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Laura Ashley Holdings plc (the "Company")**Notification of Appointment of Non-Executive Director****9 January 2012**

Laura Ashley Holdings plc today announces the appointment of Mr Wong Nyen Faat as Non-Executive Director on 9 January 2012.

Mr Wong is currently the Chief Operating Officer of the Malayan United Industries ("MUI") Group based in Malaysia. He is also a director of Metrojaya Berhad, the Malaysian retailing arm of the MUI Group, and various Malaysia-listed companies namely Pan Malaysia Corporation Berhad, Pan Malaysia Capital Berhad and Pan Malaysia Holdings Berhad. He was the Executive Director of Hong Kong-listed Morning Star Resources Limited between 2006 and 2009 and was the General Manager of Operations of Malaysia-listed Ecofirst Consolidated Berhad between 2004 and 2006.

Mr Wong has extensive experience in operations, business development and general management in Malaysia, Hong Kong and China. He holds a First Class Honours Bachelor degree in Science (Mathematics) with Education from University of Malaya and a Master degree in Business Management from Asian Institute of Management.

Mr Wong is the Board representative of MUI Asia Limited, a member of the MUI Group.

The Company also announces the appointment of Ms Pel Loh Pooi Ling as Alternate Director to Mr Wong. Ms Loh is already an Alternate Director to Mr Andrew Khoo, one of the Company's Non-Executive Directors.

On Mr Wong's appointment, Tan Sri Dr K P Khoo, Chairman, said, "On behalf of the Board, I am delighted to welcome Mr Wong to Laura Ashley. His considerable experience in operations and business development across a broad spectrum of businesses will strengthen the Board. We look forward to his valuable contribution and support in achieving the Company's objectives."

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