



THE STRAITS TRADING COMPANY LIMITED

Announcement on Acquisition of a Subsidiary Company

The Straits Trading Company Limited ('Company') wishes to announce the acquisition of the following subsidiary company on 13 October 2006:

Name of company: Marque Hotels International Pty Limited ('Marque')

Issued and paid-up capital: A\$100 comprising 100 ordinary class shares

Percentage of issued and paid-up capital held by Rendezvous Hotels International Private Limited ('RHI'): 100

Principal activities of Marque: Business of hotel management and operation

RHI is an 80% subsidiary of the Company. This transaction is not expected to have a material impact on the net tangible assets or earnings per share of the Group for the financial year ending 31 December 2006.

Mr. Norman Ip Ka Cheung, a Director of the Company, is a director of Marque and RHI. Save as aforesaid and as far as the Company is aware, no Director or substantial shareholder of the Company has an interest in the acquisition of Marque, other than by reason of being such a Director or substantial shareholder.

Submitted by
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The Straits Trading Company Limited
(Registration No. 188700008D) on 16/10/2006 to the SGX