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UPDATE IN RELATION TO MAJOR INITIATIVES TO ENHANCE SHAREHOLDER VALUE

MELBOURNE: Crown Resorts Limited (ASX: CWN) ("Crown Resorts" or the "Company") announced that its wholly owned subsidiary, Crown Asia Investments Pty Ltd ("CAI"), has entered into an agreement ("Repurchase Agreement") with Melco Resorts & Entertainment Limited (NASDAQ: MLCO) ("Melco Resorts") for the repurchase of its remaining interest in Melco Resorts.

Under the Repurchase Agreement, CAI has agreed to sell 165.3 million Melco Resorts ordinary shares (equivalent to approximately 55.1 million Melco Resorts American Depository Shares ("ADSs") which represents 11.2% of Melco Resorts ordinary shares outstanding) for a price of US\$7.04 per Melco Resorts ordinary share (equivalent to US\$21.11 per Melco Resorts ADS).

The Repurchase Agreement is expected to complete on 15 May 2017 subject to customary conditions to completion.

In addition, conditional on completion of the Repurchase Agreement, Crown Resorts has entered into agreements to unwind each of the cash-settled equity swaps CAI entered into in December 2016 that referenced approximately 27.3 million Melco Resorts ADSs; and the cash-settled equity swap it entered into in March 2017 that referenced 12.0 million Melco Resorts ADSs (together, "Swap Unwind Transactions").

Upon completion of the Repurchase Agreement:

- Crown Resorts will no longer hold an interest in Melco Resorts;
- The Shareholders' Agreement between CAI and Melco International Development Limited ("Melco International") will terminate; and
- Consequently, the Company will no longer be entitled to a seat on the Melco Resorts Board and Mr Robert Rankin will resign as a non-executive director of Melco Resorts.

A separate Shareholders' Agreement between CAI and Melco International relating to the Japan market will also terminate upon completion of the Repurchase Agreement.

On completion of the Repurchase Agreement and as a result of the Swap Unwind Transactions, Crown Resorts is expected to generate net proceeds of approximately US\$987 million or \$1.34 billion¹ (equivalent to US\$5.97 per Melco Resorts ordinary share and US\$17.91 per Melco Resorts ADS) which will initially be used to reduce Crown Resorts' net debt.

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¹ Based on a spot exchange rate of AUD:USD 0.74. Net proceeds do not include transaction costs or collateral to be returned from the counterparties to the cash settled equity swaps.