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## VEDAN INTERNATIONAL (HOLDINGS) LIMITED 味丹國際(控股)有限公司

(Incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands with limited liability) (Stock code: 2317)

## ANNOUNCEMENT AND RESUMPTION OF TRADING

This announcement is made pursuant to Rule 13.09(1) of the Listing Rules in response to certain newspaper articles of today.

At the request of the Company, trading in the Shares on the Stock Exchange was suspended with effect from 9:30 a.m. on 25 September 2008 pending the release of this announcement. An application has been made by the Company to the Stock Exchange for the resumption of trading in the Shares with effect from 9:30 a.m. on 26 September 2008.

## THE INSPECTION

The board of directors (the "**Board**") of Vedan International (Holdings) Limited (the "**Company**") noted certain newspaper articles on 25 September 2008 reporting that, amongst other things, (a) the government environmental authority in Vietnam alleged that a subsidiary of the Company (Vedan (Vietnam) Enterprise Corporation Limited) ("**Vietnam Vedan**") had been in violation of certain environmental laws of Vietnam; and (b) charges and fines will be imposed on Vietnam Vedan, and its production plant in Vietnam may be closed down as a result of such violation.

The Board would like to clarify as follows:

1. Since mid-September 2008, Vietnam Vedan has been under the inspection (the "**Inspection**") by the Vietnam Environmental Protection Administration in Vietnam (the "**Inspection Unit**") in respect of certain environmental issues concerning the discharge of wastewater in Dong Nai Province, Vietnam (the "**Environmental Issues**").

2. Inspection findings in respect of the Environmental Issues including allegations of violation of certain environmental laws by Vietnam Vedan have been released by the Inspection Unit on 19 September 2008. However, no charges have been made against nor sanctions have been imposed on Vietnam Vedan as at the date of this announcement in respect of such findings or any other possible violation of the environmental laws of Vietnam. As at the date of this announcement, the production plant of Vietnam Vedan is still in operation.

## **RESUMPTION OF TRADING AND GENERAL**

At the request of the Company, trading in the shares of the Company (the "**Shares**") on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "**Stock Exchange**") was suspended with effect from 9:30 a.m. on 25 September 2008 pending the release of this announcement. An application has been made by the Company to the Stock Exchange for the resumption of trading in the Shares with effect from 9:30 a.m. on 26 September 2008.

This announcement is made pursuant to Rule 13.09(1) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange (the "Listing Rules") in response to certain newspaper articles of today.

The Company will co-operate with the relevant authorities in Vietnam in respect of further inspection on the Environmental Issues and will use its best endeavours to protect the interests of its shareholders. Further announcement will be made by the Company on any significant development regarding the Inspection and the possible impact on the Company and its subsidiaries in such circumstances if so required in compliance with the requirements of the Listing Rules.

By Order of the Board of Vedan International (Holdings) Limited Yang, Tou-Hsiung Chairman and Executive Director

Hong Kong, 25 September 2008

As at the date of this announcement, the board of directors of the Company comprises the following members:-

Executive Directors:— Mr. YANG, Tou-Hsiung Mr. YANG, Cheng Mr. YANG, Kun-Hsiang Mr. YANG, Chen-Wen Mr. WANG, Joel J. Non-executive Directors:— Mr. HUANG, Ching-Jung Mr. CHOU, Szu-Cheng Independent non-executive Directors:— Mr. CHAO, Pei-Hong Mr. KO, Jim-Chen

Mr. CHEN, Joen-Ray