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## **AUTOMATED SYSTEMS HOLDINGS LIMITED**

*(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)*

**(Stock code: 771)**

### **STATUS REGARDING SUSPENSION OF TRADING AND ADJOURNMENT OF BOARD MEETING**

Reference is made to the announcement of Automated Systems Holdings Limited (the “Company”) dated 2 April 2009 for suspension in trading of the shares of the Company. The Company makes this holding announcement to inform the public of the current status of the Company.

The board of directors of the Company (the “Board”) is informed by the Company’s controlling shareholder (the “Controlling Shareholder”), which owns approximately 68.4% of the issued share capital of the Company as at the date of this announcement, that there is a possible acquisition of the Controlling Shareholder’s entire interest in the Company (the “Share Purchase”), which may result in change in control in the Company and trigger a mandatory general offer for all the issued shares of the Company (other than those already owned by or agreed to be acquired by the purchaser and parties acting in concert with it). In connection with the Share Purchase, the Company is also in discussions with the Controlling Shareholder of certain possible transactions (the “Transactions”) which may constitute transactions under Chapters 14 and 14A of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited and special deals under Rule 25 of the Hong Kong Code on Takeovers and Mergers. As the relevant parties are still in the process of negotiation and finalisation of all necessary documents, trading in the shares of the Company will remain suspended pending the publication of an announcement in relation to the Share Purchase and the Transactions.

**Shareholders of the Company and investors are reminded that the negotiations of the Share Purchase and the Transactions are now in progress and they may or may not be materialised.**

Reference is also made to the announcement of the Company dated 27 March 2009 in relation to a meeting of the Board (the “Board Meeting”) scheduled to be held on 8 April 2009 for the purpose of, among other matters, considering the payment of a special dividend.

The Board hereby announces that the Board Meeting has been adjourned to a date to be fixed. Further announcement will be made by the Company as and when appropriate.

By order of the Board  
**Automated Systems Holdings Limited**  
**Lau Ming Chi, Edward**  
*Secretary*

Hong Kong, 8 April 2009

*As at the date hereof, the Board comprises Mr. Lai Yam Ting, Ready and Mr. Lau Ming Chi, Edward being executive directors, Mr. Allen Joseph Pathmarajah, Mr. Kuo Chi Yung, Peter, Mr. Moo Kwee Chong, John, Mr. Michael Shove, Mr. Darren John Collins, Mr. Wang Yung Chang, Kenneth and Mr. Andrew John Anker being non-executive directors and Mr. Cheung Man, Stephen, Mr. Hon Sheung Tin, Peter and Mr. Li King Hang, Richard being independent non-executive directors.*

*The directors of the Company jointly and severally accept full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this announcement and confirm, having made all reasonable inquiries, that to the best of their knowledge, opinions expressed in this announcement have been arrived at after due and careful consideration and there are no other facts not contained in this announcement, the omission of which would make any statement in this announcement misleading.*