



Trust Management (Suntec) Limited

Suntec Real Estate Investment Trust
("Suntec REIT")

Manager of



CAPITAL INJECTION BY SUNTEC REIT INTO THE ENTITIES WHICH HOLD SUNTEC SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION AND EXHIBITION CENTRE

ARA Trust Management (Suntec) Limited, in its capacity as manager of Suntec Real Estate Investment Trust ("**Suntec REIT**", and the manager of Suntec REIT, the "**Manager**"), wishes to announce that Suntec REIT's wholly-owned subsidiary, Suntec Harmony Pte. Ltd. ("**Suntec Harmony**") has directly, and indirectly through Harmony Partners Investments Limited ("**HPIL**") subscribed for new ordinary shares in Harmony Investors Group Limited ("**HIGL**") for an aggregate subscription amount of S\$40,000,000 ("**Subscription**").

HIGL indirectly holds Suntec International Convention and Exhibition Centre ("**Suntec Singapore**"). Prior to the Subscription, Suntec Harmony held 20.0% of HIGL and 51.0% of HPIL, and HPIL in turn held 80.0% of HIGL. Accordingly, prior to the Subscription, Suntec REIT had an aggregate effective interest of 60.8% in HIGL.

To fund the business needs of Suntec Singapore, HIGL issued an equity call notice to its shareholders, Suntec Harmony and HPIL. In order to fund its portion of HIGL's equity call, HPIL issued an equity call notice to its own shareholders, including Suntec Harmony. The other shareholder of HPIL did not subscribe for its portion of HPIL's equity call and Suntec REIT (through Suntec Harmony), in addition to subscribing for its own portion of HPIL's equity call, also subscribed for the other shareholder's portion of the equity call. Following the Subscription, Suntec REIT's share in HPIL increased to approximately 57.9% and its aggregate effective interest in HIGL increased to approximately 66.3%.

The purpose of the capital injection is to support Suntec Singapore in the face of challenges to the Meetings, Incentives, Conventions and Exhibitions ("**MICE**") industry in Singapore due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

International and large-scale trade fairs are impacted by travel restrictions while smaller-scale meetings and events are also affected by safe distancing measures. To navigate the downturn, the convention centre has been temporarily closed till 2 August 2020 to reduce operating costs. The temporary closure maybe extended if mandated measures are prolonged. The recovery will be slow in 2020, led by smaller-scale events, meetings and consumer shows when current measures on safe distancing are eased. International conventions and events will remain weak due to slower recovery in international travel.

Suntec Singapore is Singapore's leading MICE venue and is also synergistic to the entire Suntec City ecosystem, bringing footfall and vibrancy to the mall. Looking ahead, the convention business is expected to improve, as Singapore remains an attractive MICE location for international travellers and event organisers.

Suntec REIT funded the subscription amount from proceeds of medium-term notes issued in May 2020.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD
ARA Trust Management (Suntec) Limited
(as Manager of Suntec Real Estate Investment Trust)
(Company registration no. 200410976R)

Chong Kee Hiong
Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director

1 July 2020

ABOUT SUNTEC REIT

Listed on 9 December 2004, Suntec REIT holds properties in Suntec City, Singapore's largest integrated commercial development (including one of Singapore's largest shopping mall), a 60.8% interest in Suntec Singapore Convention & Exhibition Centre, a one-third interest in One Raffles Quay, a one-third interest in Marina Bay Financial Centre Towers 1 and 2 and the Marina Bay Link Mall and a 30.0% interest in 9 Penang Road. Suntec REIT holds a 100% interest in a commercial building located at 177 Pacific Highway, Sydney, a 100% interest in a commercial building located at 21 Harris Street, Pyrmont, Sydney, a 50.0% interest in Southgate Complex, Melbourne, a 50.0% interest in a commercial building located at Olderfleet 477 Collins Street, Melbourne and a 100% interest in a commercial building located at 55 Currie Street, Adelaide, Australia. Its aim is to invest in income producing real estate which is primarily used for office and/or retail purposes. Suntec REIT is managed by an external manager, ARA Trust Management (Suntec) Limited. For more details, please visit www.suntecreit.com.

ABOUT ARA TRUST MANAGEMENT (SUNTEC) LIMITED

Suntec REIT is managed by ARA Trust Management (Suntec) Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of ARA Asset Management Limited ("**ARA**" or the "**Group**").

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¹ Includes assets under management by ARA Asset Management Limited and the Group of companies and its Associates as at 31 December 2019.