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PME GROUP LIMITED

以美宜集團有限公司*

(incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 379)

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION OF THE COMPANY

The Directors intend to put forward to the Shareholders a proposal to amend the Articles of Association in order to ensure compliance with the amended provisions of the Listing Rules that came into effect on 31 March 2004.

The proposed amendments to the Articles of Association are subject to approval of the Shareholders by way of passing a special resolution to be proposed at the AGM.

A circular containing, among other things, further details of the proposed amendments to the Articles of Association and a notice of the AGM will be despatched to the Shareholders as soon as practicable.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “Stock Exchange”) has announced amendments to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange (the “Listing Rules”) relating to, among other things, the articles of association or equivalent constitutional documents of listed issuers. The amendments to the Listing Rules have come into effect on 31 March 2004. Accordingly, the directors of the Company (the “Directors”) propose to seek the approval of the shareholders of the Company (the “Shareholders”) for the amendments to the articles of association of the Company (the “Articles of Association”) to ensure compliance with the amendments made to the Listing Rules.

The Directors propose to seek the approval of the Shareholders for, among other things, the following amendments to the Articles of Association:

Article 2

1. By inserting the following new definition of “associate” in Article 2:

““associate” the meaning attributed to it in the rules of the Designated Stock Exchange.”

2. By substituting the existing definition of “clearing house” with the following new definition in Article 2:

““clearing house” a clearing house recognised by the laws of the jurisdiction in which the shares of the Company are listed or quoted on a stock exchange in such jurisdiction.”

Article 76

1. By re-numbering existing Article 76 as Article 76(1);
2. By inserting the following as new Article 76(2):

“(2) Where the Company has knowledge that any Member is, under the rules of the Designated Stock Exchange, required to abstain from voting on any particular resolution of the Company or restricted to voting only for or only against any particular resolution of the Company, any votes cast by or on behalf of such Member in contravention of such requirement or restriction shall not be counted.”

Article 88

By deleting the words “not less than seven (7) clear days but not more than fourteen (14) clear days before the date of the general meeting” in the last sentence of Article 88 and replacing therewith the following proviso:

“provided that the minimum length of the period, during which such Notice(s) are given, shall be at least seven (7) days and that the period for lodgment of such Notice(s) shall commence no earlier than the day after the dispatch of the notice of the general meeting appointed for such election and end no later than seven (7) days prior to the date of such general meeting.”

Article 103

By deleting the existing Article 103 in its entirety and replacing therewith the following new Article 103:

- “103.(1) A Director shall not vote (nor be counted in the quorum) on any resolution of the Board approving any contract or arrangement or any other proposal in which he or any of his associates is materially interested, but this prohibition shall not apply to any of the following matters namely:
- (i) any contract or arrangement for the giving to such Director or his associate(s) any security or indemnity in respect of money lent by him or any of his associates or obligations incurred or undertaken by him or any of his associates at the request of or for the benefit of the Company or any of its subsidiaries;
 - (ii) any contract or arrangement for the giving of any security or indemnity to a third party in respect of a debt or obligation of the Company or any of its subsidiaries for which the Director or his associate(s) has himself/themselves assumed responsibility in whole or in part whether alone or jointly under a guarantee or indemnity or by the giving of security;
 - (iii) any contract or arrangement concerning an offer of shares or debentures or other securities of or by the Company or any other company which the Company may promote or be interested in for subscription or purchase, where the Director or his associate(s) is/are or is/are to be interested as a participant in the underwriting or sub-underwriting of the offer;
 - (iv) any contract or arrangement in which the Director or his associate(s) is/are interested in the same manner as other holders of shares or debentures or other securities of the Company by virtue only of his/their interest in shares or debentures or other securities of the Company;

- (v) any contract or arrangement concerning any other company in which the Director or his associate(s) is/are interested only, whether directly or indirectly, as an officer or executive or a shareholder or in which the Director and his associate(s) are not in aggregate beneficially interested in five (5) per cent or more of the issued shares or of the voting rights of any class of shares of such company (or of any third company through which his interest or that of any of his associates is derived); or
 - (vi) any proposal or arrangement concerning the adoption, modification or operation of a share option scheme, a pension fund or retirement, death or disability benefits scheme or other arrangement which relates both to directors, his associates and employees of the Company or of any of its subsidiaries and does not provide in respect of any Director, or his associate(s), as such any privilege or advantage not generally accorded to the class of persons to which such scheme or fund relates.
- (2) A company shall be deemed to be a company in which a Director and/or his associate(s) owns five (5) per cent. or more if and so long as (but only if and so long as) he and/or his associates, (either directly or indirectly) are the holders of or beneficially interested in five (5) per cent. or more of any class of the equity share capital of such company or of the voting rights available to members of such company (or of any third company through which his interest or that of any of his associates is derived). For the purpose of this paragraph there shall be disregarded any shares held by a Director or his associate(s) as bare or custodian trustee and in which he or any of them has no beneficial interest, any shares comprised in a trust in which the interest of the Director or his associate(s) is/are in reversion or remainder if and so long as some other person is entitled to receive the income thereof, and any shares comprised in an authorised unit trust scheme in which the Director or his associate(s) is/are interested only as a unit holder and any shares which carry no voting right at general meetings and very restrictive dividend and return of capital right.
- (3) Where a company in which a Director and/or his associate(s) holds five (5) per cent. or more is materially interested in a transaction, then that Director and/or his associate(s) shall also be deemed materially interested in such transaction.
- (4) If any question shall arise at any meeting of the Board as to the materiality of the interest of a Director (other than the chairman of the meeting) or as to the entitlement of any Director (other than such chairman) to vote and such question is not resolved by his voluntarily agreeing to abstain from voting, such question shall be referred to the chairman of the meeting and his ruling in relation to such other Director shall be final and conclusive except in a case where the nature or extent of the interest of the Director concerned as known to such Director has not been fairly disclosed to the Board. If any question as aforesaid shall arise in respect of the chairman of the meeting such question shall be decided by a resolution of the Board (for which purpose such chairman shall not vote thereon) and such resolution shall be final and conclusive except in a case where the nature or extent of the interest of such chairman as known to such chairman has not been fairly disclosed to the Board.”

GENERAL

The proposed amendments to the Articles of Association as detailed above are subject to approval of the Shareholders by way of passing a special resolution to be proposed at the annual general meeting (the “AGM”) of the Company to be held at 11 a.m. on 28 May 2004.

A circular containing, among other things, further details of the proposed amendments to the Articles of Association and a notice of the AGM will be despatched to the Shareholders as soon as practicable.

As at the date of this announcement, Mr. Cheng Kwok Woo, Mr. Cheng Kwong Cheong, Ms. Cheng Wai Ying, Mr. Chow Yin Kwang, Ms. Chan Yim Fan and Mr. Chung Kam Fai, Raymond are the executive Directors, Mr. Zheng Jin Hong is the non-executive Director and Mr. Anthony Francis Martin Conway and Mr. Li Kin, Kent are the independent non-executive Directors.

By order of the board of directors of
PME Group Limited
Cheng Kwok Woo
Chairman

Hong Kong, 30 April 2004

* *for identification purpose only*

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an annual general meeting of PME Group Limited (the “**Company**”) will be held at 11:00 a.m. on 28 May 2004 at 5th Floor, Unison Industrial Centre, 27-31 Au Pui Wan Street, Fo Tan, Shatin, New Territories, Hong Kong for the following purposes:

1. To receive and consider the audited consolidated financial statements and the reports of the Directors and Auditors for the year ended 31 December 2003;
2. To declare a final dividend for the year ended 31 December 2003;
3. To re-elect Directors, and to authorise the Board of Directors to fix the Directors’ remuneration;
4. To re-appoint Auditors and to authorise the Board of Directors to fix their remuneration;
5. To consider as special business and, if thought fit, pass with or without amendments, the following resolution as a special resolution:

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““associate” the meaning attributed to it in the rules of the Designated Stock Exchange.”

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“103.(1) A Director shall not vote (nor be counted in the quorum) on any resolution of the Board approving any contract or arrangement or any other proposal in which he or any of his associates is materially interested, but this prohibition shall not apply to any of the following matters namely:

- (i) any contract or arrangement for the giving to such Director or his associate(s) any security or indemnity in respect of money lent by him or any of his associates or obligations incurred or undertaken by him or any of his associates at the request of or for the benefit of the Company or any of its subsidiaries;
- (ii) any contract or arrangement for the giving of any security or indemnity to a third party in respect of a debt or obligation of the Company or any of its subsidiaries for which the Director or his associate(s) has himself/themselves assumed responsibility in whole or in part whether alone or jointly under a guarantee or indemnity or by the giving of security;
- (iii) any contract or arrangement concerning an offer of shares or debentures or other securities of or by the Company or any other company which the Company may promote or be interested in for subscription or purchase, where the Director or his associate(s) is/are or is/are to be interested as a participant in the underwriting or sub-underwriting of the offer;
- (iv) any contract or arrangement in which the Director or his associate(s) is/are interested in the same manner as other holders of shares or debentures or other securities of the Company by virtue only of his/their interest in shares or debentures or other securities of the Company;
- (v) any contract or arrangement concerning any other company in which the Director or his associate(s) is/are interested only, whether directly or indirectly, as an officer or executive or a shareholder or in which the Director and his associate(s) are not in aggregate beneficially interested in five (5) per cent or more of the issued shares or of the voting rights of any class of shares of such company (or of any third company through which his interest or that of any of his associates is derived); or

(vi) any proposal or arrangement concerning the adoption, modification or operation of a share option scheme, a pension fund or retirement, death or disability benefits scheme or other arrangement which relates both to directors, his associates and employees of the Company or of any of its subsidiaries and does not provide in respect of any Director, or his associate(s), as such any privilege or advantage not generally accorded to the class of persons to which such scheme or fund relates.

(2) A company shall be deemed to be a company in which a Director and/or his associate(s) owns five (5) per cent. or more if and so long as (but only if and so long as) he and/or his associates, (either directly or indirectly) are the holders of or beneficially interested in five (5) per cent. or more of any class of the equity share capital of such company or of the voting rights available to members of such company (or of any third company through which his interest or that of any of his associates is derived). For the purpose of this paragraph there shall be disregarded any shares held by a Director or his associate(s) as bare or custodian trustee and in which he or any of them has no beneficial interest, any shares comprised in a trust in which the interest of the Director or his associate(s) is/are in reversion or remainder if and so long as some other person is entitled to receive the income thereof, and any shares comprised in an authorised unit trust scheme in which the Director or his associate(s) is/are interested only as a unit holder and any shares which carry no voting right at general meetings and very restrictive dividend and return of capital right.

(3) Where a company in which a Director and/or his associate(s) holds five (5) per cent. or more is materially interested in a transaction, then that Director and/or his associate(s) shall also be deemed materially interested in such transaction.

(4) If any question shall arise at any meeting of the Board as to the materiality of the interest of a Director (other than the chairman of the meeting) or as to the entitlement of any Director (other than such chairman) to vote and such question is not resolved by his voluntarily agreeing to abstain from voting, such question shall be referred to the chairman of the meeting and his ruling in relation to such other Director shall be final and conclusive except in a case where the nature or extent of the interest of the Director concerned as known to such Director has not been fairly disclosed to the Board. If any question as aforesaid shall arise in respect of the chairman of the meeting such question shall be decided by a resolution of the Board (for which purpose such chairman shall not vote thereon) and such resolution shall be final and conclusive except in a case where the nature or extent of the interest of such chairman as known to such chairman has not been fairly disclosed to the Board.”

6. To consider as special business and, if thought fit, pass with or without amendments, the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

“**THAT:**

(a) subject to paragraph (c) below, pursuant to the Rules (the “**Listing Rules**”) Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “**Stock Exchange**”), the exercise by the directors of the Company during the Relevant Period of all the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with unissued Shares and to make or grant offers, agreements and options, including warrants to subscribe for Shares, which might require the exercise of such powers be and the same is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;

- (b) the approval in paragraph (a) above shall authorise the directors of the Company during the Relevant Period to make or grant offers, agreements and options which might require the exercise of such powers after the end of the Relevant Period;
- (c) the aggregate nominal amount of share capital allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted (whether pursuant to options or otherwise) by the directors of the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) above, otherwise than pursuant to (i) a Rights Issue; or (ii) the exercise of any options granted under the share option scheme of the Company; or (iii) any scrip dividend or similar arrangements providing for the allotment and issue of Shares in lieu of the whole or part of a dividend on Shares in accordance with the articles of association of the Company in force from time to time; or (iv) any issue of Shares upon the exercise of rights of subscription or conversion under the terms of any warrants of the Company or any securities which are convertible into Shares, shall not exceed the aggregate of:
 - (aa) 20 per cent. of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue on the date of the passing of this resolution; and
 - (bb) (if the directors of the Company are so authorised by a separate ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company) the nominal amount of any share capital of the Company repurchased by the Company subsequent to the passing of this resolution (up to a maximum equivalent to 10 per cent. of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue on the date of the passing of this resolution),

and the authority pursuant to paragraph (a) of this resolution shall be limited accordingly; and

- (d) for the purposes of this resolution:

“**Relevant Period**” means the period from the date of the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earliest of:

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the articles of association of the Company, the Companies Law (Law 3 of 1961, as consolidated and revised) of the Cayman Islands (the “**Companies Law**”) or any other applicable law of Cayman Islands to be held; and
- (iii) the passing of an ordinary resolution by the shareholders of the Company in general meeting revoking or varying the authority given to the directors of the Company by this resolution;

“**Rights Issue**” means an offer of Shares, or offer or issue of warrants, options or other securities giving rights to subscribe for Shares open for a period fixed by the directors of the Company to holders of Shares on the register on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of Shares (subject to such exclusion or other arrangements as the directors of the Company may deem necessary or expedient in relation to fractional entitlements, or having regard to any restrictions or obligations under the laws of, or the requirements of, or the expense or delay which may be involved in determining the existence or extent of any restrictions or obligations under the laws of, or the requirements of, any jurisdiction outside Hong Kong or any recognised regulatory body or any stock exchange outside Hong Kong).”

7. “**THAT:**

- (a) the exercise by the directors of the Company during the Relevant Period of all powers of the Company to purchase the Shares on the Stock Exchange or any other stock exchange on which the Shares may be listed and recognised by the Securities and Futures Commission and the Stock Exchange for such purpose, and otherwise in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Securities and Futures Commission, the Stock Exchange, the Companies Law and all other applicable laws in this regard, be and the same is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
 - (b) the aggregate nominal amount of Shares which may be purchased by the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) during the Relevant Period shall not exceed 10 per cent. of the aggregate nominal amount of the issued share capital of the Company as at the date of the passing of this resolution and the authority pursuant to paragraph (a) of this resolution shall be limited accordingly; and
 - (c) for the purposes of this resolution, “**Relevant Period**” means the period from the date of the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earliest of:
 - (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
 - (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the articles of association of the Company, the Companies Law or any other applicable law of Cayman Islands to be held; and
 - (iii) the passing of an ordinary resolution by the shareholders of the Company in general meeting revoking or varying the authority given to the directors of the Company by this resolution.”
8. “**THAT** the directors of the Company be and they are hereby authorised to exercise the authority referred to in paragraph (a) of resolution no. 6 above in respect of the share capital of the Company referred to in sub-paragraph (bb) of paragraph (c) of such resolution.”

For and on behalf of
the board of directors of
PME Group Limited
Cheng Kwok Woo
Chairman

Hong Kong, 30 April 2004

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Notes:

1. The register of members of the Company will be closed from 25 May 2004 to 28 May 2004 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of Shares will be registered. In order to qualify for voting at the annual general meeting to be held on 28 May 2004, all transfers of Shares accompanied by the relevant share certificates and transfer forms must be lodged with the Company's branch share registrar and transfer office in Hong Kong, Secretaries Limited at Ground Floor, Bank of East Asia Harbour View Centre, 56 Gloucester Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong for registration not later than 4:30 p.m. on 24 May 2004.
2. A member entitled to attend and vote at the annual general meeting convened by the above notice is entitled to appoint one or more proxy to attend and, subject to the provisions of the articles of association of the Company, to vote on his behalf. A proxy need not be a member of the Company but must be present in person at the annual general meeting to represent the member. If more than one proxy is so appointed, the appointment shall specify the number and class of Shares in respect of which each such proxy is so appointed.
3. A form of proxy for use at the annual general meeting will be sent to the shareholders together with the circular. Such form of proxy is also published on the website of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited at www.hkex.com.hk. In order to be valid, the form of proxy must be duly completed and signed in accordance with the instructions printed thereon and deposited together with a power of attorney or other authority, if any, under which it is signed, or a notarially certified copy of such power or authority, at the offices of the Company's branch share registrar and transfer office in Hong Kong, Secretaries Limited at Ground Floor, Bank of East Asia Harbour View Centre, 56 Gloucester Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the annual general meeting or any adjournment thereof. Completion and return of a form of proxy will not preclude a member from attending in person and voting at the annual general meeting or any adjournment thereof, should he so wish.
4. In the case of joint holders of Shares, any one of such holders may vote at the annual general meeting, either personally or by proxy, in respect of such Share as if he was solely entitled thereto, but if more than one of such joint holders are present at the annual general meeting personally or by proxy, that one of the said persons so present whose name stands first on the register of members of the Company in respect of such Shares shall alone be entitled to vote in respect thereof.
5. In relation to proposed resolution no. 3 above, Mr. Chow Yin Kwang and Ms. Chan Yim Fan will retire from their offices by rotation at the annual general meeting pursuant to Article 87(1), and Messrs. Anthony Francis Martin Conway and Li Kin, Kent will retire from their offices at the annual general meeting pursuant to Article 86(3), and being eligible, will offer themselves for re-election at the annual general meeting.
6. In relation to proposed resolutions nos. 6 and 8 above, approval is being sought from the shareholders of the Company for the grant to the Directors of a general mandate to authorise the allotment and issue of Shares under the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited. The Directors have no immediate plans to issue new Shares other than the Shares which may fall to be issued under the share option schemes of the Company or any scrip dividend scheme or similar arrangement providing for the allotment and issue of Shares in lieu of whole or part of a dividend which may be approved by shareholders of the Company.
7. In relation to proposed resolution no. 7 above, the Directors wish to state that they will exercise the powers conferred thereby to repurchase Shares in circumstances which they deem appropriate for the benefit of the shareholders of the Company. An explanatory statement containing the information necessary to enable the shareholders of the Company to make an informed decision to vote on the proposed resolution as required by the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited will be set out in the circular to be dispatched to the shareholders of the Company.

“Please also refer to the published version of this announcement in the International Herald Tribune”