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Wong & Partners advises WeChat Pay Malaysia Sdn. Bhd. on WeChat Pay's successful e-money licence application in Malaysia

Kuala Lumpur, 5 September 2018 – Wong & Partners, the member firm of Baker McKenzie in Malaysia, advised WeChat Pay Malaysia Sdn. Bhd., a subsidiary of Tencent Holdings Limited, on its successful application to the Central Bank of Malaysia to apply for an e-money licence for its landmark and innovative Ringgit-denominated mobile wallet platform in Malaysia.

WeChat Pay Malaysia enables users to conduct peer-to-peer transfer of funds and to make payments to partner merchants and many other functionalities. WeChat has over 1 billion monthly users worldwide and the Malaysian market is the first market in the world beyond China and Hong Kong to issue local currency denominated WeChat Pay e-wallet.

Partner Brian Chia led the team, supported by associate Jordan Tsen.

"It has been a privilege to represent Tencent on this breakthrough matter which sets a milestone in the Malaysian mobile payments segment. The availability of WeChat Pay Malaysia in Ringgit will further enhance our country's efforts towards a cashless society" said Brian, who is the head of the Corporate, Commercial and Securities practice of the Firm.

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