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## **AUTOMATED SYSTEMS HOLDINGS LIMITED**

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)

The Company understands that the offer by Merrill Lynch for and on behalf of CSI in relation to CSA closed at 3:30 p.m. on Friday, 5th March, 1999.

As at today's date, CSA holds approximately 67.75% of the issued share capital of the Company. As previously announced, CSI acquired an interest of more than 50% of the issued share capital (and accordingly, statutory control) of CSA as of 5:00 p.m. on 2nd February, 1999.

The Company understands that CSI has been informed that the Executive has no further comments on the consultation by CSI on whether or not an offer for all the shares of the Company not already owned by CSA and parties acting in concert with it will be required in accordance with the Chain Principle.

**The Company understands that in light of the Executive having no further comments on the Consultation, CSI does not propose making a mandatory general offer under the Chain Principle as a result of CSI obtaining statutory control of CSA for all the shares of the Company not owned by CSA and parties acting in concert with it.**

The Directors have noted the increase in the volume of trading in the shares of the Company on 4th and 5th March, 1999 and wish to state that the Directors are not aware of any reasons for such increase.

Shareholders of the Company are referred to the announcements of the Company dated 9th December, 1998, 10th December, 1998 and 3rd February, 1999, which appeared in the press on 10th December, 1998, 11th December, 1998 and 4th February, 1999 respectively.

### **Close of the Offer**

The Company understands that the Offer closed at 3:30 p.m. on 5th March, 1999 and that as at the close of the Offer, CSI owned and had agreed to acquire an aggregate of 94,512,398 shares of CSA, representing approximately 73.6 per cent. of the issued share capital of CSA.

CSA is the controlling shareholder of the Company, holding shares representing approximately 67.75% of the Company's existing issued share capital as at today's date. CSI acquired an interest of more than 50% of the issued share capital (and accordingly, statutory control) of CSA as of 5:00 p.m. on 2nd February, 1999. There has been no change in the composition of the board of directors of the Company since 2nd February, 1999.

CSI has been consulting with the Executive under the Code on whether or not an offer will be required in accordance with the Chain Principle.

**The Company understands from CSI that the Executive has no further comments on the Consultation and that in light of this, CSI does not propose making a mandatory general offer under the Chain Principle as a result of CSI obtaining statutory control of CSA for all the shares of the Company not already owned by CSA and parties acting in concert with it.**

### **Increase in trading volume**

The Directors have noted the increase in the volume of trading in the shares of the Company on 4th and 5th March, 1999 and wish to state that the Directors are not aware of any reasons for such increase.

Save as disclosed in this announcement, the Board confirms that there are no negotiations or agreements relating to intended acquisitions or realisations which are discloseable under paragraph 3 of the Listing Agreement, neither is the Board aware of any matter discloseable under the general obligation imposed by paragraph 2 of the Listing Agreement, which is or may be of a price-sensitive nature.

The Board also confirms that there have been no dealings by Directors in the shares of the Company on 4th and 5th March, 1999 and that, so far as the Directors are aware, no discussions are taking place between CSA and any third party in relation to the disposal of a controlling interest in the Company by CSA to a third party.

Definitions of terms used in this announcement:—

<b>Term</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
"Board"	the board of directors of the Company
"CSA"	CSA Holding Limited, a company whose securities are listed on the Stock Exchange of Singapore Limited
"CSI"	CSC Computer Sciences International Inc.
"Chain Principle"	the chain principle set out in Note 8 to Rule 26.1 of the Code
"Code"	Hong Kong Code on Takeovers and Mergers
"Company"	Automated Systems Holdings Limited
"Consultation"	the consultation by CSI on whether or not an offer for all the shares of the Company not already owned by CSA and parties acting in concert with it will be required in accordance with the Chain Principle
"Director(s)"	director(s) of the Company
"Executive"	the Executive Director of the Corporate Finance Division of the Securities and Futures Commission or any delegate of the Executive Director
"Listing Rules"	Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited
"Merrill Lynch"	Merrill Lynch (Singapore) Pte. Ltd.
"Offer"	the cash offer by Merrill Lynch, for and on behalf of CSI, to acquire all the issued ordinary shares of CSA, other than those already owned, controlled or agreed to be acquired by CSI or any party acting in concert with it

By Order of the Board  
**Automated Systems Holdings Limited**  
Edward Lau  
Director

Hong Kong, 6th March, 1999

*Each of the directors of the Company jointly and severally accept full responsibility for the accuracy of information contained in this announcement and confirm, having made all reasonable inquiries, that to the best of their knowledge, opinions expressed in this announcement have been arrived at after due and careful consideration and there are no other facts not contained in this announcement, the omission of which would make any statement in this announcement misleading.*