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THE STRAITS TRADING COMPANY LIMITED

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore) (Company Registration Number: 188700008D)

RECEIPT OF IN-PRINCIPLE APPROVAL FOR LISTING OF 26,000,000 PLACEMENT SHARES PURSUANT TO THE PRIVATE PLACEMENT

Capitalised terms used herein, but not otherwise defined, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the announcement by The Straits Trading Company Limited dated 18 January 2022 titled "Private Placement to Raise Gross Proceeds of \$\$80.86 Million" (the "Announcement").

Further to the Announcement in relation to the private placement of 26,000,000 Placement Shares at an issue price of S\$3.11 per Placement Share (the "**Private Placement**"), the board of directors (the "**Board**") of The Straits Trading Company Limited (the "**Company**"), wishes to announce that in-principle approval has been obtained today from Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited (the "**SGX-ST**") for the listing and quotation of 26,000,000 Placement Shares on the Main Board of the SGX-ST.

The SGX-ST's in-principle approval is not to be taken as an indication of the merits of the Private Placement, the Placement Shares, the Company and/or its subsidiaries.

The SGX-ST's in-principle approval is subject to the following:

- (a) a written undertaking from the Company that it will comply with Rule 704(30) and Rule 1207(20) of the Listing Manual in relation to the use of the proceeds from the proposed placement of shares and where proceeds are to be used for working capital purposes, the Company will disclose a breakdown with specific details on the use of proceeds for working capital in the Company's announcements on use of proceeds and in the annual report;
- (b) a written undertaking from the Company that it will comply with Rule 803 of the Listing Manual;
- (c) a written undertaking from the Joint Placement Agents that they will ensure that the Company will comply with Rule 803 of the Listing Manual;
- (d) a written confirmation from the Company that it will not issue the Placement Shares to persons prohibited under Rule 812(1) of the Listing Manual; and

(e) a written confirmation from the Joint Placement Agents that the Placement Shares will not be placed out to persons prohibited under Rule 812(1) of the Listing Manual.

By Order of the Board

Ngiam May Ling Company Secretary

24 January 2022

Singapore

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