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**UA Finance receives HGC “Digital Technology Excellence Award” and  
“FinTech and Innovation Award”, in recognition of its exceptional  
accomplishments in digitalisation**

*HGC Managed Network Solution Helps Expanding Digital Financial Services*

**Hong Kong, 20 July 2023** – HGC Global Communications (HGC Group) announced that United Asia Finance (UA) has been awarded the "Digital Technology Excellence Award" and "Fintech and Innovation Award" in recognition of UA's innovative application of FinTech and its contributions to the advancement of digital financial services in the industry. The awards come as UA celebrates its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary, recognizing the company's three decades of professional and thoughtful financial services to the people in Hong Kong. As UA's digital transformation partner, HGC's comprehensive and solid network coverage, as well as professional one-stop managed network, cybersecurity and hybrid workplace solutions have played a crucial role in UA's digital transformation in core financial services.

As the world enters a new digital era, UA has been actively expanding its digital financial services in recent years. The traditional office and work model needs to keep pace with the times, and a flexible, resilient network can help UA navigating unexpected situations. With extensive network coverage and infrastructure, HGC has provided UA with a one-stop managed network solution that covers all its branches and headquarters, connecting customers, the cloud and data centers. The dual-path connectivity provides stable and reliable network services, ensuring that business operation run smoothly at all times. Moreover, HGC's next-generation Wi-Fi solution provides UA with a seamless and secure network to create a modern hybrid workplace and collaboration space.



From Left to Right: Alvin Wong, Chief Operating Officer – ICT Business, Solutions and Product of HGC Group; Jim Man, Chief Information Officer of UA; Paul Lui, CEO and Executive Director of UA; Andrew Kwok, CEO of HGC Group; Rainbow Wong, Vice President - Corporate Business of HGC Group; Elvis Yan, Chief Marketing Officer of UA

Paul Lui, CEO and Executive Director of UA, said, “Over the past 30 years, UA has continued to expand its business in which the digitalisation of financial services is one of the major development directions this year. With its robust, reliable and scalable network infrastructure, HGC has been a close partner on our digital transformation journey, improving overall operational efficiency and allowing us to concentrate resources on core businesses which has contributed to UA's continuous development in digital technology. “

For the first time to receive HGC's "Digital Technology Excellence Award" and "FinTech and Innovation Award", Paul continued, "We are honored to be recognized by HGC. These awards affirm UA's achievements in digital financial services over the past few years. The establishment of UA FinTech Valley last year promotes exchanges and interactions with technological innovation companies, while also reflecting our success in the digital journey.”

Rainbow Wong, Vice President - Corporate Business of HGC Group, said, “Digital transformation has become a crucial consideration for the financial services industry. Companies must urgently respond to meet the new demands of the industry and consumers for digital services and FinTech. We are delighted to be a significant partner in UA's digital transformation and to witness the important milestone of its 30th anniversary. HGC has a solid network infrastructure, a professional service team and rich experience in the industry, which enable us to tailor network and digital solutions according to the business needs of customers in various industries, helping them achieve their business goals.”

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HGC Global Communications Limited (HGC) is a leading Hong Kong and international telecom operator and ICT solution provider. The company owns an extensive network and infrastructure in Hong Kong and overseas and provides various kinds of services. HGC has 25 overseas offices, with business over 5 continents. It provides telecom infrastructure service to other operators and serves as a service provider to corporate and households. The company provides full-fledged telecom, data centre services, ICT solutions and broadband services for local, overseas, corporate, SME and mass markets. HGC owns and operates an extensive fibre-optic network, five cross-border telecom routes integrated into tier-one telecom operators in mainland China and connects with hundreds of world-class international telecom operators. HGC is one of Hong Kong's largest Wi-Fi service providers, running over 29,000 Wi-Fi hotspots in Hong Kong. The company is committed to further investing and enriching its current infrastructure and, in parallel, adding on top the latest technologies and developing its infrastructure services and solutions. In 2019, HGC Group completed the acquisition of Macroview Telecom Limited (Macroview), a leading digital technology solution and managed services provider. The addition of Macroview further accelerates HGC Group's digital transformation path and positioning as a pioneering ICT and digital services leader. HGC is a portfolio company of I Squared Capital, an independent global infrastructure investment manager focusing on energy, utilities and transport in North America, Europe and selected fast-growing economies.

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