Summary of Minutes of the Board Meeting of Hong Kong Internet Registration Corporation Limited and Hong Kong Domain Name Registration Company Limited held on Thursday 15 October 2009

1. **Update on the new MOU:** There was no update received from OGCIO regarding the new MOU.

2. **Date and arrangement for the CAP meeting in December:** The Board agreed that the format of the CAP meeting would be the same as the previous one held in June 2009. The CEO would prepare the notice of the meeting together with the agenda for the Chairman’s comment one month before the meeting.

3. **One-stop-shop services together with service partners:** The Board agreed to adopt the sample flow proposed by the Chairman. Members commented that the flow was simple enough for non-technical users.

4. **Proposal to revamp the HKIRC website:** Management was asked to identify three to four user-friendly websites and recommend them to Dr Robin Bradbeer for comment. She would then shortlist a few good examples for the Board’s consideration. The Chairman proposed to put this as an agenda item for the coming CAP meeting.

5. **Dual remote located load sharing servers for both HKIRC DNS and website to provide essentially fault tolerant processing under all circumstances:** The Chairman agreed to go for Option 1 in principle. If the database vendor did not reply with good customer references and meaningful descriptions of exactly how their products work, the Board will consider Option 2 as a fallback position. Management was asked to draft a paper informing CAP members of this project.

6. **Negotiation on renewing rental for office:** The Chairman opined that the new rent proposed by the landlord is acceptable and he suggested the Company to remain in ING Tower for another three years. The Board asked Management to negotiate with the landlord again to reach a 3-year contract at a lower rent, if possible with the third year as an option.

7. **Update on RFP on security and internal audits:** The Board noted that the security audit was on schedule and there were no critical findings so far. The Company received 6 proposals for internal audit services. 4 shortlisted vendors have been invited to make presentation on 17 Oct 2009.

8. **Analysis of WHOIS traffic:** Management was asked to approach the users who made the WHOIS inquiries directly to gain a better understanding on what they use WHOIS for.
9. **Actions on ‘.hk’ domain names identified as “serious risk” by McAfee Site Advisor:** HKCERT had helped analyzing the 77 suspicious domains and only one confirmed case was found. The domain name was likely a case of malware injection to the website with no evidence of domain abuse according to HKCERT.

10. **Adoption of the Registry/Registrar (R/R) model:** The Board agreed that HKDNR would become one of the registrars. Members agreed that the retail price of HKDNR should remain unchanged for the first three years and that HKDNR would serve as a backup if other registrars fail to operate. Management would revise the proposal accordingly for CAP members’ comment.

11. **Broaden the membership base of Supply Class:** Members noted that the Company would adopt a “trust” system. Management was asked to estimate the potential size of new Supply Class to the Board for reference. This agenda item would also be included in the agenda for the coming CAP meeting.

12. **Finance and statistics report:** The Board noted that the actual figures were ahead of the budget and asked the CEO to keep it up.

13. **Letter from OGCIO regarding Internalized Domain Name for Hong Kong:** The Board opined that HKIRC should file an application for ‘.香港’. The Chairman asked to CEO to submit an application as soon as ICANN starts accepting applications in mid November.