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瑞安房地產
SHUI ON LAND

Shui On Land Limited
瑞安房地產有限公司*

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)
(Stock code: 272)

PROPOSED NOTES ISSUE
TO BE GUARANTEED BY THE COMPANY

This announcement is made by the Company pursuant to Rule 13.09(2)(a) of the Listing Rules and Part XIVA of the SFO.

Shui On Development, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, proposes to conduct an international offering of the Notes to institutional investors in Asia and Europe. The Notes are expected to be issued by Shui On Development and guaranteed by the Company, and are expected to be issued as “Green Bonds” under the Group’s Green Finance Framework. In connection with the Proposed Notes Issue, the Company will provide certain qualified institutional investors with recent corporate and financial information regarding the Group, which may not previously have been made public, including, but not limited to, risk factors, management’s discussion and analysis of financial condition and operational results, related party transactions and indebtedness information. The completion of the Proposed Notes Issue is subject to market conditions and investors’ interest. Standard Chartered Bank as the joint global coordinator, initial purchaser, joint bookrunner and joint lead manager, and UBS AG Hong Kong Branch as the sole green advisor, joint global coordinator, initial purchaser, joint bookrunner and joint lead manager are managing the Proposed Notes Issue.

If the Notes are issued, the Group intends to use the net proceeds from the issuance of the Notes for funding or refinancing, in full or in part, of the Eligible Projects undertaken by the Group in accordance with its Green Finance Framework.

Approval-in-principle has been received for the listing of the Notes on the SGX-ST. The SGX-ST assumes no responsibility for the correctness of any of the statements made, opinions expressed or reports contained herein. Admission of the Notes to the official list of the SGX-ST is not to be taken as an indication of the merits of the Company, Shui On Development or the Notes. No listing of the Notes has been, or will be, sought in Hong Kong.

As no binding agreement in relation to the Proposed Notes Issue has been entered into at the date of this announcement, the Proposed Notes Issue may or may not materialize. The completion of the Proposed Notes Issue is subject to market conditions and investors' interest. Investors, Shareholders and holders of securities of the Company are urged to exercise caution when dealing in the securities of the Company.

A further announcement in respect of the Proposed Notes Issue will be made by the Company should the purchase agreement in respect of the Proposed Notes Issue be signed.

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Introduction

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The Notes and the related guarantee by the Company have not been, and will not be, registered under the U.S. Securities Act. The Notes will be offered outside the United States in compliance with Regulation S under the U.S. Securities Act and will not be offered to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S under the U.S. Securities Act). None of the Notes will be offered to the public in Hong Kong nor will be initially placed to any connected persons of the Company.

Reason for the Proposed Notes Issue

The Group is one of the leading property developers in the PRC. The Group engages principally in the development, sale, leasing, management and ownership of high-quality residential, office, retail, entertainment and cultural properties in the PRC. Specifically, the Group focuses on master planning and development of large-scale, mixed use city-core integrated property projects, typically in cooperation with the relevant local government authorities. The Proposed Notes Issue is being undertaken for funding or refinancing, in full or in part, of the Eligible Projects undertaken by the Group in accordance with its Green Finance Framework.

Proposed use of net proceeds

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Listing

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Recent Developments

During the period from 1 July 2019 to 30 September 2019, the Group repaid a total of RMB708 million of its bank borrowings and incurred a total of RMB3,686 million of additional bank and other borrowings.

GENERAL

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DEFINITIONS

In this announcement, unless the context requires otherwise, the following expressions have the following meanings:

“Board”	the board of Directors
“Company”	Shui On Land Limited, a company incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability, whose Shares are listed on the main board of the Stock Exchange (Stock Code: 272)
“connected person(s)”, “subsidiary(ies)”	each has the meaning ascribed to it under the Listing Rules
“Director(s)”	director(s) of the Company
“Eligible Projects”	projects funded with reference to the Green Finance Framework, in whole or in part, by the Group that promote sustainable development in the real estate industry
“Green Bonds”	the Notes expected to be issued under the Green Finance Framework
“Green Finance Framework”	the Green Finance Framework developed by the Group as a basis for entering into future green financing, including by way of issuing Green Bonds, and by reference to the International Capital Markets Association (ICMA) Green Bond Principles 2018
“Group”	the Company and its subsidiaries from time to time

“Hong Kong”	the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the PRC
“Listing Rules”	the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange
“Notes”	the senior notes expected to be issued by Shui On Development
“PRC”	the People’s Republic of China excluding, for the purpose of this announcement, Hong Kong, the Macao Special Administrative Region of the PRC and Taiwan area
“Proposed Notes Issue”	the proposed issue of the Notes
“RMB”	Renminbi, the lawful currency of the PRC
“SFO”	the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap. 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong)
“SGX-ST”	Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited
“Share(s)”	ordinary share(s) with par value of US\$0.0025 each in the share capital of the Company
“Shareholder(s)”	holder(s) of the Shares
“Shui On Development”	Shui On Development (Holding) Limited, a company incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability, and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company
“Standard Chartered Bank”	Standard Chartered Bank, one of the joint global coordinators, initial purchasers, joint bookrunners and joint lead managers in respect of the offer and sale of the Notes
“Stock Exchange”	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited
“UBS AG Hong Kong Branch”	UBS AG Hong Kong Branch, the sole green advisor, one of the joint global coordinators, initial purchasers, joint bookrunners and joint lead managers in respect of the offer and sale of the Notes

“U.S.” or “United States”	the United States of America, its territories and possessions and all areas subject to its jurisdiction
“U.S. Securities Act”	the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended
“US\$”	United States dollars, the lawful currency of the United States
“%”	per cent.

By order of the Board
Shui On Land Limited
Vincent H. S. LO
Chairman

Hong Kong, 4 November 2019

At the date of this announcement, the executive directors of the Company are Mr. Vincent H. S. LO (Chairman), Mr. Douglas H. H. SUNG (Chief Financial Officer and Chief Investment Officer) and Ms. Stephanie B. Y. LO; the non-executive director of the Company is Mr. Frankie Y. L. WONG; and the independent non-executive directors of the Company are Sir John R. H. BOND, Professor Gary C. BIDDLE, Dr. Roger L. McCARTHY, Mr. David J. SHAW and Mr. Anthony J. L. NIGHTINGALE.

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