# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## FORM S-8

# REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

# Weibo Corporation

(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)

8/F, QIHAO Plaza, No. 8 Xinyuan S. Road Chaoyang District, Beijing 100027 People's Republic of China +86 10 5898 3017

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

#### 2014 Share Incentive Plan

(Full title of the plan)

CT Corporation System 111 Eighth Avenue New York, New York 10011 (212) 590-9070

(Name, address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

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," "smaller reporting company" and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer x Emerging growth company o Accelerated filer o

Non-accelerated filer o Smaller reporting company o

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards† provided pursuant to Section 7(a)(2)(B) of the Securities Act.

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### CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Securities to be Registered (1)	Amount to be Registered <sup>(2)</sup>	Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Share	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price	Amount of Registration Fee
Class A Ordinary Shares, par value \$0.00025 per share	5,566,298(3)	\$ 56.60(3)	\$ 315,024,635.31	\$ 38,180.99
Class A Ordinary Shares, par value \$0.00025 per share	21,766,033(4)	\$ 56.60(4)	\$ 1,231,848,637.64	\$ 149,300.05
Total	27,332,331	_	\$ 1,546,873,272.95	\$ 187,481.04

- 1) These shares may be represented by the Registrant's ADSs, each of which represents one Class A ordinary share. The Registrant's ADSs issuable upon deposit of the Class A ordinary shares registered hereby have been registered under a separate registration statement on Form F-6 (333-195072).
- (2) Represents Class A ordinary shares issuable upon exercise of options and pursuant to other awards granted under the 2014 Share Incentive Plan (the "Plan"). Pursuant to Rule 416(a) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), this registration statement also covers an indeterminate number of additional shares which may be offered and issued to prevent dilution from share splits, share dividends or similar transactions as provided in the Plan.
- (3) The amount to be registered represents restricted share units granted under the Plan and the corresponding proposed maximum offering price per share, which is estimated solely for the purposes of calculating the registration fee under Rule 457(h) and Rule 457(c) under the Securities Act, is based on the average of the high and low prices for the Registrant's ADSs as quoted on NASDAQ on November 20, 2018.
- (4) These shares are reserved for future award grants under the Plan, and the corresponding proposed maximum offering price per share, which is estimated solely for the purposes of calculating the registration fee under Rule 457(h) and Rule 457(c) under the Securities Act, is based on the average of the high and low prices for the Registrant's ADSs as quoted on NASDAQ on November 20, 2018.

#### PART I

### INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE SECTION 10(a) PROSPECTUS

#### Item 1. Plan Information\*

#### Item 2. Registrant Information and Employee Plan Annual Information\*

\* Information required by Part I to be contained in the Section 10(a) prospectus is omitted from this registration statement in accordance with Rule 428 under the Securities Act and the Note to Part I of Form S-8. The documents containing information specified in this Part I will be separately provided to the participants covered by the Plan, as specified by Rule 428(b)(1) under the Securities Act.

#### PART II

#### INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

#### Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference

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

- (a) (a) The Registrant's latest annual report on Form 20-F (File No. 000-36397) filed with the Commission on April 26, 2018 pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"); and
- (b) The description of the Registrant's Class A ordinary shares incorporated by reference in the Registrant's registration statement on Form 8-A (File No. 001-36397) filed with the Commission on April 4, 2014, including any amendment and report subsequently filed for the purpose of updating that description.

All documents subsequently filed by the Registrant pursuant to Sections 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 and to be part hereof from the date of filing of such documents. Reports on Form 6-K that the Registrant furnishes to the Commission will only be deemed incorporated by reference into this Registration Statement if such Report on Form 6-K so states that it is incorporated by reference herein.

Any statement in a document incorporated or 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 such statement so modified or superseded will not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to be a part of this registration statement.

### Item 4. Description of Securities

Not applicable.

### Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel

Not applicable.

# Item 6. Indemnification of Directors and Officers

Cayman Islands law does not limit the extent to which a company's articles of association may provide for indemnification of directors and officers, except to the extent any such provision may be held by the Cayman Islands courts to be contrary to public policy, such as to provide indemnification against civil fraud or the consequences of committing a crime. The Registrant's second amended and restated articles of association, adopted by its shareholders on March 28, 2014, provide that each officer or director of the Registrant shall be indemnified against all actions, proceedings, costs, charges, expenses, losses, damages or liabilities incurred or sustained by such director or officer, other than by reason of such person's own dishonesty, wilful default or fraud, in or about the conduct of the Registrant's business or affairs (including as a result of any mistake of judgment) or in the execution or discharge of his duties, powers, authorities or discretions, including without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, any costs, expenses, losses or liabilities incurred by such director or officer in defending (whether successfully or otherwise) any civil proceedings concerning the Registrant or its affairs in any court whether in the Cayman Islands or elsewhere.

Pursuant to the indemnification agreements, the form of which was filed as Exhibit 10.3 to the Registrant's registration statement on Form F-1, as amended (File No. 333-194589), the Registrant has agreed to indemnify its directors and executive officers against certain liabilities and expenses incurred by such persons in connection with claims made by reason of their being such a director or officer.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers or persons controlling the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, the Registrant has been informed that in the opinion of the Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is therefore unenforceable.

The Registrant also maintains a directors and officers liability insurance policy for its directors and officers.

#### Item 7. Exemption From Registration Claimed

Not applicable.

#### Item 8. Exhibits

See the Index to Exhibits attached hereto.

#### Item 9. <u>Undertakings</u>

- (a) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:
  - (1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:
    - (i) to include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act;
    - (ii) to reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of this registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in this registration statement: and
    - (iii) to include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to that information in the registration statement;

*provided*, *however*, that paragraphs (a)(1)(i) and (a)(1)(ii) above do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act that are incorporated by reference in this registration statement;

(2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

- (3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.
- (b) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each filing of the Registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act) that is incorporated by reference in this registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof.
- (c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

# EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number	Description
4.1	Second Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Registrant (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the registration statement on Form F-1, as amended (File No. 333-194589))
4.2	Registrant's Specimen Certificate for Ordinary Shares (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to the registration statement on Form F-1, as amended (File No. 333-194589))
4.3	<u>Deposit Agreement dated April 16, 2014 among the Registrant, the depositary and holders of the American Depositary Receipts (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.3 to the registration statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-199022))</u>
5.1	Opinion of Maples and Calder (Hong Kong) LLP, regarding the legality of the Class A ordinary shares being registered
10.1	2014 Share Incentive Plan (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the registration statement on Form F-1, as amended (File No. 333-194589))
23.1	Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers Zhong Tian LLP
23.2	Consent of Maples and Calder (Hong Kong) LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1)
24.1	Powers of Attorney (included on signature page hereto)
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## **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, 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 November 23, 2018.

## **Weibo Corporation**

By: /s/ Gaofei Wang

Name: Gaofei Wang

Title: Chief Executive Officer

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### POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints, severally and not jointly, each of Mr. Gaofei Wang and Mr. Fei Cao, with full power to act alone, as his 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 each 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 might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that each 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, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Signature Title	
/s/Gaofei Wang Gaofei Wang	Chief Executive Officer (principal executive officer)	November 23, 2018
/s/Fei Cao Fei Cao	Vice President, Finance (principal financial and accounting officer)	November 23, 2018
/s/Charles Chao Charles Chao	Chairman of the Board of Directors	November 23, 2018
/s/Hong Du Hong Du	Director	November 23, 2018
/s/Daniel Yong Zhang Daniel Yong Zhang	Director	November 23, 2018
/s/Pehong Chen Pehong Chen	Director	November 23, 2018
/s/Frank Kui Tang Frank Kui Tang	Director	November 23, 2018
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## SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE IN THE UNITED STATES

Pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, the undersigned, the duly authorized representative in the United States of Weibo Corporation has signed this registration statement or amendment thereto in New York on November 23, ,2018

Authorized U.S. Representative

**Cogency Global Inc.** 

By: /s/ Shek Yuen Ting

Name: Shek Yuen Ting Title: Assistant Secretary

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23 November 2018

Dear Sirs

### Weibo Corporation (the "Company")

We have acted as Cayman Islands legal counsel to the Company in connection with a registration statement on Form S-8 to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") on 23 2018 (the "Registration Statement", which term does not include any other document or agreement whether or not specifically referred to therein or attached as an exhibit or schedule thereto) relating to the registration under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, (the "Securities Act") of 27,332,331 Class A Ordinary Shares, par value US\$0.00025 per share, in the capital of the Company (the "Shares"), issuable by the Company upon the exercise of options and pursuant to other awards granted under the Company's 2014 Share Incentive Plan (the "Plan", which term does not include any other document or agreement whether or not specifically referred to therein or attached as an exhibit or schedule thereto).

For the purposes of giving this opinion, we have examined copies of the Registration Statement and the Plan. We have also reviewed copies of the second amended and restated memorandum and articles of association of the Company adopted by special resolution passed on 28 March 2014 and effective immediately prior to the completion of the Company's initial public offering of its American depositary shares representing the Shares (the "**Memorandum and Articles**"), and the resolutions of the directors of the Company passed on 23 November, 2018 (the "**Resolutions**").

Based upon, and subject to, the assumptions and qualifications set out below, and having regard to such legal considerations as we deem relevant, we are of the opinion that:

- 1. The Shares to be issued by the Company have been duly and validly authorised.
- 2. When issued and paid for in accordance with the terms of the Plan and in accordance with the Resolutions, and when appropriate entries are made in the register of members (shareholders) of the Company, the Shares will be validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable.

In this opinion letter, the phrase "non-assessable" means, with respect to the issuance of Shares, that a shareholder shall not, in respect of the relevant Shares, have any obligation to make further contributions to the Company's assets (except in exceptional circumstances, such as involving fraud, the establishment of an agency relationship or an illegal or improper purpose or other circumstances in which a court may be prepared to pierce or lift the corporate veil).

These opinions are subject to the qualification that under the Companies Law (2018 Revision) of the Cayman Islands, the register of members of a Cayman Islands company is by statute regarded as *prima facie* evidence of any matters which the Companies Law (2018 Revision) directs or authorises to be inserted therein. A third party interest in the shares in question would not appear. An entry in the register of members may yield to a court order for rectification (for example, in the event of fraud or manifest error).

These opinions are given only as to, and based on, circumstances and matters of fact existing and known to us on the date of this opinion letter. These opinions only relate to the laws of the Cayman Islands which are in force on the date of this opinion letter. We express no opinion as to the meaning, validity or effect of any references to foreign (i.e. non-Cayman Islands) statutes, rules, regulations, codes, judicial authority or any other promulgations.

We have also relied upon the assumptions, which we have not independently verified, that (a) all signatures, initials and seals are genuine, (b) copies of documents, conformed copies or drafts of documents provided to us are true and complete copies of, or in the final forms of, the originals, (c) where a document has been provided to us in draft or undated form, it will be duly executed, dated and unconditionally delivered in the same form as the last version provided to us, (d) the Memorandum and Articles remain in full force and effect and are unamended, (e) the Resolutions were duly passed in the manner prescribed in the Memorandum and Articles and have not been amended, varied or revoked in any respect, (f) there is nothing under any law (other than the laws of the Cayman Islands) which would or might affect the opinions set out above, (g) there is nothing contained in the minute book or corporate records of the Company (which we have not inspected) which would or might affect the opinions set out below, and (h) upon the issue of any Shares, the Company will receive consideration which shall be not less than the par value of such Shares.

This opinion letter is to and for the benefit solely of the addressee and may not be relied upon by any other person for any purpose.

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. In giving such consent, we do not consider that we are "experts" within the meaning of such term as used in the Securities Act, or the rules and regulations of the Commission issued thereunder, with respect to any part of the Registration Statement, including this opinion as an exhibit or otherwise.

Yours faithfully

/s/Maples and Calder (Hong Kong) LLP Maples and Calder (Hong Kong) LLP

### CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement on Form S-8 of Weibo Corporation of our report dated April 26, 2018 relating to the consolidated financial statements, and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, which appears in Weibo Corporation's Annual Report on Form 20-F for the year ended December 31, 2017.

/s/PricewaterhouseCoopers Zhong Tian LLP

PricewaterhouseCoopers Zhong Tian LLP

Beijing, the People's Republic of China

November 23, 2018