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(incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock code: 8371)

DISCLOSEABLE TRANSACTION

NEW LEASE AGREEMENT FOR THE OPENING OF A NEW CUE RESTAURANT

The Board is pleased to announce that on 30 August 2022 (after trading hours), the Group through a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company entered into an agreement for the New Lease. The agreement in respect of the New Lease is still subject to the execution by the Landlord.

LISTING RULES IMPLICATIONS

As one or more of the Applicable Percentage Ratios in respect of the Lease Assets of the New Lease exceed(s) 5% but less than 25%, therefore the Lease Assets constitutes a discloseable transaction of the Company under Chapter 19 of the GEM Listing Rules and is subject to the reporting and announcement requirements under the GEM Listing Rules.

INTRODUCTION

The Board is pleased to announce that on 30 August 2022 (after trading hours), the Group through a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company entered into a new lease agreement for the opening of a new café restaurant under the brand *CUE by Rin Horiuchi* (the “**New Lease**”) in Hong Kong. The agreement in respect of the New Lease is still subject to the execution by the Landlord.

To the best of the Directors’ knowledge, information and belief having made all reasonable enquiries, as at the date of this announcement, the Landlord is an independent third party of the Company and not connected persons of the Company.

Details of the New Lease are as follows:

CUE by Rin Horiuchi at the Elements, Hong Kong

Date signed by the Group: 30 August 2022
Location: Shop 1028A, The Elements, Hong Kong
Lease Term: 3 years with an option to renew for a further 3 years
Commencement: 17 September 2022

The Lease Assets of the New Lease amounted to approximately HK\$27,450,000.

The new restaurant is expected to commence operations in December 2022.

The terms of the New Lease was determined after arm's length negotiations between the Landlord and the Group, with reference to the prevailing market rentals for properties of similar type, age and location.

INFORMATION ON THE LANDLORD

The Landlord is major property developer and operator of premium shopping malls in Hong Kong. The Landlord is also the operator of all rail networks within Hong Kong. Other shopping malls owned and managed by the Landlord includes Telford Plaza, Maritime Square, The LOHAS and PopCorn. The Landlord is listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange. For the year ended 31 December 2021, the landlord recorded revenue of approximately HK\$47.2 billion of which approximately HK\$5.0 billion were from the Hong Kong property rental and management business.

Located on top of the Kowloon MTR Station and adjacent to the High Speed Rail Station, The Elements covers approximately one million square foot of retail and dining space (source: mtr.com.hk and elements.com.hk).

REASONS AND BENEFITS

Due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, securing good restaurant locations has become less competitive and the Board believes that opening new restaurants in high footfall traffic shopping malls such as the Elements is in line with the business strategy of the Group and is in the best interest of the Company and the Shareholders as a whole.

IMPLICATIONS UNDER THE GEM LISTING RULES

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INFORMATION ON THE COMPANY

The Group is a Hong Kong restaurant group serving a variety of cuisines, mainly Vietnamese, Chinese, Japanese and Western cuisines targeting mid-to-high-end customer segments. Since the opening of our first restaurant, Urawa Japanese restaurant, in December 2007, we have been expanding our restaurant network in Hong Kong through our multi-brand business model. Currently, we own and operate a total of 38 full service restaurants strategically located in first tier and/or premium shopping malls or on street levels in prime areas and business districts, covering Hong Kong Island, Kowloon and New Territories and Shanghai.

DEFINITIONS

In this announcement, unless context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the following meanings:

“Applicable Percentage Ratios”	applicable percentage ratios (as defined under the GEM Listing Rules)
“Board” or “Directors”	the board of directors of the Company

“Company”	Taste • Gourmet Group Limited, a company incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability and the shares of which are listed on GEM
“connected person(s)”	have the meaning ascribed to it under the GEM Listing Rules
“GEM”	GEM of the Stock Exchange
“GEM Listing Rules”	The Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on GEM
“Group”	the Company and its subsidiaries
“Hong Kong”	The Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the PRC
“HK\$”	Hong Kong Dollar, the lawful currency of Hong Kong
“Landlord”	MTR Corporation Limited, a limited liability company incorporated in Hong Kong whose shares are listed on the Main board of the Stock Exchange (stock code: 00066)
“Lease Assets”	The right-of-use asset(s) represents a lessee’s license to hold, operate, or occupy a leased item over the term of the lease
“Stock Exchange”	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited
“independent third party(ies)”	third party(ies) independent of and not connected with the Company and connected persons of the Company
“Main Board”	Main Board of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange
“Shareholders”	shareholders of the Company
“subsidiaries”	have the meaning ascribed to it under the GEM Listing Rules
“%”	per cent

By Order of the Board
WONG Ngai Shan
Chairman and Executive Director

Hong Kong, 30 August 2022

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises:

Executive Directors:

WONG Ngai Shan (*Chairman*)
 CHAN Wai Chun (*Chief Executive Officer*)
 LOW Soon Huat (*Chief Operating Officer*)
 YU Man To Gerald Maximillian (*Chief Financial Officer and Company Secretary*)

Independent Non-executive Directors:

CHAN Yuen Ting
 TSANG Siu Chun
 WANG Chin Mong

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