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## **SmarTone Telecommunications Holdings Limited**

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 00315)

## APPOINTMENT OF NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The board of directors (the "Board") of SmarTone Telecommunications Holdings Limited (the "Company") announces that Dr. Poon Sun-cheong, Patrick ("Dr. Poon") has been appointed as Non-Executive Director of the Company with effect from 11 April 2024.

Dr. Poon, aged 76, is Chairman of Shing Cheong Charitable Foundation Limited, Harvest SCP Group Company Limited and Master Insight Media Limited.

He has a 40 years career in Life Insurance Industry since 1972, starting as an actuarial trainee at AIA Hong Kong. He qualified as a Fellow of the Institute of Actuaries in 1975 and served management and CEO positions in AIA, Aetna Taiwan, Aetna International, ING group and China Pacific Life Insurance before his retirement in 2011. He was Independent Non-Executive Director of Hang Seng Insurance Company Limited in Hong Kong (2012-2022).

Dr. Poon is a Governor of The Hang Seng University of Hong Kong and Chairman of its Foundation. He is also Honorary Chairman of The Hong Kong Polytechnic University ("PolyU") Foundation and Deputy Chairman of The University of Hong Kong ("HKU") Foundation. He is Charter President of the Rotary Club of Hong Kong Harbour and President of The Association of Zhong Shan Siulamese in Hong Kong. He was Chairman of the Hong Kong Sinfonietta (2021-2023) and President of the Hong Kong Professionals and Senior Executives Association (2022-2024).

He has won many awards during his professional career and community service. He has won "The Hong Kong Ten Outstanding Young Persons Award" in 1984, "Personality of the Year Award in Asia Insurance Industry", The K.T. Li Medal of Management (Taiwan), Honorary University Fellow of HKU and Honorary Fellow of the Vocational Training Council. He was conferred the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Laws (Hon LLD) at PolyU in 2013. In 2018 he was awarded the Silver Bauhinia Star award from the HKSAR.

Dr. Poon is a well-known philanthropist with donations mainly in the area of supporting tertiary education and community service.

Save as disclosed above, Dr. Poon (1) has not held any directorships in any public listed

companies, whether in Hong Kong or overseas, during the last three years; (2) does not hold any other positions in the Company and its subsidiaries; and (3) does not have any other relationship with any directors, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholders of the Company.

As at the date of this announcement, Dr. Poon does not have any interests in the shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance.

There is no service contract entered into between Dr. Poon and the Company and there is no fixed term of his service with the Company. Pursuant to the Company's Bye-laws, he will retire and be eligible for re-election at the next annual general meeting of the Company. Thereafter, he will be subject to retirement by rotation and re-election at the Company's annual general meetings in accordance with the Company's Bye-laws. Dr. Poon will be entitled to a director's fee which is currently at HK\$144,000 per annum and is determined based on the prevailing market rate of directors' fees for companies listed in Hong Kong. Fees payable to directors are subject to review and authorization on an annual basis by shareholders at the annual general meetings of the Company.

Save as disclosed above, there are no other matters relating to the appointment of Dr. Poon that need to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company and there is no further information to be disclosed pursuant to the requirements of rule 13.51(2)(h) to (v) of the Listing Rules.

The Company would like to welcome Dr. Poon in joining the Board.

By order of the Board

SmarTone Telecommunications Holdings Limited

Mak Yau-hing, Alvin

Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 11 April 2024

As at the date of this announcement, the Executive Directors of the Company are Mr. FUNG Yuk-lun, Allen (Deputy Chairman), Ms. LAU Yeuk-hung, Fiona (Chief Executive Officer) and Mr. CHAU Kam-kun, Stephen; Non-Executive Directors are Mr. KWOK Ping-luen, Raymond (Chairman), Mr. CHEUNG Wing-yui (Deputy Chairman), Mr. David Norman PRINCE, Mr. SIU Hon-wah, Thomas and Dr. POON Sun-cheong, Patrick; Independent Non-Executive Directors are Dr. LI Ka-cheung, Eric, JP, Mr. NG Leung-sing, JP, Mr. GAN Fock-kin, Eric, Mr. LAM Kwok-fung, Kenny, Mr. LEE Yau-tat, Samuel and Mr. Peter KUNG.