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**For immediate release**

**EMPEROR MOTION PICTURES' NEW FIREFIGHTER THRILLER  
*AS THE LIGHT GOES OUT* BLAZES INTO ACTION**

Los Angeles - Emperor Motion Pictures' is teaming up three of Hong Kong's new generation of top celluloid action for its new firefighter action drama, *As the Light Goes Out*, which begins principal photography this month. The film is made in partnership with Media Asia Films and marks the second collaboration between the two production powerhouses.

*As the Light Goes Out* will be helmed by Derek Kwok who directed 2010's nostalgic sleeper hit, *The Gallants*, the Best Film at Hong Kong Film Awards.

Nicholas Tse and Shawn Yu, two of the most popular young actors in Hong Kong today, take the lead as firefighters in the Pillar Point division on a night of drama that threatens to bring the city that never sleeps to a standstill. The young stars are more than ably backed by two of the most respected names in Chinese cinema, Simon Yam (*Echoes of the Rainbow*) and Hu Jun (*East Palace, West Palace*).

On a routine night which was expected to end in a rousing farewell to their outgoing chief who is retiring from the force, the division's firefighters instead get sucked into a web of deceit and mistrust as a fire blazes out of control at a liquor warehouse.

As the fire spreads to a nearby power plant, politics, rivalry, and suspicion all come into play when dubious decisions are made, warnings are ignored and colleagues start to fall. The question then becomes not whether they can survive the flames, but whether their brotherhood can survive the night.

"A lot of films have been made about other uniformed forces, in particular the police force, in Hong Kong but our firefighters are often the unsung celluloid heroes. For us, greenlighting *As the Light Goes Out* was a given not just because of the rare genre but also because the exceptional collaboration of Derek, Nic and Shawn who, I believe, will bring a new and different chemistry on-screen," said Albert Lee, chief executive officer of Emperor Motion Pictures.

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### ***About Emperor Motion Pictures***

Emperor Motion Pictures (EMP) was established in 2000 with a focus on the production, sales and distribution of quality motion pictures. EMP also distributes top Hollywood and Asian productions, as well as invests in both Asian and Hollywood productions. Among the award-winning and critically-acclaimed movies produced and distributed by EMP are: *The Viral Factor, The Great Magician, Let the Bullets Fly, Shaolin, The Beast Stalker, Stool Pigeon, Triple Tap, Shinjuku Incident, The Myth, The Sun Also Rises, New Police Story, The Twins Effect, The Twins Effect II, and The Medallion.*

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