SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM S-8

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

AirMedia Group Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Cayman Islands

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

Not Applicable (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

17/F, Sky Plaza No. 46 Dongzhimenwai Street **Dongcheng District, Beijing 100027** The People's Republic of China (86 10) 8438 6868 (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

AIRMEDIA GROUP INC. **2007 SHARE INCENTIVE PLAN** (as amended and restated effective December 9, 2009) (Full title of the plan)

> **CT Corporation System 111 Eighth Avenue** New York, New York 10011 (Name and address of agent for service)

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Accelerated filer ☑

Large accelerated filer o

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Non-accelerated filer o

(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Smaller reporting company o

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

	Amount to be	Proposed Maximum Offering Price	Proposed Maximum Aggregate	Amount of Registration
Title of Securities to be Registered (1)	Registered (2)	Per Share (3)	Offering Price	Fee
Ordinary Shares, par value US\$0.001 per share	5,000,000	\$3.69	\$18,450,000	\$1,315.49

These shares may be represented by the Registrant's American depositary shares ("ADSs"), each of which represents two ordinary shares. The (1)Registrant's ADSs issuable upon deposit of the ordinary shares registered hereby have been registered under a separate registration statement on Form F-6 (File No. 333- 146908)

Represents additional ordinary shares issuable pursuant to awards granted under the AirMedia Group Inc. 2007 Share Incentive Plan (as amended and (2)restated effective December 9, 2009, the "Plan"). In accordance with Rule 416(a) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), this registration statement will also cover any additional ordinary shares which become issuable under the Plan by reason of any share dividend, share split, recapitalization or similar transaction. Any ordinary shares covered by an award granted under the Plan (or portion of an award) that terminates, expires or lapses for any reason will be deemed not to have been issued for the purposes of determining the maximum aggregate number of ordinary shares that may be issued under the Plan.

(3) Estimated solely for the purposes of calculating the registration fee under Rule 457(h) and Rule 457(c) under the Securities Act, and is based on the average of the high and low sales price of the Registrant's ADSs (\$7.38), as reported on the NASDAQ Global Market on December 30, 2009.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This registration statement on Form S-8 is filed pursuant to General Instruction E to Form S-8 for the purpose of registering an additional 5,000,000 ordinary shares of Airmedia Group Inc. (the "Registrant") authorized for issuance under the amended Airmedia Group Inc. Share Incentive Plan (the "Plan"). Previously, 12,000,000 ordinary shares of the Registrant were registered for issuance under the Plan pursuant to the registrant's registration statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-148352). On December 9, 2009, the shareholders of the Registrant approved an amendment to the Plan that effectively increases the number of ordinary shares authorized for issuance under the Plan by 5,000,000 ordinary shares. In accordance with General Instruction E to Form S-8, the contents of the registration statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-148352), as amended, are incorporated herein by reference, except as otherwise set forth herein.

PART II

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference

The following documents previously filed or furnished by the Registrant with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") are incorporated by reference herein:

- (a) The Registrant's annual report on Form 20-F for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008 filed on April 28, 2009;
- (b) The Registrant's reports on Form 6-K furnished on May 4, 2009, May 19 2009, August 18, 2009, August 31, 2009, November 4, 2009, November 12, 2009 and December 10, 2009; and
- (c) The Description of the Registrant's ordinary shares contained in the Registrant's registration statement on Form 8-A, (File No. 001-33765) filed on October 24, 2007, including any amendment and report subsequently filed for the purpose of updating that description.

All documents subsequently filed by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"), after the date of this registration statement and prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment to this registration statement which indicates that all securities offered have been sold or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference in this registration statement will be deemed to be modified or superseded to the extent that a statement contained in this registration statement or in any other later filed document that also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference modifies or supersedes such statement. Any statement modified or superseded will not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to be a part of this registration statement.

Item 8. Exhibits

See the Index to Exhibits attached hereto.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in Beijing, China, on January 6, 2010.

AIRMEDIA GROUP INC.

By: /s/ Herman Man Guo Name: Herman Man Guo Title: Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

POWER OF ATTORNEY

Each person whose signature appears below hereby authorizes and appoints Mr. Herman Man Guo, with full power to act alone, as his or her true and lawful attorney-in-fact, with the power of substitution, for and in such person's name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments) to this registration statement, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done as fully to all intents and purposes as he or she might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney-in-fact may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities indicated and as of January 6, 2010.

Signature	Title
/s/ Herman Man Guo Herman Man Guo	Chairman and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)
/s/ Conor Chiahung Yang Conor Chiahung Yang	Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)
/s/ Qing Xu Qing Xu	Director
/s/ Xiaoya Zhang Xiaoya Zhang	Director
/s/ Junjie Ding Junjie Ding	Independent Director
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Signature	Title
/s/ Songzuo Xiang Songzuo Xiang	Independent Director
/s/ Shichong Shan Shichong Shan	Independent Director
/s/ Donglin Xia Donglin Xia	Independent Director
/s/ Donald J. Puglisi Name: Donald J. Puglisi Title: Managing Director, Puglisi & Associates	Authorized Representative in the United States
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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number	Description
4.1	Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Registrant (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.3 to the
	report of the Registrant on Form 6-K furnished to the Commission on December 10, 2009)
4.2	Form of Deposit Agreement among the Registrant, the depositary and owners and beneficial owners of American Depositary Receipts
	(incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.3 to the registration statement of the Registrant on Form F-1, as amended (File No.333-146825))
4.3	2007 Share Incentive Plan (as amended and restated effective December 9, 2009), (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.2 to the report
	of the Registrant on Form 6-K furnished to the Commission on December 10, 2009)
5.1 *	Opinion of Maples and Calder, Cayman Islands counsel to the Registrant, regarding the legality of the ordinary shares being registered
23.1 *	Consent of Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu CPA Ltd., independent registered public accounting firm
23.2	Consent of Maples and Calder (included in Exhibit 5.1)
24.1	Power of Attorney (set forth on the signature page of this registration statement)

* Filed herewith

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6 January 2010

Dear Sirs

AirMedia Group Inc.

We have examined the Registration Statement on Form S-8 to be filed by AirMedia Group Inc., a Cayman Islands exempted company incorporated with limited liability (the "**Registrant**"), with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "**Registration Statement**"), relating to the registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, of an amount of ordinary shares of the Registrant (the "**Shares**") for issuance pursuant to its 2007 Share Incentive Plan (as amended and restated on 9 December 2009) (the "**Plan**").

As Cayman Islands counsel to the Registrant, we have examined the corporate authorisations of the Registrant in connection with the Plan and the issue of the options to purchase the Shares by the Registrant pursuant thereto. We have assumed that the Shares will be issued in accordance with the Plan and the resolutions authorising the issue.

It is our opinion that the Shares to be issued by the Registrant have been duly and validly authorised, and when issued, sold and paid for in the manner described in the Plan and in accordance with the relevant resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors of the Registrant (or any committee to whom the Board of Directors have delegated their powers with respect to administration of the Plan) and the appropriate entries entered in the Register of Members of the Registrant, the Shares will be legally issued, fully paid and non-assessable.

We consent to the use of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement and further consent to all references to us in the Registration Statement and any amendments thereto.

Yours faithfully,

/s/ Maples and Calder

Maples and Calder

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement on Form S-8 of our reports dated April 28, 2009, relating to the financial statements and financial statement schedule of AirMedia Group Inc., its subsidiaries, its variable interest entities (the "VIE") and VIE's subsidiaries (collectively, the "Group") and the effectiveness of the Group's internal control over financial reporting, appearing in the Annual Report on Form 20-F of AirMedia Group Inc. for the year ended December 31, 2008, which is part of this Registration Statement.

/s/ Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu CPA Ltd. Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu CPA Ltd. Beijing, the People's Republic of China January 6, 2010