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O'Melveny Adds Xuan Zhang to Asia Funds Practice in Beijing

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BEIJING - AUGUST 12, 2010 - O'Melveny & Myers LLP has welcomed Xuan Zhang to its Investment Funds Practice as counsel in the Beijing office. Zhang brings seven years of experience in the formation and operation of private equity funds, including buyout, infrastructure, mezzanine, real estate, and venture capital funds, as well as hedge funds and funds of funds. At O'Melveny, her practice will focus on offshore funds targeting China and the region, dual fund structures, and RMB funds.

"We are thrilled to welcome Xuan to an already strong team of twelve funds lawyers in Asia, including two partners and two senior funds lawyers Geoffrey Chan and Lynn Chan who were recently promoted to counsel," said Larry Sussman, head of O'Melveny's Beijing office. "With the addition of Xuan, we now have three of the top Mandarin speaking senior fund practitioners providing support to our partners and clients."

Dean Collins, head of the firm's Investment Funds practice in Asia, further commented, "The addition of Xuan to our team has been welcomed by many of our clients, as she also enhances our ability to provide real time US legal advice to clients based in Asia. This is an increasingly important requirement for private equity firms across the region who are raising money from US investors."

Prior to joining O'Melveny, Zhang practiced law at a prominent international law firm in New York City for seven years. She holds a JD degree from the University of Pennsylvania Law School, an LLB degree from the Nanjing University School of Law, as well as postgraduate qualifications from Northwestern University, Göttingen University and the Chinese-German Institute of Economic Law.

Upon joining the Firm, Zhang commented, "O'Melveny has built up a fantastic funds practice in Asia, which offers me a unique opportunity to further develop my career in a dynamic environment. I am excited to be here."

About O'Melveny & Myers LLP Asia Funds Practice

O'Melveny advises both fund managers (GPs) and fund investors (LPs) with respect to the formation of private equity and other alternative investment funds in Asia. The practice has consistently held the largest market share among international law firms for formation of RMB funds (covering all types of emerging structures) with a large team centered in Beijing and fund resources in Shanghai, Hong Kong, and Singapore. Since the arrival in Singapore of partner Dean Collins from private equity heavyweight Actis in January 2009, the practice has developed a growing reputation in the offshore fund space, working on funds targeting China, India, Indonesia, Japan, Sri Lanka, as well as on a pan-Asian basis, together with advising LPs based in Asia on fund investments across the globe.

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