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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CURRENT AMENDED AND RESTATED MEMORANDUM AND ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION AND THE ADOPTION OF THE SECOND AMENDED AND RESTATED MEMORANDUM AND ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

This announcement is made pursuant to Rule 13.51(1) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules").

In view of the changes to Appendix 3 of the Listing Rules regarding the core shareholder protection standards (the "Core Shareholder Protection Standards") which became effective on 1 January 2022, the board (the "Board") of directors (the "Directors" and each a "Director") of Qidian International Co., Ltd. (the "Company", together with its subsidiaries, the "Group") proposed to (i) make certain amendments (the "Proposed Amendments") to the current amended and restated Memorandum and Articles of Association; and (ii) adopt the second amended and restated memorandum of association and articles of association of the Company incorporating and consolidating all the Proposed Amendments (the "Second Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association"), to conform to the Core Shareholder Protection Standards.

The Proposed Amendments as well as the adoption of the Second Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association are subject to the approval of the shareholders of the Company at the annual general meeting of the Company to be held on 19 May 2022, Thursday or any adjourned meeting by way of a special resolution. A circular of the Company containing detailed information of the Proposed Amendments as well as the adoption of the Second Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association will be dispatched to the shareholders of the Company in due course.

By Order of the Board

Qidian International Co., Ltd

Yuan Li

Chairman

Yangzhou, PRC, 21 April 2022

As at the date of this announcement, the Board of Directors of the Company comprises three executive Directors, namely Mr. Yuan Li, Mr. Xu Xinying and Ms. Liu Simei; one non-executive Director, namely Ms. Xu Honghong, and three independent non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Zhao Jinyong, Mr. Chen Rui and Mr. Fung Tak Choi.

APPENDIX

A summary of the major Proposed Amendments are as follows:

Relevant paragraphs of Appendix 3 of the Listing Rules

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3.4 If at any time the share capital of If at any time the share capital of 15 the Company is divided into the Company is divided into different classes of shares, all or any of the rights attached to any class of shares for the time being issued (unless otherwise provided for in the terms of issue of the shares of that class) may, subject to the provisions of the Law, be varied or abrogated with the consent in writing of the holders of not less than three-fourths in nominal value of the issued shares of that class or with the sanction of a special resolution passed at a separate meeting of the holders of shares of that class. To every such separate meeting all the provisions of these Articles relating to general meetings shall mutatis mutandis apply, but so that the quorum for the purposes of any such separate meeting and of any adjournment thereof shall be a person or persons together holding (or representing proxy or duly authorised representative) at the date of the relevant meeting not less than one-third in nominal value of the issued shares of that class.

different classes of shares, all or any of the rights attached to any class of shares for the time being issued (unless otherwise provided for in the terms of issue of the shares of that class) may, subject to the provisions of the Act, be varied or abrogated with the consent in writing of not less three-fourths of the voting rights of the holders of that class or with the sanction of a supermajority resolution passed at a separate meeting of the holders of shares of that class. To every such separate meeting all the provisions of these Articles relating to meetings shall mutatis mutandis apply, but so that the quorum for the purposes of any such separate meeting and of any adjournment thereof shall be a person or persons together holding (or representing by proxy or duly authorised representative) at the date of the relevant meeting not less than one-third in nominal value of the issued shares of that class.

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12.1 An annual general meeting of the Company shall be held in each year other than the year of the Company's adoption of these Articles (within a period of not more than 15 months after the holding of the last preceding annual general meeting or not more than 18 months after the date of adoption of these Articles, unless a longer period would not infringe the Listing Rules, if any) at such time and place as may be determined by the Board.

Other than the year of the 14(1)Company's adoption of these Articles, in each financial year during the Relevant Period the Company shall hold a general meeting as its annual general meeting within six months after the end of each financial year in addition to any other meeting in that year and shall specify the meeting as such in the notice calling it.

The annual general meeting shall be held in the Relevant Territory or elsewhere as may be determined by the Board and at such time and place as the Board shall appoint. A meeting of the Shareholders or any class thereof may be held by means of such telephone, electronic or other communication facilities permit all persons participating in the meeting to communicate with each other simultaneously instantaneously, and participation in such a meeting shall constitute presence at such meetings.

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12.3 The Board may, whenever it thinks extraordinary convene an general meeting. General meetings shall also be convened on the written requisition of any two or more members of the Company deposited at the principal office of the Company in Hong Kong or, in the event the Company ceases to have such a principal office, the registered office specifying the objects of the meeting and signed by the requisitionists, provided that such requisitionists held as at the date of deposit of the requisition not less than one-tenth of the paid up capital of the Company which carries the right of voting at general meetings of the Company. General meetings may also be convened on the written requisition of any one member of the Company which is a recognised clearing house (or its nominee(s)) deposited at principal office of the Company in Hong Kong or, in the event the Company ceases to have such a principal office, the registered office specifying the objects of the meeting and signed bv requisitionist, provided that such requisitionist held as at the date of deposit of the requisition not less than one-tenth of the paid up capital of the Company which carries the right of voting at general meetings of the Company. If the Board does not within 21 days from the date of deposit of the requisition proceed duly to convene the meeting to be held within a further 21 days, the

The Board may, whenever it thinks 14(5) fit. convene an extraordinary general meeting. General meetings shall also be convened on the written requisition of any two or more members of the Company deposited at the principal office of the Company in Hong Kong or, in the event the Company ceases to have such a principal office, the registered office specifying the objects of the meeting and signed by the requisitionists, provided that such requisitionists held as at the date of deposit of the requisition not less than one-tenth of the paid up capital of the Company which carries the right of voting at general meetings of the Company, on a one vote per share basis in the share capital of the Company, and the foregoing Shareholders shall be able to add resolutions to the meeting agenda. General meetings may also be convened on the written requisition of any one member of the Company which is a recognised clearing house (or its nominee(s)) deposited at principal office of the Company in Hong Kong or, in the event the Company ceases to have such a principal office, the registered office specifying the objects of the and signed meeting by requisitionist, provided that such requisitionist held as at the date of deposit of the requisition not less than one-tenth of the paid up capital of the Company which carries the right of voting at general meetings requisitionist(s) themselves or any of the Company. If the Board does of them representing more than not within 21 days from the date of

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all of them, may convene the general meeting in the same manner, as nearly as possible, as that in which meetings may be convened by the Board provided that any meeting so convened shall not be held after the expiration of three months from the date of deposit of the requisition, and all reasonable expenses incurred by the requisitionist(s) as a result of the failure of the Board shall be reimbursed to them by the Company.

one-half of the total voting rights of deposit of the requisition proceed duly to convene the meeting to be held within a further 21 days, the requisitionist(s) themselves or any of them representing more than one-half of the total voting rights of all of them, may convene the general meeting in the same manner, as nearly as possible, as that in which meetings may be convened by the Board provided that any meeting so convened shall not be held after the expiration of three months from the date of deposit of the requisition, and all reasonable expenses incurred by the requisitionist(s) as a result of the failure of the Board shall be reimbursed them by the Company.

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12.4 An annual general meeting and any extraordinary general meeting called for the passing of a special resolution shall be called by not less than 21 days' notice in writing and any other extraordinary general meeting shall be called by not less than 14 days' notice in writing. Subject to the requirement under the Listing Rules, the notice shall be inclusive of the day on which it is served or deemed to be served and of the day for which it is given, and shall specify the time, place, agenda of the meeting, particulars of the resolutions to be considered at the meeting and in the case of special business (as defined in Article 13.1) the general nature of that business. The notice convening an annual general meeting shall specify the meeting as such, and the notice convening a meeting to pass a special resolution shall specify the intention to propose the resolution as a special resolution. Notice of every general meeting shall be given to the Auditors and to all members other than such as, under the provisions hereof or the terms of issue of the shares they hold, are not entitled to receive such notice from the Company.

An annual general meeting and any extraordinary general meeting called for the passing of a special resolution or a supermajority resolution shall be called by not less than 21 days' notice in writing and any other extraordinary general meeting shall be called by not less than 14 days' notice in writing. Subject to the requirement under the Listing Rules, the notice shall be inclusive of the day on which it is served or deemed to be served and of the day for which it is given, and shall specify the time, place, and agenda of the meeting, particulars of the resolutions to be considered at the meeting and in the case of special business (as defined in Article 13.1) the general nature of that business. The notice convening annual an general meeting shall specify the meeting as such, and the notice convening a meeting to pass a special resolution or a supermajority resolution shall specify the intention to propose the resolution as a special resolution or a supermajority resolution. Notice of every general meeting shall be given to the Auditors and to all members other than such as, under the provisions hereof or the terms of issue of the shares they hold, are not entitled to receive such notice from the Company.

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13.12 A resolution in writing (in one or more counterparts), including a special resolution, signed by all members for the time being entitled to receive notice of and to attend and vote at general meetings (or being corporations by their duly appointed representatives) shall be as valid and effective as if the same had been passed at a general meeting of the Company duly convened and held. Any such resolution shall be deemed to have been passed at a meeting held on the date on which it was signed by the last member to sign.

A resolution in writing (in one or 16 more counterparts), including a special resolution supermajority resolution, signed by all members for the time being entitled to receive notice of and to attend and vote at general meetings (or being corporations by their duly appointed representatives) shall be as valid and effective as if the same had been passed at a general meeting of the Company duly convened and held. Any such resolution shall be deemed to have been passed at a meeting held on the date on which it was signed by the last member to sign. A special resolution or a supermajority resolution shall be effective for any purpose for which an ordinary resolution is expressed to be required under any provision of these Articles.

Relevant paragraphs of Appendix 3 of the Listing Rules

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14.2 (no such provision) Members must have the right to: 14(3) (a) speak at general meetings of the Company; and (b) vote at a general meeting except where a member is required, by the Listing Rules, to abstain from voting to approve the matter under consideration.

14.8

Any member of the Company entitled to attend and vote at a meeting of the Company shall be entitled to appoint another person (who must be an individual) as his proxy to attend and vote instead of him and a proxy so appointed shall have the same right as the member to speak at the meeting. Votes may be given either personally or by proxy. A proxy need not be a member of the Company. A member may appoint any number of proxies to attend in his stead at any one general meeting (or at any one class meeting).

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14.15 its nominee(s)) is a member of the Company it may authorise such person or persons as it thinks fit to act as its representative(s) at any general meeting of the Company or at any general meeting of any class of members of the Company provided that, if more than one person is so authorised. authorisation shall specify number and class of shares in respect of which each such person is so authorised. The person so authorised will be deemed to have been duly authorised without the need of producing any documents of title, notarised authorisation and/or further evidence substantiating the facts that it is authorised. A person so authorised pursuant to this provision shall be entitled exercise the same rights and powers on behalf of the recognised clearing house (or its nominee(s)) which he represents as that recognised clearing house (or its nominee(s)) could exercise as if such person were an individual member of the Company holding the number and class of shares specified in such authorisation, notwithstanding any contrary provision contained in these Articles.

If a recognised clearing house (or If a recognised clearing house (or 19 its nominee(s)) is a member of the Company it may authorise such person or persons as it thinks fit to act as its representative(s) at any general meeting of the Company or at any general meeting of any class of members of the Company (including but not limited to any general meeting and creditors meeting) provided that, if more than one person is so authorised, the authorisation shall specify the number and class of shares in respect of which each such person is so authorised. The person so authorised will be deemed to have been duly authorised without the need of producing any documents of title, notarised authorisation and/or further evidence substantiating the facts that it is duly authorised. A person authorised pursuant to provision shall be entitled to exercise the same rights and powers on behalf of the recognised clearing house (or its nominee(s)) which he represents as that recognised clearing house (or its nominee(s)) could exercise as if such person were an individual member of the Company holding the number and class of shares specified in such authorisation, including the right to speak and vote, notwithstanding any contrary provision contained in these Articles.

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16.2 The Board shall have power from The Board shall have power from 4(2) time to time and at any time to appoint any person as a Director either to fill a casual vacancy or as an addition to the Board. Any Director so appointed shall hold office only until the next following annual general meeting of the Company and shall then be eligible for re-election at that meeting.

time to time and at any time to appoint any person as a Director either to fill a casual vacancy or as an additional Director but so that the number of Directors so appointed shall not exceed the maximum number determined from time to time by the Shareholders in general meeting. Any Director appointed by the Board to fill a casual vacancy shall hold office only until the first annual general meeting of the Company after appointment and be subject to re-election at such meeting. Any Director appointed by the Board as an addition to the existing Board shall hold office only until the next annual general meeting of the Company after his appointment and shall then be eligible for re-election. Any Director appointed under this Article shall not be taken into account in determining the Directors or the number of Directors who are to retire by rotation at an annual general meeting.

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16.6 The **Company** may by ordinary resolution at any time remove any Director (including a Managing other Director or executive Director) before the expiration of his period of office notwithstanding anything in these Articles or in any agreement between the Company and such Director and may by ordinary resolution elect another person in his stead. Any person so elected shall hold office during such time only as the Director in whose place he is elected would have held the same if he had not been removed. Nothing in this Article should be taken depriving a Director removed under any provisions of this Article of compensation or damages payable to him in respect of the termination of his appointment as Director or of any other appointment or office as a result of the termination of his appointment as Director or as derogatory from any power to remove a Director which may exist apart from the provision of this Article.

The **members of the** Company may 4(3) by ordinary resolution at any time remove any Director (including a Managing Director or other executive Director, but without prejudice to any claim for damages under any contract) before the expiration of his period of office notwithstanding anything in these Articles or in any agreement between the Company and such Director and may by ordinary resolution elect another person in his stead. Any person so elected shall hold office during such time only as the Director in whose place he is elected would have held the same if he had not been removed. Nothing in this Article should be taken depriving a Director removed under any provisions of this Article of compensation or damages payable to him in respect of the termination of his appointment as Director or of any other appointment or office as a result of the termination of his appointment as Director or as derogatory from any power to remove a Director which may exist apart from the provision of this Article.

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29.2 The Company shall at any annual meeting appoint general an auditor or auditors of the Company who shall hold office until the next annual general meeting. The remuneration of the Auditors shall be fixed by the Company at the annual general meeting at which they are appointed provided that in respect of any particular year the Company in general meeting may delegate the fixing of such remuneration to the Board. No person may be appointed as the, or an, Auditor, unless he is independent of the Company. The Board may before the first annual meeting appoint general auditor auditors the Company who shall hold office until the first annual general unless meeting previously by ordinary removed an resolution of the members in general meeting in which case the members at that meeting may appoint Auditors. The Board may fill any casual vacancy in the office of Auditor but while any vacancy continues surviving or continuing Auditor or Auditors, if any, may act. The remuneration of any Auditor appointed by the Board under this Article may be fixed by the Board.

At the annual general meeting or 17 at a subsequent extraordinary general meeting in each year, the members of the Company shall by ordinary resolution appoint an Auditor to audit the accounts of the Company and such Auditor shall hold office until the next annual general meeting. Such Auditor may be a member but no director, officer or employee of the Company shall, during his continuance in office, be eligible to act as an Auditor. The Board may fill any casual vacancy in the office of Auditor, but while any such vacancy continues the surviving or continuing Auditor any) may act. appointment, removal remuneration of the Auditor must be approved by majority of the Company's members in the annual general meeting or by other body that is independent of the Board, except that in any particular year the Company in general meeting (or such body independent of the Board as aforementioned) may delegate the fixing of such remuneration to the Board and the remuneration of any Auditors appointed to fill any casual vacancy may be fixed by the Board.

Relevant paragraphs of Appendix 3 of the Listing Rules

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29.3	(no such provision)	The members of the Company may, at any general meeting convened and held in accordance with these Articles, remove the Auditor by ordinary resolution at any time before the expiration of his term of office and shall, by ordinary resolution, at that meeting appoint another Auditor in his stead for the remainder of his term.	17
32.1	(no such provision)	Subject to the Companies Act, the Company may at any time and from time to time be wound up voluntarily by supermajority resolution. If the Company shall be wound up the liquidator shall apply the assets of the Company in such manner and order as he thinks fit in satisfaction of creditors' claims.	21
35	amend its Memorandum of	may at any time and from time to time by supermajority resolution	16

Note: The Second Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association is prepared in English with no official Chinese version. Chinese translation is for reference only. In the event of any inconsistency, the English version shall prevail.