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Company Announcements Office
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Re: Leighton Asia (Northern) appoints new Managing Director

Dear Sir,

Please find attached a copy of a media release to be issued later today by the Company.

Yours faithfully
LEIGHTON HOLDINGS LIMITED

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Leighton Asia (Northern) appoints new Managing Director

Leighton Holdings Limited is pleased to announce that Mr Joe Dujmovic has been appointed Managing Director of Leighton Asia (Northern), effective 1 August 2005, following the resignation of Mr Will Hamilton for family reasons. Mr Dujmovic is currently serving as General Manager responsible for Hong Kong, China and Macau.

Leighton Holdings' Chief Executive Officer, Wal King, said that he was very pleased with the appointment of Mr Dujmovic who has run the largest and most profitable branch of Leighton Asia (Northern) for the last three years.

"Joe is a very capable manager who has demonstrated an ability to grow the businesses under his control. His current responsibilities include delivery of a number of major projects such as the \$625 million Central Reclamation project and the \$334 million Eagles Nest Tunnel in Hong Kong, and the \$370 million Wynn's Casino in nearby Macau.

"One of the Leighton Group's great strengths is its depth of management and Joe typifies the quality of our people, right across the company, who are capable of stepping up to the next level."

Mr Dujmovic, a civil engineer, spent 18 years working on major projects around Australia before joining Leighton Asia in 2000. His Australian experience included the role of Project Director on projects such as Sydney's M5 East Motorway and new Third Runway in Sydney, and Melbourne's City Link.

"While Will Hamilton's resignation is a disappointment to the company, we appreciate his desire to spend more time in Australia with his family. Will has worked for 20 years in Asia; 17 of those with Leighton, the last three as Managing Director of Leighton Asia (Northern).

"Will has been an integral part of the Leighton Group's success in Asia and we thank him for his valuable contribution over the last 17 years. He leaves Leighton Asia (Northern) in a strong position with over \$700 million worth of work in hand, which underwrites the business for the next few years.

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LEIGHTON HOLDINGS LIMITED is the parent company of Australia's largest project development and contracting group. Founded in 1949, the organisation has grown into a diversified group that includes Thiess, John Holland, Leighton Contractors, Leighton Asia (Northern), Leighton Asia (Southern) and Leighton Properties. Leighton Group companies undertake activity for public and private sector clients in the engineering and infrastructure, building and property, mining and resources, telecommunications and environmental services markets. A range of services are offered including project development, construction, operation and maintenance. With around 18,000 employees, the Group's operations are spread all around the Asia-Pacific region on projects in Australia, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Thailand, Vietnam, Sri Lanka, China and New Zealand. Leighton Holdings is listed on the Australian Stock Exchange and has its head office in Sydney.