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## **KWIH Devotedly Supports Opera Hong Kong In the New Production of Shakespeare's Four-act Masterpiece *Otello***

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### **Continues to Promote Development of the Arts in Hong Kong**

(Hong Kong – 16 October 2016) **K. Wah International Holdings Limited** (“KWIH” or “the Group”) (stock code: 0173), the Honorary Patron of Opera Hong Kong (“OHK”), is pleased to devotedly support OHK as the Title Sponsor of 14 October performance of *Otello*, a new production of one of the four tragedies of Shakespeare, to commemorate the 400th anniversary of the Bard’s death. The Group invited guests from the commercial and financial sectors as well as the media industry to enjoy this much anticipated opera adaptation, with an aim to further promote the appreciation of opera to a wider community in Hong Kong through this world-class performance.

With a strong commitment to corporate social responsibility, KWIH has always been keen to promote the development of arts and culture in Hong Kong. Since 2013, KWIH has become the Honorary Patron of OHK and embarked on a four-year sponsorship programme to promote operas to a broader audience in Hong Kong and provide valuable cross-cultural exchange and performance opportunities for outstanding local artists to sustain the value of local arts through a wide range of performances and educational programmes. Most importantly, it enhances the cosmopolitan image of the city.

*Otello*, an opera in four acts presented by OHK, is to be performed for four days from 13-16 October at the Hong Kong Cultural Centre. Regarded as Italian composer Giuseppe Verdi’s most dramatic musical masterpiece, *Otello* is also widely acclaimed by music critics as “the finest of Italian opera librettos”. The powerful music of Verdi and the finest costumes and props produced by Teatro dell’Opera di Roma present a vivid portrayal of the characters and create an unprecedented sensation.

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## Photo captions

Photo 1: Oliver Lam (left), Chief Financial Officer of KWIH, Professor K C Chan (second from left), GBS, JP, Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury, HKSAR, and other guests from financial industry come to enjoy the opera *Otello*



Photo 2: Wong Kwai Lam (left), Independent Non-Executive Director of KWIH, and Oliver Lam (right), Chief Financial Officer of KWIH, watch the opera *Otello*



Photo 3-5: KWIH strongly supports the development of arts and culture in Hong Kong. Through bringing world-class operas such as *Otello* to Hong Kong, the Group hopes to enhance the local audience's understanding of operas through first-hand appreciation of the finest performances of this art form







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KWIH has received several international accolades for its outstanding quality and service. Honoured with Business Superbrands in the property development sector, KWIH was awarded the Top 10 Developers Award by BCI Asia three times and the High-Flyer Outstanding Enterprises twice. Its signature project, Marinella, achieved the Platinum Rating of Final Assessment under the BEAM Plus NB V1.1 of the Hong Kong Green Building Council. In addition, KWIH was voted as the first runner-up under the category of Hong Kong Best Mid-Cap and Best CFO in Hong Kong in Asia’s Best Companies 2013 and 2015 Poll respectively conducted by FinanceAsia.

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