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SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFACTURING INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION

中芯國際集成電路製造有限公司*

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(STOCK CODE: 0981)

GRANT OF OPTIONS

Semiconductor Manufacturing International Corporation (the “**Company**”) announces that on 12 November 2010, an aggregate of 39,724,569 share options (“**Options**”) to subscribe for ordinary shares of par value US\$0.0004 each in the capital of the Company (the “**Shares**”) were granted, subject to acceptance of the grantees, under its 2004 Stock Option Plan adopted on 18 March 2004 (the “**Share Option Scheme**”).

This announcement is made pursuant to Rule 17.06A of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “**Stock Exchange**”).

The Company announces that on 12 November 2010, an aggregate of 39,724,569 Options to subscribe for Shares were conditionally granted, subject to acceptance of the grantees and compliance with applicable laws and regulations, under the Share Option Scheme. If any grant of the Options as detailed below has not been accepted by any particular grantee or is not otherwise in compliance with any applicable laws and regulations, such grant in respect of the particular grantee would not proceed or be effective for legal and regulatory purposes. The following are the details of the Options granted:

Date of Grant:	12 November 2010
Exercise price of the Options	the higher of (a) the closing market price of the Shares on the Stock Exchange as stated in the daily quotation sheet of the Stock Exchange (the “Closing Price”) on 12 November 2010 and (b) the average Closing Price for the period from 5 November 2010 to 11 November 2010 (both days inclusive), being HK\$0.642
Number of Options granted:	39,724,569 Options
Closing price of the Shares on the date of grant:	HK\$0.59 per Share

Validity period of the Options: The Options are valid for a period of 10 years commencing on 12 November 2010, subject to earlier termination as provided under the Share Option Scheme and applicable award documents.

As at the date of this announcement, the Directors are Jiang Shang Zhou as Chairman of the Board of Directors and Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company; Dr. David N. K. Wang as President, Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director; Chen Shanzhi, Gao Yonggang and Zhou Jie (Wang Zheng Gang as alternate director to Zhou Jie) as Non-Executive Directors of the Company; and Tsuyoshi Kawanishi and Lip-Bu Tan as the other Independent Non-Executive Directors of the Company.

Semiconductor Manufacturing International Corporation

Dr. David N. K. Wang
President, Chief Executive Officer
Executive Director

Shanghai, PRC
12 November 2010

** For identification only*