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## **HGC Awarded Best International Wholesale Carrier Honour in Telecom Asia Awards 2018**

**Hong Kong, 27 June 2018** – HGC Global Communications Limited (HGC), a full-fledged fixed-line operator with extensive local and international network coverage and infrastructure, is pleased to announce today that it has been recognised as the Best International Wholesale Carrier in Telecom Asia Awards 2018.

HGC was presented with the honour at the awards ceremony in Singapore on 26 June 2018.

Telecom Asia is a prominent regional telecommunications magazine. Presented by Telecom Asia since 1998, Telecom Asia Awards is Asia's longest-running telecoms industry honour. It recognises Asia's top telecommunications operators' accomplishments and contributions on the basis of their innovation, financial performance, technology, market leadership and corporate governance.

HGC, a total telecom solutions and wholesale provider for international carriers, continues to hold a leading market position with its comprehensive and collaborative portfolio that delivers rich, flexible, cloud-based and one-stop solutions.

HGC is a pioneer in providing higher value service in emerging Asian markets. Early this year, HGC rolled out carrier-grade cloud services in Myanmar, which is a growing market in the Greater Mekong Sub-region. This enables local carriers to adopt and roll out a global cloud platform that is suited to the local environment. Another recent achievement is the provision of a full SMS firewall suite to safeguard mobile network carrier security in Vietnam. Both services are examples of HGC's continuous, long-term efforts in building services with carriers across Asia.

HGC has also led the way in expanding connectivity to China. Early this year HGC and China Telecom successfully deployed the first carrier-to-carrier interconnection along the newly-built Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macau Bridge. This is part of our continuous carrier-to-carrier network enhancement to create new routes that meet end-customers' needs.

Mr. Andrew Kwok, Chief Executive Officer of HGC said, "We are proud and honoured to receive this prestigious award. It is our first telecom industry award since we began the new HGC on 3rd October last year. It represents a significant endorsement from the industry. HGC continues to excel in its fundamental network infrastructure, and has made a great leap forward in developing integrated and targeted total solutions. It is our goal to diversify our

business to set us apart from the general market players, with our forward-thinking and insightful strategies.”

Mr. Ravindran Mahalingam, Senior Vice President of HGC’s International Business, concluded, “We are constantly re-engineering new ways and platforms to enable a more immersive carrier-to-carrier experience that enriches our service portfolio and brings value to partners and customers. We are working to bring the next wave of telecom experience through the 'softwarisation' of services to carriers.”



Mr. Paul Lai, Vice President of HGC, North & South East Asia, International Business (on the right), received the Best International Wholesale Carrier honour in Telecom Asia Awards 2018

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### **About HGC Global Communications Limited**

HGC Global Communications Limited (HGC) is a leading Hong Kong and international fixed-line operator. The company owns an extensive network and infrastructure in Hong Kong and overseas and provides various kinds of services. 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 and mass markets. HGC owns and operates an extensive fibre-optic network, four 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. 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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