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AGREED JOINT TAKEOVER OFFER FOR S. KIDMAN AND CO. LIMITED

The Directors of

Australian Rural Capital Limited (ARC) are pleased to announce that ARC has executed a Bid Implementation Agreement with its consortium partner, Dakang Australia Holdings

Pty Limited (Dakang Australia) and S. Kidman & Co Limited (Kidman) to acquire 100% of the ordinary

shares in Kidman.

Offer consortium partners

Dakang Australia is owned 51% by the Shenzhen Stock Exchange listed Hunan Dakang Pasture

Farming Co. Limited and 49% by Shanghai CRED Real Estate Stock Co. Limited. Hunan Dakang

Pasture Farming Co. Limited has an equity market capitalisation of approximately A\$3.75 billion and

is 55% owned by Shanghai Pengxin Group.

Under the consortium arrangements, ARC would acquire 20% of the ordinary shares in Kidman and

Dakang Australia would acquire 80% of the ordinary shares in Kidman and the consortium would

jointly oversee the operations and development of the Kidman business. Importantly, the existing

management of Kidman will be retained, and enhanced by the additional knowledge on the board of

an Asian market participant and  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{ARC'}}\xspaces s \ensuremath{\mathsf{ext}}\xspace$  agribusiness experience.

Offer terms and conditions

Under the Bid Implementation Agreement, ARC and Dakang Australia will make an off market

takeover offer to jointly acquire 100% of Kidman for approximately \$370 million, plus transaction

 $\mbox{\it costs}$  which includes a substantial portion of stamp duty given the significant land component of

Kidman (Offer).

The Offer is subject to the Treasurer having no objection to, or being precluded from exercising

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power under the Foreign Acquisitions and Takeovers Act 1975 (Cth) in relation to, the acquisition by

Dakang Australia of 80% of shares in Kidman. ARC has been advised that the Treasurer has signed an interim order extending ...

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