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# Jardine Matheson Donates HK\$25 Million in Continuing its Support to Combat COVID-19 in Hong Kong

24 February 2022 – Jardine Matheson Group announced today a donation of HK\$25 million, continuing its support of the anti-epidemic efforts in Hong Kong. The donation includes supplies comprising 250,000 COVID-19 self-test kits and food items as well as financial support to underprivileged communities in Hong Kong. These will be distributed by the Group's subsidiaries Hongkong Land and DFI Retail Group to a number of non-governmental organisations, such as Po Leung Kuk and Foodlink.

As part of the donation, Hongkong Land will contribute HK\$5 million into the HOME FUND to support anti-epidemic efforts in Hong Kong. Launched in November 2020, the fund's initiatives aim to empower the younger generations, assist those facing housing-related challenges to help foster a more inclusive society.

With its prime property portfolio throughout Central, Hongkong Land has also arranged to display anti-epidemic messages in public spaces, including the Connaught Footbridges and the digital screens inside shopping centres, to raise community awareness on what measures can be taken to prevent the spread of the COVID-19 infection.

Hongkong Land has also been partnering with tenants to overcome market challenges led by the pandemic. In total, over HK\$400 million of rent relief was granted to tenants during the period from early 2020 to June 2021. The rental relief remains in place and will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis to support tenants during this extremely difficult period.

DFI Retail Group has been in close coordination with all its supplier to ensure a stable and efficient supply of fresh food, daily necessities and anti-epidemic supplies across its extensive retail network in Hong Kong.

In addition to supply donations, DFI has continued to give back to the society through various community initiatives during these challenging times. Mannings Hong Kong was the first Hong Kong retailer to take on a community pharmacy role by launching a medication collection service in its stores, thereby reducing hospital footfall and the associated risk of infection. Wellcome teamed-up with Foodlink to launch a Rice Donation Charity Programme in November 2021. For every kilogram of Yu Pin King rice sold, Wellcome will donate fifty cents to help those in need.

Commenting on the donation and the group's COVID-19 efforts, John Witt, Group Managing Director of Jardine Matheson, said, "Jardine Matheson has deep roots in Hong

Kong and the well-being of its people is central to the city's success and future growth. As a Group, we remain committed to Hong Kong and to support the local community during these very challenging times."

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#### **About Jardine Matheson**

Jardine Matheson is a diversified Asian-based group with unsurpassed experience in the region, having been founded in China in 1832. Jardine Matheson operates principally in China and Southeast Asia through a large number of subsidiaries and affiliates. These companies are active in the fields of motor vehicles and related operations, property investment and development, food retailing, health and beauty, home furnishings, engineering and construction, transport services, restaurants, luxury hotels, financial services, heavy equipment, mining and agribusiness.

## **About DFI Retail Group**

DFI Retail Group is a leading pan-Asian retailer. The Group, together with its associates and joint ventures, operates over 10,000 outlets – including supermarkets, hypermarkets, convenience stores, health and beauty stores, home furnishings stores and restaurants – employing some 230,000 people, and had total sales in 2020 exceeding US\$28 billion. The Group's parent company, Dairy Farm International Holdings Limited, is incorporated in Bermuda and has a primary listing on the London Stock Exchange, with secondary listings in Bermuda and Singapore. DFI Retail Group is a member of the Jardine Matheson Group.

### **About Hongkong Land**

Hongkong Land is a major listed property investment, management and development group. The Group owns and manages more than 850,000 sq. m. of prime office and luxury retail property in key Asian cities, principally in Hong Kong, Singapore, Beijing and Jakarta. The Group also has a number of high quality residential, commercial, and mixed-use projects under development in cities across China and Southeast Asia, including a 43% interest in a 1.1 million sq. m. mixed-use project in West Bund, Shanghai. In Singapore, its subsidiary, MCL Land, is a well-established residential developer. Hongkong Land Holdings Limited is incorporated in Bermuda and has a primary listing on the London Stock Exchange, with secondary listings in Bermuda and Singapore. The Group's assets and investments are managed from Hong Kong by Hongkong Land Limited. Hongkong Land is a member of the Jardine Matheson Group.

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