

### **HRNETGROUP LIMITED**

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore) (Company Registration No. 201625854G)

# NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR HOLDINGS IN SHARES REPRESENTING 14.47% VOTING RIGHTS IN STAFFLINE GROUP PLC ("STAFFLINE")

The Board of Directors of HRnetGroup Limited (the "Company" and together with its subsidiaries, the "Group") wishes to announce that pursuant to DTR 5.1 of the Disclosure Guidance and Transparency Rules under the Financial Conduct Authority in United Kingdom, the Group has filed its notification of major holdings in accordance with TR-1: Standard Form for Notification of Major Holdings ("Notification of Major Holdings") as attached hereto as Appendix 1.

Further to the equity raise relating to 96.8m new ordinary shares approved at the General Meeting of Staffline on 9 June 2021, the Company's interest was changed from 29.95% to 14.47% of the voting rights of Staffline. The Company participated in the open offer and invested in 3,344,874 new ordinary shares at 50 pence per share, at the total cost of GBP 1,672,437, or approximately S\$3,144,182 (based on the exchange rate of GBP1: S\$1.88 as quoted on Bloomberg as on 9 June 2021) (the "Acquisition").

Pursuant to Rule 704(18)(b) of the Listing Manual of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited, the Acquisition does not result the Company's aggregate cost of investment in quoted securities exceeding any multiple of 5% of the Company's latest audited consolidated net tangible assets for the financial year ended 31 December 2020.

The foregoing does not give rise to any material financial impact on the Group.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Sim Wei Ling, Adeline (Mrs Tan Wei Ling, Adeline) Executive Director 14 Jun 2021

## TR-1: Standard form for notification of major holdings

**NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR HOLDINGS** (to be sent to the relevant issuer <u>and</u> to the FCA in Microsoft Word format if possible)<sup>1</sup>

1a. Identity of the issuer or the underlying issuer of existing shares to which voting rights are attached:			STAFFLINE GROUP PLC			
1b. Please indicate	if the issuer is a non	r (please mark with an "X" if appropriate)				
Non-UK issuer						
2. Reason for the no	otification (please ma	ark the appro	opriate box o	or boxes with an "X")		
An acquisition or disp	osal of voting rights					Χ
An acquisition or disp	osal of financial instrum	nents				
An event changing the	e breakdown of voting r	rights				
Other (please specify)	) <sup>iii</sup> : Placing dilution					Χ
3. Details of person subject to the notification obli			gation <sup>™</sup>			
Name			HRnetGroup Limited			
City and country of registered office (if applicable)			Singapore			
4. Full name of sha	reholder(s) (if differen	nt from 3.)				
Name						
City and country of registered office (if applicable)						
5. Date on which the threshold was crossed or reached <sup>vi</sup> :			10/06/2021			
6. Date on which issuer notified (DD/MM/YYYY):			11/06/2021			
7. Total positions o	f person(s) subject to	o the notific	cation oblig	ation		
	% of voting rights attached to shares (total of 8. A)	% of voting rights through financial instru- ments (total of 8.B 1 + 8.B 2)		Total of both in % (8.A + 8.B)	Total number of voting rights of issuer <sup>vii</sup>	
Resulting situation on the date on which threshold was crossed or reached	14.47%			14.47%	165,767,728	
Position of previous notification (if applicable)	29.95%			29.95%		

#### 8. Notified details of the resulting situation on the date on which the threshold was crossed or reached A: Voting rights attached to shares Class/type of Number of voting rights<sup>ix</sup> % of voting rights shares Direct Direct Indirect Indirect ISIN code (if possible) (Art 10 of Directive 2004/109/EC) (Art 10 of Directive 2004/109/EC) (Art 9 of Directive (Art 9 of Directive 2004/109/EC) (DTR5.1) 2004/109/EC) (DTR5.1) (DTR5.2.1) (DTR5.2.1) GB00B1FMDQ43 23,986,833 14.47% **SUBTOTAL 8. A** 23,986,833 14.47%

B 1: Financial Instruments according to Art. 13(1)(a) of Directive 2004/109/EC (DTR5.3.1.1 (a))					
Type of financial instrument	Expiration date <sup>x</sup>	Exercise/ Conversion Period <sup>xi</sup>	Number of voting rights that may be acquired if the instrument is exercised/converted.	% of voting rights	
	•	SUBTOTAL 8. B 1			

B 2: Financial In 2004/109/EC (DT		th similar economic	effect accordi	ng to Art. 13(1)(b)	of Directive
Type of financial instrument	Expiration date <sup>x</sup>	Exercise/ Conversion Pe- riod xi	Physical or cash settlement <sup>xii</sup>	Number of voting rights	% of voting rights
	<u> </u>		SUBTOTAL 8.B.2		

9. Information in relati applicable box with an "	on to the person subject to X")	the notification obligation	n (please mark the	
	ication obligation is not controlled ing(s) holding directly or indirectly			
Full chain of controlled unfinancial instruments are e (please add additional row	dertakings through which the vot effectively held starting with the uses as necessary)	ing rights and/or the Itimate controlling natural pers	son or legal entity <sup>xiv</sup>	Х
Name∾	% of voting rights if it equals or is higher than the notifiable threshold	% of voting rights through financial instruments if it equals or is higher than the notifiable threshold	Total of both if it equals or is higher than the notifiable threshold	
Simco Ltd	Below 11%	-	Below 11%	
10. In case of proxy voti	ng, please identify:			
Name of the proxy hold	er			
The number and % of v	oting rights held			
The date until which the	voting rights will be held			
11. Additional informa	tion <sup>xvi</sup>			
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Place of completion	Singapore			
Date of completion	11/06/2021			

Annex: Notification of major holdings (to be filed with the FCA only)

A: Identity of the person subject to the notification obligation

Full name (including legal form for legal entities)

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Contact address (registered office for legal entities)	391A Orchard Road Ngee Ann City Tower A #23-06 Singapore 238873
E-Mail	adeline@hrnetgroup.com
Phone number / Fax number	+65 96920351
Other useful information (at least legal representative for legal persons)	
B: Identity of the notifier, if applicable	
Full name	
Contact address	
E-Mail	
Phone number / Fax number	
Other useful information (e.g. functional relationship with the person or legal entity subject to the notification obli- gation)	
C: Additional information	

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Please send the completed form together with this annex to the FCA at the following email address: Majorshareholdings@fca.org.uk. Please send in Microsoft Word format if possible.

### **Notes**

- <sup>1</sup> Please note that national forms may vary due to specific national legislation (Article 3(1a) of Directive 2004/109/EC) as for instance the applicable thresholds or information regarding capital holdings.
- <sup>ii</sup> Full name of the legal entity and further specification of the issuer or underlying issuer, provided it is reliable and accurate (e.g. address, LEI, domestic number identity). Indicate in the relevant section whether the issuer is a non UK issuer.
- iii Other reason for the notification could be voluntary notifications, changes of attribution of the nature of the holding (e.g. expiring of financial instruments) or acting in concert.
- iv This should be the full name of (a) the shareholder; (b) the natural person or legal entity acquiring, disposing of or exercising voting rights in the cases provided for in DTR5.2.1 (b) to (h)/ Article 10 (b) to (h) of Directive 2004/109/EC; (c) all parties to the agreement referred to in Article 10 (a) of Directive 2004/109/EC (DTR5.2.1 (a)) or (d) the holder of financial instruments referred to in Article 13(1) of Directive 2004/109/EC (DTR5.3.1).

As the disclosure of cases of acting in concert may vary due to the specific circumstances (e.g. same or different total positions of the parties, entering or exiting of acting in concert by a single party) the standard form does not provide for a specific method how to notify cases of acting in concert.

In relation to the transactions referred to in points (b) to (h) of Article 10 of Directive 2004/109/EC (DTR5.2.1 (b) to (h)), the following list is provided as indication of the persons who should be mentioned:

- in the circumstances foreseen in letter (b) of Article 10 of that Directive (DTR5.2.1 (b)), the natural person or legal entity that acquires the voting rights and is entitled to exercise them under the agreement and the natural person or legal entity who is transferring temporarily for consideration the voting rights;
- in the circumstances foreseen in letter (c) of Article 10 of that Directive (DTR5.2.1 (c)), the natural person or legal entity holding the collateral, provided the person or entity controls the voting rights and declares its intention of exercising them, and natural person or legal entity lodging the collateral under these conditions;
- in the circumstances foreseen in letter (d) of Article 10 of that Directive (DTR5.2.1 (d)), the natural person or legal entity who has a life interest in shares if that person or entity is entitled to exercise the voting rights attached to the shares and the natural person or legal entity who is disposing of the voting rights when the life interest is created;
- in the circumstances foreseen in letter (e) of Article 10 of that Directive (DTR5.2.1 (e)), the controlling natural person or legal entity and, provided it has a notification duty at an individual level under Article 9 (DTR 5.1), under letters (a) to (d) of Article 10 of that Directive (DTR5.2.1 (a) to (d)) or under a combination of any of those situations, the controlled undertaking;
- in the circumstances foreseen in letter (f) of Article 10 of that Directive (DTR5.2.1 (f)), the deposit taker of the shares, if he can exercise the voting rights attached to the shares deposited with him at his discretion, and the depositor of the shares allowing the deposit taker to exercise the voting rights at his discretion;
- in the circumstances foreseen in letter (g) of Article 10 of that Directive (DTR5.2.1 (g)), the natural person or legal entity that controls the voting rights;
- in the circumstances foreseen in letter (h) of Article 10 of that Directive (DTR5.2.1 (h)), the proxy holder, if he can exercise the voting rights at his discretion, and the shareholder who has given his proxy to the proxy holder allowing the latter to exercise the voting rights at his discretion (e.g. management companies).
- <sup>v</sup> Applicable in the cases provided for in Article 10 (b) to (h) of Directive 2004/109/EC (DTR5.2.1 (b) to (h). This should be the full name of the shareholder who is the counterparty to the natural person or legal entity referred to in Article 10 of that Directive (DTR5.2) unless the percentage of voting rights held by the shareholder is lower than the lowest notifiable threshold for the disclosure of voting rights holdings in accordance with national practices (e.g. identification of funds managed by management companies).
- <sup>vi</sup> The date on which threshold is crossed or reached should be the date on which the acquisition or disposal took place or the other reason triggered the notification obligation. For passive crossings, the date when the corporate event took effect.

- vii The total number of voting rights shall be composed of all the shares, including depository receipts representing shares, to which voting rights are attached even if the exercise thereof is suspended.
- viii If the holding has fallen below the lowest applicable threshold in accordance with national law, please note that it might not be necessary in accordance with national law to disclose the extent of the holding, only that the new holding is below that threshold.
- <sup>ix</sup> In case of combined holdings of shares with voting rights attached "direct holding" and voting rights "indirect holding", please split the voting rights number and percentage into the direct and indirect columns if there is no combined holdings, please leave the relevant box blank.
- x Date of maturity/expiration of the financial instrument i.e. the date when right to acquire shares ends.
- xi If the financial instrument has such a period please specify this period for example once every 3 months starting from [date].
- xii In case of cash settled instruments the number and percentages of voting rights is to be presented on a delta-adjusted basis (Article 13(1a) of Directive 2004/109/EC) (DTR 5.3.3.A).
- xiii If the person subject to the notification obligation is either controlled and/or does control another undertaking then the second option applies.
- xiv The full chain of controlled undertakings starting with the ultimate controlling natural person or legal entity has to be presented also in the cases, in which only on subsidiary level a threshold is crossed or reached and the subsidiary undertaking discloses the notification as only thus the markets get always the full picture of the group holdings. In case of multiple chains through which the voting rights and/or financial instruments are effectively held the chains have to be presented chain by chain leaving a row free between different chains (e.g.: A, B, C, free row, A, B, D, free row, A, E, F etc.).
- xv The names of controlled undertakings through which the voting rights and/or financial instruments are effectively held have to be presented irrespectively whether the controlled undertakings cross or reach the lowest applicable threshold themselves.
- xvi Example: Correction of a previous notification.