

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE****Melco cultivates national culture and pride through youth competition in partnership with the National Conditions Education Association**

‘Melco Star Macao’ youth talent competition promotes Chinese cultural performances

**Macau, Tuesday, November 26, 2019** – To celebrate the special occasion of the 70th anniversary of the establishment of the People’s Republic of China and the 20th anniversary of the establishment of the Macao Special Administrative Region, Melco Resorts & Entertainment partnered with the National Conditions Education Association (Macau) last night to host the finals and award ceremony of the *Melco Star Macao* youth talent competition at Studio City before an audience of around 2,000 guests.

The event’s objectives are to cultivate and strengthen the sense of national identity in Macau’s youth through performances in Chinese cultural arts, to exhibit the vitality and talent of Macau’s younger generation, as well as to showcase the success of the ‘One Country, Two Systems’ constitutional principle. Since its commencement in June, *Melco Star Macao* has been warmly received by the local community – including schools and organizations for young persons; attracting participation from more than 650 youths who took part in over 170 original acts.

**Mr. Lawrence Ho, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Melco**, said, “Fostering creative talent in Macau through our signature youth development programs such as ‘Dare to Dream’ is a key focus of Melco’s Corporate Social Responsibility. We are thrilled to integrate our objectives in youth development with the world-class, award-winning entertainment programs for which Melco is renowned through the *Melco Star Macao* competition in collaboration with the National Conditions Education Association (Macau). It has been a wonderful journey to witness the performance talents of all our participants through the competition’s theme of “China in Childhood” in celebration of the China-Macau Double anniversary. We are also confident that the competition helps to enhance national pride and the sense of belonging for young people in Macau, strengthening appreciation for the People’s Republic of China.”

**Mr. Jack Wang, President of National Conditions Education Association (Macau)**, said, “We are excited to celebrate the occasion of the 70th anniversary of the establishment of the People’s Republic of China and the 20th anniversary of the establishment of the Macao SAR through the *Melco Star Macao* talent competition. The competition has been developed to promote a sense of belonging and identity towards the Motherland for young locals and to establish a platform through which they can showcase their talent, energy, and vitality. We thank all participants, schools and

organizations of the local Macau community who have supported and taken part in this wonderful project, and congratulation to all our winners as Macau's rising stars.”

*Melco Star Macao* youth talent competition partners, Melco's **Dr. Kent Wong**, Chief Advisor; **Ms. Akiko Takahashi**, Executive Vice President and Chief of Staff to Chairman and CEO, **Mr. Andy Choy**, Chief Operating Officer, International; **Mr. Geoff Andres**, Property President, Studio City; and **Mr. Raymond Lo**, Senior Vice President, Property General Manager of Altira Macau and Mocha Clubs; and National Conditions Education Association (Macau) President **Mr. Jack Wang** welcomed the event's guests of honor including **Mr. Kong Chi Meng**, Representative of Secretary for Social Affairs and Culture, Deputy Director, Education and Youth Affairs Bureau; **Mr. Zuo Xianghua**, Director of Economic Affairs Department, Liaison Office of the Central People's Government in the Macao Special Administrative Region; **Ms. Zhu Ting**, Deputy Director of Public Diplomacy and Information of the Office of the Commissioner of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China in the Macao SAR; **Colonel Zeng Zhendong**, Deputy Director of the Political Work Department of the Chinese People's Liberation Army stationed in Macao; **Mr. Cheng Wai Tong**; Deputy Director of the Macao Government Tourism Office; and **Mr. Zhou You**, Representative of the Cultural Affairs Bureau of the Macao SAR Government, Rector of the Macao Conservatory's Schools of Music.

**PHOTO CAPTIONS:**



Melco Resorts & Entertainment, the National Conditions Education Association (Macau) and officiating guests attend the *Melco Star Macao* youth talent competition to celebrate the special occasion of the 70th anniversary of the establishment of the People's Republic of China and the 20th anniversary of the establishment of the Macao Special Administrative Region.



Dr. Kent Wong, Chief Advisor, Melco, addresses the event's guests of honor, participants and audience.

Melco Star Macao's expert judging panel.

**MELCO STAR MACAO FINAL AWARD CEREMONY HIGHLIGHTS:**





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## About Melco Resorts & Entertainment Limited

The Company, with its American depositary shares listed on the NASDAQ Global Select Market (NASDAQ: MLCO), is a developer, owner and operator of casino gaming and entertainment casino resort facilities in Asia and Europe. The Company currently operates Altira Macau ([www.altiramacau.com](http://www.altiramacau.com)), a casino hotel located at Taipa, Macau and City of Dreams ([www.cityofdreamsmacau.com](http://www.cityofdreamsmacau.com)), an integrated urban casino resort located in Cotai, Macau. Its business also includes the Mocha Clubs ([www.mochaclubs.com](http://www.mochaclubs.com)), which comprise the largest non-casino based operations of electronic gaming machines in Macau. The Company also majority owns and operates Studio City ([www.studiocity-macau.com](http://www.studiocity-macau.com)), a cinematically-themed integrated entertainment, retail and gaming resort in Cotai, Macau. In the Philippines, a Philippine subsidiary of the Company currently operates and manages City of Dreams Manila ([www.cityofdreamsmanila.com](http://www.cityofdreamsmanila.com)), a casino, hotel, retail and entertainment integrated resort in the Entertainment City complex in Manila. In Europe, the Company is currently developing City of Dreams Mediterranean ([www.cityofdreamsmed.com.cy](http://www.cityofdreamsmed.com.cy)) in the Republic of Cyprus, which is scheduled to open in 2021 and expected to be the largest and premier integrated destination resort in Europe. The Company is currently operating a temporary casino, the first casino in the Republic of Cyprus, and three satellite casinos with a fourth satellite casino scheduled to open in the coming months ("Cyprus Casinos"). Upon the opening of City of Dreams Mediterranean, the Company will also continue to operate the four satellite casinos while operation of the temporary casino will cease. The Company also holds equity interests in Crown Resorts Limited ("Crown"), a company listed on the Australian Securities Exchange and which operates two of Australia's leading integrated resorts, Crown Melbourne Entertainment Complex and Crown Perth Entertainment Complex. In the United Kingdom, Crown operates Crown Aspinalls, a high-end licensed casino in London. Crown's development projects include the Crown Sydney Hotel Resort at Barangaroo on Sydney Harbour. Crown also holds equity interests in the Aspers Group and Nobu and has interests in various digital businesses. For more information about the Company, please visit [www.melco-resorts.com](http://www.melco-resorts.com).

The Company is strongly supported by its single largest shareholder, Melco International Development Limited, a company listed on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited and is substantially owned and led by Mr. Lawrence Ho, who is the Chairman, Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer of the Company.

## About National Conditions Education Association (Macau)

National Conditions Education Association (Macau) is a non-profit organization legally registered in the Macau Special Administrative Region in accordance with the relevant laws of the Macao SAR. The association was established on August 12, 2009 (Ref: 2/2009/ASS file group No. 55) with the mission to popularize and promote national education among young people in Macau. Through the organization of relevant cultural exchange activities, the association aims to continue cultivating the spirit of patriotism towards the Motherland and Macau, to promote continued national appreciation among local people.

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