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# SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF NEW YORK: COMMERCIAL DIVISION

MICHAEL PLUTTE, Individually and on Behalf of All Others Similarly Situated,

Plaintiff.

VS.

SEA LIMITED, FORREST XIAODONG LI, GANG YE, TONY TIANYU HOU, COLLEEN A. DE VRIES, YUXIN REN,

NICHOLAS A. NASH, DAVID HENG CHEN SENG, KHOON HUA KUOK, GOLDMAN SACHS (ASIA) L.L.C., MORGAN STANLEY & CO. INTERNATIONAL PLC, CREDIT

SUISSE SECURITIES (USA) L.L.C., CLSA LIMITED, CITIGROUP GLOBAL

MARKETS INC., COWEN AND COMPANY, LLC, NOMURA SECURITIES

INTERNATIONAL, INC., PIPER JAFFRAY & CO., STIFEL NICOLAUS & COMPANY, INCORPORATED, PT MADIRI

SEKURITAS, TUDOR, PICKERING, HOLT & CO. SECURITIES, INC., BDO CAPITAL & INVESTMENT CORPORATION, CATHAY SECURITIES CORPORATION OFFSHORE SECURITIES UNIT, DBS

BANK LTD., VIET CAPITAL SECURITIES JSC and COGENCY GLOBAL INC.,

Defendants.

Index No. 655436/2018 The Honorable Jennifer G. Schecter, J.S.C.

**PART 54** 

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**CLASS ACTION** 

STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT

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This Stipulation of Settlement (the "Stipulation") in the action captioned *Plutte v. Sea Limited, et al.*, Index No. 655436/2018 (the "Action"), pending before the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of New York, Commercial Division (the "Court"), is entered into by and between Plaintiff Michael Plutte, on behalf of himself and the Settlement Class (as defined below), and Defendants Sea Limited ("Sea Ltd." or the "Company"), Cogency Global Inc. ("Cogency"), Forrest Xiaodong Li, Gang Ye, Tony Tianyu Hou, Colleen A. De Vries, Yuxin Ren, Nicholas A. Nash, David Heng Chen Seng, Khoon Hua Kuok, Tao Zhang (the "Individual Defendants" and collectively with Sea Ltd. and Cogency, the "Sea Limited Defendants"), and the underwriters of the Company's October 2017 initial public offering ("IPO"), specifically Goldman Sachs (Asia) L.L.C., Morgan Stanley & Co. International PLC, Credit Suisse Securities (USA) L.L.C., CLSA Limited, Citigroup Global Markets Inc., Cowen and Company, LLC, Nomura Securities International, Inc., Piper Jaffray & Co., Stifel Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated, PT Madiri Sekuritas, Tudor, Pickering, Holt & Co. Securities, Inc., BDO Capital & Investment Corporation, Cathay Securities

Corporation Offshore Securities Unit, DBS Bank Ltd., and Viet Capital Securities JSC (the

"Underwriter Defendants") (all, collectively, "Defendants"), by their respective counsel. The

Stipulation is intended by Plaintiff and Defendants (collectively, the "Parties") to fully, finally, and

forever resolve, discharge, release and settle the Released Claims, as defined below, upon and

Defendants Forrest Xiaodong Li, Gang Ye, Tony Tianyu Hou, Colleen A. De Vries, Yuxin Ren, Nicholas A. Nash, David Heng Chen Seng, Khoon Hua Kuok, Tao Zhang, BDO Capital & Investment Corporation, CLSA Limited, Cathay Securities Corporation Offshore Securities Unit, DBS Bank Ltd., Morgan Stanley & Co. International PLC, PT Madiri Sekuritas, and Viet Capital Securities JSC have not been served (collectively, the "Unserved Defendants"). The Unserved Defendants hereby reserve and do not waive any and all rights based on the fact that they have not been served in this litigation, including, but not limited to, all rights, to contest they are defendants in this Action and all defenses, including those based on lack of service of process and statutes of limitation.

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subject to the terms and conditions hereof, and is submitted pursuant to CPLR §§901, 902, and 908 for approval by this Court.

#### I. SUMMARY OF CLAIMS AND PROCEDURAL HISTORY

This is a securities action against Defendants for claims under §§11 and 15 of the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Securities Act"). It is a putative class action brought on behalf of all persons who purchased or otherwise acquired the American Depository Shares ("ADS") of Sea Ltd. pursuant or traceable to the October 2017 Registration Statement and Prospectus issued in connection with Sea Ltd.'s IPO.

Plaintiff claims that Defendants violated §§11 and 15 of the Securities Act by reason of materially untrue statements or materially misleading omissions in the Registration Statement and Prospectus for Sea Ltd.'s October 2017 IPO. Specifically, Plaintiff alleges that the Registration Statement and Prospectus included untrue material statements about, and failed to disclose material information regarding, (i) Sea Ltd.'s transition to a new version of its existing desktop gaming platform; and (ii) increased marketing expenses and losses in the Digital Entertainment ("DE") business in the third quarter of 2017, which rendered its reported financial information not indicative of future results.

The initial complaint was filed in this Court by Plaintiff on November 1, 2018.

On January 25, 2019, Plaintiff filed his Amended Class Action Complaint for Violations of the Securities Act of 1933. On March 26, 2019, Defendants who were served in the Action ("Served Defendants")<sup>2</sup> filed a Joint Motion to Dismiss the Action. Plaintiff opposed the motion on May 28, 2019, and Served Defendants filed a reply in support of their motion to dismiss on July 12, 2019.

The Served Defendants are as follows: Sea Ltd., Goldman Sachs (Asia) L.L.C., Credit Suisse Securities (USA) L.L.C., Citigroup Global Markets Inc., Cowen and Company, LLC, Nomura Securities International, Inc., Piper Jaffray & Co., Stifel Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated, and Tudor, Pickering, Holt & Co. Securities, Inc.

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Oral argument on the motion to dismiss was heard on December 18, 2019. That motion remains

pending.

In early 2020, Plaintiff and the Served Defendants agreed to explore a resolution of the

Action and engaged the services of Michelle Yoshida, Esq. of Phillips ADR, a nationally recognized

mediator experienced in complex shareholder litigation. In connection with the mediation, each side

provided to Ms. Yoshida and exchanged with each other submissions setting forth their respective

positions on the issues of liability, causation, and damages. On May 14, 2020, the Parties attended

an all-day mediation with Ms. Yoshida via video conference. Although the Parties negotiated in

good faith, no resolution was reached. The Parties continued their negotiations through the

mediator, and on July 15, 2020, an agreement in principle was reached to settle the Action on the

terms set forth herein, subject to the negotiation of a Stipulation of Settlement and approval by the

Court. This Stipulation (together with the exhibits hereto) reflects the final and binding agreement

between the Parties.

II. PLAINTIFF'S INVESTIGATION AND THE BENEFITS OF

**SETTLEMENT** 

Plaintiff's Counsel represent that they have conducted an extensive investigation of the

claims and the underlying events and transactions alleged in this Action. Among other things,

Plaintiff's Counsel have analyzed public filings, records, documents, and other materials concerning

Defendants and third parties, and have researched the applicable law with respect to the claims of

Plaintiff and the Settlement Class against Defendants and the potential defenses thereto.

Based on their investigation and review, Plaintiff and Lead Counsel have concluded that the

terms and conditions of this Stipulation are fair, reasonable, adequate, and are in the best interests of

the Settlement Class, and have agreed to settle the claims raised in the Action pursuant to the terms

and provisions of this Stipulation, after considering: (a) the benefits that Plaintiff and the Settlement

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Class will receive from settlement of the Action; (b) the risks, costs, and uncertainties of ongoing

litigation; (c) the desirability of permitting the Settlement to be consummated as provided by the

terms of this Stipulation; and (d) Lead Counsel's experience in the prosecution of similar actions.

The Parties to this Stipulation and their counsel agree not to contend in any forum that the

Action was brought or defended in bad faith, without a reasonable basis, or in violation of 22

N.Y.C.R.R. §130-1 or any other similar law or statute. The Action is being voluntarily settled after

advice of counsel and after Lead Counsel has determined and believes that the terms of the

Settlement are fair, adequate, and reasonable to the Settlement Class.

III. DEFENDANTS' DENIALS OF WRONGDOING AND LIABILITY

Defendants have denied and continue to deny that they have committed any act or omission

giving rise to any liability and/or violation of law. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing

in any way, Defendants have denied and continue to deny, among other things, that any

misstatements or materially misleading omissions were made or that Plaintiff or the Settlement Class

have suffered any damages. Neither this Stipulation nor any of its terms shall constitute an

admission or finding of wrongful conduct, acts or omissions. Defendants do not admit any liability

or wrongdoing in connection with the allegations set forth in the Action, or any facts related thereto.

Defendants are entering into this Settlement to eliminate the distraction, burden and expense

of further litigation. Defendants have, therefore, determined that it is desirable and beneficial to

them that the Action be settled in the manner and upon the terms and conditions set forth in this

Stipulation.

This Stipulation or any of the terms of the settlement of the Action shall in no event be

construed or deemed to be evidence of, evidence supporting, or an admission or concession on the

part of any Defendant with respect to, any claim or of any fault or liability or wrongdoing or damage

whatsoever, or any infirmity in the defenses that Defendants have asserted.

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IV. TERMS OF THE STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT OF SETTLEMENT

NOW THEREFORE, without any admission or concession on the part of Plaintiff of any

lack of merit of the Action whatsoever, and without any admission or concession of any liability or

wrongdoing or lack of merit in the defenses whatsoever by Defendants, it is hereby STIPULATED

AND AGREED, by and among the Parties to this Stipulation, through their undersigned attorneys,

subject to approval by the Court, in consideration of the benefits flowing to the Parties hereto from

the Settlement, that all Released Claims (as defined below) as against the Released Parties (as

defined below) and all of Released Defendants' Claims (as defined below) shall be compromised,

settled, released, and discharged, and the Action shall be dismissed with prejudice, upon and subject

to the following terms and conditions:

1. Certain Definitions

As used in this Stipulation, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

1.1 "Action" means *Plutte v. Sea Limited, et al.*, Index No. 655436/2018, pending in the

Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of New York: Commercial Division.

1.2 "Alternative Judgment" means a form of judgment with terms materially different

from those set forth in the form of judgment that is attached hereto as Exhibit B. Without limitation,

any reduction in the scope of the definition of "Settlement Class," "Settlement Class Members," or

"Released Claims" are hereby deemed to be material.

1.3 "Authorized Claimant" means a Settlement Class Member who submits a timely and

valid Proof of Claim form to the Claims Administrator.

1.4 "Claims Administrator" means Gilardi & Co. LLC or such other entity as the Court

shall appoint to administer the Settlement.

1.5 "Company" or "Sea Ltd." means Sea Limited and its predecessors, successors,

parents, subsidiaries, divisions or affiliates.

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1.6 "Court" means the Supreme Court of New York, New York County, Commercial

Division.

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"Defendants" means the Sea Limited Defendants and the Underwriter Defendants. 1.7

1.8 "Defendants' Counsel" means the law firms of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher &

Flom LLP and Paul Hastings LLP.

1.9 "Effective Date of Settlement" or "Effective Date" means the date upon which all of

the events and conditions set forth in ¶10.1 below have been met and have occurred.

"Escrow Account" means an interest-bearing escrow account established by the

Escrow Agent to receive the Settlement Amount.

1.11 "Escrow Agent" means Robbins Geller Rudman & Dowd LLP, or its successor(s).

"Fee and Expense Award" means any attorneys' fees and expenses awarded by the 1.12

Court as described in ¶5.1.

"Final" with respect to the Judgment means: (i) if no appeal is filed, the expiration 1.13

date of the time provided for filing or petitioning for any appeal, or (ii) if there is an appeal from the

Judgment, the date of (a) final dismissal of all such appeals, or the final dismissal of any proceeding

on certiorari or otherwise to review the Judgment, or (b) the date the Judgment is finally affirmed on

appeal, and (i) the expiration of the time to file a petition for writ of certiorari or other form of

review, (ii) the denial of a writ of certiorari or other form of review of the Judgment, or (iii) if

certiorari or other form of review is granted, the date of final affirmance of the Judgment following

review pursuant to that grant. However, any appeal or proceeding seeking subsequent judicial

review pertaining solely to an order issued with respect to (i) attorneys' fees, costs or expenses, or

(ii) the Plan of Allocation (as submitted or subsequently modified) shall not in any way delay or

preclude the Judgment from becoming Final.

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1.14 "Investment Vehicle" means any investment company, separately managed account

or pooled investment fund, including, but not limited to: (i) mutual fund families, exchange-traded

funds, fund of funds and hedge funds in which Defendants, or any of them, have, has or may have a

direct or indirect interest, or as to which its affiliates may act as an investment advisor, but in which

any defendant alone or together with its, his or her respective affiliates is not a majority owner or

does not hold a majority beneficial interest; and (ii) employee benefit plans.

"Judgment" means either: (i) the proposed judgment to be entered approving the 1.15

Settlement, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit B; or (ii) an Alternative Judgment, if

expressly agreed by all Parties.

1.16 "Lead Counsel" means the law firm of Robbins Geller Rudman & Dowd LLP.

"Net Settlement Fund" means the Settlement Fund less: (i) Court awarded attorneys' 1.17

fees; (ii) notice and administration expenses; (iii) any required Taxes; (iv) Court awarded litigation

expenses; and (v) any other fees or expenses approved by the Court.

"Notice" means the Notice of Pendency and Proposed Settlement of Class Action, 1.18

which is to be sent to members of the Settlement Class, substantially in the form attached hereto as

Exhibit A-1.

1.19 "Notice Order" means the proposed order preliminarily approving the Settlement and

directing notice thereof to the Settlement Class, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit

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1.20 "Person" means an individual, corporation, partnership, limited partnership, limited

liability partnership, association, joint stock company, joint venture, limited liability company or

corporation, professional corporation, estate, legal representative, trust, unincorporated association,

government or any political subdivision or agency thereof, and any business or legal entity and his,

her or its spouses, heirs, predecessors, successors, representatives, or assignees.

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1.21 "Plaintiff" means Michael Plutte.

"Plaintiff's Counsel" means those firms that have appeared on behalf of the 1.22

Settlement Class in the Action.

"Plan of Allocation" means the plan described in the Notice or any alternate plan 1.23

approved by the Court whereby the Net Settlement Fund (as defined above in ¶1.17) shall be

distributed to Authorized Claimants. Any Plan of Allocation is not part of the Stipulation, and the

Released Parties shall have no responsibility therefore or liability with respect thereto.

"Proof of Claim" means the Proof of Claim and Release, substantially in the form

attached hereto as Exhibit A-2.

"Registration Statement" means, collectively, any and all registration statements and 1.25

prospectuses, whether preliminary, amended, or as effective, filed with the U.S. Securities and

Exchange Commission that relate in any way, in whole or in part, to Sea Ltd.'s IPO.

1.26 "Related Parties" means each of a Defendant's past, present or future direct or

indirect parents, subsidiaries, divisions, branches, controlling persons, associates, entities, affiliates

or joint ventures, as well as each of their and each of Defendants' respective past, present or future

directors, officers, employees, managers, servants, partners, limited partners, members, principals,

trustees, advisors, auditors, accountants, agents, underwriters, insurers, co-insurers, reinsurers,

shareholders, attorneys, fiduciaries, financial or investment advisors or consultants, banks or

investment bankers, personal or legal representatives, agents, predecessors, predecessors-in-interest,

successors, successors-in-interest, assigns, spouses, heirs, related or affiliated entities or persons,

anyone acting or purporting to act for or on behalf of any of them or their successors, heirs or

assigns, any other persons, firms, trusts, corporations, and other entity in which a Defendant or any

past, present and future director of Sea Ltd. has a financial interest or was a sponsor, founder or

creator of the entity and, in their capacity as such, any and all officers, directors, employees, trustees,

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beneficiaries, settlers, creators, attorneys, consultants, agents, or representatives of any such person,

firm, trust, corporation or other entity, any member of an Individual Defendant's immediate family,

any trust of which any Defendant is the settlor or which is for the benefit of any Defendant and/or

member(s) of his or her family, and the legal representatives, heirs, executors, administrators,

predecessors, predecessors-in-interest, successors, successors-in-interest or assigns of each of the

foregoing.

1.27 "Released Claims" means all claims, demands, losses, costs, interest, penalties, fees,

attorneys' fees, expenses, rights, causes of action, actions, duties, obligations, judgments, debts,

sums of money, suits, contracts, agreements, promises, damages, and liabilities of every nature and

description, including "Unknown Claims" as defined below, whether direct or indirect,

representative, class, individual, asserted or unasserted, matured or unmatured, accrued or

unaccrued, foreseen or unforeseen, disclosed or undisclosed, contingent or fixed or vested, at law or

equity, whether arising under federal, state, local, foreign, statutory, common or administrative, or

any other law, statute, rule, or regulation, that both (a) arise out of, are based upon, or relate in any

way to any of the allegations, acts, transactions, facts, events, matters, occurrences, statements,

representations, misrepresentations or omissions involved, set forth, alleged or referred to, in this

Action, or which could have been alleged in, referred to or made part of this Action, and (b) arise out

of, are based upon, or relate in any way to the purchase, acquisition, sale, transfer, investment, other

transaction in, or holding of Sea Ltd. ADS pursuant or traceable to the Registration Statement and

Prospectus issued in connection with Sea Ltd.'s IPO. "Released Claims" also includes any and all

claims arising out of, relating to, or in connection with the Settlement or resolution of the Action

(including Unknown Claims), except claims to enforce any of the terms of this Stipulation.

1.28 "Released Defendants' Claims" means all claims, including "Unknown Claims" as

defined below, that any Released Party may have against Plaintiff, Settlement Class Members, or

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Plaintiff's Counsel relating to the institution, prosecution or settlement of the Action (except for

claims to enforce any of the terms of this Stipulation).

"Released Parties" means Defendants and each and all of their Related Parties. 1.29

1.30 "Settlement" means the settlement on the terms set forth in this Stipulation.

1.31 "Settlement Amount" means the sum of \$10,750,000, inclusive of all Taxes, to be

deposited into an Escrow Account pursuant to ¶3.

"Settlement Class" and "Settlement Class Members" means all persons who 1.32

purchased or otherwise acquired Sea Ltd. ADS pursuant or traceable to the Company's Registration

Statement and Prospectus issued in connection with Sea Ltd.'s October 2017 initial public offering.

For purposes of the releases set forth herein, "Settlement Class" and "Settlement Class Members"

shall include any Person purporting to assert a claim on behalf of any Settlement Class Member, or

any Person asserting a claim based on a purchase or acquisition of Sea Ltd. ADS made by any

Settlement Class Member. Excluded from the Settlement Class are Defendants, the officers and

directors of Sea Ltd., Cogency and the Underwriter Defendants (at all relevant times), members of

their immediate families, and their legal representatives, heirs, successors or assigns, and any entity

in which any Defendant has a controlling interest, *provided*, *however*, that any Investment Vehicle

shall not be excluded from the Settlement Class. Also excluded from the Settlement Class are those

Persons who would otherwise be Settlement Class Members but who timely and validly exclude

themselves therefrom.

1.33 "Settlement Fairness Hearing" means the hearing scheduled by the Court to determine

whether (i) the Settlement is fair, reasonable, and adequate, (ii) the Plan of Allocation is fair,

reasonable, and adequate, and (iii) Lead Counsel's request for an award of attorneys' fees and

expenses, including an award to Plaintiff, is reasonable.

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1.34 "Settlement Fund" means the Settlement Amount plus any interest or income earned

thereon.

"Summary Notice" means the summary notice of proposed Settlement and hearing for 1.35

publication, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A-3.

"Unknown Claims" means (i) any and all claims and potential claims against 1.36

Released Parties which Plaintiff or any Settlement Class Member does not know or suspect to exist

in their, his, her, or its favor as of the Effective Date, and (ii) any claims against Plaintiff which

Defendants do not know or suspect to exist in their favor, which if known by any of them, might

have affected their, his, her, or its decision(s) with respect to the Settlement. With respect to any and

all Released Claims and Released Defendants' Claims, the Parties stipulate and agree that by

operation of the Final Judgment, upon the Effective Date, the Plaintiff and Defendants shall have

expressly waived, and each Settlement Class Member shall be deemed to have waived, and by

operation of the Final Judgment shall have expressly waived, the provisions, rights and benefits of

Cal. Civ. Code §1542, which provides:

A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS THAT THE CREDITOR OR RELEASING PARTY DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS OR HER FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE AND THAT, IF KNOWN BY HIM OR HER, WOULD HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS OR HER SETTLEMENT WITH THE

**DEBTOR OR RELEASED PARTY:** 

and any and all provisions, rights, and benefits conferred by any law of any state or territory of the

United States, or principle of common law, which is similar, comparable, or equivalent to Cal. Civ.

Code §1542. Plaintiff and Settlement Class Members may hereafter discover facts in addition to or

different from those which he, she, or it now knows or believes to be true with respect to the subject

matter of the Released Claims, but Plaintiff shall expressly fully, finally, and forever settle and

release, and each Settlement Class Member, upon the Effective Date, shall be deemed to have, and

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by operation of the Final Judgment shall have, fully, finally, and forever settled and released, any

and all Released Claims, known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, contingent or non-

contingent, whether or not concealed or hidden, which now exist, or heretofore have existed, upon

any theory of law or equity now existing or coming into existence in the future, including, but not

limited to, conduct which is negligent, intentional, with or without malice, or a breach of any duty,

law or rule, without regard to the subsequent discovery or existence of such different or additional

facts. Plaintiff and Defendants acknowledge, and Settlement Class Members shall be deemed to

have acknowledged, that the inclusion of "Unknown Claims" in the definition of Released Claims

and Released Defendants' Claims was separately bargained for and was an essential element of the

Settlement.

2. Scope and Effect of Settlement

2.1 The obligations incurred pursuant to this Stipulation shall be in full and final

disposition of: (i) this Action against Defendants; (ii) any and all Released Claims as against all

Released Parties; and (iii) any and all Released Defendants' Claims.

2.2 (a) Upon the Effective Date of this Settlement, Plaintiff and all Settlement Class

Members shall be deemed to have, and by operation of the Final Judgment shall have, fully, finally,

and forever waived, released, and discharged all Released Claims against the Released Parties,

regardless of whether such Settlement Class Member executes and delivers a Proof of Claim.

(b) Upon the Effective Date of this Settlement, each and every Settlement Class

Member will be permanently and forever barred and enjoined from commencing, instituting,

prosecuting or continuing to prosecute any action or other proceeding in any court of law or equity,

arbitration tribunal, administrative forum, or any other forum, asserting any or all of the Released

Claims against the Released Parties, whether or not such Settlement Class Member executes and

delivers a Proof of Claim.

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(c) Upon the Effective Date of this Settlement, each of the Released Parties shall be deemed to have, and by operation of the Final Judgment shall have, fully, finally, and forever released and discharged Plaintiff, Plaintiff's Counsel and each and all of the Settlement Class Members from each and every one of the Released Defendants' Claims.

(d) The releases and injunctions provided in this Stipulation shall become effective immediately upon occurrence of the Effective Date without the need for any further action, notice, condition or event.

#### 3. The Settlement Consideration

3.1 In full and final settlement of the claims asserted in the Action and in consideration of the releases specified in ¶2.2(a) herein, Sea Ltd. shall deposit or cause to be deposited the Settlement Amount in accordance with instructions to be provided by the Escrow Agent on or before fifteen (15) business days after the later to occur of: (i) entry of the Notice Order; and (ii) the Escrow Agent providing to Defendants' Counsel all information necessary to effectuate a transfer of funds to the Escrow Account, including, without limitation, (a) wire transfer instructions (including bank name and ABA routing number, address, account name and number), (b) payment address, and (c) a complete and executed Form W-9 for the Settlement Fund that reflects a valid tax identification number. Defendants' obligations will be satisfied with regard to the full and final settlement of claims upon submission of the wire payment of the Settlement Amount in accordance with instructions provided by the Escrow Agent. Within three (3) days from the filing of this Stipulation with the Court, Lead Counsel shall send Sea Ltd.'s counsel an encrypted e-mail containing complete particulars for payment by wire transfer or check, and a W-9. The Parties agree that the Settlement Fund is intended to be a Qualified Settlement Fund within the meaning of Treasury Regulation §1.468B-1. The account funds, less any amounts incurred for notice, administration, and/or taxes, plus any accrued interest thereon on a pro rata basis, shall revert to the person(s) making the

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deposits if the Settlement does not become effective for any reason, including by reason of a termination of the Settlement pursuant to ¶10.4 herein. The Settlement Fund includes any interest

earned thereon.

3.2 If the entire Settlement Amount is not timely paid to the Escrow Agent in accordance

with ¶3.1 above, Lead Counsel may terminate the Settlement, but only if: (i) Lead Counsel has

notified Defendants' Counsel in writing of Lead Counsel's intention to terminate the Settlement, and

(ii) the entire Settlement Amount is not transferred to the Escrow Account within five (5) business

days after Lead Counsel has provided such written notice.

3.3 Plaintiff and Settlement Class Members shall look solely to the Settlement Fund as

satisfaction of all Released Claims. Defendants shall have no obligation under this Stipulation or the

Settlement to pay any additional amounts, and upon payment funding, Defendants shall have no

other obligation to pay or reimburse any fees, expenses, costs, liability or damages whatsoever

alleged or incurred by Plaintiff, by any Settlement Class Member, or by any of their attorneys,

experts, advisors, agents, or representatives with respect to the Action and Released Claims. Any

award made by the Court pursuant to the Fee and Expense Application referred to in ¶5.1 hereof

shall be paid exclusively from the Settlement Fund; any agreement between or among Plaintiff's

Counsel to divide fees, expenses, costs or interest shall be between or among such Plaintiff's

Counsel only; and Defendants shall have no obligation with respect to any allocation between or

among Plaintiff's Counsel, or with respect to any payment to any Plaintiff's Counsel, of any fees,

expenses, costs or interest. Plaintiff and Settlement Class Members acknowledge that, as of the

Effective Date, the releases and injunctions given herein shall become effective by operation of the

Final Judgment and shall be permanent, absolute and unconditional.

3.4 (a) The Settlement Fund, net of any Taxes (as defined below), shall be used to

pay: (i) the notice and administration costs of the Settlement referred to in ¶4.2 hereof; (ii) any award

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made by the Court pursuant to the Fee and Expense Application referred to in ¶5.1 hereof; and (iii) the remaining administration expenses referred to in ¶4.2 hereof and any other attorney and administrative costs, fees, payments or awards subsequently approved by the Court. The balance of the Settlement Fund after the above payments shall be the Net Settlement Fund, which shall be distributed to the Authorized Claimants as provided in ¶6.1-6.3 hereof. Any portions of the Settlement Fund required to be held in escrow before the Effective Date shall be held by the Escrow Agent for the Settlement Fund. The Settlement Fund held by the Escrow Agent shall be deemed to be in the custody of the Court and shall remain subject to the jurisdiction of the Court until such time as the Net Settlement Fund shall be distributed to Authorized Claimants, or returned pursuant to this Stipulation and/or further order of the Court. The Escrow Agent shall not disburse the Settlement Fund, or any portion thereof, except as provided in this Stipulation, or upon Order of the Court. The Escrow Agent shall be responsible for investing the Settlement Fund in eligible investments, meaning obligations issued or guaranteed by the United States of America or any agency or

instrumentality thereof, backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, or fully insured by

the United States Government or an Agency thereof, and the Escrow Agent shall reinvest the

proceeds of these obligations or instruments as they mature in similar instruments at their then-

current market rates. All risks related to the investment of the Settlement Fund in accordance with

the investment guidelines set forth in this paragraph shall be borne by the Settlement Fund, and

Defendants shall have no obligation for any loss suffered by, or fluctuation in value of, the

(b) For the purpose of §1.468B of the Internal Revenue Code and the Treasury regulations thereunder, the Escrow Agent shall be designated as the "administrator" of the Settlement Fund. The Escrow Agent shall timely and properly file all informational and other tax returns necessary or advisable with respect to the Settlement Fund (including, without limitation, the

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returns described in Treas. Reg. §1.468B-2(k)). Such returns (as well as the election described below) shall be consistent with this paragraph and in all events shall reflect that all Taxes (including any estimated Taxes, interest, or penalties) on the income earned by the Settlement Fund shall be paid out of the Settlement Fund as provided herein.

- All: (i) Taxes (including any estimated Taxes, interest or penalties) arising (c) with respect to the income earned by the Settlement Fund, including any Taxes or tax detriments that may be imposed upon Defendants or their Related Parties with respect to any income earned by the Settlement Fund for any period during which the Settlement Fund does not qualify as a "Qualified Settlement Fund" for federal or state income tax purposes; and (ii) all other tax expenses incurred in the operation of and implementation of this paragraph, including, without limitation, expenses of tax attorneys and/or accountants and mailing and distribution expenses related to filing or failing to file the returns described in this paragraph (collectively, "Taxes") shall promptly be paid out of the Settlement Fund by the Escrow Agent without prior order from the Court. The Escrow Agent shall also be obligated to, and shall be responsible for, withholding from distribution to Settlement Class Members any funds necessary to pay such amounts, including the establishment of adequate reserves for any Taxes, including the establishment of adequate reserves for any Taxes and tax expenses (as well as any amounts that may be required to be withheld under Treas. Reg. §1.468B-2(1)(2)). Taxes and tax expenses shall be treated as, and considered to be, a cost of administration of the Settlement Fund. The Parties agree to cooperate with the Escrow Agent, each other, and their tax attorneys and accountants to the extent reasonably necessary to carry out the provisions of this paragraph.
- (d) Except to the extent Lead Counsel is acting in its capacity as Escrow Agent, neither the Parties nor their counsel shall have any responsibility for or liability whatsoever with respect to: (i) any act, omission or determination of the Escrow Agent or the Claims Administrator, or any of their respective designees or agents, in connection with the administration of the

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Settlement Fund or otherwise; (ii) the Plan of Allocation; (iii) the determination, administration,

calculation, or payment of any claims asserted against the Settlement Fund; (iv) the payment or

withholding of any Taxes, expenses, and/or costs incurred in connection with the taxation of the

Settlement Fund or the filing of any returns; and (v) any loss suffered by, or fluctuation in value of,

the Settlement Fund. The Escrow Agent, through the Settlement Fund, shall indemnify and hold

each of the Released Parties and their counsel harmless for Taxes and tax expenses (including,

without limitation, Taxes payable by reason of any such indemnification).

4. Administration

4.1 The Claims Administrator shall administer and calculate the claims that shall be

allowed and oversee distribution of the Settlement Fund subject to such supervision of Lead Counsel

and/or the Court as the circumstances may require. The Claims Administrator agrees to be subject to

the jurisdiction of the Court with respect to the administration of the Settlement and the distribution

of the Settlement Fund pursuant to the terms of this Stipulation. Defendants shall have no role in, or

responsibility for, the administration of the Settlement and shall have no liability to Plaintiff, the

Settlement Class, or any other person in connection with, as a result of, or arising out of, such

administration. The Claims Administrator will not make any distributions to Settlement Class

Members from the Net Settlement Fund until the Judgment becomes Final and all the conditions

described in ¶10.1 herein have been satisfied.

4.2 Lead Counsel may pay from the Settlement Fund, without further approval from

Defendants or the Court, the reasonable costs and expenses associated with notice to the Settlement

Class, and the administration of the Settlement, including, without limitation, the actual costs of

notice, and the administrative expenses incurred and fees charged by the Claims Administrator in

connection with providing notice and processing the submitted claims. Within ten (10) business

days of entry of the Notice Order, the Company shall provide or cause to be provided to the Claims

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Administrator, at no cost, reasonably available record shareholder lists as appropriate for providing notice to the Settlement Class.

## 5. Fee and Expense Application

5.1 Lead Counsel will submit an application or applications (the "Fee and Expense Application") to the Court for an award from the Settlement Fund of: (i) attorneys' fees and the payment of litigation expenses incurred in connection with the prosecution of the Action, plus interest on both amounts at the same rate and period as earned on the Settlement Fund (until paid); and (ii) an award to Plaintiff in connection with his representation of the Settlement Class. Attorneys' fees, expenses, and interest as are awarded by the Court shall be paid from the Settlement Fund to Lead Counsel immediately upon entry by the Court of an order awarding such amounts, notwithstanding the existence of any timely filed objections thereto, or potential for appeal therefrom, or collateral attack on the Settlement or any part thereof. Lead Counsel may thereafter allocate such fees to Plaintiff's Counsel subject to each Plaintiff's Counsel's (including their respective partners, shareholders and/or firms) several obligation to repay those amounts to the Settlement Fund plus accrued interest at the same net rate as is earned by the Settlement Fund, if and when, as a result of any appeal and/or further proceedings on remand, or successful collateral attack, the fee or cost award is reduced or reversed or return of the Settlement Fund is required consistent with the provisions of ¶10.4 hereof. In such event, Plaintiff's Counsel shall, within ten (10) business days from the event which requires repayment of the Fee and Expense Award, refund to the Settlement Fund the Fee and Expense Award paid to them, along with interest, as described above. Furthermore, all Plaintiff's Counsel (including their respective partners, shareholders and/or firms) agree that they remain subject to the continuing jurisdiction of the Court for the purpose of enforcing their obligation to repay required attorneys' fees and expenses to the Settlement Fund as provided in this paragraph. Without limitation, Plaintiff's Counsel agree that the Court may, upon application of

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Defendants and notice to Plaintiff's Counsel, summarily issue orders, including, but not limited to,

judgments and attachment orders, and may make appropriate findings of or sanctions for contempt,

should Plaintiff's Counsel fail timely to repay fees and expenses pursuant to this ¶5.1.

5.2 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Stipulation to the contrary, the Fee and

Expense Award to be paid out of the Settlement Fund shall be considered by the Court separate and

apart from its consideration of the fairness, reasonableness, and adequacy of the Settlement as set

forth in this Stipulation and shall have no effect on the terms of the Stipulation or the validity or

enforceability of this Settlement. The approval of the Settlement, and it becoming Final, shall not be

contingent on the award of attorneys' fees and expenses, any award to Plaintiff's Counsel or Lead

Plaintiff, nor any appeals from such awards. Any order or proceeding relating to the Fee and

Expense Application, or any appeal from any order relating thereto or reversal or modification

thereof, shall not operate to terminate or cancel this Stipulation, or affect or delay the finality of the

Judgment approving this Stipulation and the Settlement of the Litigation set forth therein.

5.3 Defendants shall have no responsibility for, and no liability whatsoever with respect

to, the allocation among Plaintiff's Counsel or any other Person who may assert some claim thereto

of any Fee and Expense Award that the Court may make in the Litigation.

5.4 Defendants shall have no responsibility for, and no liability whatsoever with respect

to, any payment of attorneys' fees or expenses (including Taxes) to Plaintiff's Counsel or any other

Person who receives payment from the Net Settlement Fund.

6. Distribution to Authorized Claimants

6.1 The Claims Administrator shall determine each Authorized Claimant's *pro rata* share

of the Net Settlement Fund based upon each Authorized Claimant's Recognized Claim as defined in

the Plan of Allocation described in the Notice annexed hereto as Exhibit A-1, or in such other Plan

of Allocation as the Court approves.

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6.2 The Plan of Allocation set forth in the Notice is not a necessary term of this

Stipulation and it is not a condition of this Stipulation that any particular Plan of Allocation be

approved. The Released Parties will take no position with respect to the proposed Plan of Allocation

or such Plan of Allocation as may be approved by the Court. The Plan of Allocation is a matter

separate and apart from the Settlement between the Parties and any decision by the Court concerning

the Plan of Allocation shall not affect the validity or finality of the proposed Settlement.

6.3 Each Authorized Claimant shall be allocated a *pro rata* share of the Net Settlement

Fund based on his or her Recognized Claim compared to the total Recognized Claims of all accepted

claimants. The Settlement is non-recapture, i.e., it is not a claims-made settlement. Defendants shall

not be entitled to get back any of the settlement monies, or interest earned thereon, once the

Judgment becomes Final and all the conditions set forth in ¶10.1 herein have been satisfied.

Defendants shall not have liability should Recognized Claims made exceed the amount available in

the Settlement Fund for payment of such Claims. The Released Parties shall have no involvement in

reviewing, evaluating, or challenging claims and shall have no responsibility or liability for

determining the allocation of any payments to any Settlement Class Members or for any other

matters pertaining to the Plan of Allocation.

7. Administration of the Settlement

7.1 Within ninety (90) calendar days after such time as set by the Court to mail notice to

the Settlement Class, each Person claiming to be an Authorized Claimant shall be required to submit

to the Claims Administrator a completed Proof of Claim, substantially in the form attached hereto as

Exhibit A-2 and as approved by the Court, signed under penalty of perjury and supported by such

documents as are specified in the Proof of Claim and as are reasonably available to the Authorized

Claimant.

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7.2 Except as otherwise ordered by the Court, all Settlement Class Members who fail to

timely submit a Proof of Claim within such period, or such other period as may be ordered by the

Court, and have not requested to be excluded from the Settlement Class, shall be forever barred from

receiving any payments pursuant to the Stipulation and the Settlement set forth herein, but will in all

other respects be subject to and bound by the provisions of the Stipulation, the releases contained

herein, and the Final Judgment, and will be barred from bringing any action against the Released

Parties concerning the Released Claims. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Lead Counsel has the

discretion (but not the obligation) to accept for processing late submitted claims so long as the

distribution of the Net Settlement Fund to Authorized Claimants is not materially delayed. No

Person shall have any claim against Plaintiff, Plaintiff's Counsel or the Claims Administrator by

reason of the exercise or non-exercise of such discretion.

7.3 Each Proof of Claim shall be submitted to and reviewed by the Claims Administrator,

under the supervision of Lead Counsel, who shall determine, in accordance with this Stipulation and

the approved Plan of Allocation, the extent, if any, to which each claim shall be allowed, subject to

review by the Court pursuant to ¶7.5 below.

7.4 Proofs of Claim that do not meet the submission requirements may be rejected.

Before rejecting a Proof of Claim in whole or in part, the Claims Administrator shall communicate

with the claimant in writing to give the claimant the chance to remedy any curable deficiencies in the

Proof of Claim submitted. The Claims Administrator, under the supervision of Lead Counsel, shall

notify, in a timely fashion and in writing, all claimants whose claims the Claims Administrator

proposes to reject in whole or in part for curable deficiencies, setting forth the reasons therefor, and

shall indicate in such notice that the claimant whose claim is to be rejected has the right to a review

by the Court if the claimant so desires and complies with the requirements of ¶7.5 below.

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7.5 If any claimant whose timely claim has been rejected in whole or in part for curable

deficiency desires to contest such rejection, the claimant must, within twenty (20) calendar days after

the date of mailing of the notice required in ¶7.4 above, or a lesser period of time if the claim was

untimely, serve upon the Claims Administrator a notice and statement of reasons indicating the

claimant's grounds for contesting the rejection along with any supporting documentation, and

requesting a review thereof by the Court. If a dispute concerning a claim cannot be otherwise

resolved, Lead Counsel shall thereafter present the claimant's request for review to the Court.

7.6 Each claimant other than those whose request to be excluded from the Settlement

Class is granted by the Court, shall be deemed to have submitted to the jurisdiction of the Court with

respect to the claimant's claim, including, but not limited to, all releases and injunctions provided for

herein and in the Judgment, and the claim will be subject to investigation and discovery, provided

that such investigation and discovery shall be limited to the claimant's status as a Settlement Class

Member and the validity and amount of the claimant's claim. In connection with processing the

Proofs of Claim, no discovery shall be allowed on the merits of the Action or the Settlement, and

Defendants shall have no obligation to provide discovery.

7.7 No Person shall have any claim against the Released Parties, Defendants' Counsel,

Plaintiff, Plaintiff's Counsel or the Claims Administrator, or any other Person designated by Lead

Counsel based on determinations or distributions made substantially in accordance with this

Stipulation and the Settlement contained herein, the Plan of Allocation, or further order(s) of the

Court.

7.8 The Net Settlement Fund shall be distributed to Authorized Claimants substantially in

accordance with the Plan of Allocation described in the Notice and approved by the Court. If there

is any balance remaining in the Net Settlement Fund after six (6) months from the date of

distribution of the Settlement Fund (whether by reason of tax refunds, uncashed checks, or

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otherwise), Lead Counsel shall, if economically feasible, reallocate such balance among Authorized

Claimants in an equitable and economic fashion. These redistributions will be repeated until the

balance remaining in the Net Settlement Fund is no longer economically reasonable, in Lead

Counsel's discretion, to distribute to Settlement Class Members. Thereafter, any balance which still

remains in the Net Settlement Fund shall be donated to an appropriate non-profit organization(s)

designated by Lead Counsel that has no affiliation or financial relationship with Plaintiff's Counsel,

Plaintiff, Defendants, the Released Parties, or Defendants' Counsel.

7.9 Except for Sea Ltd.'s obligation to pay the Settlement Amount or cause it to be paid,

if applicable, to the Escrow Account, Defendants shall have no liability, obligation or responsibility

for the administration of the Settlement, the payment or withholding of any Taxes, any allocation or

payment to any Plaintiff's Counsel, of any fees, expenses, costs or interest or any disbursement of

the Net Settlement Fund. Lead Counsel shall have the right, but not the obligation, to advise the

Claims Administrator to waive what Lead Counsel reasonably deems to be formal or technical

defects in any Proofs of Claim submitted, including, without limitation, failure to submit a document

by the submission deadline, in the interests of achieving substantial justice.

7.10 All proceedings with respect to the administration, processing and determination of

claims and the determination of all controversies relating thereto, including disputed questions of

law and fact with respect to the validity of claims, shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the Court,

but shall not in any event delay or affect the finality of the Judgment. The Settlement Class, other

claimants, and parties to this Settlement expressly waive trial by jury (to the extent any such right

may exist) and any right of appeal or review with respect to such determinations.

7.11 The Net Settlement Fund shall be distributed by the Claims Administrator to, or for

the account of, Authorized Claimants, as the case may be, only after the Effective Date and after:

(i) all claims have been processed, and all claimants whose claims have been rejected or disallowed,

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in whole or in part, have been notified and provided the opportunity to be heard concerning such

rejection or disallowance; (ii) all objections with respect to all rejected or disallowed claims have

been resolved by the Court, and all appeals therefrom have been resolved or the time therefor has

expired; and (iii) all matters with respect to the Fee and Expense Application have been resolved by

the Court, all appeals therefrom have been resolved or the time therefore has expired.

8. Terms of Order for Notice and Hearing

8.1 Promptly after this Stipulation has been fully executed, Lead Counsel shall request

(by motion or otherwise) that the Court enter the Notice Order, substantially in the form annexed

hereto as Exhibit A. Lead Counsel and Defendants' Counsel shall jointly request that the postmark

deadline for objecting and/or submitting exclusions from this Settlement be set at least sixty (60)

calendar days after the date for the initial mailing of the Notice as set forth in the Notice Order.

Upon receiving any request(s) for exclusion ("Request for Exclusion"), the Claims Administrator

shall promptly notify Lead Counsel and Defendants' Counsel of such Requests for Exclusion.

8.2 Any Settlement Class Member who wishes to opt out of the Settlement Class must

submit a timely written Request for Exclusion on or before the opt-out date, in the manner specified

in the Court's Notice Order. A Request for Exclusion is valid only if it is signed by the Settlement

Class Member or Settlement Class Members requesting exclusion in that request. Group opt-outs,

including "mass" or "class" opt outs, are not permitted. Any Settlement Class Member who does not

submit a timely written Request for Exclusion will be bound by all proceedings, orders, and

judgments in the Action, whether or not he, she, or it timely submits a Proof of Claim.

9. Terms of Judgment

9.1 If the Settlement contemplated by this Stipulation is approved by the Court, Lead

Counsel shall request that the Court enter a Judgment, substantially in the form annexed hereto as

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10. **Effective Date of Settlement, Waiver or Termination** 

10.1 The Effective Date of Settlement shall be the date when all the following shall have

occurred:

the Court has entered the Notice Order in all material respects; (a)

(b) the Settlement Amount has been deposited into the Escrow Account pursuant

to ¶3;

(c) Sea Ltd. has not exercised its option to terminate this Settlement pursuant to

¶10.3 and the Supplemental Agreement, and the option to do so has expired in accordance with the

terms of this Stipulation and the Supplemental Agreement;

final approval by the Court of the Settlement, following notice to the (d)

Settlement Class: and

(e) entry by the Court of the Judgment, and the Judgment becomes Final.

10.2 Plaintiff and each of the Defendants, through their respective counsel, shall, in each

of their separate discretions, but in all events subject to ¶5.2 herein, have the right to terminate the

Settlement and this Stipulation, as to themselves, by providing written notice of their election to do

so ("Termination Notice") to all other Parties hereto within thirty (30) calendar days of: (a) the

Court's final non-appealable refusal to enter the Notice Order in any material respect; (b) the Court's

final non-appealable refusal to approve this Stipulation or any material part of it; (c) the Court's non-

appealable refusal to enter the Judgment in any material respect; (d) the date on which the Judgment

is modified or reversed by a court of appeal or any higher court in any material respect; or (e) the

failure of the Effective Date to occur for any reason.

10.3 Sea Ltd. shall have the option to terminate this Settlement if a particular confidential

threshold is reached with respect to opt outs from this Settlement. Plaintiffs and Sea Ltd. have

entered into a separate Supplemental Agreement (the "Supplemental Agreement") describing the

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procedure and threshold, which shall be binding as if set forth herein. The Supplemental Agreement

will not be filed with the Court unless required by Court rule or unless and until a dispute as between

Plaintiff and Sea Ltd. concerning its interpretation or application arises. If submission of the

Supplemental Agreement is ordered by the Court, the parties to the Supplemental Agreement will

seek to have it submitted to the Court in camera or filed under seal, but such disclosure shall be

carried out to the fullest extent possible in accordance with the practices of the Court so as to

preserve the confidentiality of the Supplemental Agreement, particularly the confidential threshold.

10.4 Except as otherwise provided herein, in the event the Settlement is terminated in

accordance herewith, the Judgment is vacated, or the Effective Date fails to occur for any reason,

then the Parties shall be deemed to have reverted to their respective status in the Action as of July

15, 2020, the fact and terms of the Settlement shall not be admissible in any trial of the Action, and,

except as otherwise expressly provided, the Parties shall proceed in all respects as if this Stipulation

and any related orders had not been entered, and any portion of the Settlement Amount previously

paid by or on behalf of Defendants, together with any interest earned thereon (and, if applicable, re-

payment of any Fee and Expense Award referred to in ¶5.1 hereof), less any Taxes due, if any, with

respect to such income, and less costs of administration and notice actually incurred and paid or

payable from the Settlement Amount shall be returned to the party, parties or insurer that paid the

Settlement as directed by Sea Ltd. within ten (10) business days from the date of the event causing

such termination.

11. No Admission of Wrongdoing

Defendants deny that they have committed any act or omission giving rise to any liability

and/or violation of law, and state that they are entering into this Settlement to eliminate the burden

and expense of further litigation. This Stipulation, whether or not consummated, including any and

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in any other action based on any amount paid herein;

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all of its terms, provisions, exhibits and prior drafts, and any negotiations or proceedings related or taken pursuant to it (including any arguments proffered in connection therewith):

- (a) Shall not be offered or received against Defendants as evidence of, or evidence supporting a presumption, concession, or admission with respect to any liability, negligence, fault, or wrongdoing, the deficiency of any defense that has been or could have been asserted, or in any way referred to for any other reason as against Defendants, in any civil, criminal, or administrative action or proceeding, other than such proceedings as may be necessary to effectuate the provisions of this Stipulation; provided, however, that if this Stipulation is approved by the Court and becomes effective pursuant to its terms, Defendants may refer to it to effectuate the liability protection granted them hereunder, and nothing in this Settlement shall restrict the ability of any Party hereto to advocate in favor or against the applicability of any offset to any claims asserted
- (b) Shall not be construed as evidence of, or evidence supporting any presumption, concession, or admission by any Defendant of the truth of any allegations by Plaintiff or any Settlement Class Member or the validity of any claim that has been or could have been asserted in the Action, or the deficiency of any defense that has been or could have been asserted in the Action or in any other litigation or proceeding;
- (c) Shall not be construed as evidence of, or evidence supporting a presumption, concession, or admission of any fault, misrepresentation, or omission with respect to any statement or written document approved or made by any Defendant, or against Plaintiff or any Settlement Class Member as evidence of any infirmity in the claims of Plaintiff and the Settlement Class;
- (d) Shall not be construed as evidence of, or evidence supporting, a presumption, concession or admission that the consideration to be given hereunder represents the amount which could be or would have been recovered after trial or in any proceeding other than this Settlement; or

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(e) Notwithstanding the foregoing, Defendants, Plaintiff, Settlement Class

Members, and/or the Released Parties may file the Stipulation and/or the Final Judgment in any

action that may be brought against them in order to support a defense or counterclaim based on

principles of res judicata, collateral estoppel, release, injunction, good faith settlement, judgment bar

or reduction or any other theory of claim preclusion or issue preclusion or similar defense or

counterclaim.

12. Class Certification

12.1 The Parties hereby stipulate, for purposes of the Settlement only, to certification of

the Action as a class action pursuant to CPLR §§901 and 902. In the event that the Judgment or

Alternate Judgment, if applicable, does not become Final or the Settlement fails to become effective

for any reason, the Parties reserve all their rights on all issues. In such an event, Defendants reserve

all rights to object to and oppose class certification or challenge the standing of Plaintiff or any other

intervening plaintiff, and this Stipulation shall not be offered as evidence of, or evidence supporting

any agreement, admission, or concession that any class should be or remain certified in the Action or

that any plaintiff has standing.

13. Miscellaneous Provisions

13.1 All of the exhibits attached hereto are hereby incorporated by reference as though

fully set forth herein.

13.2 The Parties intend the Settlement to be a final and complete resolution of all disputes

asserted or which could be asserted by Plaintiff and/or any Settlement Class Member against the

Released Parties with respect to the Released Claims. Accordingly, Plaintiff and Defendants agree

not to assert in any forum that the litigation was brought by Plaintiff or defended by Defendants in

bad faith or without a reasonable basis. The Parties further agree not to assert in any forum that any

party violated 22 N.Y.C.R.R. §130-1 or any similar law or statute relating to the prosecution,

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defense, or settlement of the Action. The Parties agree that the amount paid and the other terms of the Settlement were negotiated at arm's length in good faith by the Parties, and reflect a settlement

that was reached voluntarily after consultation with experienced legal counsel.

13.3 This Stipulation may not be modified or amended, nor may any of its provisions be

waived, except by a writing signed by all Parties or their respective successors-in-interest.

13.4 All agreements made and orders entered during the course of the Action relating to

the confidentiality of information shall survive this Stipulation.

13.5 The headings herein are used for the purpose of convenience only and are not meant

to have legal effect.

13.6 The administration and consummation of the Settlement as embodied in this

Stipulation shall be under the authority of the Court, and the Court shall retain jurisdiction for the

purpose of entering orders relating to the Fee and Expense Application, the Plan of Allocation and

enforcing the terms of this Stipulation, including exclusive jurisdiction to enforce the injunctions set

forth herein.

13.7 This Stipulation shall not constitute a consent to service or to the jurisdiction of this

Court or any other court for any purpose, including any other matter concerning the Released

Claims, and shall not be construed as such, other than for the sole and limited purpose of the

Settlement and the enforcement of its terms.

13.8 The waiver by one party of any breach of this Stipulation by any other party shall not

be deemed a waiver of any other prior or subsequent breach of this Stipulation.

13.9 This Stipulation and its exhibits and the Supplemental Agreement constitute the entire

agreement among the Parties hereto concerning the Settlement of the Action, and no representations,

warranties, or inducements have been made by any Party hereto concerning this Stipulation and its

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exhibits other than the representations, warranties, and covenants contained and memorialized in

such documents.

13.10 This Stipulation may be executed in one or more counterparts and the signatures may

be by facsimile, or electronically. All executed counterparts and each of them shall be deemed to be

one and the same instrument provided that counsel for the Parties shall exchange among themselves

original signed counterparts.

13.11 This Stipulation shall be binding upon, and inure to the benefit of, the successors,

assigns, executors, administrators, heirs and legal representatives of the Parties hereto. No

assignment shall relieve any Party hereto of obligations hereunder.

13.12 Plaintiff and Lead Counsel represent and warrant that none of the Plaintiff's claims or

causes of action against one or more Defendants in the Action, or referred to in this Stipulation, or

that could have been alleged against one or more Defendants in the Action, have been assigned,

encumbered, conveyed, given, granted or in any manner transferred in whole or in part.

13.13 The construction, interpretation, operation, effect and validity of this Stipulation, and

all documents necessary to effectuate it, shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York,

without regard to conflicts of laws, except to the extent that federal law requires that federal law

governs, and in accordance with the laws of the United States.

13.14 This Stipulation shall not be construed more strictly against one Party than another

merely by virtue of the fact that it, or any part of it, may have been prepared by counsel for one of

the Parties, it being recognized that it is the result of arm's-length negotiations between the Parties

and all Parties have contributed substantially and materially to the preparation of this Stipulation.

13.15 All counsel and any other person executing this Stipulation and any of the exhibits

hereto, or any related settlement documents, warrant and represent that they have the full authority to

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do so and that they have the authority to take appropriate action required or permitted to be taken

pursuant to the Stipulation to effectuate its terms.

13.16 Plaintiff, Defendants, and their counsel shall not make any applications for sanctions,

pursuant to 22 N.Y.C.C.R. §130-1 or any other applicable rule, code, or statute, with respect to any

claims or defenses in this Action.

13.17 Plaintiff's Counsel and Defendants' Counsel agree to cooperate reasonably with one

another in seeking Court approval of the order for notice and hearing, the Stipulation and the

Settlement, and to promptly agree upon and execute all such other documentation as may be

reasonably required to obtain final approval by the Court of the Settlement.

13.18 Pending approval of the Court of this Stipulation, all proceedings in the Action shall

be stayed and all Settlement Class Members shall be barred and enjoined from prosecuting any of

the Released Claims against any of the Released Parties.

13.19 Nothing in this Stipulation, or the negotiations related thereto, is intended to be, or

shall be deemed to, constitute a waiver of any applicable privilege or immunity, including, without

limitation, the attorney-client privilege, the joint-defense privilege, or the work-product privilege.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this Stipulation to be executed, by

their duly authorized attorneys, dated October 17, 2020.

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## SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF NEW YORK: COMMERCIAL DIVISION

MICHAEL PLUTTE, Individually and on Behalf of All Others Similarly Situated,

Plaintiff.

VS.

SEA LIMITED, FORREST XIAODONG LI, GANG YE, TONY TIANYU HOU, COLLEEN A. DE VRIES, YUXIN REN, NICHOLAS A. NASH, DAVID HENG CHEN SENG, KHOON HUA KUOK, GOLDMAN SACHS (ASIA) L.L.C., MORGAN STANLEY & CO. INTERNATIONAL PLC, CREDIT SUISSE SECURITIES (USA) L.L.C., CLSA LIMITED, CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS INC., COWEN AND COMPANY, LLC, NOMURA SECURITIES INTERNATIONAL, INC., PIPER JAFFRAY & CO., STIFEL NICOLAUS & COMPANY, INCORPORATED, PT MADIRI SEKURITAS, TUDOR, PICKERING, HOLT & CO. SECURITIES, INC., BDO CAPITAL & INVESTMENT CORPORATION, CATHAY SECURITIES CORPORATION OFFSHORE SECURITIES UNIT, DBS BANK LTD., VIET CAPITAL SECURITIES JSC and COGENCY GLOBAL INC.,

Defendants.

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### **CLASS ACTION**

ORDER PRELIMINARILY APPROVING SETTLEMENT AND PROVIDING FOR NOTICE

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WHEREAS, on October 17, 2020, the Parties to the above-entitled action (the "Action")<sup>1</sup> entered into a Stipulation of Settlement (the "Stipulation" or "Settlement"), which is subject to review by this Court and which, together with the exhibits thereto, sets forth the terms and conditions for the Settlement and dismissal of the claims alleged in the Action; and the Court having read and considered the Stipulation and the accompanying documents; and the Parties to the Stipulation having consented to the entry of this Notice Order; and all capitalized terms used herein having the meanings defined in the Stipulation;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2020, that:

- 1. The Court preliminarily finds that:
- the Settlement resulted from informed, extensive arm's-length negotiations, (a) including mediation among Plaintiff and Defendants under the direction of a very experienced mediator, Michelle Yoshida, Esq. of Phillips ADR; and
- the Settlement is sufficiently fair, reasonable, and adequate to warrant (b) providing notice of the Settlement to the Settlement Class.
- 2. For purposes of the Settlement only, and preliminarily, for purposes of this Order, the Action shall proceed as a class action, pursuant to CPLR §§901 and 902, on behalf of a settlement class (the "Settlement Class") consisting of all persons who purchased or otherwise acquired Sea Ltd. American Depository Shares ("ADS") pursuant or traceable to the Registration Statement and Prospectus issued in connection with Sea Ltd.'s October 2017 initial public offering. For purposes

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As used herein, the term "Parties" means Plaintiff Michael Plutte, on behalf of himself and the Settlement Class, and Defendants Sea Limited, Cogency Global Inc., Forrest Xiaodong Li, Gang Ye, Yuxin Ren, Tony Tianyu Hou, Nicholas A. Nash, David Heng Chen Seng, Khoon Hua Kuok, Colleen A. De Vries, Tao Zhang, BDO Capital & Investment Corp., Cathay Securities Corporation Offshore Securities Unit, CLSA Limited, Citigroup Global Markets Inc., Goldman Sachs (Asia) L.L.C., Morgan Stanley & Co. International PLC, Credit Suisse Securities (USA) L.L.C., Cowen and Company, LLC, Nomura Securities International, Inc., Piper Jaffray & Co., Stifel Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated, PT Madiri Sekuritas, Tudor, Pickering, Holt & Co. Securities, Inc., DBS Bank Ltd., and Viet Capital Securities JSC.

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of the releases set forth herein, "Settlement Class" and "Settlement Class Members" shall include any Person purporting to assert a claim on behalf of any Settlement Class Member, or any Person asserting a claim based on a purchase or acquisition of Sea Ltd. ADS made by any Settlement Class Member. Excluded from the Settlement Class are Defendants, the officers and directors of Sea Ltd., Cogency and the Underwriter Defendants (at all relevant times), members of their immediate families, and their legal representatives, heirs, successors or assigns, and any entity in which any Defendant has a controlling interest; *provided, however*, that any Investment Vehicle shall not be excluded from the Settlement Class. Those persons (if any) who timely and validly request exclusion from the Settlement Class pursuant to the Notice to be sent shall also be excluded from the Settlement Class.

- 3. For purposes of the Settlement only, and preliminarily, for purposes of this Order, the Plaintiff is hereby certified as the Settlement Class Representative, and Lead Counsel is appointed as Lead Settlement Class Counsel.
- (a) to determine whether the proposed Settlement is fair, reasonable, and adequate, and should be approved by the Court;
- (b) to determine whether the Judgment as provided under the Stipulation should be entered;
- (c) to determine whether the proposed Plan of Allocation for the distribution of the Net Settlement Fund should be approved by the Court as fair, reasonable and adequate;
- (d) to determine whether to grant final certification of a Settlement Class for purposes of the Settlement;

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to consider Plaintiff's Counsel's application for an award of attorneys' fees (e) and expenses;

- (f) to consider Plaintiff's request for an award for his efforts in prosecuting this Action on behalf of the Settlement Class:
  - (g) to consider any objections or opt outs received by the Court; and
  - (h) to rule upon such other matters as the Court may deem appropriate.
- 5. The Court reserves the right to approve the Settlement with or without modification and with or without further notice to the Settlement Class and may adjourn the Settlement Fairness Hearing without further notice to the Settlement Class.<sup>2</sup> The Court reserves the right to enter the Judgment approving the Stipulation regardless of whether it has approved the Plan of Allocation, Plaintiff's Counsel's request for an award of attorneys' fees and expenses and Plaintiff's request for payment for his representation of the Settlement Class.
- 6. The Court approves the form, substance and requirements of the Notice of Pendency and Proposed Settlement of Class Action (the "Notice"), the Proof of Claim and Release (the "Proof of Claim"), and the Summary Notice of Proposed Settlement of Class Action (the "Summary Notice"), annexed hereto as Exhibits 1, 2 and 3, respectively.
- 7. The Court approves the appointment of Gilardi & Co. LLC as the Claims Administrator to supervise and administer the notice procedure in connection with the proposed Settlement as well as the processing of Proofs of Claim as more fully set forth below.
- 8. The Claims Administrator shall cause the Notice and the Proof of Claim, substantially in the forms annexed hereto, to be mailed, by first class mail, postage prepaid, within twenty-one

In light of the outbreak of the Coronavirus (COVID-19), the Court may decide to conduct the Settlement Fairness Hearing by video or telephone conference, or otherwise allow Settlement Class Members to appear at the hearing by telephone without further notice to the Settlement Class. No further notice of such decision will be provided to the Settlement Class. In order to determine whether the date and time of the Settlement Fairness Hearing have changed, or whether Settlement Class Members must or may participate by phone or video, it is important that you monitor the Settlement website, www.sealimitedsecuritiessettlement.com, before making any plans to attend the Settlement Fairness Hearing. Any updates will be posted to the Settlement website.

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(21) calendar days of this Notice Order, to all Settlement Class Members who can be identified with reasonable effort. Within ten (10) business days of this Notice Order, Sea Ltd., at its expense, shall make, or cause to be made, the last known addresses of Sea Ltd. record ADS holders to the Claims Administrator for the purpose of identifying and giving notice to the Settlement Class. The Claims Administrator shall use reasonable efforts to give notice to nominee purchasers such as brokerage firms and other persons or entities who purchased or otherwise acquired Sea Ltd. ADS pursuant or traceable to the Registration Statement and Prospectus issued in connection with Sea Ltd.'s October 2017 initial public offering as record owners but not as beneficial owners. Such nominee purchasers are directed, within fourteen (14) business days of their receipt of the Notice, to either forward copies of the Notice and Proof of Claim to their beneficial owners or to provide the Claims Administrator with lists of the names and addresses of the beneficial owners, and the Claims Administrator is ordered to send the Notice and Proof of Claim promptly to such identified beneficial owners. Nominee purchasers who elect to send the Notice and Proof of Claim to their beneficial owners shall send a statement to the Claims Administrator confirming that the mailing was made as directed. Additional copies of the Notice shall be made available to any record holder requesting such for the purpose of distribution to beneficial owners, and such record holders shall be reimbursed from the Settlement Fund, upon receipt by the Claims Administrator of proper documentation, for the reasonable expense of sending the Notice and Proof of Claim to beneficial

- 9. The Claims Administrator shall cause the Summary Notice to be published once over a national newswire service, within ten (10) calendar days after the mailing of the Notice.
- 10. Lead Counsel shall, at least seven (7) calendar days before the Settlement Fairness Hearing, file with the Court and serve on the Parties proof of mailing of the Notice and Proof of Claim and proof of publication of the Summary Notice.
- 11. The form and content of the Notice and the Summary Notice, and the method set forth herein of notifying the Settlement Class of the Settlement and its terms and conditions, meet the requirements of New York law, due process, and all other applicable laws and constitute the best

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Member failed to receive actual or adequate notice.

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notice practicable under the circumstances, and shall constitute due and sufficient notice to all persons and entities entitled thereto and reasonably calculated under the circumstances to describe the terms and effect of the Settlement and to apprise the Settlement Class Members of their right to object to the proposed Settlement and to exclude themselves from the Settlement Class. No Settlement Class Member will be relieved from the terms and conditions of the Settlement, including the releases provided pursuant thereto, based upon the contention or proof that such Settlement Class

- 12. In order to be entitled to participate in the Net Settlement Fund, in the event the Settlement is consummated in accordance with its terms set forth in the Stipulation, each Settlement Class Member shall take the following actions and be subject to the following conditions:
- Within ninety (90) calendar days after such time as set by the Court for the (a) Claims Administrator to mail the Notice to the Settlement Class, each Person claiming to be an Authorized Claimant shall be required to submit to the Claims Administrator a completed Proof of Claim, substantially in a form contained in Exhibit 2 attached hereto and as approved by the Court, signed under penalty of perjury and supported by such documents as are specified in the Proof of Claim and as are reasonably available to the Authorized Claimant.
- (b) Except as otherwise ordered by the Court, all Settlement Class Members who fail to timely submit a Proof of Claim within such period, or such other period as may be ordered by the Court, shall be forever barred from receiving any payments pursuant to the Stipulation and the Settlement set forth therein, but will in all other respects be subject to and bound by the provisions of the Stipulation, the releases contained therein, and the Final Judgment. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Lead Counsel may, in its discretion, accept for processing late submitted claims so long as the distribution of the Net Settlement Fund to Authorized Claimants is not materially delayed. In connection with processing the Proofs of Claim, no discovery shall be allowed on the merits of the Action or the Settlement. No Person shall have any claim against Plaintiff, Plaintiff's Counsel or the Claims Administrator by reason of the decision to exercise such discretion whether to accept latesubmitted claims.

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As part of the Proof of Claim, each Settlement Class Member shall submit to (c) the jurisdiction of the Court with respect to the claim submitted, and shall (subject to effectuation of

the Settlement) release all Released Claims as provided in the Stipulation.

13. Settlement Class Members shall be bound by all determinations and judgments in this Action, whether favorable or unfavorable, unless they request exclusion from the Settlement Class in a timely and proper manner, as hereinafter provided. A Settlement Class Member wishing to make such request shall, no later than sixty (60) calendar days after the date set for the initial mailing of the Notice to Settlement Class Members, mail a request for exclusion in written form by first class mail postmarked to the address designated in the Notice. Such request for exclusion shall clearly indicate the name, address and telephone number of the person seeking exclusion, that the sender requests to be excluded from the Settlement Class, and must be signed by such person. Such persons requesting exclusion are also directed to state the date(s), price(s), and number of Sea Ltd. ADS they purchased or acquired pursuant or traceable to the Registration Statement issued in connection with Sea Ltd.'s IPO. Group opt-outs, including "mass" or "class" opt outs, are not permitted. The request for exclusion shall not be effective unless it is made in writing within the time stated above, and the exclusion is accepted by the Court. Settlement Class Members requesting exclusion from the Settlement Class shall not be entitled to receive any payment out of the Net Settlement Fund as described in the Stipulation and Notice.

14. The Court will consider objections to the Settlement, the Plan of Allocation, the award to Plaintiff, and/or the award of attorneys' fees and expenses. Any person wanting to object must do so in writing and may also appear at the Settlement Fairness Hearing. To the extent any person wants to object in writing, such objections and any supporting papers, accompanied by proof of Settlement Class membership, shall be filed with the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of New York: Commercial Division, 60 Centre Street, New York, NY 10007, and copies of all such papers served no later than \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2020, which is sixty (60) calendar days after the date set for the initial mailing of the Notice to the Settlement Class, to each of the following: Ellen Gusikoff Stewart, Robbins Geller Rudman & Dowd LLP, 655 West Broadway, Suite 1900, San

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Diego, CA 92101 on behalf of the Plaintiff and the Settlement Class, and Robert A. Fumerton, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, One Manhattan West, New York, NY 10001, on behalf of the Sea Limited Defendants. Persons who intend to object in writing to the Settlement, the Plan of Allocation, the request for an award of attorneys' fees and expenses and/or Plaintiff's request for payment for representing the Settlement Class and desire to present evidence at the Settlement Fairness Hearing must include in their written objections copies of any exhibits they intend to introduce into evidence at the Settlement Fairness Hearing. If an objector hires an attorney to represent him, her or it for the purposes of making an objection, the attorney must both effect service of a notice of appearance on counsel listed above and file it with the Court by no later than \_\_\_\_\_, 2020. A Settlement Class Member who files a written objection does not have to appear at the Settlement Fairness Hearing for the Court to consider his, her or its objection. If the Settlement Class Member intends to appear at the Settlement Fairness Hearing, the Settlement Class Member shall identify any witnesses they may seek to call and exhibits they intend to offer at the Settlement Fairness Hearing in the papers served as set forth above no later than \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2020. Any member of the Settlement Class who does not make his, her, or its objection in the manner provided shall be deemed to have waived such objection and shall forever be foreclosed from making any objection to the fairness or adequacy of the Settlement set forth in the Stipulation, to the Plan of Allocation, and to the award of attorneys' fees and expenses to Plaintiff's Counsel and Plaintiff's request for an award, unless otherwise ordered by the Court.

- 15. Any Person that submits a request for exclusion may thereafter submit to the Claims Administrator and to Plaintiff's Counsel a written and signed revocation of that request for exclusion, provided that it is received no later than five (5) business days before the Settlement Fairness Hearing, in which event that Person will be included in the Settlement Class and which cannot be further revoked once submitted to the Claims Administrator and to Plaintiff's Counsel.
- 16. All papers in support of the Settlement, the Plan of Allocation, and any application by Plaintiff's Counsel for attorneys' fees and expenses and an award to Plaintiff shall be filed fourteen

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(14) calendar days prior to the deadline in ¶14 for objections to be filed. All reply papers shall be filed and served at least seven (7) calendar days prior to the Settlement Fairness Hearing.

- 17. All funds held by the Escrow Agent shall be deemed and considered to be in *custodia* legis of the Court, and shall remain subject to the jurisdiction of the Court, until such time as such funds shall be distributed pursuant to the Stipulation and/or further order(s) of the Court.
- 18. The Claims Administrator, Defendants' Counsel, and Plaintiff's Counsel shall promptly furnish each other with copies of any and all objections that come into their possession.
- 19. Pending final determination of whether the Settlement should be approved, the Plaintiff, all Settlement Class Members, and each of them, and anyone who acts or purports to act on their behalf, shall not institute, commence, maintain or prosecute, and are hereby barred and enjoined from instituting, continuing, commencing, maintaining or prosecuting any action in any court or tribunal that asserts Released Claims against any of the Released Parties. Unless and until the Stipulation is cancelled and terminated pursuant to its terms, all proceedings in the Action, other than such proceedings as may be necessary to carry out the terms and conditions of the Settlement, are hereby stayed and suspended until further order of the Court.
- 20. All reasonable expenses incurred in identifying and notifying Settlement Class Members, as well as administering the Settlement Fund, shall be paid as set forth in the Stipulation and herein. In the event the Settlement is not approved by the Court, or otherwise fails to become effective, neither Plaintiff nor any of his counsel shall have any obligation to repay any amounts actually and properly disbursed from the Settlement Fund, except as provided for in the Stipulation.
- 21. If any specified condition to the Settlement set forth in the Stipulation is not satisfied and Plaintiff or Defendants elect to terminate the Settlement, then, in any such event, the Stipulation, including any amendment(s) thereof, shall be null and void and of no further force or effect (except to the extent otherwise expressly provided in the Stipulation), without prejudice to any party, and may not be introduced as evidence or referred to in this Action, or any action or proceeding by any person or entity for any purpose, and each Party shall be restored to his, her or its respective position as it existed on July 15, 2020.

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22. Neither the Stipulation nor the terms of the Settlement, nor any of the negotiations or proceedings connected with it, nor this Order, shall be construed as evidence of any presumption, admission or concession by any Defendants of the truth of any of the allegations in the Action or the validity of any claim that has been or could have been asserted in the Action, or the deficiency of any defense that has been or could have been asserted in the Action or in any other litigation.

- 23. The Court may adjourn or continue the Settlement Fairness Hearing without further written notice.
- 24. The Court retains exclusive jurisdiction over the Action to consider all further matters arising out of or connected with the Settlement. The Court may approve the Settlement, with such modifications as may be agreed to by the Parties, if appropriate, without further notice to the Settlement Class.

DATED:		
	THE HONORABLE JENNIFER G. SCHECTER, J	.S.C

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF NEW YORK: COMMERCIAL DIVISION

MICHAEL PLUTTE, Individually and on Behalf of All Others Similarly Situated,

Plaintiff.

VS.

SEA LIMITED, FORREST XIAODONG LI, GANG YE, TONY TIANYU HOU, COLLEEN A. DE VRIES, YUXIN REN, NICHOLAS A. NASH, DAVID HENG CHEN SENG, KHOON HUA KUOK, GOLDMAN SACHS (ASIA) L.L.C., MORGAN STANLEY & CO. INTERNATIONAL PLC, CREDIT SUISSE SECURITIES (USA) L.L.C., CLSA LIMITED, CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS INC., COWEN AND COMPANY, LLC, NOMURA SECURITIES INTERNATIONAL, INC., PIPER JAFFRAY & CO., STIFEL NICOLAUS & COMPANY, INCORPORATED, PT MADIRI SEKURITAS, TUDOR, PICKERING, HOLT & CO. SECURITIES, INC., BDO CAPITAL & INVESTMENT CORPORATION, CATHAY SECURITIES CORPORATION OFFSHORE SECURITIES UNIT, DBS BANK LTD., VIET CAPITAL SECURITIES

JSC and COGENCY GLOBAL INC.,

Defendants.

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**CLASS ACTION** 

NOTICE OF PENDENCY AND PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF CLASS ACTION

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> TO: ALL PERSONS WHO PURCHASED OR OTHERWISE ACQUIRED SEA LIMITED ("SEA LTD." OR THE "COMPANY") AMERICAN DEPOSITORY SHARES ("ADS") PURSUANT OR TRACEABLE TO THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT AND PROSPECTUS ISSUED IN CONNECTION WITH SEA LTD.'S OCTOBER 2017 INITIAL PUBLIC OFFERING ("IPO" OR "OCTOBER 2017 IPO")

IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR A SETTLEMENT PAYMENT, YOU MUST TIMELY SUBMIT A PROOF OF CLAIM AND RELEASE FORM ("PROOF OF CLAIM") BY \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

THIS NOTICE WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE COURT. IT IS NOT A LAWYER SOLICITATION. PLEASE READ THIS NOTICE CAREFULLY AND IN ITS ENTIRETY.

### WHY SHOULD I READ THIS NOTICE?

This Notice is given pursuant to an order issued by the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of New York: Commercial Division (the "Court"). This Notice serves to inform you of the pendency and proposed \$10.75 million settlement of the above-captioned class action lawsuit (the "Settlement") and the hearing (the "Settlement Fairness Hearing") to be held by the Court to consider the fairness, reasonableness, and adequacy of the Settlement, as set forth in the Stipulation of Settlement dated October 17, 2020 (the "Stipulation"), by and between Plaintiff Michael Plutte, on behalf of himself and the Settlement Class (as defined below), and Defendants Sea Ltd., Cogency Global Inc. ("Cogency"), Forrest Xiaodong Li, Gang Ye, Tony Tianyu Hou, Colleen A. De Vries, Yuxin Ren, Nicholas A. Nash, David Heng Chen Seng, Khoon Hua Kuok, Tao Zhang, Goldman Sachs (Asia) L.L.C., Morgan Stanley & Co. International PLC, Credit Suisse Securities (USA) L.L.C., CLSA Limited, Citigroup Global Markets Inc., Cowen and Company, LLC, Nomura Securities International, Inc., Piper Jaffray & Co., Stifel Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated, PT Madiri Sekuritas, Tudor, Pickering, Holt & Co. Securities, Inc., BDO Capital & Investment Corporation, Cathay Securities Corporation Offshore Securities Unit, DBS Bank Ltd., and Viet Capital Securities JSC (collectively, "Defendants"), by their respective counsel.<sup>1</sup>

This Notice is intended to inform you how this lawsuit and proposed Settlement may affect your rights and what steps you may take in relation to it. This Notice is NOT an expression of any opinion by the Court as to the merits of the claims or defenses asserted in the lawsuit or whether the Defendants engaged in any wrongdoing.

## WHAT IS THIS LAWSUIT ABOUT?

### I. THE ALLEGATIONS

Sea Ltd. is a Singapore-based online global consumer e-commerce company. As of the time of the IPO, Sea Ltd. primarily generated its revenue from its Digital Entertainment ("DE") segment. Plaintiff claims that Defendants violated §§11 and 15 of the Securities Act of 1933 by reason of

The Stipulation can be viewed and/or downloaded at www.\_\_\_\_\_ capitalized terms used herein have the same meaning as the terms defined in the Stipulation.

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materially untrue statements or materially misleading omissions in the Registration Statement and Prospectus for Sea Ltd.'s October 2017 IPO. Specifically, Plaintiff alleges that the Registration Statement and Prospectus included untrue material statements about, and failed to disclose material information regarding, (i) Sea Ltd.'s transition to a new version of its existing desktop gaming platform; and (ii) increased marketing expenses and losses in the DE business in the third quarter of 2017, which rendered its reported financial information not indicative of future results.

Defendants deny all of Plaintiff's allegations. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing in any way, Defendants have denied and continue to deny, among other things, that any misstatements or materially misleading omissions were made or that Plaintiff or the Settlement Class have suffered any damages. Defendants do not admit any liability or wrongdoing in connection with the allegations set forth in the Action, or any facts related thereto.

THE COURT HAS NOT RULED AS TO WHETHER DEFENDANTS ARE LIABLE TO PLAINTIFF OR TO THE SETTLEMENT CLASS. THIS NOTICE IS NOT INTENDED TO BE AN EXPRESSION OF ANY OPINION BY THE COURT WITH RESPECT TO THE TRUTH OF THE ALLEGATIONS IN THIS ACTION OR THE MERITS OF THE CLAIMS OR DEFENSES ASSERTED. THIS NOTICE IS SOLELY TO ADVISE YOU OF THE PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF THIS ACTION AND YOUR RIGHTS IN CONNECTION WITH THAT SETTLEMENT.

### II. PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The initial complaint was filed in this Court by Plaintiff on November 1, 2018. Plaintiff filed his amended complaint on January 25, 2019. On March 26, 2019, Defendants filed a joint motion to dismiss. On May 28, 2019, Plaintiff filed an opposition to the motion to dismiss. Defendants filed a reply in support of their motion to dismiss on July 12, 2019. Oral argument on the motion to dismiss was held on December 18, 2019.

Following oral argument on Defendants' motion to dismiss, the Plaintiff and Defendants agreed to attempt to resolve the case. On May 14, 2020, counsel for Plaintiff and Defendants attended a Zoom mediation with Michelle Yoshida of Phillips ADR, a highly experienced mediator. The case did not settle following the mediation, but the Parties continued negotiations through Ms. Yoshida, and on July 15, 2020, reached an agreement in principle to settle the Action on the terms set forth herein, subject to the negotiation of a Stipulation of Settlement and approval by the Court. The Stipulation (together with the exhibits thereto) reflects the final and binding agreement between the Parties.

### HOW DO I KNOW IF I AM A SETTLEMENT CLASS MEMBER?

If you purchased or acquired Sea Ltd. ADS pursuant or traceable to the Registration Statement filed in connection with Sea Ltd.'s IPO, you are a Settlement Class Member. As set forth in the Stipulation, excluded from the Settlement Class are: Defendants, the officers and directors of Sea Ltd., Cogency and the Underwriter Defendants (at all relevant times), members of their immediate families, and their legal representatives, heirs, successors or assigns, and any entity in which any Defendant has a controlling interest; provided, however, that Investment Vehicles are not excluded from the Settlement Class. Also excluded from the Settlement Class are those Persons who

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would otherwise be Settlement Class Members but who timely and validly exclude themselves therefrom.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Receipt of this Notice does not mean that you are a Settlement Class Member or that you will be entitled to receive a payment from the Settlement. If you are a Settlement Class Member and you wish to be eligible to participate in the distribution of proceeds from the Settlement, you are required to submit the Proof of Claim that is being distributed with this Notice and the required supporting documentation as set forth therein postmarked or submitted online on or before \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

### WHAT IS THE MONETARY VALUE OF THE PROPOSED SETTLEMENT?

The Settlement, if approved, will result in the creation of a cash settlement fund of \$10,750,000 (the "Settlement Fund"). The Settlement Fund, plus accrued interest and minus the costs of this Notice and all costs associated with the administration of the Settlement Fund, as well as attorneys' fees and expenses, and any award to Plaintiff for representing the Settlement Class, as approved by the Court (the "Net Settlement Fund"), will be distributed to eligible Settlement Class Members pursuant to the Plan of Allocation that is described in the next section of this Notice.

### WHAT IS THE PROPOSED PLAN OF ALLOCATION?

The objective of the Plan of Allocation is to equitably distribute the Net Settlement Fund among Settlement Class Members based on their respective alleged economic losses resulting from the securities law violations alleged in the Action.

The Claims Administrator shall determine each Settlement Class Member's share of the Net Settlement Fund based upon the recognized loss formula (the "Recognized Claim") described below. A Recognized Claim will be calculated for each Sea Ltd. ADS purchased or otherwise acquired pursuant or traceable to the Company's IPO. The calculation of a Recognized Claim will depend upon several factors, including when the shares were purchased or otherwise acquired and in what amounts, whether the shares were ever sold, and, if so, when they were sold and for what amounts. The Recognized Claim is not intended to estimate the amount a Settlement Class Member might have been able to recover after a trial, nor to estimate the amount that will be paid to Settlement Class Members pursuant to the Settlement. The Recognized Claim is the basis upon which the Net Settlement Fund will be proportionately allocated to Settlement Class Members.

Your share of the Net Settlement Fund will depend on the number of valid Proofs of Claim that Settlement Class Members send in and how many Sea Ltd. ADS you purchased or otherwise acquired pursuant or traceable to Sea Ltd.'s IPO, and whether you sold any of those shares and when you sold them.

The calculation of claims below is not an estimate of the amount you will receive. It is a formula for allocating the Net Settlement Fund among all Authorized Claimants. Furthermore, if any of the formulas set forth below yield an amount less than \$0.00, the claim per share is \$0.00.

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A. For each Sea Ltd. ADS purchased on or before November 28, 2017, the Recognized Loss for each such share shall be based on the lesser of:

- (i) the difference between the inflation per share on the date of purchase minus the inflation per share on the date of sale as set forth in the following Table 1; and
- (ii) the Recognized Loss limitation as follows:
  - a. if sold prior to November 1, 2018, the Recognized Loss will be capped by the difference between (a) the lesser of either (i) the share's purchase price (excluding any fees or commissions) or (ii) \$15.00 per share (the IPO price) minus (b) the share's sales price (excluding any fees or commissions)
  - b. if sold or held on or between November 1, 2018, and February 8, 2019, the Recognized Loss will be capped by the difference between (a) the lesser of either (i) the share's purchase price (excluding any fees or commissions) or (ii) \$15.00 per share (the IPO price) minus (b) the greater of (i) share's sales price (excluding any fees or commissions) or (ii) the closing price of \$13.02 per share on November 1, 2018 (the date of the filing of the first complaint)
  - c. if sold or on or after February 11, 2019, the Recognized Loss will be zero (\$0.00).
- B. For each Sea Ltd. ADS purchased or acquired pursuant or traceable to the Registration Statement and Prospectus issued in connection with Sea Ltd.'s October 2017 IPO, after November 28, 2017, the Recognized Loss for each such share shall be based on the lesser of:
  - (i) Zero (\$0.00) if sold prior to February 28, 2018
  - (ii) The inflation per share on the date of purchase as set forth in the following Table 1 if sold or held on or after February 28, 2018.
  - (iii) the Recognized Loss limitation as follows:
    - a. if sold prior to November 1, 2018, the Recognized Loss will be capped by the difference between (a) the share's purchase price (excluding any fees or commissions) minus (b) the share's sales price (excluding any fees or commissions)
    - b. if sold or held on or between November 1, 2018, and February 8, 2019, the Recognized Loss will be capped by the difference between (a) the share's purchase price (excluding any fees or commissions) minus (b) the greater of (i) share's sales price (excluding any fees or commissions) or (ii) the closing price of \$13.02 per share on November 1, 2018 (the date of the filing of the first complaint)

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if sold or on or after February 11, 2019, the Recognized Loss will be zero (\$0.00).

Table A: Recognized Inflation Based on Date of Purchase and Sale<sup>2</sup>

Period	Begin Date	End Date	Inflation			
			(per share)			
1	October 19, 2017	November 20, 2017	\$ 2.47			
2	November 21, 2017	November 21, 2017	\$2.25 + .5*(Share Price - \$14.78),			
			subject to maximum of \$2.47			
3	November 22, 2017	November 22, 2017	\$1.31 + (Share Price - \$13.85)			
4	November 24, 2017	November 24, 2017	\$ 1.05 + .5* (Share Price - \$13.33)			
5	November 27, 2017	November 27, 2017	\$ 0.78 + .5*(Share Price - \$12.67)			
6	November 28, 2017	November 28, 2017	\$ 0.13 + .5*(Share Price - \$11.45)			
7	November 29, 2017	February 27, 2018	\$ 0.00 + .4*(Share Price - \$10.96),			
			subject to maximum of \$0.60 and			
			minimum of \$0.00			
8	February 28, 2018, 2	current date	\$ 0.00			

In the event a Settlement Class Member has more than one purchase, acquisition or sale of Sea Ltd. ADS, pursuant or traceable to Sea Ltd.'s IPO, all such purchases and sales shall be matched on a First-In, First-Out ("FIFO") basis. Sales will be matched against purchases in chronological order, beginning with the earliest purchase made during the relevant period.

A purchase, acquisition or sale of Sea Ltd. ADS shall be deemed to have occurred on the "contract" or "trade" date as opposed to the "settlement" or "payment" date. All purchase, acquisition and sale prices shall exclude any fees and commissions. The receipt or grant by gift, devise, or operation of law of Sea Ltd. ADS shall not be deemed a purchase, acquisition or sale of Sea Ltd. ADS for the calculation of a claimant's Recognized Claim nor shall it be deemed an assignment of any claim relating to the purchase or acquisition of such share unless specifically provided in the instrument of gift or assignment. The receipt of Sea Ltd. ADS in exchange for securities of any other corporation or entity shall not be deemed a purchase, acquisition or sale of Sea Ltd. ADS.

With respect to Sea Ltd. ADS purchased or sold through the exercise of an option, the purchase/sale date of the share is the exercise date of the option and the purchase/sale price of the share is the exercise price of the option. Any Recognized Claim arising from purchases of Sea Ltd. ADS through the exercise of an option on Sea Ltd. ADS shall be computed as provided for other purchases of Sea Ltd. ADS in the Plan of Allocation.

Inflation per share was based on an event study analysis limited to the primary relevant disclosure events. Due to changes in shares prices on certain dates and generally between November 21, 2017, and February 28, 2018, a portion of such daily share price movement is assumed to be related to inflation per share under a Section 11 claim. All disclosure events except for November 22, 2017, were reduced in weight to account for other possible factors.

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The total of all profits shall be subtracted from the total of all losses from transactions during the relevant periods to determine if a Settlement Class Member has a Recognized Claim. Only if a Settlement Class Member had a net market loss, after all profits from transactions in Sea Ltd. ADS during the relevant periods are subtracted from all losses, will such Settlement Class Member be eligible to receive a distribution from the Net Settlement Fund.

If an Authorized Claimant has an overall market gain, the Recognized Claim for that Authorized Claimant will be \$0.00. If an Authorized Claimant has an overall market loss, that Authorized Claimant's Recognized Claim will be limited to the amount of overall market loss. The Claims Administrator shall allocate to each Authorized Claimant a pro rata share of the Net Settlement Fund based on his, her, or its Recognized Claim as compared to the total Recognized Claims of all Authorized Claimants. No distribution shall be made to Authorized Claimants who would otherwise receive a distribution of less than \$10.00.

For purposes of determining whether a Claimant had a market gain with respect to his, her, or its overall transactions in Sea Limited shares during the relevant period or suffered a market loss, the Claims Administrator shall determine the difference between (i) the "Total Purchase Amount" and (ii) the sum of the "Total Sales Proceeds" (for shares sold on or before February 28, 2018) and (for shares not sold but still held as of the close of trading on February 28, 2018) the "Holding Value."<sup>5</sup> This difference shall be deemed a Claimant's market gain or loss with respect to his, her, or its overall transactions in Sea Limited shares during the relevant period.

Distributions will be made to Authorized Claimants after all claims have been processed, after the Court has finally approved the Settlement, and after any appeals are resolved. If there is any balance remaining in the Net Settlement Fund after at least six (6) months from the initial date of distribution of the Net Settlement Fund (whether by reason of tax refunds, uncashed checks, or otherwise), the Claims Administrator shall, if feasible, reallocate such balance among Authorized Claimants in an equitable and economic fashion. These redistributions shall be repeated until the balance remaining in the Net Settlement Fund is no longer economically feasible to distribute to Settlement Class Members. Thereafter, any balance that still remains in the Net Settlement Fund shall be donated to appropriate non-profit organizations.

Please contact the Claims Administrator or Lead Counsel if you disagree with any determinations made by the Claims Administrator regarding your Proof of Claim. If you are dissatisfied with the determinations, you may ask Lead Counsel to request that the Court, which

The "Total Purchase Amount" is the total amount the Claimant paid (excluding commissions and other charges) for Sea Limited shares purchased or acquired during the relevant period.

The Claims Administrator shall match any sales of Sea Limited shares during the relevant period, first against the Claimant's opening position in Sea Limited shares (the proceeds of those sales will not be considered for purposes of calculating market gains or losses). The total amount received (excluding commissions and other charges) for the remaining sales of Sea Limited shares sold during the relevant period shall be the "Total Sales Proceeds."

The Claims Administrator shall ascribe a value of \$10.96 per share for Sea Limited shares still held as of the close of trading on February 28, 2018, and the resulting total value of such shares using that per share value shall be the "Holding Value."

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retains jurisdiction over all Settlement Class Members and the claims administration process, decide the issue.

The Court has reserved jurisdiction to allow, disallow, or adjust the claim of any Settlement Class Member on equitable grounds.

Payment pursuant to the Plan of Allocation set forth above shall be conclusive against all Authorized Claimants. No Person shall have any claim against Plaintiff, Plaintiff's Counsel, any Claims Administrator, any other Person designated by Plaintiff's Counsel, or any of the Released Parties based on the distributions made substantially in accordance with the Stipulation and the Settlement contained therein, the Plan of Allocation, or further orders of the Court. All Settlement Class Members who fail to complete and submit a valid and timely Proof of Claim shall be barred from participating in distributions from the Net Settlement Fund (unless otherwise ordered by the Court), but otherwise shall be bound by all of the terms of the Stipulation, including the terms of any judgment entered and the releases given.

### DO I NEED TO CONTACT PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN DISTRIBUTION OF THE SETTLEMENT FUND?

No. If you have received this Notice and timely submit your Proof of Claim to the designated address, you need not contact Plaintiff's Counsel. If your address changes, please contact the Claims Administrator at:

Sea Limited Securities Litigation	Settlement
Claims Administrator	
c/o Gilardi & Co. LLC	
P.O. Box	
Telephone:	
www.	.com

### THERE WILL BE NO PAYMENTS IF THE STIPULATION IS TERMINATED

The Stipulation may be terminated under several circumstances outlined in it. If the Stipulation is terminated, the Action will proceed as if the Stipulation had not been entered into.

### WHAT ARE THE REASONS FOR SETTLEMENT?

The Settlement was reached after a thorough investigation by Plaintiff's Counsel and briefing on the Defendants' motion to dismiss. The Court has not reached any final decisions in connection with Plaintiff's claims against Defendants. Instead, Plaintiff and Defendants have agreed to this Settlement, which was reached with the substantial assistance of a highly respected mediator of complex class actions. In reaching the Settlement, the Parties have avoided the cost, delay and uncertainty of further litigation.

As in any litigation, Plaintiff and the proposed Settlement Class would face an uncertain outcome if they did not agree to the Settlement. The Parties expected that the case could continue for a lengthy period of time and that if Plaintiff succeeded, Defendants would file appeals that would

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postpone final resolution of the case. Continuation of the Action against Defendants could result in a judgment greater than this Settlement. Conversely, continuing the case could result in no recovery at all or a recovery that is less than the amount of the Settlement.

Plaintiff and Plaintiff's Counsel believe that this Settlement is fair and reasonable to the members of the Settlement Class. They have reached this conclusion for several reasons. Specifically, if the Settlement is approved, the Settlement Class will receive a certain and immediate monetary recovery. Additionally, Plaintiff's Counsel believe that the significant and immediate benefits of the Settlement, when weighed against the significant risk, delay and uncertainty of continued litigation, are a very favorable result for the Settlement Class.

### WHO REPRESENTS THE SETTLEMENT CLASS?

The following attorneys are counsel for the Settlement Class:

Ellen Gusikoff Stewart, Esq.
ROBBINS GELLER RUDMAN & DOWD LLP
655 West Broadway, Suite 1900
San Diego, CA 92101
Telephone: 1-800-449-4900

If you have any questions about the Action, or the Settlement, you are entitled to consult with Lead Counsel by contacting counsel at the phone number listed above.

You may obtain a copy of the Stipulation by contacting the Claims Administrator at:

Sea Limited Securities Litigation	Settlement
Claims Administrator	
c/o Gilardi & Co. LLC	
P.O. Box	
	-
Telephone:	
XX/XX/XX/	com

### HOW WILL THE PLAINTIFF'S LAWYERS BE PAID?

Lead Counsel will file a motion for an award of attorneys' fees and expenses on behalf of all Plaintiff's Counsel that will be considered at the Settlement Fairness Hearing. Lead Counsel will apply for an attorneys' fee award for Plaintiff's Counsel in the amount of up to 33-1/3% of the Settlement Fund, plus payment of Plaintiff's Counsel's expenses incurred in connection with this Action in an amount not to exceed \$75,000. In addition, Plaintiff may seek a payment of up to \$\_\_\_\_\_ for his efforts in representing the Settlement Class. Such sums as may be approved by the Court will be paid from the Settlement Fund. Settlement Class Members are not personally liable for any such fees or expenses.

The attorneys' fees and expenses requested will be the only payment to Plaintiff's Counsel for their efforts in achieving this Settlement and for their risk in undertaking this representation on a

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wholly contingent basis. The fees requested will compensate Plaintiff's Counsel for their work in achieving the Settlement. The Court will decide what constitutes a reasonable fee award and may award less than the amount requested by Lead Counsel.

### CAN I EXCLUDE MYSELF FROM THE SETTLEMENT?

Yes. If you do not want to receive a payment from this Settlement, or you want to keep the right to sue or continue to sue Defendants on your own about the legal issues in this case, then you must take steps to get out of the Settlement Class. This is called excluding yourself from, or "opting out" of, the Settlement Class. If you are requesting exclusion because you want to bring your own lawsuit based on the matters alleged in this Action, you may want to consult an attorney and discuss whether any individual claim that you may wish to pursue would be time-barred by the applicable statutes of limitation or repose.

To exclude yourself from the Settlement Class, you must send a signed letter by mail saying that you want to be excluded from the Settlement Class in the following Action: Plutte v. Sea Limited, et al., Index No. 655436/2018. Be sure to include your name, address, telephone number, and the date(s), price(s), and number of Sea Ltd. ADS that you purchased or acquired pursuant or traceable to the Registration Statement and Prospectus issued in connection with the Company's October 2017 initial public offering. Your exclusion request must be postmarked no later than \_, 2020, and sent to the Claims Administrator at:

> Sea Limited Securities Litigation Settlement Claims Administrator c/o Gilardi & Co. LLC **EXCLUSIONS** One McInnis Parkway Suite 250 San Rafael, CA 94903

You cannot exclude yourself by phone or by e-mail. If you make a proper request for exclusion, you will not receive a settlement payment, and you cannot object to the Settlement. If you make a proper request for exclusion, you will not be legally bound by anything that happens in this lawsuit.

## CAN I OBJECT TO THE SETTLEMENT, THE REQUESTED ATTORNEYS' FEES, THE REQUESTED PAYMENT OF COSTS AND EXPENSES AND/OR THE PLAN OF **ALLOCATION?**

Yes. If you are a Settlement Class Member, you may object to the terms of the Settlement. Whether or not you object to the terms of the Settlement, you may also object to the requested attorneys' fees, costs and expenses, Plaintiff's request for payment for representing the Settlement Class and/or the Plan of Allocation. In order for any objection to be considered, you must file a written statement, accompanied by proof of Settlement Class membership, with the Court and send a copy to Lead Counsel and one of Defendants' Counsel, at the addresses listed below by , 2020. The Court's address is Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of New York: Commercial Division, 60 Centre Street, New York, NY 10007; Lead Counsel's address is Robbins Geller Rudman & Dowd LLP, 655 West Broadway, Suite 1900, San Diego, CA 92101,

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c/o Ellen Gusikoff Stewart and the Sea Ltd. Defendants' Counsel's address is Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, One Manhattan West, New York, NY 10001, c/o Robert A. Fumerton. Attendance at the Settlement Fairness Hearing is not necessary; however, persons wishing to be heard orally at the Settlement Fairness Hearing are required to indicate in their written objection their intention to appear at the hearing and identify any witnesses they may call to testify and exhibits, if any, they intend to introduce into evidence.

# WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN OBJECTING AND EXCLUDING MYSELF FROM THE SETTLEMENT?

Objecting is telling the Court that you do not like something about the proposed Settlement, the Plan of Allocation, or Lead Counsel's request for an award of attorneys' fees and expenses. You can object only if you stay in the Settlement Class. Excluding yourself is telling the Court that you do not want to be part of the Settlement Class. If you exclude yourself, you have no basis to object because the case no longer applies to you.

### WHAT ARE MY RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE SETTLEMENT?

If you are a Settlement Class Member and you do not exclude yourself from the Settlement Class, you may receive the benefit of, and you will be bound by, the terms of the Settlement described in this Notice, upon approval by the Court.

### **HOW CAN I GET A PAYMENT?**

In order to qualify for a	payment, you must timely complete and return the Proof of Claim
that accompanies this Notice.	A Proof of Claim is enclosed with this Notice and also may be
downloaded at www	com. Read the instructions carefully; fill out the Proof
of Claim; sign it; and mail or su	abmit it online so that it is postmarked (if mailed) or received (if
submitted online) no later tha	n, 2021. The Proof of Claim may be submitted online
at www	com. If you do not submit a timely Proof of Claim with all of the
required information, you will n	ot receive a payment from the Settlement Fund; however, unless you
expressly exclude yourself from	the Settlement Class as described above, you will still be bound in
all other respects by the Settlen	nent, the Judgment, and the release contained in them.

### WHAT CLAIMS WILL BE RELEASED BY THE SETTLEMENT?

If the Settlement is approved by the Court, the Court will enter a Judgment. If the Judgment becomes final pursuant to the terms of the Stipulation, all Settlement Class Members shall be deemed to have, and by operation of the Final Judgment shall have, fully, finally, and forever released, relinquished, and discharged any and all of the Released Parties from all Released Claims.

"Related Parties" means each of a Defendant's past, present or future direct or indirect parents, subsidiaries, divisions, branches, controlling persons, associates, entities, affiliates or joint ventures, as well as each of their and each of Defendants' respective past, present or future directors, officers, employees, managers, servants, partners, limited partners, members, principals, trustees, advisors, auditors, accountants, agents, underwriters, insurers, co-insurers, reinsurers, shareholders, attorneys, fiduciaries, financial or investment advisors or consultants, banks or

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investment bankers, personal or legal representatives, agents, predecessors, predecessors-in-interest, successors, successors-in-interest, assigns, spouses, heirs, related or affiliated entities or persons, anyone acting or purporting to act for or on behalf of any of them or their successors, heirs or assigns, any other persons, firms, trusts, corporations, and other entity in which a Defendant or any past, present and future director of Sea Ltd. has a financial interest or was a sponsor, founder or creator of the entity and, in their capacity as such, any and all officers, directors, employees, trustees, beneficiaries, settlers, creators, attorneys, consultants, agents, or representatives of any such person, firm, trust, corporation or other entity, any member of an Individual Defendant's immediate family, any trust of which any Defendant is the settlor or which is for the benefit of any Defendant and/or member(s) of his or her family, and the legal representatives, heirs, executors, administrators, predecessors, predecessors-in-interest, successors, successors-ininterest or assigns of each of the foregoing.

- "Released Parties" means Defendants and each and all of their Related Parties.
- "Released Claims" means all claims, demands, losses, costs, interest, penalties, fees, attorneys' fees, expenses, rights, causes of action, actions, duties, obligations, judgments, debts, sums of money, suits, contracts, agreements, promises, damages, and liabilities of every nature and description, including "Unknown Claims" as defined below, whether direct or indirect, representative, class, individual, asserted or unasserted, matured or unmatured, accrued or unaccrued, foreseen or unforeseen, disclosed or undisclosed, contingent or fixed or vested, at law or equity, whether arising under federal, state, local, foreign, statutory, common or administrative, or any other law, statute, rule, or regulation, that both (a) arise out of, are based upon, or relate in any way to any of the allegations, acts, transactions, facts, events, matters, occurrences, statements, representations, misrepresentations or omissions involved, set forth, alleged or referred to, in this Action, or which could have been alleged in, referred to or made part of this Action, and (b) arise out of, are based upon, or relate in any way to the purchase, acquisition, sale, transfer, investment, other transactions in, or holding of Sea Ltd. ADS purchased or otherwise acquired pursuant or traceable to the Registration Statement and Prospectus issued in connection with Sea Ltd.'s IPO. "Released Claims" also includes any and all claims arising out of, relating to, or in connection with the Settlement or resolution of the Action (including Unknown Claims), except claims to enforce any of the terms of the Stipulation.
- "Unknown Claims" means (i) any and all claims and potential claims against Released Parties which Plaintiff or any Settlement Class Member does not know or suspect to exist in their, his, her, or its favor as of the Effective Date, and (ii) any claims against Plaintiff which Defendants do not know or suspect to exist in their favor, which if known by any of them, might have affected their, his, her, or its decision(s) with respect to the Settlement. With respect to any and all Released Claims and Released Defendants' Claims, the Parties stipulate and agree that by operation of the Final Judgment, upon the Effective Date, the Plaintiff and Defendants shall have expressly waived, and each Settlement Class Member shall be

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deemed to have waived, and by operation of the Final Judgment shall have expressly waived, the provisions, rights and benefits of Cal. Civ. Code §1542, which provides:

A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS THAT THE CREDITOR OR RELEASING PARTY DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS OR HER FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE AND THAT, IF KNOWN BY HIM OR HER, WOULD HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS OR HER SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR OR RELEASED PARTY;

and any and all provisions, rights, and benefits conferred by any law of any state or territory of the United States, or principle of common law, which is similar, comparable, or equivalent to Cal. Civ. Code §1542. Plaintiff and Settlement Class Members may hereafter discover facts in addition to or different from those which he, she, or it now knows or believes to be true with respect to the subject matter of the Released Claims, but Plaintiff shall expressly fully, finally, and forever settle and release, and each Settlement Class Member, upon the Effective Date, shall be deemed to have, and by operation of the Final Judgment shall have, fully, finally, and forever settled and released, any and all Released Claims, known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, contingent or non-contingent, whether or not concealed or hidden, which now exist, or heretofore have existed, upon any theory of law or equity now existing or coming into existence in the future, including, but not limited to, conduct which is negligent, intentional, with or without malice, or a breach of any duty, law or rule, without regard to the subsequent discovery or existence of such different or additional facts. Plaintiff and Defendants acknowledge, and Settlement Class Members shall be deemed to have acknowledged, that the inclusion of "Unknown Claims" in the definition of Released Claims and Released Defendants' Claims was separately bargained for and was an essential element of the Settlement.

The above description of the proposed Settlement is only a summary. The complete terms are set forth in the Stipulation (including its exhibits), which may be obtained at www.\_\_\_\_\_.com, or by contacting Lead Counsel listed on Page \_\_ above.

### THE SETTLEMENT FAIRNESS HEARING

The Court will hold a Settlement Fairness Hearing on \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2021, at \_:\_\_\_.m., before the Honorable Jennifer G. Schecter at the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of New York: Commercial Division, 60 Centre Street, New York, NY 10007, for the purpose of determining whether: (1) the Settlement as set forth in the Stipulation for \$10,750,000 in cash should be approved by the Court as fair, reasonable and adequate; (2) Judgment as provided under the Stipulation should be entered; (3) to award Plaintiff's Counsel attorneys' fees and expenses out of the Settlement Fund and, if so, in what amount; (4) to pay Plaintiff for his efforts in representing the Settlement Class out of the Settlement Fund and, if so, in what amount; and (5) the Plan of Allocation should be approved by the Court. The Court may adjourn or continue the Settlement Fairness Hearing without further notice to members of the Settlement Class.

Any Settlement Class Member may appear at the Settlement Fairness Hearing and be heard on any of the foregoing matters; provided, however, that no such person shall be heard unless his,

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her, or its objection is made in writing and is filed, together with proof of membership in the Settlement Class and with copies of all other papers and briefs to be submitted by him, her, or it to the Court at the Settlement Fairness Hearing, with the Court no later than \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2020, and showing proof of service on the following counsel:

Ellen Gusikoff Stewart ROBBINS GELLER RUDMAN & DOWD LLP 655 West Broadway, Suite 1900 San Diego, CA 92101 Robert A. Fumerton SKADDEN, ARPS, SLATE, MEAGHER & FLOM LLP One Manhattan West New York, NY 10001

Attorneys for Plaintiff

Attorneys for the Sea Ltd. Defendants

Unless otherwise directed by the Court, any Settlement Class Member who does not make his, her or its objection in the manner provided shall be deemed to have waived all objections to this Settlement and shall be foreclosed from raising (in this or any other proceeding or on any appeal) any objection and any untimely objection shall be barred.

The Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic is a fluid situation that creates the possibility that the Court may decide to conduct the Settlement Fairness Hearing by video, telephone conference, or otherwise allow Settlement Class Members to appear at the hearing by telephone without further notice to the Settlement Class. In order to determine whether the date and time of the Settlement Fairness Hearing have changed, or whether Settlement Class Members must or may participate by phone or video, it is important that you monitor the Settlement website, www.\_\_\_\_\_.com, or the Court's docket, before making any plans to attend the Settlement Fairness Hearing. Any updates regarding the Settlement Fairness Hearing will be posted to the Settlement website. Also, if the Court requires or allows Settlement Class Members to participate in the Settlement Fairness Hearing by telephone, the phone number for accessing the telephonic conference will be posted to the Settlement website. You will not receive another notice such as this one regarding such changes; they will only be posted to the Settlement website.

### **INJUNCTION**

The Court has issued an order enjoining all Settlement Class Members from instituting, commencing, maintaining or prosecuting any action in any court or tribunal that asserts Released Claims against any Released Party, pending final determination by the Court of whether the Settlement should be approved.

### HOW DO I OBTAIN ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?

This Notice contains only a summary of the terms of the proposed Settlement. The records in this Action may be examined and copied at any time during regular office hours, and subject to customary copying fees, at the Clerk of the Supreme Court of New York, County of New York. In

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addition, all of the Settlement documents, including the Stipulation, this Notice, the Proof of Claim and proposed Judgment may be obtained by contacting the Claims Administrator at:

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Claims Administrator	
c/o Gilardi & Co. LLC	
P.O. Box	
Email:	
Telephone:	_
www	com

In addition, you may contact Rick Nelson, Shareholder Relations, Robbins Geller Rudman & Dowd LLP, 655 West Broadway, Suite 1900, San Diego, CA 92101, 1-800-449-4900 if you have any questions about the Action or the Settlement.

## DO NOT WRITE TO OR TELEPHONE THE COURT FOR INFORMATION

# SPECIAL NOTICE TO BANKS, BROKERS, AND OTHER NOMINEES

If you hold any Sea Ltd. ADS purchased or acquired pursuant or traceable to the Company's Registration Statement and Prospectus issued in connection with Sea Ltd.'s October 2017 initial public offering, as a nominee for a beneficial owner, then, within fourteen (14) business days after you receive this Notice, you must either: (1) send a copy of this Notice by First-Class Mail to all such Persons; or (2) provide a list of the names and addresses of such Persons to the Claims Administrator:

Sea Limited Securities Litigation ,	Settlement
Claims Administrator	
c/o Gilardi & Co. LLC	
P.O. Box	
Email:	
Telephone:	_
www	com

If you choose to mail the Notice and Proof of Claim yourself, you may obtain from the Claims Administrator (without cost to you) as many additional copies of these documents as you will need to complete the mailing.

Regardless of whether you choose to complete the mailing yourself or elect to have the mailing performed for you, you may obtain reimbursement for or advancement of reasonable administrative costs actually incurred or expected to be incurred in connection with forwarding the Notice and which would not have been incurred but for the obligation to forward the Notice, upon submission of appropriate documentation to the Claims Administrator.

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THE HONORABLE JENNIFER G. SCHECTER, J.S.C.

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF NEW YORK: COMMERCIAL DIVISION

MICHAEL PLUTTE, Individually and on Behalf of All Others Similarly Situated,

Plaintiff.

VS.

SEA LIMITED, FORREST XIAODONG LI, GANG YE, TONY TIANYU HOU, COLLEEN A. DE VRIES, YUXIN REN, NICHOLAS A. NASH, DAVID HENG CHEN SENG, KHOON HUA KUOK, GOLDMAN SACHS (ASIA) L.L.C., MORGAN STANLEY & CO. INTERNATIONAL PLC, CREDIT SUISSE SECURITIES (USA) L.L.C., CLSA LIMITED, CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS INC., COWEN AND COMPANY, LLC, NOMURA SECURITIES INTERNATIONAL, INC., PIPER JAFFRAY & CO., STIFEL NICOLAUS & COMPANY, INCORPORATED, PT MADIRI SEKURITAS, TUDOR, PICKERING, HOLT & CO. SECURITIES, INC., BDO CAPITAL & INVESTMENT CORPORATION, CATHAY SECURITIES CORPORATION OFFSHORE SECURITIES UNIT, DBS BANK LTD., VIET CAPITAL SECURITIES JSC and COGENCY GLOBAL INC.,

Defendants.

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PROOF OF CLAIM AND RELEASE

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### T. **GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS**

1. To recover as a Settlement Class Member based on the claims in the action entitled Plutte v. Sea Limited, et al., Index No. 655436/2018 (the "Action"), vou must complete and, on page \_\_\_\_ hereof, sign this Proof of Claim. If you fail to file a properly addressed (as set forth in paragraph 3 below) Proof of Claim, your claim may be rejected and you may be precluded from any recovery from the Net Settlement Fund created in connection with the proposed Settlement.

- 2. Submission of this Proof of Claim, however, does not assure that you will share in the proceeds of the Settlement of the Action.
- YOU MUST MAIL OR SUBMIT ONLINE YOUR COMPLETED AND SIGNED 3. PROOF OF CLAIM, ACCOMPANIED BY COPIES OF THE DOCUMENTS REQUESTED HEREIN, **ON OR BEFORE** \_\_\_\_\_\_, **2021**, ADDRESSED AS FOLLOWS:

Sea Limited Securities Litigation Settlement Claims Administrator c/o Gilardi & Co. LLC P.O. Box

Online Submissions: www.\_\_\_\_.com

If you are NOT a Settlement Class Member, as defined in the Notice of Pendency and Proposed Settlement of Class Action ("Notice"), DO NOT submit a Proof of Claim.

4. If you are a Settlement Class Member and you do not timely request exclusion, you are bound by the terms of any judgment entered in the Action, including the releases provided therein, WHETHER OR NOT YOU SUBMIT A PROOF OF CLAIM.

#### II. **CLAIMANT IDENTIFICATION**

You are a member of the Settlement Class if you purchased or otherwise acquired Sea Limited ("Sea Ltd." or the "Company") American Depository Shares ("ADS") pursuant or traceable

This Proof of Claim and Release ("Proof of Claim") incorporates by reference the definitions Stipulation Settlement ("Stipulation"), which can be obtained in the www. .com.

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to the Registration Statement and Prospectus issued in connection with Sea Ltd.'s October 2017

initial public offering ("IPO").

Use Part I of this form entitled "Claimant Identification" to identify each purchaser or

acquiror of record ("nominee") of the Sea Ltd. ADS that forms the basis of this claim. THIS

CLAIM MUST BE FILED BY THE ACTUAL BENEFICIAL PURCHASER(S) OR

ACQUIRER(S) OR THE LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE OF SUCH PURCHASER(S) OR

ACQUIRER(S) OF THE SEA LTD. ADS UPON WHICH THIS CLAIM IS BASED.

All joint purchasers or acquirers must sign this claim. Executors, administrators, guardians,

conservators, and trustees must complete and sign this claim on behalf of persons represented by

them and their authority must accompany this claim and their titles or capacities must be stated. The

Social Security (or taxpayer identification) number and telephone number of the beneficial owner

may be used in verifying the claim. Failure to provide the foregoing information could delay

verification of your claim or result in rejection of the claim.

III. CLAIM FORM

Use Part II of this form entitled "Schedule of Transactions in Sea Ltd. American Depository

Shares" to supply all required details of your transaction(s). If you need more space or additional

schedules, attach separate sheets giving all of the required information in substantially the same

form. Sign and print or type your name on each additional sheet.

On the schedules, provide all of the requested information with respect to all of your

purchases and acquisitions of Sea Ltd. ADS that took place between October 20, 2017 and February

27, 2018, inclusive, and **all** of your sales of Sea Ltd. ADS on or after October 20, 2017, whether

such transactions resulted in a profit or a loss. You must also provide all of the requested

information with respect to the number of Sea Ltd. ADS you held at the close of trading on

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November 1, 2018 and on February 8, 2019. Failure to report all such transactions may result in the

rejection of your claim.

List each transaction separately and in chronological order, by trade date, beginning with the

earliest. You must accurately provide the month, day, and year of each transaction you list.

The date of covering a "short sale" is deemed to be the date of purchase of Sea Ltd. ADS.

The date of a "short sale" is deemed to be the date of sale of Sea Ltd. ADS.

COPIES OF BROKER CONFIRMATIONS OR OTHER DOCUMENTATION OF

YOUR TRANSACTIONS IN SEA LTD. ADS SHOULD BE ATTACHED TO YOUR CLAIM.

FAILURE TO PROVIDE THIS DOCUMENTATION COULD DELAY VERIFICATION OF

YOUR CLAIM OR RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR CLAIM.

NOTICE REGARDING ELECTRONIC FILES: Certain claimants with large numbers of

transactions may request, or may be requested, to submit information regarding their transactions in

electronic files. All such claimants MUST also submit a manually signed paper Proof of Claim

whether or not they also submit electronic copies. If you wish to submit your claim electronically,

you must contact the Claims Administrator at edata@gilardi.com to obtain the required file layout.

No electronic files will be considered to have been properly submitted unless the Claims

Administrator issues to the claimant a written acknowledgment of receipt and acceptance of

electronically submitted data.

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

COUNTY OF NEW YORK: COMMERCIAL DIVISION

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### PROOF OF CLAIM AND RELEASE

Please Type or Print

REMEMBER TO ATTACH COPIES OF BROKER CONFIRMATIONS OR OTHER DOCUMENTATION OF YOUR TRANSACTIONS IN SEA LTD ADS. FAILURE TO PROVIDE THIS DOCUMENTATION COULD DELAY VERIFICATION OF YOUR CLAIM OR RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR CLAIM.

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PART II: SCHEDULE OF TRANSACTIONS IN SEA LTD. AMERICAN DEPOSITORY SHARES

A. Purchases or acquisitions of Sea Ltd. ADS (October 20, 2017 to February 27, 2018, inclusive):

Trade Date(s)	Number of ADS	Total Purchase or	Proof of		
Month Day Year	Purchased or	Acquisition Price	Purchase/		
(List	Acquired	(Excluding	Acquisition		
chronologically)		commissions, taxes	Enclosed		
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B. Sales of Sea Ltd. ADS (on or after October 20, 2017 to February 8, 2019, inclusive):

Trade Date	Number of ADS	Total Sales Price	Proof of Sale		
Month Day Year	Sold	(Excluding	Enclosed		
		commissions, taxes			
		and fees)			
1	1	1	□ Y □ N		
2	2	2	□ Y □ N		
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- C. Number of Sea Ltd. ADS held at the close of trading on November 1, 2018:
- D. Number of Sea Ltd. ADS held at the close of trading on February 8, 2019:

Proof of Position Enclosed: ☐ Yes ☐ No

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YOU MUST READ AND SIGN THE RELEASE ON PAGE \_\_. FAILURE TO SIGN THE RELEASE MAY RESULT IN A DELAY IN PROCESSING OR THE REJECTION OF YOUR CLAIM.

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IV. SUBMISSION TO JURISDICTION OF COURT AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

I (We) submit this Proof of Claim under the terms of the Stipulation described in the Notice.

I (We) also submit to the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of

New York: Commercial Division, with respect to my (our) claim as a Settlement Class Member and

for purposes of enforcing the release set forth herein. I (We) further acknowledge that I am (we are)

bound by and subject to the terms of any judgment that may be entered in the Action. I (We) agree

to furnish additional information to the Claims Administrator to support this claim if requested to do

so. I (We) have not submitted any other claim covering the same purchases, acquisitions or sales of

Sea Ltd. ADS during the relevant period and know of no other person having done so on my (our)

behalf.

V. RELEASE

1. I (We) hereby acknowledge full and complete satisfaction of, and do hereby fully,

finally, and forever settle, release, and discharge from the Released Claims each and all of the

"Released Parties," defined as Defendants and each and all of their Related Parties.

"Related Parties" means each of a Defendant's past, present or future direct or

indirect parents, subsidiaries, divisions, branches, controlling persons, associates, entities, affiliates

or joint ventures, as well as each of their and each of Defendants' respective past, present or future

directors, officers, employees, managers, servants, partners, limited partners, members, principals,

trustees, advisors, auditors, accountants, agents, underwriters, insurers, co-insurers, reinsurers,

shareholders, attorneys, fiduciaries, financial or investment advisors or consultants, banks or

investment bankers, personal or legal representatives, agents, predecessors, predecessors-in-interest,

successors, successors-in-interest, assigns, spouses, heirs, related or affiliated entities or persons,

anyone acting or purporting to act for or on behalf of any of them or their successors, heirs or

assigns, any other persons, firms, trusts, corporations, and other entity in which a Defendant or any

past, present and future director of Sea Ltd. has a financial interest or was a sponsor, founder or

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creator of the entity and, in their capacity as such, any and all officers, directors, employees, trustees, beneficiaries, settlers, creators, attorneys, consultants, agents, or representatives of any such person, firm, trust, corporation or other entity, any member of an Individual Defendant's immediate family, any trust of which any Defendant is the settlor or which is for the benefit of any Defendant and/or member(s) of his or her family, and the legal representatives, heirs, executors, administrators, predecessors, predecessors-in-interest, successors, successors-in-interest or assigns of each of the foregoing.

- 3. "Released Claims" means all claims, demands, losses, costs, interest, penalties, fees, attorneys' fees, expenses, rights, causes of action, actions, duties, obligations, judgments, debts, sums of money, suits, contracts, agreements, promises, damages, and liabilities of every nature and description, including "Unknown Claims" as defined below, whether direct or indirect, representative, class, individual, asserted or unasserted, matured or unmatured, accrued or unaccrued, foreseen or unforeseen, disclosed or undisclosed, contingent or fixed or vested, at law or equity, whether arising under federal, state, local, foreign, statutory, common or administrative, or any other law, statute, rule, or regulation, that both (a) arise out of, are based upon, or relate in any way to any of the allegations, acts, transactions, facts, events, matters, occurrences, statements, representations, misrepresentations or omissions involved, set forth, alleged or referred to, in this Action, or which could have been alleged in, referred to or made part of this Action, and (b) arise out of, are based upon, or relate in any way to the purchase, acquisition, sale, transfer, investment, other transaction in, or holding of Sea Ltd. ADS pursuant or traceable to the Registration Statement and Prospectus issued in connection with Sea Ltd.'s IPO. "Released Claims" also includes any and all claims arising out of, relating to, or in connection with the Settlement or resolution of the Action (including Unknown Claims), except claims to enforce any of the terms of the Stipulation.
- "Unknown Claims" means (i) any and all claims and potential claims against Released Parties which Plaintiff or any Settlement Class Member does not know or suspect to exist in their, his, her, or its favor as of the Effective Date, and (ii) any claims against Plaintiff which Defendants do not know or suspect to exist in their favor, which if known by any of them, might

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have affected their, his, her, or its decision(s) with respect to the Settlement. With respect to any and all Released Claims and Released Defendants' Claims, the Parties stipulate and agree that by operation of the Final Judgment, upon the Effective Date, the Plaintiff and Defendants shall have expressly waived, and each Settlement Class Member shall be deemed to have waived, and by operation of the Final Judgment shall have expressly waived, the provisions, rights and benefits of Cal. Civ. Code §1542, which provides:

A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS THAT THE CREDITOR OR RELEASING PARTY DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS OR HER FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE AND THAT, IF KNOWN BY HIM OR HER, WOULD HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS OR HER SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR OR RELEASED PARTY;

and any and all provisions, rights, and benefits conferred by any law of any state or territory of the United States, or principle of common law, which is similar, comparable, or equivalent to Cal. Civ. Code §1542. Plaintiff and Settlement Class Members may hereafter discover facts in addition to or different from those which he, she, or it now knows or believes to be true with respect to the subject matter of the Released Claims, but Plaintiff shall expressly fully, finally, and forever settle and release, and each Settlement Class Member, upon the Effective Date, shall be deemed to have, and by operation of the Final Judgment shall have, fully, finally, and forever settled and released, any and all Released Claims, known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, contingent or non-contingent, whether or not concealed or hidden, which now exist, or heretofore have existed, upon any theory of law or equity now existing or coming into existence in the future, including, but not limited to, conduct which is negligent, intentional, with or without malice, or a breach of any duty, law or rule, without regard to the subsequent discovery or existence of such different or additional facts. Plaintiff and Defendants acknowledge, and Settlement Class Members shall be deemed to have acknowledged, that the inclusion of "Unknown Claims" in the definition of Released Claims

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and Released Defendants' Claims was separately bargained for and was an essential element of the

- 5. I (We) hereby warrant and represent that I (we) have not assigned or transferred or purported to assign or transfer, voluntarily or involuntarily, any matter released pursuant to this release or any other part or portion thereof.
- 6. I (We) hereby warrant and represent that I (we) have included information about all of my (our) transactions in Sea Ltd. ADS that occurred during the relevant period as well as the number of shares held by me (us) at the close of trading on November 1, 2018, and on February 8, 2019.

I (We) declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of New York that all of the foregoing information supplied on this Proof of Claim by the undersigned is true and correct.

Executed this	day of	
	(Month/Year)	
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(City)	(State/Country)	
	(Sign your name here)	
	(Type or print your name here)	
	(Capacity of person(s) signing, e.g., Beneficial Purchaser or Acquirer,	
	Executor or Administrator)	

# ACCURATE CLAIMS PROCESSING TAKES A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF TIME. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE.

#### Reminder Checklist:

- 1. Please sign the above release and acknowledgment.
- 2. Remember to attach copies of supporting documentation.

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- Do not send originals of certificates or other documentation as they will not be 3. returned.
- Keep a copy of your Proof of Claim and all supporting documentation for your 4. records.
- If you desire an acknowledgment of receipt of your Proof of Claim, please send it 5. Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested.
- 6. If you move, please send your new address to the address below.
- 7. Do not use red pen or highlighter on the Proof of Claim or supporting documentation.

THIS PROOF OF C	LAIM MUST BE SUBMITTED ONLINE OR MAILED N	O
LATER THAN	, 2021, ADDRESSED AS FOLLOWS:	

Sea Limited Securities Litigation Settlement Claims Administrator c/o Gilardi & Co. LLC P.O. Box \_\_\_\_\_

Online Submissions: www.\_\_\_\_\_.com

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### SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF NEW YORK: COMMERCIAL DIVISION

MICHAEL PLUTTE, Individually and on Behalf of All Others Similarly Situated,

Plaintiff.

VS.

SEA LIMITED, FORREST XIAODONG LI, GANG YE, TONY TIANYU HOU, COLLEEN A. DE VRIES, YUXIN REN, NICHOLAS A. NASH, DAVID HENG CHEN SENG, KHOON HUA KUOK, GOLDMAN SACHS (ASIA) L.L.C., MORGAN STANLEY & CO. INTERNATIONAL PLC, CREDIT SUISSE SECURITIES (USA) L.L.C., CLSA LIMITED, CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS INC., COWEN AND COMPANY, LLC, NOMURA SECURITIES INTERNATIONAL, INC., PIPER JAFFRAY & CO., STIFEL NICOLAUS & COMPANY, INCORPORATED, PT MADIRI SEKURITAS, TUDOR, PICKERING, HOLT & CO. SECURITIES, INC., BDO CAPITAL & INVESTMENT CORPORATION, CATHAY SECURITIES CORPORATION OFFSHORE SECURITIES UNIT, DBS BANK LTD., VIET CAPITAL SECURITIES JSC and COGENCY GLOBAL INC.,

Defendants.

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#### **CLASS ACTION**

SUMMARY NOTICE OF PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF CLASS ACTION

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TO: ALL PERSONS WHO PURCHASED OR OTHERWISE ACQUIRED SEA LIMITED ("SEA LTD." OR THE "COMPANY") AMERICAN DEPOSITORY SHARES ("ADS") PURSUANT OR TRACEABLE TO THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT AND PROSPECTUS ISSUED IN CONNECTION WITH SEA LTD.'S OCTOBER 2017 INITIAL PUBLIC OFFERING ("IPO" OR "OCTOBER 2017 IPO")

THIS NOTICE WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE COURT. IT IS NOT A LAWYER SOLICITATION. PLEASE READ THIS NOTICE CAREFULLY AND IN ITS ENTIRETY.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a hearing will be held on \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2020, at : .m., before the Honorable Jennifer G. Schecter, J.S.C., Supreme Court of New York, County of New York: Commercial Division, 60 Centre Street, New York, NY 10007, to determine whether: (1) the proposed settlement (the "Settlement") of the above-captioned action as set forth in the Stipulation of Settlement ("Stipulation")<sup>1</sup> for \$10,750,000 in cash should be approved by the Court as fair, reasonable and adequate; (2) the Judgment as provided under the Stipulation should be entered; (3) to award Plaintiff's Counsel attorneys' fees and expenses out of the Settlement Fund (as defined in the Notice of Pendency and Proposed Settlement of Class Action ("Notice"), which is discussed below), and, if so, in what amount; (4) to award Plaintiff for representing the Settlement Class out of the Settlement Fund and, if so, in what amount; and (5) the Plan of Allocation should be approved by the Court as fair, reasonable and adequate.<sup>2</sup>

This Action is a securities class action brought on behalf of those persons who purchased or acquired Sea Ltd. ADS pursuant or traceable to the Registration Statement and Prospectus for Sea

The Stipulation can be viewed and/or obtained at www.\_\_\_\_.com.

In light of the outbreak of the Coronavirus (COVID-19), the Court may decide to conduct the Settlement Fairness Hearing by video or telephone conference, or otherwise allow Settlement Class Members to appear at the hearing by phone. No further notice of such decision will be provided to the Settlement Class. In order to determine whether the date and time of the Settlement Fairness Hearing have changed, or whether Settlement Class Members must or may participate by phone or video, it is important that you monitor the Settlement website, www.\_\_\_\_\_.com, before making any plans to attend the Settlement Fairness Hearing. Any updates and information for accessing a telephonic or video Settlement Fairness Hearing will be posted to the Settlement website, www. .com.

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Ltd.'s IPO, against Sea Ltd. and others (collectively, "Defendants") for, among other things, allegedly misstating and omitting material facts from the Registration Statement and Prospectus filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission in connection with the IPO. Plaintiff alleges that these purportedly false and misleading statements inflated the price of the Company's stock, resulting in damage to Settlement Class Members when the truth was revealed. Defendants deny all of Plaintiff's allegations.

IF YOU PURCHASED OR ACQUIRED SEA LTD. ADS PURSUANT OR TRACEABLE TO THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT AND PROSPECTUS ISSUED IN CONNECTION WITH SEA LTD.'S OCTOBER 2017 IPO, YOUR RIGHTS MAY BE AFFECTED BY THE SETTLEMENT OF THIS ACTION.

To share in the distribution of the Settlement Fund, you must establish your rights by submitting a Proof of Claim and Release form ("Proof of Claim") by mail (**postmarked no later than \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2021**) or electronically (**no later than \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2021**). Your failure to submit your Proof of Claim by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2021, will subject your claim to rejection and preclude your receiving any of the recovery in connection with the Settlement of this Action. If you are a member of the Settlement Class and do not request exclusion therefrom, you will be bound by the Settlement and any judgment and release entered in the Action, including, but not limited to, the Judgment, whether or not you submit a Proof of Claim.

If you have not received a copy of the Notice, which more completely describes the Settlement and your rights thereunder (including your right to object to the Settlement), and a Proof of Claim, you may obtain these documents, as well as a copy of the Stipulation (which, among other things, contains definitions for the defined terms used in this Summary Notice) and other settlement documents, online at www.\_\_\_\_\_\_.com, or by writing to:

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Sea Limited Securities Litigation Settlement
Claims Administrator
c/o Gilardi & Co. LLC
P.O. Box \_\_\_\_\_

Inquiries should NOT be directed to Defendants, the Court, or the Clerk of the Court.

Inquiries, other than requests for the Notice or for a Proof of Claim, may be made to Lead Counsel:

#### ROBBINS GELLER RUDMAN & DOWD LLP

Ellen Gusikoff Stewart 655 West Broadway, Suite 1900 San Diego, CA 92101 Telephone: 800/449-4900

IF YOU ARE A SETTLEMENT CLASS MEMBER, YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO OBJECT TO THE SETTLEMENT, THE PLAN OF ALLOCATION, THE REQUEST BY PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL FOR AN AWARD OF ATTORNEYS' FEES AND EXPENSES, AND/OR THE AWARD TO PLAINTIFF FOR REPRESENTING THE SETTLEMENT CLASS. ANY OBJECTIONS MUST BE FILED WITH THE COURT AND SENT TO LEAD COUNSEL AND DEFENDANTS' COUNSEL BY \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2020, IN THE MANNER AND FORM EXPLAINED IN THE NOTICE.

DATED: BY ORDER OF THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF NEW YORK: COMMERCIAL DIVISION THE HONORABLE JENNIFER G. SCHECTER, J.S.C.

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Defendants.

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#### **CLASS ACTION**

JUDGMENT AND ORDER GRANTING FINAL APPROVAL OF CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT

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WHEREAS, the Court is advised that the Parties, <sup>1</sup> through their counsel, have agreed, subject to Court approval following notice to the Settlement Class and a hearing, to settle this Action upon the terms and conditions set forth in the Stipulation of Settlement dated October 17, 2020 (the "Stipulation" or "Settlement"); and

WHEREAS, on \_\_\_\_\_, 2020, the Court entered its Order Preliminarily Approving Settlement and Providing for Notice, which preliminarily approved the Settlement, and approved the form and manner of notice to the Settlement Class of the Settlement, and said notice has been made, and the fairness hearing having been held; and

NOW, THEREFORE, based upon the Stipulation and all of the filings, records and proceedings herein, and it appearing to the Court upon examination that the Settlement set forth in the Stipulation is fair, reasonable and adequate, and upon a Settlement Fairness Hearing having been held after notice to the Settlement Class of the Settlement to determine if the Settlement is fair, reasonable, and adequate and whether the Judgment should be entered in this Action;

#### THE COURT HEREBY FINDS AND CONCLUDES THAT:

- A. The provisions of the Stipulation, including definitions of the terms used therein, are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- В. This Court has jurisdiction of the subject matter of this Action and over all of the Parties and all Settlement Class Members for purposes of the Settlement.

As used herein, the term "Parties" means Plaintiff Michael Plutte, on behalf of himself and the Settlement Class, and Defendants Sea Limited ("Sea Ltd."), Cogency Global Inc. ("Cogency"), Forrest Xiaodong Li, Gang Ye, Tony Tianyu Hou, Colleen A. De Vries, Yuxin Ren, Nicholas A. Nash, David Heng Chen Seng, Khoon Hua Kuok, Tao Zhang, Goldman Sachs (Asia) L.L.C., Morgan Stanley & Co. International PLC, Credit Suisse Securities (USA) L.L.C., CLSA Limited, Citigroup Global Markets Inc., Cowen and Company, LLC, Nomura Securities International, Inc., Piper Jaffray & Co., Stifel Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated, PT Madiri Sekuritas, Tudor, Pickering, Holt & Co. Securities, Inc., BDO Capital & Investment Corporation, Cathay Securities Corporation Offshore Securities Unit, DBS Bank Ltd., and Viet Capital Securities JSC, by their respective counsel.

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C. The form, content, and method of dissemination of notice given to the Settlement Class was adequate and reasonable and constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, including individual notice to all Settlement Class Members who could be identified through reasonable effort.

- D. The form and manner of the Notice is hereby determined to have been the best notice practicable under the circumstances and to have been given in full compliance with each of the requirements of §904 of the New York Civil Practice Law and Rules ("CPLR"), due process, and all other applicable laws and rules, and it is further determined that all members of the Settlement Class (defined below) are bound by this Judgment.
  - E. The Court finds, pursuant to CPLR §§901 and 902, as follows, that:
- (i) the Settlement Class is so numerous that joinder of all members is impracticable;
  - (ii) there are questions of law and fact common to the Settlement Class;
  - (iii) the claims of Plaintiff are typical of the claims of the Settlement Class;
- (iv) Plaintiff and Lead Counsel have fairly and adequately protected the interests of the Settlement Class;
  - (v) the requirements of CPLR §904 have been satisfied;
- (vi) the requirements of the Supreme Court of New York Commercial DivisionRules and due process have been satisfied in connection with the Notice;
- (vii) that the Action is hereby finally certified (in connection with Settlement only) as a class action pursuant to CPLR §§901 and 902, on behalf of a settlement class (the "Settlement Class") consisting of all persons who purchased or otherwise acquired Sea Ltd. American Depository Shares pursuant or traceable to the Registration Statement and Prospectus issued in connection with Sea Ltd.'s October 2017 initial public offering. For purposes of the releases set

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forth herein, "Settlement Class" and "Settlement Class Members" shall include any Person purporting to assert a claim on behalf of any Settlement Class Member, or any Person asserting a claim based on a purchase or acquisition of Sea Ltd. American Depository Shares made by any Settlement Class Member. Excluded from the Settlement Class are Defendants, the officers and directors of Sea Ltd., Cogency and the Underwriter Defendants (at all relevant times), members of their immediate families, and their legal representatives, heirs, successors or assigns, and any entity in which any Defendant has a controlling interest; *provided*, *however*, that any Investment Vehicle shall not be excluded from the Settlement Class. [No persons or entities have requested exclusion from the Settlement Class] [Attached hereto as Exhibit 1 is a list of the persons and entities who requested exclusion from the Settlement Class and are hereby excluded from the Settlement Class];

- (viii) Plaintiff is hereby certified as the Settlement Class Representative, and Lead Counsel is certified as Lead Settlement Class Counsel.
  - F. The Settlement, as set forth in the Stipulation, is fair, reasonable, and adequate.
- (i) The Settlement was negotiated at arm's length by Plaintiff on behalf of the Settlement Class and by Defendants, all of whom were represented by highly experienced and skilled counsel. The case settled only after, among other things: (a) a mediation conducted by an experienced mediator who was familiar with this Action; (b) the exchange between the Plaintiff and the Defendants of detailed mediation statements before the mediation which highlighted the factual and legal issues in dispute; (c) Plaintiff's Counsel's extensive investigation, which included, among other things, a review of Sea Ltd.'s press releases, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission filings, analyst reports, media reports, and other publicly disclosed reports and information about the Defendants; (d) the drafting and submission of detailed complaints; and (e) motion practice and oral argument on Defendants' motion to dismiss. Accordingly, both the Plaintiff and Defendants were

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well-positioned to evaluate the settlement value of this Action. The Stipulation has been entered into

in good faith and is not collusive.

If the Settlement had not been achieved, both Plaintiff and Defendants faced (ii)

the expense, risk, and uncertainty of extended litigation. The Court takes no position on the merits

of either Plaintiff's or Defendants' arguments, but notes these arguments as evidence in support of

the reasonableness of the Settlement.

G. Plaintiff and Plaintiff's Counsel have fairly and adequately represented the interest of

the Settlement Class Members in connection with the Settlement.

H. Plaintiff, all Settlement Class Members, and Defendants are hereby bound by the

terms of the Settlement set forth in the Stipulation.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The Settlement on the terms set forth in the Stipulation is finally approved as fair,

reasonable, and adequate. The Settlement shall be consummated in accordance with the terms and

provisions of the Stipulation. The Parties are to bear their own costs, except as otherwise provided

in the Stipulation.

2. All Released Parties as defined in the Stipulation are released in accordance with, and

as defined in, the Stipulation.

3. Upon the Effective Date, Plaintiff and each Settlement Class Member shall be

deemed to have, and by operation of this Judgment shall have, fully, finally, and forever released,

relinquished, and discharged all Released Claims against the Released Parties, whether or not such

Settlement Class Member executes and delivers a Proof of Claim and Release.

4. Upon the Effective Date, each of the Released Parties shall be deemed to have, and by

operation of this Judgment shall have, fully, finally, and forever released Plaintiff, Plaintiff's

Counsel, and each and all of the Settlement Class Members from all Released Defendants' Claims.

5. All Settlement Class Members who have not objected to the Settlement in the manner

provided in the Notice of Pendency and Proposed Settlement of Class Action ("Notice") are deemed

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to have waived any objections by appeal, collateral attack, or otherwise. No Settlement Class Member will be relieved from the terms and conditions of the Settlement, including the releases provided pursuant thereto, based upon the contention or proof that such Settlement Class Member failed to receive actual or adequate notice.

- 6. All Settlement Class Members who have failed to properly submit requests for exclusion (requests to opt out) from the Settlement Class are bound by the terms and conditions of the Stipulation and this Judgment.
- 7. The requests for exclusion by the persons or entities identified in Exhibit 1 to this Judgment are accepted by the Court.
- 8. All other provisions of the Stipulation are incorporated into this Judgment as if fully rewritten herein.
- 9. Plaintiff and all Settlement Class Members are hereby barred and enjoined from instituting, commencing, maintaining, or prosecuting in any court or tribunal any of the Released Claims against any of the Released Parties.
- 10. Neither the Stipulation nor the Settlement, nor any act performed or document executed pursuant to or in furtherance of the Stipulation or the Settlement:
- (a) Shall be offered or received against Defendants as evidence of, or evidence in support of, a presumption, concession, or admission with respect to any liability, negligence, fault, or wrongdoing, the deficiency of any defense that has been or could have been asserted, the truth of any allegations by Plaintiff or any Settlement Class Member or the validity of any claim that has been or could have been asserted, the deficiency of any defense that has been or could have been asserted, that the consideration to be given hereunder represents the amount which could be or would have been recovered after trial or in any proceeding, or in any way referred to for any other reason as against Defendants, in any civil, criminal, or administrative action or proceeding, other than such proceedings as may be necessary to effectuate the provisions of the Stipulation; however, Defendants may refer to it to effectuate the liability protection granted them hereunder;

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Shall be construed as or received in evidence as an admission, concession, or (b) presumption against Plaintiff or any of the Settlement Class Members that any of their claims are without merit, or that any defenses asserted by Defendants have any merit, or that damages recoverable in this Action would have exceeded the Settlement Fund; and

- (c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, Defendants, Plaintiff, Settlement Class Members and/or the Released Parties may file the Stipulation and/or this Judgment in any action that may be brought against them in order to support a defense or counterclaim based on principles of res judicata, collateral estoppel, release, good faith settlement, judgment bar or reduction or any other theory of claim preclusion or issue preclusion or similar defense or counterclaim.
- 11. The Court hereby finds and concludes that due and adequate notice was directed to all Persons and entities who are Settlement Class Members advising them of the Plan of Allocation and of their right to object thereto, and a full and fair opportunity was accorded to all Persons and entities who are Settlement Class Members to be heard with respect to the Plan of Allocation.
- 12. The Court hereby finds that the Plan of Allocation is fair and reasonable and the Claims Administrator is directed to administer the Settlement in accordance with the Stipulation.
- 13. The Court hereby finds and concludes that the formula for the calculation of the claims of Authorized Claimants, which is set forth in the Notice sent to Settlement Class Members, provides a fair and reasonable basis upon which to allocate the proceeds of the Net Settlement Fund established by the Stipulation among Settlement Class Members, with due consideration having been given to administrative convenience and necessity.
- 14. The Court hereby awards Plaintiff's Counsel attorneys' fees of \_\_\_\_% of the Settlement Amount, plus Plaintiff's Counsel's expenses in the amount of \$\\$, together with the interest earned thereon for the same time period and at the same rate as that earned on the Settlement Fund until paid. The Court finds that the amount of fees awarded is appropriate and that the amount of fees awarded is fair and reasonable given the contingent nature of the case and the substantial risks of non-recovery, the time and effort involved, and the result obtained for the Settlement Class.

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15. The awarded attorneys' fees and expenses and interest earned thereon shall immediately be paid to Lead Counsel from the Settlement Fund subject to the terms, conditions, and

obligations of the Stipulation, which terms, conditions, and obligations are incorporated herein.

16. Plaintiff Michael Plutte is awarded \$\_\_\_\_. Such payment is appropriate considering

his active participation as the Plaintiff in this Action, as attested to by his declaration submitted to

the Court. Such payment is to be made from the Settlement Fund.

17. In the event that the Stipulation is terminated in accordance with its terms: (i) this

Judgment shall be rendered null and void and shall be vacated *nunc pro tunc*; and (ii) this Action

shall proceed as provided in the Stipulation.

18. The Court finds that during the course of the Action, the Parties and their respective

counsel at all times complied with the requirements of 22 N.Y.C.C.R. §130-1 and all other similar

statutes.

19. Without further order of the Court, the Parties may agree in writing to such

amendments, modifications, and expansions of the Stipulation and reasonable extensions of time to

carry out any of the provisions of the Stipulation, provided that such amendments, modifications,

expansions, and extensions do not materially alter the rights of the Settlement Class Members or the

Released Parties under the Stipulation.

20. Without affecting the finality of this Judgment in any way, this Court retains

continuing jurisdiction over: (a) implementation of this Settlement and any award or distribution of

the Settlement Fund, including interest earned thereon; (b) disposition of the Settlement Fund;

(c) hearing and determining applications for attorneys' fees, interest, and expenses in the Action; and

(d) all Parties hereto for the purpose of construing, enforcing, and administrating the Stipulation.

DATED:

THE HONORABLE JENNIFER G. SCHECTER,

J.S.C.

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