



ANNOUNCEMENT

ACQUISITION OF MACQUARIE REAL ESTATE KOREA LIMITED

The Board of Directors of ARA Asset Management Limited (the “**Company**” or “**ARA**”) wishes to announce that further to its press release dated 23 December 2013, in relation to the acquisition of Macquarie Real Estate Korea Limited (the “**Target**”), the acquisition of 100.0% of the ordinary shares of the Target has been completed today. Following the acquisition, Macquarie Real Estate Korea Limited has been renamed as ARA Korea Limited.

The Target is a real estate management company based in Seoul, South Korea, that manages two privately held Korean Real Estate Investment Trusts with a combined assets under management of KRW 588.4 billion (approximately S\$708.6 million¹).

The purchase consideration of the Target is KRW 9.2 billion (approximately S\$11.1 million¹) was negotiated on a willing-buyer and willing-seller basis taking into consideration, among other things, the net cash of the Target acquired of KRW 8.9 billion (approximately S\$10.7 million¹) (subject to adjustments based on the net cash of the Target), the management rights which is held by the Target (as described above) and the financial position and business prospects of the Target.

The net asset value of the Target (based on the audited accounts of the Target as at 31 March 2013) was KRW10.4 billion (approximately S\$12.5 million¹).

The purchase consideration will be satisfied entirely in cash and was financed through bank borrowings.

The acquisition of the Target is not expected to have any material impact on the net tangible assets or earnings per share of ARA and its subsidiaries for the financial year ending 31 December 2014.

None of the Directors or the controlling shareholder of ARA has any interest, direct or indirect, in the acquisition of the Target.

By Order of the Board

Lim Hwee Chiang
Director
17 April 2014

¹ Based on an exchange rate of SGD1 : KRW 830.41 as at 16 April 2014

About ARA Asset Management Limited

ARA is a real estate fund management company listed on the main board of the Singapore Exchange. ARA's business is focused on the following primary segments:

- (a) REITs – The Group is one of the largest REIT managers in Asia ex-Japan and currently manages six REITs listed in three countries namely, Fortune REIT dual-listed in Singapore and Hong Kong, Suntec REIT and Cache Logistics Trust listed in Singapore, Hui Xian REIT and Prosperity REIT listed in Hong Kong and AmFIRST REIT listed in Malaysia. The Group also manages two privately-held REITs in South Korea;
- (b) Private real estate funds – The Group manages several private funds investing in real estate in Asia;
- (c) Real estate management services – The Group provides property management services and manages the award-winning Suntec Singapore International Convention & Exhibition Centre; and
- (d) Corporate finance advisory services – The Group has an in-house advisory arm providing corporate finance advisory services to related corporations.

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