



**Media Release – Sale of Shares in Associated Company**

(For immediate release)

**XPRESS SELLS 10.1% STAKE IN SHENZHEN JIAXINDA FOR RMB37.9 MILLION (S\$8.4 MILLION); EXPECTS TO RECOGNISE NET GAIN OF S\$5.1 MILLION**

- Group expects to receive approximately S\$8.4 million cash and expects to recognise a net gain of S\$5.1 million from as early as financial year ending 31 July 2009
- Xpress had acquired 30% stake in Jiaxinda for RMB30.0 million (S\$6.1 million) in 2006
- Improved cash position will enhance Xpress' ability to capitalise on vertical integration and geographical expansion opportunities

**SINGAPORE, 29 July 2009** – Singapore Exchange (“SGX”) Mainboard-listed **Xpress Holdings Ltd** (“Xpress” or the “Group”) announced today that it has sold a 10.1% stake, or approximately a third of its original equity holdings, in its China associated company and print partner Shenzhen Jiaxinda Printing Co., Ltd (“Jiaxinda”), for RMB37.9 million (S\$8.4 million).

Following the sale, the leading provider of fast-turnaround, print solutions will receive approximately S\$8.4 million in cash and may recognise a net gain of approximately S\$5.1 million. Subject to auditor’s approval, this gain may be recognised as early as the financial year ending 31 July 2009 (“FY 2009”), results of which will be released by 30 September 2009.

Xpress’ Chief Executive Officer, Mr Poh Eng Seng, commented, “Besides the positive impact on our FY2009 results, the sale of the 10.1% stake in Jiaxinda will also augment our cash position, following the S\$12.5 million redemption of convertible notes in June 2009. In addition, the proceeds will enhance our ability to explore opportunities in vertical integration and geographical expansion. Building on the success of our Print Stations and On-Site Print Stations, we plan to use the proceeds to add more print management services and offer supply chain management services.”



Following the sale, Xpress' stake in Jiaxinda will be reduced from 30% to 19.9%. Jiaxinda, a large-scale print partner based in Southern China, will cease to be an associated company of Xpress.

Xpress had acquired a 30% stake in Jiaxinda for RMB30.0 million in January 2006. It was part of Xpress' efforts to secure growth in China starting with acquisition in 2005 of a 60% stake in Precise Media Group, to pre-empt projected declines in Singapore print revenues. To date, Xpress has made significant headway in China, with its Chinese operations now accounting for more than 70% of the Group's revenue and profit (based on results announced for financial period ending 30 April 2009).

As announced on 3 July 2009, Jiaxinda has appointed Sinolink Securities Co., Ltd as the financial adviser, Haiwen & Partners as the legal counsel and Reanda Certified Public Accountants as the auditor to evaluate the feasibility of a public listing in China.

In preparation for the listing of Jiaxinda, Jiaxinda's Chairman and founder, Mr Huang Ying, had sold 4.0% of its stake in Jiaxinda for RMB15.0 million in November 2008.

More information will be made available in Xpress' full year financial results ending 31 July 2009, which is required to be announced by 30 September 2009.

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### **About Xpress Holdings Ltd**

Established in 1986, Xpress was listed on SGX Mainboard on 28 June 1999. The Group serves a wide global base of local and MNC financial and corporate organisations, and provides a complete spectrum of integrated print solutions from pre-press processes to production systems as well as global distribution and delivery.

Its core products and services include the design, production and printing of time-sensitive, fast turnaround publications like annual reports, IPO prospectuses, shareholder circulars, fund management reports, brochures and newsletters.

Headquartered in Singapore, Xpress has a network of 32 Print Stations spread across 19 major cities in the Asia Pacific region.