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**KE Holdings Inc. (CIK No. 0001809587)** 

Response to the Staff's Comments on the Amendment No. 2 to Registration Statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-240068)

Dear Ms. Howell, Ms. Martin, Mr. Efron and Ms. Menjivar:

On behalf of our client, KE Holdings Inc., a foreign private issuer organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands (the "Company"), we submit to the Staff (the "Staff") of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") this letter setting forth the Company's response to the comment contained in the Staff's letter dated August 11, 2020 on the Company's Amendment No. 2 to registration statement on Form F-1 filed on August 7, 2020. Concurrently with the submission of this letter, the Company is filing herewith Amendment No. 3 to the Company's registration statement on Form F-1 (the "Revised Registration Statement") and certain exhibit via EDGAR to the Commission.

To facilitate the Staff's review, we are separately delivering to the Staff today five courtesy copies of the Revised Registration Statement, marked to show changes to Amendment No. 2 to registration statement on Form F-1 filed with the Commission on August 7, 2020, and two copies of the filed exhibit.

The Staff's comment is repeated below in bold and is followed by the Company's response. We have included the page reference in the Revised Registration Statement where the language addressing the comment appears. Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein have the meanings set forth in the Revised Registration Statement.

## Comment in the Letter Dated August 11, 2020

### Amendment No. 2 to Form F-1 filed August 7, 2020

# **Risk Factors**

## "ADSs holders may not be entitled to a jury trial with respect to claims arising under the deposit agreement...", page 69

1. We note your disclosure in this risk factor that ADS holders waive their right to a jury trial under the deposit agreement and, as such, any claim may be heard only by a judge or justice of the applicable trial court. Section 7.6 of the deposit agreement that was filed with this amendment appears to indicate that claims may only be settled by arbitration. Please revise your risk factors to describe this provision and its impact on ADS holders. Please also address any questions as to enforceability and clarify whether such provision applies to claims under the federal securities laws and whether such provision applies to claims other than in connection with this offering.

The Company respectfully acknowledges the Staff's comment and advises that Staff that Section 7.6 of the deposit agreement indicates that "[a]ny controversy, claim or cause of action brought by any party hereto against the Company . . ., if so elected by the claimant, shall be settled by arbitration . . ." As such, a claimant may, but is not required to, elect to have the claim settled by arbitration.

In response to the Staff's comment, the Company has revised the referenced disclosure on page 69 of the Registration Statement to highlight the risk relating to the arbitration provision in the deposit agreement.

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If you have any questions regarding the Registration Statement, please contact the undersigned by phone at +852 3740-4863 or via e-mail at julie.gao@skadden.com.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Z. Julie Gao

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## Enclosures.

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