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AUTO ITALIA HOLDINGS LIMITED

意達利控股有限公司*

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 720)

LITIGATION ANNOUNCEMENT

This announcement is made pursuant to Rule 13.09(1) of the Listing Rules and the Inside Information Provisions under Part XIVA of the SFO.

On 13 January 2017, an *ex parte* interim injunction court order (the “Order”) was served on the Company by Mr Sum Mun Kid Federick.

The Company has instructed legal counsel to contest the Order and handle all other legal issues arising with Mr Sum in connection with the dispute.

Shareholders of the Company and potential investors are advised to exercise caution when dealing in the securities of the Company.

This announcement is made by Auto Italia Holdings Limited (the “Company”, together with its subsidiaries, the “Group”) pursuant to Rule 13.09 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “Listing Rules”) and the Inside Information Provisions (as defined in the Listing Rules) under Part XIVA of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong) (the “SFO”).

* For identification purpose only

On 12 January 2017, Mr Sum Mun Kid Federick has filed an *ex parte* application to the Court of First Instance and obtained the Order under HCA 60/2017 on even date with respect to: (1) restriction on the disposal of 2 Ferrari vehicles; (2) preservation of the said 2 Ferrari vehicles; and (3) disclosure of information to Mr Sum on the location and storage details of the said 2 vehicles.

The Order will remain in force up to and including 23 January 2017 at 09:30 a.m. when parties will return to the court for further hearing.

The dispute arose between Mr Sum and the Company over sales contracts of 2 Ferrari vehicles purportedly ordered by Mr Sum with the Company.

The Company has instructed legal counsel to contest the legal action, the Order and issue a Counterclaim against Mr Sum (if so advised) and handle all other legal issues arising with Mr Sum in connection with the dispute.

Given that the litigation process is at an early stage, the board of directors (the “Board”) of the Company considers that it is not practical to assess its potential impact on the Company at the moment. In any event, the Company has sufficient funds or financing facilities to handle any such potential claim(s) so arisen and it is a matter of determining if there was a breach of contract by either Mr Sum or the Company in respect said 2 Ferrari vehicles and hence subsequent legal consequence(s), if any. The litigation thereby does not affect the normal operation of the Company.

The Company will keep the shareholders of the Company and potential investors informed of any further material developments in connection with the above action by way of further announcement(s) as and when appropriate.

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By order of the Board
AUTO ITALIA HOLDINGS LIMITED
Chong Tin Lung Benny

Executive Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Hong Kong, 16 January 2017

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises Mr. Chong Tin Lung Benny (Executive Chairman and Chief Executive Officer) and Mr. Lam Chi Yan, both of whom are executive Directors; and Dr. Antonio Maria Santos, Mr. Kong Kai Chuen Frankie and Mr. Lee Ben Tiong Leong, all of whom are independent non-executive Directors.