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**Boston Scientific  
Group plc**

*(a public limited company incorporated  
under the laws of the Republic of Ireland)*

**Acotec Scientific Holdings Limited  
先瑞達醫療科技控股有限公司**

*(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)  
(Stock Code: 6669)*

**JOINT ANNOUNCEMENT**

**DESPATCH OF THE COMPOSITE DOCUMENT RELATING TO  
VOLUNTARY CONDITIONAL PARTIAL CASH OFFER BY  
CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS ASIA LIMITED ON BEHALF OF  
THE OFFEROR TO ACQUIRE A MAXIMUM OF 65 PER CENT. OF  
THE ISSUED SHARE CAPITAL OF THE COMPANY FROM  
QUALIFYING SHAREHOLDERS**

**Financial Advisor to the Offeror**



**Independent Financial Advisor to the Independent Board Committee**



## INTRODUCTION

Reference is made to (i) the joint announcement dated 12 December 2022 issued by the Offeror and the Company in relation to, among other things, the voluntary conditional partial cash offer to acquire a maximum of 203,702,962 Shares in the issued share capital of the Company (representing 65% of the Company's issued share capital as at the date of the Joint Announcement) from Qualifying Shareholders at the Offer Price of HK\$20 per share; and (ii) the composite document dated 3 January 2023 jointly issued by the Offeror and the Company (the "**Composite Document**"). Unless otherwise stated, capitalised terms used in this joint announcement shall have the same meanings as those used in the Composite Document.

## DESPATCH OF THE COMPOSITE DOCUMENT

The Composite Document containing, among other things, (i) the full terms and details of the Partial Offer; (ii) the recommendation from the Independent Board Committee to the Qualifying Shareholders in respect of, among other things, the Partial Offer; (iii) the letter of advice from the Independent Financial Adviser in respect of, among other things, the Partial Offer; and (iv) the Form of Approval and Acceptance, will be jointly despatched by the Offeror and the Company to the Qualifying Shareholders on 3 January 2023.

**Qualifying Shareholders are advised to read the Composite Document and the Form of Approval and Acceptance carefully, including the advice from the Independent Board Committee and the advice from the Independent Financial Adviser before deciding whether or not to accept the Partial Offer.**

## EXPECTED TIMETABLE

*The timetable set out below is indicative only and any changes to the timetable will be jointly announced by the Offeror and the Company as and when appropriate.*

<b>Event</b>	<b>Hong Kong Time &amp; Date</b>
Despatch date of the Composite Document and Partial Offer open for acceptance . . . . .	Tuesday, 3 January 2023
First Closing Date <sup>(Note 1)</sup> . . . . .	Thursday, 26 January 2023
Latest time and date for approval and acceptance of the Partial Offer on the First Closing Date <sup>(Note 1)</sup> and latest time and date for acceptance of the Partial Offer by the IU Shareholders under the Irrevocable Undertakings (other than the CPE Excluded Shares) <sup>(Note 2)</sup> . . . . .	4:00 p.m. on Thursday, 26 January 2023

Announcement of the results of the Partial Offer  
as at the First Closing Date to be posted  
on the website of the Stock Exchange<sup>(Note 1)</sup> ..... no later than 7:00 p.m. on  
Thursday, 26 January 2023

Latest time and date for the acceptance of  
the Partial Offer (assuming that the Partial Offer  
becomes or is declared unconditional in  
all respects on the First Closing Date  
(i.e. the Final Closing Date)<sup>(Note 3)</sup> and latest time and  
date for acceptance of the Partial Offer by CMI and/or  
CIW for the CPE Excluded Shares (if any) under  
the CPE Irrevocable Undertaking<sup>(Note 2)</sup> ..... 4:00 p.m. on  
Thursday, 9 February 2023

Announcement of the results of the Partial Offer  
as at the Final Closing Date to be posted  
on the website of the Stock Exchange<sup>(Note 4)</sup> ..... 7:00 p.m. on  
Thursday, 9 February 2023

Latest date for posting of remittances for amounts  
due in respect of valid acceptances received under  
the Partial Offer at or before 4:00 p.m. on the  
Final Closing Date (assuming that the Partial Offer  
becomes or is declared unconditional in all respects  
on the First Closing Date)<sup>(Note 5)</sup> ..... Monday, 20 February 2023

Latest time and date by which the Partial Offer  
can become or be declared unconditional as to  
acceptances<sup>(Note 3)</sup> ..... 7:00 p.m. on  
Monday, 6 March 2023

Designated agent starts to stand in the market  
to provide matching services for sale and  
purchase of odd lots holdings of Shares ..... 9:00 a.m. on  
Friday, 10 February 2023

Designated agent ceases to stand in the market  
to provide matching services for sale and  
purchase of odd lots holdings of Shares ..... 4:00 p.m. on  
Friday, 24 March 2023

*Notes:*

1. The latest time for receipt of acceptances under the Partial Offer will be 4:00 p.m. on the First Closing Date unless the Offeror revises or extends the Partial Offer in accordance with the Takeovers Code. The Offeror and the Company will issue a joint announcement on the Stock Exchange's website by 7:00 p.m. on the First Closing Date, stating the results of the Partial Offer and whether the Partial Offer has been revised or extended, has expired or has become or is declared unconditional. Where the Partial Offer becomes or is declared unconditional, the Partial Offer will remain open for acceptance for not less than 14 days thereafter in accordance with the Takeovers Code. Accordingly, if the Partial Offer is declared unconditional in all respects on or before Thursday, 12 January 2023, then the Final Closing Date would be on (but no earlier than) the First Closing Date.
2. Please refer to the section headed "Irrevocable Undertakings" in the Letter from Citi in the Composite Document for details of the Irrevocable Undertakings.
3. Where the Partial Offer becomes or is declared unconditional on the First Closing Date, the Partial Offer will remain open for acceptance for 14 days in accordance with the Takeovers Code, but cannot be further extended. In accordance with the Takeovers Code, except with the consent of the Executive, the Partial Offer may not become or be declared unconditional as to acceptances after 7:00 p.m. on the 60th day after the day the Composite Document was posted. Accordingly, unless the Partial Offer has previously become unconditional as to acceptances, the Partial Offer will lapse after 7:00 p.m. on Monday, 6 March 2023, unless extended with the consent of the Executive.
4. The announcement of the results of the Partial Offer will be jointly issued by the Offeror and the Company and posted on the Stock Exchange's website by 7:00 p.m. on the Final Closing Date. Such announcement will comply with the disclosure requirements under Rule 19.1 and Note 7 to Rule 19 of the Takeovers Code and will include, among other things, the results of the Partial Offer and details of the way in which each accepting Shareholder's pro rata entitlement was determined.
5. Remittances in respect of the Shares tendered for acceptance and taken up by the Offeror under the Partial Offer (after deducting the seller's ad valorem stamp duty arising therefrom and, if applicable, the fees payable to the Share Registrar in respect of lost or unavailable Share certificates) will be posted to the relevant Qualifying Shareholders by ordinary post at their own risk as soon as possible, but in any event within seven business days (as defined in the Takeovers Code) following the Final Closing Date.

Save as mentioned above, if the latest time for acceptance of the Partial Offer does not take effect on the date and time as stated above, the other dates mentioned above may be affected. The Offeror and the Company will jointly notify the Independent Shareholders by way of announcement(s) in the event of any change to the expected timetable as and when appropriate.

**WARNING: Completion of the Partial Offer is subject to the Conditions being fulfilled. Accordingly, the issue of this joint announcement does not in any way imply that the Partial Offer will be completed. Shareholders and prospective investors are advised to exercise caution when dealing in the Shares. Persons who are in doubt as to the action they should take should consult their professional advisers.**

By order of the board of  
**Boston Scientific Group plc**  
**Carla Madrid Magalhães Nascimbeni and**  
**Cindy Maria Mols-Duisings**  
*Directors*

By order of the Board of  
**Acotec Scientific Holdings Limited**  
**Jing LI**  
*Chairperson of the Board, Executive Director*  
*and Chief Executive Officer*

Hong Kong, 3 January 2023

*As at the date of this joint announcement, the directors of the Offeror are Carla Madrid Magalhães Nascimbeni and Cindy Maria Mols-Duisings.*

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

*As at the date of this joint announcement, the executive Directors are Ms. Jing LI and Mr. Silvio Rudolf SCHAFFNER, the non-executive Directors are Mr. Ke TANG and Mr. Chen CHEN, and the independent non-executive Directors are Dr. Yuqi WANG, Ms. Hong NI and Ms. Kin Yee POON.*

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