

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Chen David Lifeng</u> _____ (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>10# JIUXIANQIAO EAST ROAD,</u> <u>CHAOYANG DISTRICT</u> _____ (Street) <u>BEIJING F4 100016</u> _____ (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>03/17/2026</u>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>VNET Group, Inc. [VNET]</u>	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
<u>Class A ordinary shares⁽¹⁾</u>	<u>417,708</u>	<u>D</u>	

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
<u>Restricted Share Units (RSUs)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(3)</u>	<u>Class A ordinary shares</u>	<u>584,796</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>D</u>	

Explanation of Responses:

- The Class A ordinary shares are held in the form of American depository shares, each representing six Class A ordinary shares of the issuer.
- Represents RSUs granted to the reporting person pursuant to the issuer's share incentive plans, of which 83,544 RSUs will on April 30, 2026, July 31, 2026, January 31, 2027, April 30, 2027 and October 31, 2027, respectively, and 83,538 RSUs will vest on October 31, 2026 and July 31, 2027, respectively. Each RSU represents the contingent right to receive one (1) Class A ordinary share of the issuer upon vesting.
- These RSUs do not have an expiration date.

/s/ David Lifeng Chen 03/17/2026
 ** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (b)(v).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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