Zurich Film Festival - Screening of "All Shall Be Well" (4 October 2024)

Speech by DBL

Distinguished Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Good evening. Thank you for joining us tonight for the screening of "All Shall Be Well" (從今以後) at the Zurich Film Festival.

- 2. This year marks the 20th anniversary of ZFF, and it is a tremendous pleasure for the Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office in Berlin to extend our continued support for this remarkable platform that showcases some of the world's most exceptional films to the audiences in Switzerland and beyond. I would like to take this opportunity to express our gratitude the Festival for the great collaboration and their passion for Hong Kong cinema over the years. I am confident that the 20th edition of ZFF will be another resounding success, and we look forward to many more fruitful partnerships in the years ahead.
- 3. Indeed, we deeply treasure our overseas partners and our collaborations that are vital for enhancing the international exposure of quality Hong Kong movies and fostering cultural exchanges. We actively encourage and support emerging directors, producers and actors from Hong Kong to take part in these prestigious events around the world, promoting meaningful interaction and exchanges with the local audiences and film industry.
- 4. And at the screening of "All Shall Be Well" here tonight, we are excited to welcome the Director, Ray Yeung, and the Executive Producer, Stan Guingon, who will join us for a Q&A session after the screening. "All Shall Be Well" tells a deeply moving story of a lesbian couple in Hong Kong, which beautifully navigates the delicate and often taboo subjects within traditional

Chinese families. This film has already garnered international acclaim, winning the prestigious Teddy Award for Best Feature Film at the Berlinale earlier this year. So I would definitely encourage all of you to seize the opportunity to engage with Ray and Stan after the screening.

- 5. Before I conclude and hand the stage to Ray and Stan, I want to quickly highlight that there will be screenings of other outstanding Hong Kong films at the ZFF this year. And that includes "The Goldfinger" (金手指), a gripping drama featuring the legendary Tony Leung, who was crowned the Best Actor at the Hong Kong Film Awards this year for his exceptional performance in the movie.
- 6. So, thank you once again for joining us tonight and I hope you would also have the chance to watch the other Hong Kong movies at ZFF this year. Please enjoy!

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