# CORPORATE INFORMATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Chan Chung Yee, Hubert (Chairman)
Chan Chung Yin, Roy
Chan Man Min
Yeh Yui Fong
Tsui Hon Wing
Chan Ming Him, Denny
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Chu Chor Lup\*
Chiu Ngar Wing FCCA, AHKICPA, CPA\*
Leung Tai Wai, David\*

\* Independent non-executive director

# **COMPANY SECRETARY**

Wu Kwok Lam AHKICPA, FCCA

# QUALIFIED ACCOUNTANT

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# **AUDITORS**

Li, Tang, Chen & Co. Certified Public Accountants

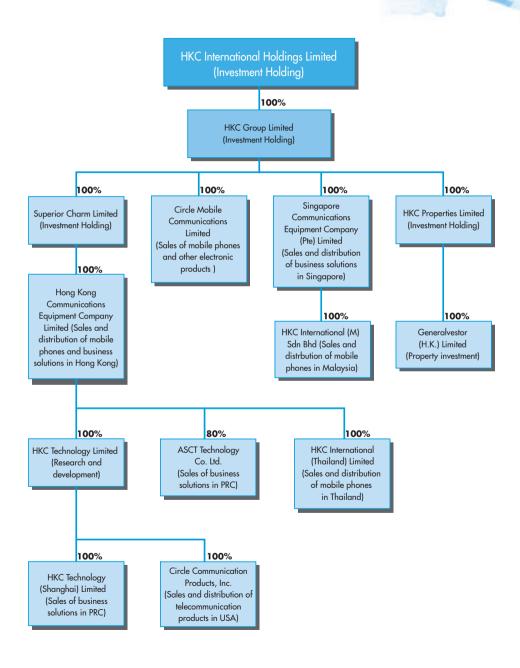
# HONG KONG BRANCH REGISTRAR

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# **INTERIM REPORT**

The directors of HKC International Holdings Limited (the "Company") are pleased to announce the unaudited consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "Group") for the six months ended 30 September 2004 as follows. The interim report has been reviewed by the audit committee of the Company.

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2004

	Six months ended			
		30.9.2004	30.9.2003	
	NOTES	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
		(unaudited)	(unaudited)	
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Turnover	3	469,410	442,873	
Cost of sales		(417,603)	(402,216)	
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Gross profit		51,807	40,657	
Other operating income	4	378	164	
Selling and distribution costs	4	(4,779)	(3,021)	
Administrative expenses		(36,355)	(32,773)	
Impairment loss recognized		(30,333)	(32,773)	
in respect of goodwill		(3,645)	_	
Amortisation of goodwill		(214)	(300)	
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Profit from operations Finance costs	5 6	7,192	4,727	
rinance costs	0	(404)	(452)	
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Profit before taxation		6,788	4,275	
Taxation	7	(2,556)	(953)	
Profit before minority interests		4,232	3,322	
Minority interests		15	155	
Profit for the period		4,247	3,477	
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Dividend	8	Nil	Nil	
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E I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I	0	0.04	0.00	
Earnings per share – basic (HK cents)	9	0.94 cents	0.80 cents	

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2004

	NOTES	30.9.2004 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	31.3.2004 HK\$'000 (audited)
Non-current assets Goodwill Investment properties Property, plant and equipment Investments in securities Club debentures Deferred tax assets	10 10	88,408 68,327 6,640 335 58	3,859 75,946 54,888 6,640 335 58
Current assets Inventories Debtors, deposits and prepayments Amounts due from related companies Investments in securities Taxation recoverable Pledged bank deposit Bank balances and cash	11	163,768 44,297 53,982 2,087 3,862 852 253 41,310	51,689 41,313 1,825 3,862 3,324 280 32,473
Current liabilities Creditors and accrued charges Taxation payable Obligations under hire purchase contracts Bank borrowings – secured  Net current assets	12	51,338 188 28 3,187 54,741 91,902	134,766 43,541 743 47 3,187 47,518 87,248
Total assets less current liabilities		255,670	228,974
Non-current liabilities Obligations under hire purchase contracts Bank borrowings – secured Deferred tax liabilities		25,590 9,192 34,782	27,218 6,254 33,476
Minority interests		542	557
Capital and reserves Share capital Reserves		220,346 4,496 215,850 220,346	4,496 190,445 194,941

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2004

	Share	Share	Canital	Investment proper ty	Leasehold property revaluation	Translation	Retained	
	capital	premium	reserve	reserve	reserve	reserve	profits	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At 1.4.2004	4,496	29,535	28,325	8,358	27,944	48	96,235	194,941
Revaluation surplus	_	_	-	12,462	15,986	_	-	28,448
Deferred tax liabilities charged	-	-	-	-	(2,738)	-	_	(2,738)
Exchange difference on translation								, , ,
of overseas operation	_	_	-	_	_	(56)	_	(56)
Profit for the period	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,247	4,247
Dividend paid							(4,496)	(4,496)
At 30.9.2004	4,496	29,535	28,325	20,820	41,192	(8)	95,986	220,346
At 1.4.2003	4,348	27,239	28,325	9,465	23,573	(36)	100,060	192,974
Shares issued pursuant to scrip	.,00	/	20,020	,,	20/07 0	(00)	.00,000	,
dividend scheme	148	2,296	-	_	_	_	_	2,444
Revaluation deficit	_	· -	-	(2,000)	_	_	_	(2,000)
Exchange difference on translation				( //				, , ,
of overseas operation	_	_	-	-	_	(12)	_	(12)
Profit for the period	-	-	-	-	_	-	3,477	3,477
Dividend paid							(4,348)	(4,348)
At 30.9.2003	4,496	29,535	28,325	7,465	23,573	(48)	99,189	192,535

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2004

	Six months ended			
	30.9.2004	30.9.2003		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000		
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)		
Net cash from operating activities	15,693	13,950		
Net cash used in investing activities	(479)	(2,010)		
Net cash used in financing activities	(6,147)	(6,194)		
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	9,067	5,746		
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period	32,417	22,030		
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes	(174)	(6)		
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period	41,310	27,770		

# NOTES TO THE CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2004

#### 1. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The condensed financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the applicable disclosure requirements of Appendix 16 (in force immediately before its revision became effective on 31 March 2004) to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules") and with Statement of Standard Accounting Practice No. 25 "Interim financial reporting".

# 2. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The condensed financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified for revaluation of certain properties and investments in securities.

The accounting policies are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the Group's annual financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2004.

# 3. SEGMENT INFORMATION

The turnover and contributions to profit from operations of the Group for the period, analysed by business segments, are as follows:

For the six months ended 30 September 2004

	Sale of mobile phones HK\$'000	Sale of business solutions HK\$'000	Connection services HK\$'000	Property investments HK\$'000	Installation, repair and maintenance services HK\$'000	Elimination HK\$'000	Consolidated HK\$'000
External sales Inter-segment sales	436,889	17,728		1,165 648	13,628	(648)	469,410
	436,889	17,728		1,813	13,628	(648)	469,410
Segments results	9,613	(3,035)		638	3,457		10,673
Other operating income Impairment loss recognized in							378
respect of goodwill Amortisation of goodwill	-	(3,645) (214)	-	-	-		(3,645) (214)
Profit from operations							7,192

For the six months ended 30 September 2003

	Sale of mobile phones HK\$'000	Sale of business solutions HK\$'000	Connection services HK\$'000	Property investments HK\$'000	Installation, repair and maintenance services HK\$'000	Elimination HK\$'000	Consolidated HK\$'000
External sales Inter-segment sales	405,833	21,536	875	1,981 1,050	12,648	(1,050)	442,873
	405,833	21,536	875	3,031	12,648	(1,050)	442,873
Segments results	2,561	(555)	286	1,652	919		4,863
Other operating income Amortisation of goodwill	-	(300)	-	-	-		(300)
Profit from operations							4,727

Inter-segment sales are charged at prevailing market rates.

# 4. OTHER OPERATING INCOME

	Six months ended		
	30.9.2004	30.9.2003	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Interest income from banks	95	140	
Sundry income	283	24	
,			
	378	164	

# 5. PROFIT FROM OPERATIONS

Profit from operations has been arrived at after charging:

	Six m	Six months ended		
	30.9.2004	30.9.2003		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000		
Depreciation owned assets	2,203	1,638		
assets under hire purchase contracts	10	7		
	2,213	1,645		

# 6. FINANCE COSTS

	30.9.2004 HK\$'000	30.9.2003 HK\$'000
Interest on obligations under hire purchase contracts Interest on bank borrowings wholly repayable	3	17
within five years Interest on bank borrowings wholly repayable	10	7
after five years	391	428
	404	452

Six months ended

#### 7. TAXATION

	Six mo	Six months ended		
	30.9.2004	30.9.2003		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000		
The charge comprises:				
Hong Kong Profits Tax	2,264	953		
PRC Income Tax	92	-		
Deferred tax	200	-		
	2,556	953		

Hong Kong Profits Tax is calculated at 17.5% (2003: 17.5%) of the estimated assessable profit for the period.

PRC Income Tax is calculated at the applicable PRC tax rates on the estimated assessable profit for the period.

#### 8. DIVIDEND

The directors do not recommend the payment of any interim dividend for the six months ended 30 September 2004 (2003: HK\$Nil).

# 9. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The calculation of the basic earnings per share is based on the net profit for the period of HK\$4,247,000 (2003: HK\$3,477,000) and on the weighted average of 449,637,603 ordinary shares (2003: 436,013,947 shares) in issue during the period.

During each of the periods ended 30 September 2004 and 2003, the exercise price of the Company's options was higher than the average market price of share, thus there was no dilutive potential ordinary shares and no diluted earnings per share had been calculated.

# 10. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES AND PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

All of the investment properties and leasehold land and buildings of the Group were revalued at 30 September 2004 by LCH (Asia-Pacific) Surveyors Limited, an independent firm of professional property valuer, on an open market value existing use basis. The resulting surplus arising on revaluation, which amounted to HK\$12,462,000 (2003: HK\$Nil) and HK\$15,986,000 (2003: HK\$Nil), have been credited to the investment property revaluation reserve and the leasehold property revaluation reserve respectively.

# 11. DEBTORS, DEPOSITS AND PREPAYMENTS

The Group has a policy of allowing average credit period ranging from 2 weeks to one month to its trade customers.

In addition, for certain customers with long-established relationship and good past repayment histories, a longer credit period may be granted.

The following is an aged analysis of trade debtors:

	30.9.2004 HK\$'000	31.3.2004 HK\$'000
Within 30 days Between 31 to 60 days Between 61 to 90 days Between 91 to 120 days Over 120 days	19,518 9,690 2,461 1,184 10,285	18,276 2,769 2,457 597 6,687
Trade debtors Other debtors, deposits and prepayments	43,138 10,844 ———————————————————————————————————	30,786 10,527 41,313

# 12. CREDITORS AND ACCRUED CHARGES

The following is an aged analysis of trade creditors:

	30.9.2004 HK\$'000	31.3.2004 HK\$'000
Within 30 days	40,404	34,996
Between 31 to 60 days	246	34,770
Between 61 to 90 days	134	2,202
Between 91 to 120 days	598	_
Over 120 days	2,596	
Trade creditors	43,978	37,563
Other creditors and accrued charges	7,360	5,978
	51,338	43,541

#### 13. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the period, the Group had the following transactions, which were conducted in the ordinary course of the Group's business, with its related companies:

			Six mont	ths ended
Name	Notes	Nature of transactions	30.9.2004	30.9.2003
			HK\$'000	HK\$'000
BIA Technology Ltd	(i)	Sales to	2,299	9
	(i)	Purchase from	-	847
	(ii)	Rental income received	18	38
Hong Kong Communications	(i)	Computer software maintenance		
Computer Company Limited		fee paid and purchase from	39	230
	(ii)	Rental income received	90	125
HKC Intown Limited	(i)	Internet access fee paid	116	42

#### Notes:

- Sales, purchases and other expenses paid are based on cost plus a percentage of profit mark-up.
- (ii) Rental income was charged based on the area used, which the management of the Group considered to be appropriate basis of allocation.

# 14. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

At 30 September 2004, the Company has provided corporate guarantees of HK\$96,740,000 (31 March 2004: HK\$97,340,000) to secure the banking facilities granted to subsidiary companies.

# 15. PLEDGES OF ASSETS

At 30 September 2004, certain leasehold land and buildings and investment properties with aggregate carrying values of HK\$4,170,000 (31 March 2004: HK\$4,170,000) and HK\$65,400,000 (31 March 2004: HK\$55,000,000) respectively were pledged to banks to secure banking facilities granted to the Group. In addition, the Group's bank deposits of HK\$253,000 (31 March 2004: HK\$280,000) were pledged to banks to secure the performance bonds.

#### 16. POST BALANCE SHEET EVENT

On 1 December 2004, the Group accepted a tender from an independent third party to dispose of an investment property and a leasehold land and building (the "Properties") at a consideration of HK\$180,000,000. The net book value at cost of the Properties was HK\$73,800,000 at 30 September 2004. Therefore the Group is to record a gain of approximately HK\$106,200,000 (subject to audit) before related expenses upon completion of sales.

The above disposal constitutes a very substantial disposal for the Group under Chapter 14 of the Listing Rules and is conditional on approval by the shareholders of the Company at an extraordinary general meeting to be convened and held for approving, among other matters, the disposal. Particulars of the above disposal are set out in the Company's announcement dated 3 December 2004.

# MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS BUSINESS REVIEW

For the six months ended 30 September 2004, the Group's net profit was HK\$ 4.2 million and the tumover was HK\$ 469 million representing an increase in 20% and 6% respectively from the corresponding period last year.

# Sale of mobile phones

This division posted an 8% increase in sales to HK\$437 million while the profit grew by more than 2.7 times when compared with the corresponding period last year. The popularity of new models of Nokia's mobile phones and the contribution from the retail chain "Circle" helped to boost the profit.

At 30 September 2004, the total number of counters in our "Circle" retail chain was 8. There were 7 counters in Jusco Department Stores and 1 counter in Citistore. In addition, the Group also operated a franchised "Nokia Professional Centre" in Mongkok.

#### Sale of business solutions

This relates to the sales of office telephone systems, provision of security systems and integrated services. During the period under review, the division recorded a loss of approximately HK\$3 million. The loss was due to the initial set up costs of our subsidiary in USA and the design and development costs of new products. The subsidiary in Singapore also recorded a loss due to the keen competition and adverse market conditions.

#### Property investment

The rental income has decreased by approximately HK\$1 million due to the increase in vacancy during the period under review.

# Installation, repair and maintenance services

The turnover has increased by approximately 8% and the profit has increased by approximately 2.8 times to HK\$3.5 million. The sharp increase in profit was due to the increase in demand of repairs and maintenance services when compared with the SARS period last year.

# **PROSPECTS**

We have extended our sales and distribution of mobile phones to Thailand and Malaysia. In addition, we will consolidate the operations of business solutions in Hong Kong, China, Singapore and USA to utilize the common resources more effectively and enjoy the synergy advantages. We hope that the continued popularity of Nokia's mobile phones and the booming of retail market will help to achieve the satisfactory results in second half of the year.

# **APPRECIATION**

We would like to extend our sincere gratitude to our shareholders, business counterparts and all management and the staff members of the Group for their contribution and continued support during the period.

# LIQUIDITY AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES

The Group continues to maintain a strong financial position. As at 30 September 2004, the cash and bank balances amounted to approximately HK\$41.3 million (31 March 2004: HK\$32 million) while the bank borrowings were HK\$29 million (31 March 2004: HK\$30 million). The long term bank borrowing is denominated in Hong Kong dollars and is repayable by 120 monthly installments at a fixed interest rate. The gearing ratio was 13.1% (31 March 2004: 15.8%). The gearing ratio is expressed as a percentage of total borrowings to shareholders' funds.

As substantial portion of transactions are dominated in Hong Kong Dollar, the Group's exposure to exchange fluctuation is low.

# **EMPLOYEES**

As at 30 September 2004, the total number of employees of the Group was approximately 300 (31 March 2004: 280) and the remuneration of employees (excluding directors' emoluments) amounted to approximately HK\$20 million for the period (2003: HK\$20 million). The remuneration and bonus packages are based on the individual merits and performance and are reviewed at least annually. The Group maintains a good relationship with its employees.

# **CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

At 30 September 2004, the Company has provided corporate guarantees of HK\$97 million (31 March 2004: HK\$97 million) to secure the banking facilities granted to subsidiary companies.

# PLEDGES OF ASSETS

At 30 September 2004, certain leasehold land and buildings and investment properties with aggregate carrying values of HK\$4 million (31 March 2004: HK\$4 million) and HK\$65 million (31 March 2004: HK\$55 million) respectively were pledged to banks to secure banking facilities granted to the Group. In addition, the Group's bank deposits of HK\$253,000 (31 March 2004: HK\$280,000) were pledged to banks to secure the performance bonds.

# DIRECTORS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURES OF THE COMPANY AND ITS ASSOCIATED CORPORATIONS

As at 30 September 2004, the interests and short positions of the directors and chief executive of the Company in the shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or its associated corporations (within the meaning of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the laws of Hong Kong) ("SFO")) which were required to be notified to the Company and The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Stock Exchange") pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests and short positions which he was taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO), or which were required, pursuant to section 352 of the SFO, to be entered in the register maintained by the Company referred to therein, or which were required, pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Companies contained

in the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange ("Listing Rules"), to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange were as follows:

Name of director	The Company/ associated corporation	Capacity/ nature of interest	Number and class of securities (Note 1)	Percentage of interests in the issued share capital at 30 September 2004
Chan Chun Yee, Hubert	The Company	Founder of a trust	229,176,575 ordinary shares (each a "Share") of HK\$0.01 each (L) (Note 2)	50.97%
	The Company	Beneficial owner	4,300,000 Shares (L) (Note 7)	0.96%
	Matrix World Group Limited	Founder of a trust	1 share of US\$1.00 each (L)	100%
Chan Chung Yin, Roy	The Company	Founder of a trust	68,417,400 Shares (L) (Note 3)	15.22%
	The Company	Beneficial owner	2,000,000 Shares (L) (Note 7)	0.44%
Chan Man Min	The Company	Interest of controlled corporation	24,709,650 Shares (L) (Note 4)	5.50%
	The Company	Beneficial owner	1,000,000 Shares (L) (Note 7)	0.22%
Yeh Yui Fong	The Company	Interest of controlled corporation	2,681,550 Shares (L) (Note 5)	0.60%
	The Company	Beneficial owner	1,000,000 Shares (L) (Note 7)	0.22%
Tsui Hon Wing	The Company	Beneficial owner	2,939,200 Share (L) (Notes 6 and 7)	0.65%
Chan Ming Him, Denny	The Company	Beneficial owner	1,000,000 Shares (L) (Note 7)	0.22%
Wu Kwok Lam	The Company	Beneficial owner	1,000,000 Shares (L) (Note 7)	0.22%

#### Notes:

- The Letter "L" represents the director's interests in the shares and underlying shares of the Company or its associated corporations.
- 2. Of these Shares, 8,484,848 Shares were held by Light Emotion Limited, a company wholly owned by Matrix World Group Limited and 220,691,727 Shares were held by Matrix World Group Limited, a company wholly owned by Trustcorp Limited as the trustee of a discretionary trust of which Mr. Chan Chung Yee, Hubert is the founder (within the meaning ascribed to it under Part XV of the SFO). By virtue of the provisions of Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO, Matrix World Group Limited was deemed to be interested in the Shares held by Light Emotion Limited and Mr. Chan Chung Yee, Hubert was deemed to be interest in the Shares in which Matrix World Group Limited was interested.
- 3. These Shares were held by Star Global International Limited, a company wholly owned by Trustcorp Limited as the trustee for a discretionary trust of which Mr. Chan Chung Yin, Roy is the founder (within the meaning ascribed to it under Part XV of the SFO). By virtue of the provisions of Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO, Mr. Chan Chung Yin, Roy was deemed to be interested in the Shares held by Star Global International Limited.
- 4. These Shares were held by Ocean Hope Group Limited, a company wholly owned by Mr. Chan Man Min. By virtue of the provisions of Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO, Mr. Chan Man Min was deemed to be interested in the Shares held by Ocean Hope Group Limited.
- 5. There Shares were held by CIT Company Limited, a company wholly owned by Mr. Yeh Yui Fong and his wife in equal share. By virtue of the provisions of Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO, Mr. Yeh Yui Fong was deemed to be interested in the Shares held by CIT Company Limited.
- 6. Of these Shares, 1,000,000 Shares represented the Shares that would fall to be allotted and issued upon exercise in full of the option granted to Mr. Tsui Hon Wing under the share option scheme of the Company. Please refer to note 7 below for details.
- 7. These respective number of Shares that would fall to be allotted and issued upon exercise in full of the options granted to each of Mr. Chan Chung Yee, Hubert, Mr. Chan Chung Yin, Roy, Mr. Chan Man Min, Mr. Yeh Yui Fong, Mr. Tsui Hon Wing, Mr. Chan Ming Him, Denny and Mr. Wu Kwok Lam under the share option scheme of the Company which was adopted pursuant to a resolution in writing passed by all shareholders of the Company on 23 October 2001. These options, all of which remained exercisable as at 30 September 2004, were exercisable at the subscription price of HK\$0.17 per Share at any time during a period of two years commencing from and including 21 February 2003 to 20 February 2005.

Save as disclosed above, as at 30 September 2004, none of the directors and chief executive of the Company had any interest and short positions in the share, underlying shares and debentures of the Company or its associated corporations (within the meaning of the SFO) which were required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("the Stock Exchange") pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests and short positions which he taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO), or which were required, pursuant to section 352 of the SFO, to be entered in the register maintained by the Company referred to therein, or which were required, pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Companies contained in the Listing Rules, to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange.

# **DIRECTORS' RIGHTS TO ACQUIRE SHARES**

Apart from those disclosed under the heading "Directors' interests and short positions in shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company and its associated corporations" above and in the share option scheme disclosures below, at no time during the period under review or up to the date of this report were there any rights to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in or debentures of the Company granted to any director or their respective spouse or minor children, or were any such rights exercised by them; or was the Company, or any of its subsidiaries a party to any arrangement to enable the directors to acquire such rights in any other body corporate.

# **SHARE OPTIONS**

At 30 September 2004, the number of shares in respect of which options had been granted under the Company's share option scheme was 15,996,000 representing approximately 3.6% of the shares of the Company in issue at that date.

The details of the share options outstanding as at 30 September 2004 are as follows:

	Exercise Period	Exercisable price per share HK\$	Outstanding at 1 April 2004	Lapsed during the period	Granted during the period	Outstanding at 30 September 2004
Directors:						
Chan Chung Yee, Hubert	21.2.2003 - 20.2.2005	0.17	4,300,000	-	-	4,300,000
Chan Chung Yin, Roy	21.2.2003 - 20.2.2005	0.17	2,000,000	-	-	2,000,000
Chan Man Min	21.2.2003 - 20.2.2005	0.17	1,000,000	-	-	1,000,000
Chan Ming Him, Denny	21.2.2003 - 20.2.2005	0.17	1,000,000	-	-	1,000,000
Kwok Cheuk Tim, Rockie	21.2.2003 - 20.2.2005	0.17	2,000,000	(2,000,000)	-	-
Tsui Hon Wing	21.2.2003 - 20.2.2005	0.17	1,000,000	-	-	1,000,000
Wu Kwok Lam	21.2.2003 - 20.2.2005	0.17	1,000,000	-	-	1,000,000
Yeh Yui Fong	21.2.2003 - 20.2.2005	0.17	1,000,000			1,000,000
			13,300,000	(2,000,000)	-	11,300,000
Employees	4.11.2004 - 3.5.2006	0.196			4,696,000	4,696,000
			13,300,000	(2,000,000)	4,696,000	15,996,000

The closing price of the Company's shares immediately before the date of grant of option to employees on 4 May 2004 was HK\$0.196.

# SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS AND OTHER PERSONS WHO ARE REQUIRED TO DISCLOSE THEIR INTERESTS PURSUANT TO PART XV OF THE SFO

At 30 September 2004, the following persons, other than a director or chief executive of the Company, had an interest or a short position in the shares and underlying shares in the Company as recorded in the register required to be kept under section 336 of the SFO:

Name	Number of shares held	Capacity/nature of interest	Percentage of holding
Matrix World Group Limited	220,691,727 (L)	Beneficial owner	49.08%
(Note 2)	8,484,848 (L)	Interest of controlled corporation	1.89%
Star Global International Limited (Note 3)	68,417,400 (L)	Beneficial owner	15.22%
Ocean Hope Group Limited (Note 4)	24,709,650 (L)	Beneficial owner	5.50%
Trustcorp Limited (Note 2 and 3)	297,593,975 (L)	Trustee	66.19%

# Notes:

- 1. The letter "L" represents the person's interests in Shares
- 2. 8,484,848 Shares were held by Light Emotion Limited, a company wholly owned by Matrix World Group Limited and 220,691,727 Shares were held by Matrix World Group Limited, a company wholly owned by Trustcorp Limited as the trustee of a discretionary trust of which Mr. Chan Chung Yee, Hubert is the founder (within the meaning ascribed to it under Part XV of the SFO). By virtue of the provisions of Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO, Matrix World Group Limited was deemed to be interested in the Shares in which Matrix World Group Limited was interested.
- 3. Star Global International Limited was a company wholly owned by Trustcorp Limited as the trustee for a discretionary trust of which Mr. Chan Chung Yin, Roy is the founder (within the meaning ascribed to it under Part XV of the SFO). By virtue of the provisions of Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO, Trustcorp Limited was deemed to be interested in the Shares held by Star Global International Limited.
- 4. Ocean Hope Group Limited is a company wholly owned by Mr. Chan Man Min.

Save as disclosed above, as at 30 September 2004, no person, other than a director or chief executive of the Company, had an interest or a short position in the shares and underlying shares in the Company as recorded in the register required to be kept under section 336 of the SFO.

# PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF THE COMPANY'S LISTED SECURITIES

During the six months ended 30 September 2004, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities.

# **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The audit committee has reviewed with management the accounting policies adopted by the Group and discussed auditing, internal control, and financial reporting matters, including the review of interim financial statements which have not been audited.

# **CODE OF BEST PRACTICE**

None of the directors of the Company is aware of any information that would reasonably indicate that the Company is not, or was not for any part of the six months ended 30 September 2004, in compliance with the Code of Best Practice as set out in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules.

On behalf of the Board
Chan Chung Yee, Hubert
Chairman

Hong Kong, 15 December 2004