 2024 AGM.

2.2 Chapter 9 of the Listing Manual

Chapter 9 of the Listing Manual governs transactions by a listed company, as well as transactions by its subsidiaries and associated companies that are considered to be entities at risk, with the listed company's interested persons. The purpose is to guard against the risk that interested persons could influence the listed company, its subsidiaries or associated companies to enter into transactions with interested persons that may adversely affect the interests of the listed company or its shareholders.

Under Chapter 9 of the Listing Manual, where a listed company or any of its subsidiaries or any of its associated companies which are controlled by the listed group and its interested person(s) (other than a subsidiary or associated company that is listed on the SGX-ST or an approved exchange) proposes to enter into transactions with the listed company's interested persons, the listed company is required to make an immediate announcement, or to make an immediate announcement and seek its shareholders' approval if the value of the transaction is equal to or exceeds certain financial thresholds. In particular:

- (a) where the value of such transaction is equal to or exceeds 3% of the latest audited consolidated NTA of the listed company and its subsidiaries and is less than 5% of the latest audited consolidated NTA of the listed company and its subsidiaries, an immediate announcement is required;
- (b) where the value of such transaction is equal to or exceeds 5% of the latest audited consolidated NTA of the listed company and its subsidiaries, an immediate announcement and shareholders' approval is required;
- (c) if the aggregate value of all transactions entered into with the same interested person during the same financial year amounts to 3% or more of the latest audited consolidated NTA of the listed company and its subsidiaries, the listed company must make an immediate announcement of the latest transaction and all future transactions entered into with that same interested person during that financial year; and
- (d) if the aggregate value of all transactions entered into with the same interested person during the same financial year amounts to 5% or more of the latest audited consolidated NTA of the listed company and its subsidiaries, an immediate announcement must be made and shareholders' approval must be obtained in respect of the latest and all future transactions entered into with that interested person during that financial year.

In the event the latest audited consolidated NTA of the listed company and its subsidiaries is negative, the listed company is required to consult the SGX-ST on the appropriate benchmark to calculate the relevant thresholds, which may be based on its market capitalisation.

Based on the provisions of the Listing Manual, the rules as to making announcements and seeking shareholders' approval referred to above do not apply to transactions below S\$100,000. However, while transactions below S\$100,000 are not normally aggregated under the relevant provisions of the Listing Manual, the SGX-ST may aggregate any such transaction entered into during the same financial year and treat them as if they were one transaction.

For Shareholders' information, the audited consolidated NTA of the Group as at 31 December 2023 amounted to approximately S\$486.70 million. 3% and 5% of such audited consolidated NTA of the Group amounts to approximately S\$14.60 million and S\$24.33 million, respectively.

Chapter 9 of the Listing Manual permits a listed company, however, to seek a general mandate from its shareholders for recurrent transactions of a revenue or trading nature or those necessary for its day-to-day operations such as the purchase and sale of supplies and materials (but not in respect of the purchase or sale of assets, undertakings or businesses) that may be carried out with the listed company's interested persons. Transactions conducted under a general mandate are not subject to the rules on making announcements and seeking shareholders' approval referred to above.

Under the Listing Manual:

- (i) an “entity at risk” means:
 - (a) the listed company;
 - (b) a subsidiary of the listed company that is not listed on the SGX-ST or an approved exchange; or
 - (c) an associated company of the listed company that is not listed on the SGX-ST or an approved exchange, provided that the listed group, or the listed group and its interested person(s), has control over the associated company;
- (ii) an “interested person” means a director, chief executive officer or controlling shareholder of the listed company or an associate of any such director, chief executive officer or controlling shareholder. The SGX-ST may deem any person or entity to be an interested person if the person or entity has entered into, or proposes to enter into,
 - (a) a transaction with an entity at risk, and
 - (b) an agreement or arrangement with an interested person in connection with that transaction;
- (iii) an “associate”:
 - (1) in relation to any director, chief executive officer, substantial shareholder or controlling shareholder (being an individual) means:
 - (aa) his immediate family (that is, the person’s spouse, child, adopted-child, step-child, sibling and parent);
 - (bb) the trustees of any trust of which he or his immediate family is a beneficiary or, in the case of a discretionary trust, is a discretionary object; and
 - (cc) any company in which he and his immediate family together (directly or indirectly) have an interest of 30% or more; and
 - (2) in relation to a substantial shareholder or a controlling shareholder (being a company) means any other company which is its subsidiary or holding company or is a subsidiary of such holding company or one in the equity of which it and/or such other company or companies taken together (directly or indirectly) have an interest of 30% or more;
- (iv) an “approved exchange” means a stock exchange that has rules which safeguard the interests of shareholders against interested person transactions according to similar principles to Chapter 9 of the Listing Manual;
- (v) an “interested person transaction” means a transaction between an entity at risk and an interested person; and
- (vi) a “transaction” includes:
 - (1) the provision or receipt of financial assistance;
 - (2) the acquisition, disposal or leasing of assets;
 - (3) the provision or receipt of goods or services;

- (4) the issuance or subscription of securities;
- (5) the granting of or being granted options; and
- (6) the establishment of joint ventures or joint investments,

whether or not in the ordinary course of business, and whether or not entered into directly or indirectly (for example, through one or more interposed entities).

2.3 Background

The Group is principally engaged in the businesses of bakery and distribution and warehousing. For its bakery business, the Group, including its joint venture(s), manufactures and distributes bread and bakery products in Singapore, Malaysia, the Philippines and Australia. For its distribution and warehousing business, the Group undertakes wholesale distribution of a range of third-party and proprietary-branded processed food and beverage products, and provides logistics operations including distribution and warehousing.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Mr Lam Sing Chung, Chairman of the Board, has a shareholding interest of approximately 68.60% in the Company and is a Controlling Shareholder of the Company. Mr Lin Kejian, Joint Group Managing Director of the Company, is the son of Mr Lam Sing Chung and is also a Controlling Shareholder of the Company with a shareholding interest of approximately 49.15% in the Company as at the Latest Practicable Date.

The Group may from time to time enter into transactions with Mr Lam Sing Chung, Mr Lin Kejian and/or their respective associates (“**Interested Persons**”) in the ordinary course of business. Such transactions include the purchase of products and raw materials from, as well as the sale of products to, certain parties which are Interested Persons.

The transactions entered into in FY2023 with Interested Persons pursuant to the IPT Mandate are set out on page 106 of the Annual Report in the section entitled “Interested Person Transactions for FY2023”. Please refer to the aforesaid section for more information. For example, the Group purchased raw materials such as flour from the Salim Group¹. The Salim Group is an Interested Person as Mr Anthoni Salim is the brother of Mr Lam Sing Chung. The aggregate value of the flour purchased amounted to approximately S\$17.14 million, being more than 3% (that is, approximately 3.45%) of the then latest audited consolidated NTA of the Group. As such, pursuant to the IPT Mandate, approval from the Audit & Risk Committee was obtained for FY2023 purchases of flour from the Salim Group that were in excess of the said 3% threshold. In addition, the Group sold cheese in bulk to, and purchased processed cheese from, Austral Dairy Group Sdn Bhd (“**Austral**”). Austral is an Interested Person as it is an entity in which Mr Lam Sing Chung and the spouse of Rachel Liem Yuan Fang have an interest. The aggregate value of the cheese sold and purchased amounted to approximately S\$2.83 million and S\$3.12 million respectively, each being less than 3% (that is approximately 0.57% and 0.63%, respectively) of the then latest audited consolidated NTA of the Group.

¹ Based on public information, the Salim Group is an Indonesian conglomerate with interests in various businesses, including interests in First Pacific Company Limited (“**First Pacific**”), an investment management and holding company with principal business interests relating to telecommunications, consumer food products, infrastructure and natural resources, which is listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange; PT Indofood Sukses Makmur Tbk (“**PT ISM**”), which is in food manufacturing including production and processing of raw materials and listed on the Indonesia Stock Exchange; Indofood Agri Resources Ltd. (“**IndoAgri**”), a diversified and vertically integrated agribusiness group which is listed on the SGX-ST; and Gallant Venture Ltd., an Indonesia-focused group with core businesses in property development, industrial parks, utilities and resort operations which is listed on the SGX-ST. PT ISM and IndoAgri are subsidiaries of First Pacific.

2.4 Rationale for and Benefits of the Renewal of the IPT Mandate

The Group envisages that the Interested Person Transactions will occur with some degree of frequency and could arise at any time and from time to time. Such transactions are recurring transactions and are part of the day-to-day operations of the Group.

The renewal of the IPT Mandate, if approved by the Shareholders, will enable the Group, in the ordinary course of business, to undertake such transactions in a more expeditious manner. It will also enhance the Group's ability to pursue business opportunities which may be time-sensitive and frequent in nature and will allow the Group to conduct its business efficiently by eliminating the need to convene separate general meetings from time to time to seek Shareholders' approval as and when potential Interested Person Transactions arise. The IPT Mandate will reduce the expenses involved with the convening of general meetings on an *ad hoc* basis and allow manpower resources and time to be channeled towards attaining other corporate objectives.

2.5 Classes of Interested Persons

The IPT Mandate will apply to the Interested Persons in relation to the types of transactions set out in Section 2.6 below. The associates of the Interested Persons who will have dealings under the IPT Mandate include the Salim Group, which is controlled by Mr Anthoni Salim, who is Mr Lam Sing Chung's brother.

2.6 Types of Transactions under the IPT Mandate

The types of transactions contemplated under the IPT Mandate are as follows:

- (a) the purchase of products and raw materials; and
- (b) the sale of products.

The types of products and/or raw materials covered under the IPT Mandate will be those which are transacted by the Group in its ordinary course of business with the Interested Persons in connection with the latter's ordinary course of business. Such transactions include for example, the purchase of flour and may also include wheat-related raw materials, such as wheat bran and wheat germ, from the Salim Group, and finished products such as hydroponic vegetables from the Salim Group and processed cheese from Austral.

2.7 Review Procedures under the IPT Mandate

The Group maintains a register of Interested Person Transactions and the following review procedures are implemented by the Company:

2.7.1 Review Procedures

- (a) When purchasing products and/or raw materials from an Interested Person, quotations from at least two (2) other unrelated third party vendors for similar quantities and/or quality will be obtained (whenever possible or available) for comparison to ascertain whether the price and terms offered by the Interested Person are fair and reasonable and competitive compared to those offered by such other unrelated third party vendors. In determining whether the price and terms offered by the Interested Person are fair and reasonable, pertinent factors, including but not limited to quality, track record, specification compliance, delivery time, experience and expertise, and where applicable, terms offered to third parties, preferential rates, discounts or rebates accorded for bulk purchases, may also be taken into consideration.

In the event that such competitive quotations cannot be obtained (for instance, if there are no unrelated third party vendors providing or selling a similar type of product or raw material or if the unrelated third party vendor(s) is not able to meet the Group's specifications or in cases of urgency), an Executive Director (other than an Interested Person) or the Audit & Risk Committee (as the case may be depending on the approval threshold as set out in Section 2.7.2 below) will determine whether the price and terms offered by the Interested Person are fair and reasonable. In determining the transaction price payable to the Interested Person for such products and/or raw materials, pertinent factors, including but not limited to quality, track record, specification compliance, delivery time, experience and expertise, reliability and/or efficiency of the seller, strategic considerations, and where applicable, terms offered to third parties, preferential rates, discounts or rebates accorded for bulk purchases, may also be taken into consideration.

- (b) When selling products to an Interested Person, the pricing or fees for the products are to be carried out at the prevailing market rates or prices of the products, on terms no more favourable to the Interested Person than the usual commercial terms extended to unrelated third parties (including, where applicable, preferential rates, discounts and/or rebates accorded to corporate customers or for bulk purchases) or otherwise in accordance with applicable industry norms.

In the event that prevailing market rates or prices are not available (for instance due to the nature of the product to be sold or if there are no other customers for similar products or if the unrelated third party customer(s) is not able to meet the Group's specifications or in cases of urgency), the transaction prices will, where applicable, (i) be in accordance with the Group's usual business practices and pricing policies, consistent with the usual margin of the Group for the same or substantially similar type(s) of transaction with unrelated third parties, or (ii) in certain cases (for example, waste disposal or technical expertise) be determined by reference to factors including but not limited to track record, specification compliance, quantity, volume, duration of contract, strategic considerations, reliability and/or efficiency of the purchaser, extent of cost recovery, industry norms and where applicable, preferential rates, discounts or rebates accorded for bulk purchases, may also be taken into consideration.

2.7.2 Approval Thresholds

The following approval thresholds shall be adopted in respect of the Interested Person Transactions:

	Value of Interested Person Transaction(s)	Approving Authorities <i>(each having no interest, direct or indirect, in the Interested Person Transaction)</i>
1.	An Interested Person Transaction the value of which is equal to or exceeds S\$100,000, ⁽¹⁾ but less than 3% of the latest audited consolidated NTA of the Group from time to time ⁽²⁾	Executive Director or such senior executive of the Group as may be designated by the Audit & Risk Committee from time to time If an Executive Director or relevant senior executive of the Group is himself interested in an Interested Person Transaction, the Interested Person Transaction will be reviewed and approved by another Executive Director or senior executive (each having no interest, direct or indirect, in the Interested Person Transaction)

	Value of Interested Person Transaction(s)	Approving Authorities <i>(each having no interest, direct or indirect, in the Interested Person Transaction)</i>
2.	(i) Where the value of an Interested Person Transaction, when aggregated with the value of all previous Interested Person Transactions of the same kind in the same financial year, is equal to or exceeds 3% of the latest audited consolidated NTA of the Group from time to time ⁽²⁾ , such Interested Person Transaction and all future Interested Person Transactions of the same kind during the financial year in question, Provided That any Interested Person Transaction below S\$100,000 in value does not require approval and shall be disregarded for aggregation purposes	Audit & Risk Committee
	(ii) An Interested Person Transaction the value of which is equal to or exceeds 3% of the latest audited consolidated NTA of the Group from time to time ⁽²⁾	Audit & Risk Committee

Notes:

(1) Based on the existing provisions of the Listing Manual.

(2) Based on the audited consolidated financial statements of the Group for FY2023, 3% of the latest audited consolidated NTA of the Group would be approximately S\$14.60 million.

The approving authorities may request for additional information pertaining to the transaction under review as they deem fit.

2.7.3 Interested Audit & Risk Committee Member to Abstain

In the event that a member of the Audit & Risk Committee (where applicable) is interested (directly or indirectly) in any Interested Person Transaction, he or she will abstain from reviewing that particular transaction. Approval of that transaction will accordingly be undertaken by the remaining members of the Audit & Risk Committee.

2.7.4 Periodic Review by Audit & Risk Committee

The Audit & Risk Committee will review all Interested Person Transactions (including transactions with Interested Persons the values of which are below S\$100,000) on a quarterly basis to ascertain whether the established review procedures for the Interested Person Transactions have been complied with and the relevant approvals have been obtained.

The Audit & Risk Committee will also review the established review procedures of the Interested Person Transactions and determine if such review procedures continue to be adequate in ensuring that the Interested Person Transactions are conducted on normal commercial terms and are not prejudicial to the interests of the Company and its minority Shareholders. If the Audit & Risk Committee is of the view that the review procedures have become inappropriate or insufficient to meet such objectives, the Company will seek a fresh mandate from its Shareholders based on new review procedures for the Interested Person Transactions.

2.8 Excluded Transactions

The IPT Mandate will not cover any transaction with an Interested Person that is below S\$100,000 in value, as the provisions of Chapter 9 of the Listing Manual provide that any such transaction is to be disregarded although the SGX-ST may aggregate any such transaction entered into during the same financial year and treat them as if they were one transaction.

Transactions between the Group and the Interested Persons which do not fall within the ambit of the IPT Mandate shall be subject to the relevant provisions of Chapter 9 of the Listing Manual, or other applicable provisions of the Listing Manual, if any.

2.9 Validity Period of the Renewed IPT Mandate

If approved by Shareholders at the 2024 AGM, the renewed IPT Mandate will take effect from the passing of the ordinary resolution relating thereto at the 2024 AGM (Ordinary Resolution 12 in the Notice of Annual General Meeting), and will (unless revoked or varied by the Company in general meeting) continue in force until the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company or the date by which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by law to be held, whichever is earlier.

Approval from Shareholders will be sought for the renewal of the IPT Mandate at the 2024 AGM and at each subsequent annual general meeting of the Company, subject to satisfactory review by the Audit & Risk Committee of its continued application to transactions with the Interested Persons.

2.10 Disclosure

Disclosure will be made in the Company's Annual Report of the aggregate value of the transactions conducted with Interested Persons pursuant to the IPT Mandate during the relevant financial year, and in the annual reports for the subsequent financial years that the IPT Mandate continues in force, in accordance with the requirements and form set out in Chapter 9 of the Listing Manual.

2.11 Directors' and Substantial Shareholders' Interests

As at the Latest Practicable Date, the direct and deemed interests of the Directors and Substantial Shareholders in the Shares of the Company, based on information recorded in the register of Director's shareholdings and the register of Substantial Shareholders maintained by the Company and/or information received by the Company from the Director(s), are as follows:

	Direct Interests		Deemed Interests	
	No. of Shares	Percentage of Shareholding ⁽¹⁾	No. of Shares	Percentage of Shareholding ⁽¹⁾
Directors				
Lam Sing Chung	–	–	394,629,813 ⁽²⁾	68.60%
Philip Yeo Liat Kok	–	–	–	–
Lin Kejian	5,391,600	0.94%	277,369,871 ⁽³⁾	48.22%
Michael Darren Hewat	32,894	0.01%	–	–
Dawn Pamela Lum	–	–	–	–
Norman Ip	–	–	–	–
Chee Teck Kwong Patrick	–	–	–	–
Lian Hwee Peng Rebecca	–	–	–	–
Aw Syee Chia	–	–	–	–
Rachel Liem Yuan Fang	432,900	0.08%	–	–
Substantial Shareholders (other than Directors)				
Tian Wan Enterprises Company Limited	128,480,224	22.33%	–	–
Tian Wan Equities Company Limited	145,337,565	25.26%	–	–
Tian Wan Holdings Group Limited	41,044,656	7.13%	79,767,368 ⁽⁴⁾	13.87%
Tian Wan Capital Limited	58,594,391	10.19%	–	–

Notes:

- (1) Based on 575,268,440 Shares as at the Latest Practicable Date.
- (2) Mr Lam Sing Chung is deemed to have an interest in the Shares owned by Tian Wan Enterprises Company Limited, Tian Wan Equities Company Limited, Tian Wan Holdings Group Limited, Tian Wan Capital Limited and J&H International Limited.
- (3) Mr Lin Kejian is deemed to have an interest in the Shares owned by Tian Wan Enterprises Company Limited, Tian Wan Equities Company Limited and ISI Investments Company Limited.
- (4) Tian Wan Holdings Group Limited is deemed to have an interest in the Shares owned by Tian Wan Capital Limited and J&H International Limited.

2.12 Statement by the Audit & Risk Committee

The Audit & Risk Committee of the Company having considered, *inter alia*, the terms of the IPT Mandate, confirms that the review procedures for determining the transaction prices of the Interested Person Transactions as set out in Section 2.7 of this Appendix have not changed since the last shareholder approval for the IPT Mandate at the 2023 AGM. The Audit & Risk Committee is also of the view that such review procedures for determining the transaction prices of the Interested Person Transactions, when taken as a whole and if applied consistently, are sufficient to ensure that the Interested Person Transactions will be carried out on normal commercial terms and will not be prejudicial to the interests of the Company and its minority Shareholders. However, should the Audit & Risk Committee subsequently no longer be of this opinion, the Company will revert to the Shareholders for a fresh mandate based on new review procedures for transactions with the Interested Persons.

3. DIRECTORS' RECOMMENDATION

The Directors of the Company (save for the Directors referred to below), having considered, amongst other things, the rationale for and benefits of the renewal of the IPT Mandate, the review procedures and the role of the Audit & Risk Committee, are of the opinion that the proposed renewal of the IPT Mandate is in the interests of the Company. Accordingly, the Directors (save for the Directors referred to below) recommend that Shareholders **vote in favour** of the ordinary resolution in respect of the proposed renewal of the IPT Mandate at the 2024 AGM.

Mr Lam Sing Chung and Mr Lin Kejian (being the Interested Persons) abstain from making any recommendation.

As different Shareholders might have different investment objectives, Shareholders should consult their stockbroker, bank manager, solicitor, accountant or other professional advisers if they require specific advice in relation to the proposed renewal of the IPT Mandate.

4. ABSTENTION FROM VOTING

Rule 919 of the Listing Manual requires that interested persons must not vote on a shareholders' resolution approving any mandate in respect of any interested person transactions. Mr Lam Sing Chung and Mr Lin Kejian (being Interested Persons) will abstain, and shall procure that their respective associates abstain, from voting on the ordinary resolution relating to the proposed renewal of the IPT Mandate to be tabled at the 2024 AGM (Ordinary Resolution 12 in the Notice of Annual General Meeting), and the Company will disregard any votes cast by Mr Lam Sing Chung and Mr Lin Kejian (and their respective associates) in respect of their holdings of Shares on Ordinary Resolution 12.

5. DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

The Directors collectively and individually accept full responsibility for the accuracy of the information given in this Appendix and confirm after making all reasonable enquiries that, to the best of their knowledge and belief, this Appendix constitutes full and true disclosure of all material facts about the proposed renewal of the IPT Mandate and the Group in relation to the proposed renewal of the IPT Mandate and the Directors are not aware of any facts the omission of which would make any statement in this Appendix misleading. Where information in this Appendix has been extracted from published or otherwise publicly available sources or obtained from a named source, the sole responsibility of the Directors has been to ensure that such information has been accurately and correctly extracted from those sources and/or reproduced in this Appendix in its proper form and context.

6. DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION

Copies of the following documents are available for inspection at the registered office of the Company at 150 South Bridge Road, #09-03 Fook Hai Building, Singapore 058727, during normal business hours from the date of this Appendix up to and including the date of the 2024 AGM:

- (a) the Constitution of the Company; and
- (b) the Annual Report of the Company for FY2023.

Yours faithfully,
For and on behalf of the Board of Directors of
QAF Limited

Michael Darren Hewat
Joint Group Managing Director

