



THE STRAITS TRADING COMPANY LIMITED

Announcement Pursuant to Rule 704(15)(d) of the Listing Manual of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited

The Board of The Straits Trading Company Limited ('Company') wishes to inform that the Company was advised on 4 May 2007 by Redring Solder (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd ('Redring'), a 40% associate of Malaysia Smelting Corporation Berhad ('MSC'), the Group's subsidiary, of Redring's increase of its shareholdings in MSC to 310,000 on 3 January 2007. As a result, the Group's direct and deemed interest in MSC's issued share capital is now 73.16%. Further details of the increase are set out below:

- (i) the aggregate consideration for the 110,000 shares in MSC is RM819,500 (or S\$366,000) based on the market transacted price of RM7.45 per MSC share, and
- (ii) the book value of the MSC shares acquired is approximately RM443,300 (or S\$198,000) based on net book value per MSC share of RM4.03 as at 31 December 2006.

Mr. Norman Ip Ka Cheung and Mr. Razman Ariffin, Directors of the Company, are Chairman and director of MSC respectively. Mr. Norman Ip Ka Cheung is a director of Redring. Save as disclosed and as far as the Company is aware, no Director or substantial shareholder of the Company has any interest in the aforesaid event, other than by virtue of being such a Director or substantial shareholder of the Company.

Submitted by
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The Straits Trading Company Limited
(Registration No. 188700008D) on 10/5/2007 to the SGX