

**RETAIL HOLDINGS N.V.**

**Notice of a General Meeting of Shareholders  
To be held on September 28, 2017**

To the Shareholders of:

**RETAIL HOLDINGS N.V.,  
a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Curaçao (the "Company").**

Notice is hereby given that a General Meeting of Shareholders of the Company will be held at the offices of SGG Management (Curaçao) N.V. at Kaya W.F.G. (Jombi) Mensing 36, Willemstad, Curaçao, commencing at 10:30 a.m. (Curaçao time), on September 28, 2017 (the "General Meeting"), for the following purposes:

1. To approve and adopt the audited consolidated financial statements with respect to the Company's fiscal year ended December 31, 2016, as described in the Proxy Statement accompanying this Notice.
2. To elect Stephen H. Goodman, Antonio Costa, Alex Johnston and Stewart M. Kasen as Directors of the Company, such Directors to serve from the date of this General Meeting through the date of the annual general meeting of Shareholders to occur after this General Meeting.
3. Following the written recommendation of the Board of Directors (the "Board"), to ratify and confirm the distribution from the account paid-in-surplus of \$2.00 per Common Share of the Company to Shareholders of record on May 5, 2017, to authorize the Board to approve an additional distribution from the account paid-in-surplus of \$1.00 per Common Share, to be paid to Shareholders of record on November 17, 2017, and not to make any other distribution to Shareholders, including with regard to the profits as determined by the adoption of Proposal One, and that the profits of the Company be fully reserved within the Company, as reflected in the Company's financial statements for that period.
4. To appoint KPMG (Sri Lanka), a member firm of the KPMG network, as the auditors of the Company for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017.

Respectfully,



Amy Pappas, Secretary

By order of the Board of Directors of Retail Holdings N.V.  
July 24, 2017

**YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT REGARDLESS OF THE SIZE OF YOUR HOLDINGS IN THE COMPANY. SHAREHOLDERS WHO DO NOT EXPECT TO ATTEND THE GENERAL MEETING ARE REQUESTED TO COMPLETE, SIGN, DATE AND RETURN THE PROXY CARD BY MEANS OF THE ENCLOSED RETURN ENVELOPE. INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PROPER EXECUTION OF PROXY CARDS ARE SET FORTH IN THE PROXY STATEMENT ACCOMPANYING THIS NOTICE.**



## **PROXY STATEMENT**

### **General Meeting of Shareholders of**

#### **RETAIL HOLDINGS N.V.**

(the "Company")

to be held commencing at 10:30 a.m.  
Curaçao time, on September 28, 2017  
at the offices of SGG Management (Curaçao) N.V.  
Kaya W.F.G. (Jombi) Mensing 36, Willemstad, Curaçao

This Proxy Statement is furnished to the holders (the "Shareholders") of Common Shares, par value U.S. \$0.01 per share of the Company (the "Shares"), in connection with the solicitation of proxies by the Board of Directors of the Company (the "Board"). The proxies solicited by this Proxy Statement are to be voted at the General Meeting of Shareholders of the Company (the "General Meeting"), to be held at the time and place set forth above and for the purposes set forth below and in the accompanying notice of a General Meeting (the "Notice"). Enclosed is a form of proxy card ("Proxy") for use at the General Meeting.

One vote may be cast for each Share held. As of the close of business on July 24, 2017 the number of issued and outstanding Shares is 4,650,244. July 24, 2017 will be the record date (the "Record Date") for determining the Shareholders entitled to vote at the General Meeting. All holders of Shares as of the Record Date are entitled to receive the Notice, Proxy Statement and Proxy, to address the General Meeting and to vote thereat.

This Proxy Statement is first being mailed to Shareholders on or about August 1, 2017. This Proxy Statement and a copy of the Proxy are also available to Shareholders on the Corporate/Investor section of the Company's website: [www.retailholdings.com](http://www.retailholdings.com).

## **THE GENERAL MEETING**

At the General Meeting, the Shareholders will have the power to pass valid and binding resolutions with regard to all matters which affect the Company that have been proposed by the Board and are included in the Notice. A majority of the votes cast at the General Meeting shall be necessary to adopt the resolutions at the General Meeting with respect to matters set forth in the Notice. Matters that are not included in the Notice and that properly come before the General Meeting will also be given consideration. However, other than the appointment of the Chairman of the General Meeting, valid and binding resolutions can only be adopted with regard to such matters if passed by unanimous vote, and if all persons entitled to attend the meeting are present or represented at the General Meeting or, in case they are not present or represented, have consented to this manner of consultation or have indicated that they will refrain from invoking the violation of the pertinent prescription.

The Company is organized and existing under the laws of Curaçao. As required by the Articles of Association of the Company, all general meetings of Shareholders must be held in Curaçao. Shareholders may elect to attend the General Meeting in person or by a Proxy that is duly executed in writing. The enclosed Proxy has been prepared to ensure that all Shares have the opportunity to be represented at the General Meeting. Shares cannot be voted at the General Meeting unless the respective holder of record as of the Record Date is either present in person or represented by proxy.

## **INSTRUCTIONS FOR SIGNING PROXY**

The following general rules for signing proxy cards may be of assistance to you in order that the Company may avoid the time and expense involved in validating your vote if you fail to sign your proxy card(s) properly.

1. Individual and Joint Accounts:           Sign your name(s) exactly as it appears in the registration on the Proxy Card(s).
  
2. All Other Accounts:                       The capacity of the individual signing the proxy should be indicated unless it is reflected in the form of registration. For example (see below):

### **Registration**

### **Valid Signature**

#### **Corporate Accounts**

- |                                   |                     |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|
| (1) ABC Corporation               | ABC Corp.           |
| (2) ABC Corporation               | John Doe, Treasurer |
| (3) ABC Corp.                     |                     |
| c/o John Doe, Treasurer           | John Doe            |
| (4) ABC Corp. Profit Sharing Plan | John Doe, Treasurer |

#### **Trust Accounts**

- |                          |                      |
|--------------------------|----------------------|
| (1) ABC Trust            | Jane B. Doe, Trustee |
| (2) Jane B. Doe, Trustee |                      |
| u/t/d 12/28/78           | Jane B. Doe          |

#### **Custodial or Estate Accounts**

- |                          |                    |
|--------------------------|--------------------|
| (1) John Smith, Cust.    |                    |
| f/b/o John Smith, Jr     | John Smith         |
| (2) Estate of John Smith | Smith Jr, Executor |

## VOTING OF PROXIES

All Shares represented at the General Meeting by properly executed Proxies received at the registered office of the Company at Kaya W.F.G. (Jombi) Mensing 36, Willemstad, Curaçao on or before 10:30 a.m. (Curaçao time) on September 28, 2017, and not revoked, will be voted at the General Meeting in accordance with the instructions on the Proxies. If no instructions are indicated, properly executed Proxies will be voted "FOR" adoption of all proposals made at the General Meeting as recommended by the Board. The Board does not know of any matters, other than those referred to in the Notice, which are to come before the General Meeting.

Proxies duly executed and received and not revoked will be valid at the General Meeting.

A Proxy given pursuant to this solicitation may be revoked at any time before it is voted by filing with the Company at the registered office of the Company no later than 10:30 a.m. (Curaçao time) on September 28, 2017, a written notice of revocation which bears a date later than the Proxy, or by the Shareholder attending the General Meeting in person.

## MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE GENERAL MEETING

At the General Meeting, Shareholders are being asked to consider and vote upon the following Proposals:

**PROPOSAL ONE: TO APPROVE AND ADOPT THE AUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS WITH RESPECT TO THE COMPANY'S FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016.**

The Company's Annual Report for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016 has been made available to Shareholders by means of publication of such Annual Report on the Corporate/Investor section of the Company's website: [www.retailholdings.com](http://www.retailholdings.com). Shareholders may request, at no cost, a copy of said Annual Report by contacting Amy Pappas at NV Adminservice Corporation, 118 North Bedford Road, Mount Kisco, N.Y. 10549 by post, by e-mail at [apappas@retailholdings.com](mailto:apappas@retailholdings.com), or by telephone at 1-914-241-3404. Shareholders may also inspect said Annual Report at the office of the Company at Kaya W.F.G. (Jombi) Mensing 36, Willemstad, Curaçao.

The audited consolidated financial statements of the Company included in such Annual Report have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and have been certified by the independent accounting firm of KPMG (Sri Lanka), a member firm of the KPMG network. The audited consolidated financial statements of the Company with respect to the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016 have been made available to the Shareholders of the Company and the General Meeting is requested to adopt those financial statements as a requirement of Curaçao law.

**Approval of Proposal One requires the approval of a majority of the votes cast at the General Meeting. The Board recommends that the Shareholders vote "FOR" Proposal One to approve and adopt the audited consolidated financial statements with respect to the Company's fiscal year ended December 31, 2016.**

**PROPOSAL TWO: TO ELECT STEPHEN H. GOODMAN, ANTONIO COSTA, ALEX JOHNSTON AND STEWART M. KASEN AS DIRECTORS OF THE COMPANY, SUCH DIRECTORS TO SERVE FROM THE DATE OF THIS GENERAL MEETING THROUGH THE DATE OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS TO OCCUR AFTER THIS GENERAL MEETING.**

The second proposal to be considered at the General Meeting is the election of four Directors, in the place and stead of the current Directors who served from the date of their appointment through the date of this General Meeting, to serve in such capacity until the conclusion of the annual general meeting of Shareholders to occur after this General Meeting. All of the Company's current Directors are standing for re-election. Biographic information on the Directors may be found on pages 26 and 27 of the Company's Annual Report. Compensation of the Directors may be found on page 29 of the Annual Report and shareholdings of the Directors may be found on page 33 of the Annual Report. The Board of Directors met eight times in 2016; three of the four Directors attended all of the meetings, one Director attended seven of the eight meetings.

Shareholders may vote "for", "against" or "abstain" from voting for all Directors, or for any individual Director.

**Approval of Proposal Two requires the approval of a majority of the votes cast at the General Meeting. The Board recommends that the Shareholders vote "FOR" Proposal Two to elect Stephen H. Goodman, Antonio Costa, Alex Johnston and Stewart M. Kasen as Directors of the Company, such Directors to serve from the date of this General Meeting through the date of the annual general meeting of Shareholders to occur after this General Meeting.**

**PROPOSAL THREE: FOLLOWING THE WRITTEN RECOMMENDATION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS (THE "BOARD"), TO RATIFY AND CONFIRM THE DISTRIBUTION FROM THE ACCOUNT PAID-IN-SURPLUS OF \$2.00 PER COMMON SHARE OF THE COMPANY TO SHAREHOLDERS OF RECORD ON MAY 5, 2017, TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD TO APPROVE AN ADDITIONAL DISTRIBUTION FROM THE ACCOUNT PAID-IN-SURPLUS OF \$1.00 PER COMMON SHARE, TO BE PAID TO SHAREHOLDERS OF RECORD ON NOVEMBER 17, 2017, AND NOT TO MAKE ANY OTHER DISTRIBUTION TO SHAREHOLDERS, INCLUDING WITH REGARD TO THE PROFITS AS DETERMINED BY THE ADOPTION OF PROPOSAL ONE, AND THAT THE PROFITS OF THE COMPANY BE FULLY RESERVED WITHIN THE COMPANY, AS REFLECTED IN THE COMPANY'S FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THAT PERIOD.**

The Board believes that it is desirable that essentially all of the funds surplus to the Company's current requirements be distributed to Shareholders. In May 2017, the Company paid a distribution of \$2.00 per Common Share to Shareholders of record on May 5, 2017. Reflecting the holding company's capital structure and the requirements of Curaçao laws and regulations, this distribution took the form of a repayment from the account paid-in surplus, rather than a distribution of dividends with regard to profits.

As the Company has generated further surplus funds and may generate additional surplus funds in the third and fourth quarter of 2017, Shareholders are being asked to authorize the Board to approve an additional distribution during 2017 from the account paid-in-surplus of a \$1.00 per Common Share.

**Approval of Proposal Three requires the approval of a majority of the votes cast at the General Meeting. The Board recommends that the Shareholders vote "FOR" Proposal Three to ratify and confirm the distribution from the account paid-in-surplus of \$2.00 per Common Share of the Company to Shareholders of record on May 5, 2017, to authorize the Board to approve an additional distribution from the account paid in surplus of \$1.00 per Common Share to be paid to Shareholders of record on November 17, 2017, and not to make any other distribution to Shareholders, including with regard to the profits as determined by the adoption of Proposal One, and that the profits of the Company be fully reserved within the Company, as reflected in the Company's financial statements for that period.**

**PROPOSAL FOUR: TO APPOINT KPMG (SRI LANKA), A MEMBER FIRM OF THE KPMG NETWORK, AS AUDITORS OF THE COMPANY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2017.**

The Board is recommending the appointment of KPMG (Sri Lanka), a member firm of the KPMG network, as the Company auditors for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017. This will be the second year that KPMG (Sri Lanka), located in Colombo, Sri Lanka, will be auditing the Company's financial statements. KPMG (Sri Lanka) are the auditors for Singer Asia Limited and for the Company's subsidiaries in Sri Lanka.

**Approval of Proposal Four requires the approval of a majority of the votes cast at the General Meeting. The Board recommends that the Shareholders vote "FOR" Proposal Four to appoint KPMG (Sri Lanka), a member firm of the KPMG network, as auditors of the Company for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017.**

