

Company Announcement



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BOUSTEAD PURCHASES ADDITIONAL 500,000 OR 0.22% ORDINARY SHARES IN EASYCALL INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

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The Board of Directors of Boustead Singapore Limited ("Boustead" or the "Company") is pleased to announce that for future strategic plans, Boustead has purchased an additional 500,000 or 0.22% ordinary shares in EasyCall International Limited ("EasyCall International") at a total consideration of A\$45,000 (S\$42,980) at A\$0.09 per share.

With this purchase, Boustead's shareholding in EasyCall International has increased from 103,107,849 ordinary shares (45.09%) to 103,607,849 ordinary shares or 45.31%.

Mr Wong Fong Fui, Chairman and Group Chief Executive Officer and substantial shareholder of Boustead holds 8,571,500 (3.75%) ordinary shares in EasyCall International. Mr Wong Fong Fui is also an Executive Director and the Group Chief Executive Officer of EasyCall International. After Boustead's purchase of these additional EasyCall International shares, Mr Wong Fong Fui's direct and deemed interest in EasyCall International is 112,179,349 shares or 49.06%.

This transaction is not expected to have any material impact on the consolidated net tangible asset value per share and the earnings per share of the Company for the financial year ending 31 March 2003.

Except as disclosed, none of the Directors and controlling shareholders of Boustead has any interest, direct or indirect, in the transaction.