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**北方興業控股有限公司\***  
**NORTHERN INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS LIMITED**  
*(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)*  
(Stock Code: 736)

**POSTPONEMENT OF DESPATCH OF CIRCULAR  
REGARDING  
VERY SUBSTANTIAL DISPOSAL  
DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY**

The Company announces that the despatch of the Circular will be postponed, as additional time is required for, among other things, preparation of the financial information and valuation report on the Property. The Company would like to apply to the Stock Exchange for a waiver from the strict compliance with Rule 14.38 of the Listing Rules by extending the despatch date of the Circular to a date falling on or before 14 August 2006.

Reference is made to the announcement dated 17 July 2006 (the "Announcement") issued by Northern International Holdings Limited (the "Company"). Terms used herein shall have the same meanings as those defined in the Announcement unless the context requires otherwise.

**POSTPONEMENT OF DESPATCH OF CIRCULAR**

In accordance with Rule 14.38 of the Listing Rules, a circular of the Company containing, amongst other things, further details of (i) the terms of the Disposal; (ii) other disclosures in connection with the Disposal required pursuant to the Listing Rules in respect of the very substantial disposal; and (iii) the notice of SGM for the purpose of approving the Disposal (the "Circular") has to be despatched to the Shareholders within 21 days after the publication of the Announcement, which is on or before 8 August 2006. However, as additional time is required for, among other things, preparation of the financial information and valuation report on the Property, the Company would like to apply to the Stock Exchange for a waiver from the strict compliance with Rule 14.38 of the Listing Rules by extending the despatch date of the Circular to a date falling on or before 14 August 2006.

*As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises the four executive Directors are Messrs. Chong Sing Yuen, Au Tat On, Lu Xiao Dong, Wong Siu Keung, Joe, and three independent non-executive Directors, Messrs. Cheng Kwok Hing, Andy, Yeung King Wah and Yeung Yuen Hei.*

By Order of the Board  
**Northern International Holdings Limited**  
**Wong Siu Keung, Joe**  
*Company Secretary*

Hong Kong, 7 August 2006

\* *For identification purposes only*

Please also refer to the published version of this announcement in The Standard.