

## HKC INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS LIMITED

香港通訊國際控股有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)
Stock code: 248

Interim Report
2023

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#### **Corporate Information**

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Executive Directors

Chan Chung Yee, Hubert (Chairman & Chief Executive Officer) Chan Chung Yin, Roy

Chan Ming Him, Denny Wu Kwok Lam CPA, FCCA Ip Man Hon

Lam Man Hau

#### Independent Non-executive Directors

Chiu Ngar Wing FCCA, CPA (Practising) Chu Chor Lup Law Ka Hung Wong Kwok Leung

#### **COMPANY SECRETARY**

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#### PRINCIPAL BANKERS

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#### STOCK CODE

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The board of directors (the "Board") of HKC International Holdings Limited (the "Company") is pleased to announce the unaudited condensed consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "Group") for the six months ended 30 September, 2023 as follows:

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER, 2023

		Six months ended 30 September,			
	Notes	2023 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	2022 HK\$'000 (unaudited)		
Revenue Cost of sales	3	101,526 (81,388)	97,085 (81,504)		
Gross profit		20,138	15,581		
Other income, gains and losses Fair value loss on financial assets at fair value	4	1,290	2,879		
through profit and loss ("FVTPL") Reversal of impairment on trade receivables and		(123)	(47)		
contract assets, net Selling and distribution expenses Administrative and other operating expenses Finance costs	5	573 (1,814) (14,802) (5,910)	215 (1,653) (14,898) (1,245)		
(Loss) profit before taxation Taxation	6 7	(648)	832 (38)		
(Loss) profit for the period attributable to equity holders of the Company		(648)	794		
Other comprehensive income Item that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss					
Exchange differences on translation of overseas Operations		2,090	5,125		
Total comprehensive income attributable to equity holders of the Company		1,442	5,919		
(Loss) earnings per share – (HK cents) – basic and diluted	8	(0.05) cents	0.06 cents		

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER, 2023

	As at 30	As at
	September,	31 March,
Not	•	2023
1101	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(unaudited)	(audited)
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Property, plant and equipment	50,066	50,426
Investment properties	182,400	193,000
Financial assets at FVTPL	9,145	9,145
	7,143	9,143
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income ("FVTOCI")	_	9,854
comprehensive income (1770ci /		
	241,611	262,425
CURRENT ASSETS		
Inventories	15,836	15,906
Contract assets 10	/	78,344
Financial assets at FVTPL	473	596
Trade receivables 11	9,561	19,275
Prepayments, deposits and other receivables	10,239	12,644
Tax recoverable	176	176
Pledged bank deposits	2,760	2,667
Cash and bank balances	21,176	35,463
	187,172	165,071
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CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Trade payables 12	_,	4,164
Accruals and other payables	_,	7,237
Contract liabilities	2,067	2,13 <i>7</i>
Amounts due to directors	4,000	10,000
Lease liabilities	8	72
Bank borrowings	153,202	140,478
Tax payable	<u> </u>	30
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	163,963	164,118
NET CURRENT ASSETS	23,209	953

# **CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (Continued)**

AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER, 2023

	As at 30 September, 2023 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	As at 31 March, 2023 HK\$'000 (audited)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	264,820	263,378
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES Deferred tax liabilities	50	50
NET ASSETS	264,770	263,328
CAPITAL AND RESERVES Share capital Reserves	12,453 252,317	12,453 250,875
TOTAL EQUITY	264,770	263,328

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER, 2023

Attributable to equity holders of the Company

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	Share capital HK\$'000	Share premium HK\$'000	Capital reserve HK\$'000	Property revaluation reserve HK\$'000	Translation reserve HK\$'000	Investment revaluation reserve HK\$'000	Share- based payment reserve HK\$'000	Retained profits HK\$'000	<b>Tota</b> HK\$'000
At 1 April, 2023	12,453	39,621	28,325	74,640	652	5,954	830	100,853	263,328
Loss for the period Other comprehensive income for the period Transferred to retained	-	-	-	-	2,090	-	-	(648) -	(648 2,090
profits on disposal of financial assets at FVTOCI Transferred to retained	-	-	-	-	-	(5,954)	-	5,954	
profits on disposal of investment property				(9,478)				9,478	
Total comprehensive (expense) income for the period				(9,478)	2,090	(5,954)		14,784	1,442
At 30 September, 2023 (unaudited)	12,453	39,621	28,325	65,162	2,742		830	115,637	264,770
At 1 April, 2022	12,453	39,621	28,325	74,640	1,007	4,335		120,421	280,802
Profit for the period	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	794	794
Other comprehensive income for the period					5,125				5,125
Total comprehensive income for the period					5,125			794	5,919
At 30 September, 2022 (unaudited)	12,453	39,621	28,325	74,640	6,132	4,335		121,215	286,721

#### **CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER, 2023

	Six months ended			
	<b>30.9.2023</b> 30.9.20			
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000		
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)		
Net cash used in operating activities	(26,747)	(28,373)		
Net cash used in investing activities	(188)	(412)		
Net cash generated from financing activities	12,660	37,163		
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(14,275)	8,378		
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period	35,463	25,746		
Effect of foreign exchange rates changes	(12)	(72)		
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period	21,176	34,052		
Analysis of balances of cash and cash equivalents				
Cash and bank balances	21,176	34,052		

# NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER, 2023

#### 1. BASIS OF PREPARATION

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs") (which also include Hong Kong Accounting Standards ("HKASs") and Interpretations ("HK-Int")) issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA"), accounting principles generally accepted in Hong Kong and the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance. They have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for investment properties and certain financial instruments, which have been measured at fair values. These financial statements are presented in Hong Kong Dollars ("HK\$") and all values are rounded to the nearest thousand except where otherwise indicated.

#### 2. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

In the current interim period, the Group has applied, for the first time, the following amendments to HKFRSs issued by the HKICPA which are effective for the Group's financial year beginning 1 April, 2023:

HKFRS 17 and related amendments Amendments to HKAS 1 and HKFRS Practice Statement 2 Amendments to HKAS 8 Amendments to HKAS 12

Amendments to HKAS 12

Insurance Contracts
Disclosure of Accounting Policies

Definition of Accounting Estimates
Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising
from a Single Transaction
International Tax Reform – Pillar Two Model Rules

The application of the amendments to HKFRSs in the current interim period has had no material effect on the Group's financial performance and positions for the current and prior periods and/or on the disclosures set out in these condensed consolidated financial statements.

#### 3. REVENUE/SEGMENT INFORMATION

Revenue represents sales of mobile phones, sales of internet of things ("IOT") solutions and gross rental income.

#### Segment results, assets and liabilities

The reportable segments for the six months ended 30 September, 2023 are as follows:

Sales of mobile phones in Hong Kong HK\$'000	Sales of IOT solutions in Hong Kong HK\$'000	Sales of IOT solutions in Mainland China and other countries in South East Asia HK\$'000	Property investment HK\$'000	Total HK\$′000
19,434	79,015	2,605	472	101,526
(946)	3,926	(2,276)	(1,228)	(524)
151,427	52,822	14.236	200.680	419,165
111,022	3,433	4,088	45,420	163,963
-	304	-	-	304
18	4,679	264	949	5,910
72	160	208	15	455
-			-	573
	18			95
	mobile phones in Hong Kong HK\$'000 19,434 (946) 151,427 111,022	mobile phones in Hong Kong HK\$'000  19,434 79,015  (946) 3,926  151,427 52,822 111,022 3,433  - 304 18 4,679	Sales of Sales of IOT countries in Mainland China and other countries in South East in Hong Kong HK\$'000 HK\$'000 HK\$'000  19,434 79,015 2,605  (946) 3,926 (2,276)  151,427 52,822 14,236 111,022 3,433 4,088  - 304 - 18 4,679 264 72 160 208  - 573 -	Solutions in   Mainland   China   and other   countries in   South East   in Hong Kong   HK\$'000   HK\$'000   HK\$'000   HK\$'000   HK\$'000   HK\$'000   HK\$'000   HX\$'000   HX\$'0

## 3. REVENUE/SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued) Segment results, assets and liabilities (Continued)

The reportable segments for the six months ended 30 September, 2022 are as follows:

			Sales of IOT		
			solutions in		
			Mainland		
	Sales of		China		
	mobile	Sales of IOT	and other		
	phones in	solutions in	countries in	Property	
	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	South East Asia	investment	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
REVENUES					
Reportable segment revenue – external	30,007	60,083	5,961	1,034	97,085
Reportable segment profit (loss)	259	2,369	(1,811)	63	880
Segments assets and liabilities:					
Reportable segment assets	104,223	62,330	12,907	220,712	400,172
Reportable segment liabilities	106,401	2,659	4,300	17,816	131,176
Other segment information:					
Amounts included in the measure of					
segment profit or loss or segment assets					
Interest income from bank deposits	-	4	-	-	4
Finance costs	844	-	120	281	1,245
Depreciation	49	247	224	43	563
Reversal of impairment on trade					
receivables	-	560	-	-	560
Impairment loss on contract assets	-	345	-	-	345
Additions to non-current assets	405	-	2	-	407

The accounting policies of the reportable segments are the same as the Group's accounting policies. Segment (loss) profit represents the (loss) profit earned by each segment without allocation of fair value loss of financial assets at FVTPL and net exchange loss. This is the measure reported to the chief operating decision maker for the purposes of resource allocation and assessment of segment performance.

### 3. REVENUE/SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued) Geographic information

Information about the Group's revenue from external customers is presented based on the location of the operations. Information about the Group's non-current assets is presented based on the geographic location of the assets.

Revenues from					
	external customers		Non-curre	nt assets*	
	30.9.2023 HK\$′000 (unaudited)	30.9.2022 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	30.9.2023 HK\$′000 (unaudited)	31.3.2023 HK\$'000 (audited)	
Hong Kong (place of domicile)	98,922	91,124	232,109	231,196	
Mainland China Singapore Other countries in South East Asia	573 2,031	4,042 1,919	200 157 	257 11,973 	
	2,604	5,961	357	12,230	
	101,526	97,085	232,466	243,426	

<sup>\*</sup> Non-current assets excluding financial assets at FVTPL and financial assets at FVTOCI

#### Reconciliations of reportable segment profit or loss before taxation

#### Six months ended 30.9.2023 30.9.2022 HK\$'000 HK\$'000 (unaudited) (unaudited) **PROFIT OR LOSS** 880 Reportable segment (loss) profit (524)Fair value loss of financial assets at FVTPL (123)(47)Net exchange loss (1)(1) Consolidated (loss) profit before taxation (648)832

## 3. REVENUE/SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued) Reconciliations of reportable segment assets and liabilities

ASSETS	30.9.2023 HK\$′000 (unaudited)	31.3.2023 HK\$′000 (audited)
Total reportable segment assets Unallocated corporate assets	419,165 9,618	407,901 19,595
Consolidated total assets	428,783	427,496
LIABILITIES		
Total reportable segment liabilities Deferred tax liabilities	163,963 50	164,118 50
Consolidated total liabilities	164,013	164,168

For the purposes of monitoring segment performance and allocating resources between segments:

 all assets are allocated to reportable segments other than financial assets at FVTPL and financial assets at FVTOCI.

Six months ended

• all liabilities are allocated to reportable segments other than deferred tax liabilities.

#### 4. OTHER INCOME, GAINS AND LOSSES

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	30.9.2023 HK\$′000 (unaudited)	30.9.2022 HK\$'000 (unaudited)
Gain on disposal of financial assets at FVTOCI Loss on disposal of investment property Government subsidies (Note) Bank interest income Dividend income Net exchange loss	447 (890) 52 304 1,378 (1)	1,498 4 1,378 (1)

#### Note:

During the six months ended 30 September, 2023, the Group recognised government subsidies of HK\$52,000 from Singapore government.

#### 4. OTHER INCOME, GAINS AND LOSSES (Continued)

During the six months ended 30 September, 2022, the Group recognised government subsidies of HK\$1,498,000, of which an amount of HK\$1,490,000 is related to Employment Support Scheme provided by the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region under the Anti-Epidemic Fund. The remaining HK\$8,000 is related to other subsidy scheme from Singapore government.

There are no unfulfilled conditions and other contingencies attached to the receipts of those subsidiaries.

#### 5. FINANCE COSTS

#### 30.9.2023 HK\$'000 (unaudited) 5,615 8 1,141 5 5,623 1,146 287 99

#### 6. (LOSS) PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION

Interest on bank borrowings Interest on lease liabilities

Total interest expenses

Bank charges

#### Six months ended

1,245

5,910

Six months ended

	30.9.2023 HK\$′000 (unaudited)	30.9.2022 HK\$'000 (unaudited)
(Loss) profit before taxation has been arrived at after charging:		
Depreciation on  – property, plant and equipment  – right-of-use assets	304 151	447
	455	563
Employee benefits expenses (including directors' remuneration)		
salaries, allowances and benefits in kind     retirement benefit scheme contributions	7,062 1,838	6,844 1,010
Total staff costs	8,900	7,854
Reversal of impairment on trade receivables Impairment loss on contract assets	(573)	(560) 345

#### 7. TAXATION

Six months ended		
30.9.2023 HK\$′000 (unaudited)	30.9.2022 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	
	38	

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Hong Kong Profits Tax

Hong Kong Profits Tax is provided under the two-tiered tax rate at 8.25% on the first HK\$2 million and 16.5% of estimated assessable profits above HK\$2 million for the period.

### 8. (LOSS) EARNINGS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINARY EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE COMPANY

The calculation of basic and diluted (loss) earnings per share is based on the loss attributable to equity holders of the Company of HK\$648,000 (2022: profit of HK\$794,000) and on the number of shares of 1,245,331,256 (2022: 1,245,331,256) in issue during the period.

As a result of the Group's net loss for the period ended 30 September, 2023, share options outstanding were excluded from the calculation of diluted loss per share as their inclusion would has been anti-dilutive.

The number of shares for the purpose of basic and diluted (loss) earnings per share are the same as the Company has no potential ordinary shares in both periods.

#### 9. DIVIDEND

The directors do not recommend the payment of any interim dividend for the six months ended 30 September, 2023 (2022: Nil).

#### **10. CONTRACT ASSETS**

	HK\$'000 (unaudited)	HK\$'000 (audited)
Smart system construction service Less: Loss allowance	127,690 (739)	79,083 (739)
	126,951	78,344

#### 11. TRADE RECEIVABLES

The Group allows an average credit periods ranging from seven days to one month to its customers. For certain customers with long-established relationship and have good credit worthiness, a longer period may be granted.

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	<b>30.9.2023</b> 31.3.202 <b>HK\$'000</b> HK\$'00 (unaudited) (audite	00
Trade debtors Less: Loss allowance	<b>11,909</b> 22,19 (2,92	
	<b>9,561</b> 19,27	75

#### 11. TRADE RECEIVABLES (Continued)

The following is an aged analysis of trade receivables presented based on the invoice date:

	30.9.2023 HK\$′000 (unaudited)	31.3.2023 HK\$′000 (audited)
Within 30 days 31-60 days 61-90 days 91-180 days 181-365 days Over 365 days	3,316 2,257 581 1,167 536 4,052	11,497 4,857 435 1,024 525 3,858
	11,909	22,196

#### 12. TRADE PAYABLES, ACCRUALS AND OTHER PAYABLES

	30.9.2023 HK\$′000 (unaudited)	31.3.2023 HK\$'000 (audited)
Trade payables Accruals and other payables	2,023 2,663	4,164 7,237
	4,686	11,401

The following is an aged analysis of trade payables presented based on the invoice date:

	30.9.2023 HK\$′000 (unaudited)	31.3.2023 HK\$'000 (audited)
0-30 days 31-60 days 61-90 days Over 90 days	947 86 86 904	3,360 3 32 769
	2,023	4,164

The trade payables were due according to the terms stated in the relevant contracts. The average credit period ranged from 30 days to 60 days.

#### 13. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

#### Key management personnel compensation

The remuneration of directors of the Company (who are also the key management) during the period were as follows:

Six months ended	
30.9.2022	30.9.2023
HK\$'000	HK\$'000
(unaudited)	(unaudited)
2,027	2,043
41	36
2,068	2,079

The remuneration of directors of the Company is determined by the remuneration committee having regard to the performance of individual and market trends.

#### MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

For the six months ended 30 September, 2023, the Group's revenue was HK\$102 million which represented an increase of approximately 5% as compared with the HK\$97 million recorded for the corresponding period last year. The loss attributable to equity holders of the Company was HK\$0.6 million as compared to the profit of HK\$0.8 million for the six months ended 30 September, 2022. The turnaround from profit to loss was mainly attributable to the increase in finance costs associated with funding the projects' loans.

#### Sales of mobile phones

During the period under review, the revenue was HK\$19 million, representing a decrease of 35% compared to the same period last year (2022: HK\$30 million) due to the weak demand. The division recorded loss of HK\$0.9 million (2022: profit of HK\$0.3 million).

#### Sales of IOT solutions

During the period under review, the turnover was HK\$82 million (2022: HK\$66 million). The division recorded profit of HK\$1.7 million (2022: HK\$0.6 million).

#### **Property investment**

During the period under review, the rental income decreased by HK\$0.5 million to HK\$0.5 million (2022: HK\$1.0 million) due to disposal of an investment property in Singapore and an increase in vacancy. The division recorded loss of HK\$1.2 million (2022: profit of HK\$0.1 million).

#### **PROSPECTS**

Regarding the mobile phone business, we are the authorised distributors of both Nokia and vivo brands. In view of the weak demand in the foreseeable future, we will decrease our investment in this segment to minimize losses.

For IOT solutions segment, we expect that the turnover will be increased due to the implementation of new projects.

Regarding the property investment segment, the weak demand of the leasing market still impact both rental level and occupancy rate.

Amid the uncertain economy and the retail environment, we will continue to strengthen our cost control and develop additional products to meet market demand and to mitigate the negative impact upon our business.

### LIQUIDITY AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES

As at 30 September, 2023, the Group's cash and bank balances amounted to approximately HK\$21 million (31 March, 2023: HK\$35 million) while the bank borrowings were HK\$153 million (31 March, 2023: HK\$140 million).

The Board believes that the Group has sufficient cash balances and banking facilities to satisfy its commitment and working capital requirements. The gearing ratio was 58% (31 March, 2023: 53%) which is expressed as a percentage of total borrowings to total equity.

#### **EMPLOYEES**

As at 30 September, 2023, the total number of employees of the Group was approximately 100 (31 March, 2023: 99) and the aggregate remuneration of employees (excluding directors' emoluments) amounted to HK\$7 million (2022: HK\$6 million). The remuneration and bonus packages of the employees are based on the individual merits and performance and are reviewed at least annually. The Group maintains a good relationship with its employees.

#### **PLEDGE OF ASSETS**

As at 30 September, 2023, the Group's general banking facilities were secured by (1) first legal charge on certain leasehold land and buildings with total carrying value of HK\$48,846,000 (31 March, 2023: HK\$48,846,000); (2) first legal charge on certain investment properties with total fair value of HK\$182,400,000 (31 March, 2023: HK\$182,400,000); (3) bank deposits of HK\$2,760,000 (31 March, 2023: HK\$9,145,000) and (4) financial assets at FVTPL with total fair value of HK\$9,145,000 (31 March, 2023: HK\$9,145,000).

#### **CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

As at 30 September, 2023, the Company had provided corporate guarantees of HK\$118 million (31 March, 2023: HK\$118 million) to secure the banking facilities granted to subsidiaries.

#### **SHARE-BASED PAYMENT TRANSACTIONS**

The Company's share option scheme (the "Scheme"), was adopted pursuant to a resolution passed on 26 August, 2022 for the primary purpose of providing incentives to directors and eligible employees, and will expire on 26 August, 2032. Under the Scheme, the Board may grant options to eligible employees, including directors of the Company and its subsidiaries, to subscribe for shares in the Company.

#### **SHARE-BASED PAYMENT TRANSACTIONS (Continued)**

Details of specific categories of options are as follows:

Date of grant	Vesting period	Exercise period	Exercise price	
18 October, 2022	18 October, 2022 to 31 October, 2023	1 November, 2023 to 31 December, 2025	HK\$0.055	

The following table discloses movements of the Company's share options held by employees and directors during the period:

Grantee	Outstanding at 1 April, 2023	Granted during the period	Exercised during the period	Forfeited during the period	Expired during the year	Outstanding at 30 September, 2023
Chan Chung Yee Hubert	12,000,000	-	-	-	_	12,000,000
Wu Kwok Lam	9,772,000	-	-	-	-	9,772,000
Lam Man Hau	8,488,000	-	-	-	-	8,488,000
Chan Ming Him	2,620,000	-	_	_	_	2,620,000
Chan Chung Yin Roy	2,520,000	-	-	-	-	2,520,000
Chiu Ngar Wing	1,200,000	-	-	-	-	1,200,000
Chu Chor Lup	1,200,000	-	_	_	_	1,200,000
Law Ka Hung	1,200,000	-	_	_	_	1,200,000
Employees	49,280,000					49,280,000
Total	88,280,000	_	-	_	-	88,280,000

The maximum number of shares in respect of which share options may be granted under the Scheme shall not exceed 10% of the issued share capital of the Company as of the date of adoption of the Scheme, being 124,533,125. As at 30 September, 2023, the number of shares that may be issued in respect of the options granted and outstanding under the Scheme was 88,280,000 (2022: nil), representing 7% (2022: nil) of the shares of the Company in issue at that date. The number of shares which can further be issued under the Scheme is 36,253,125.

The estimated fair value of the options granted on the date is HK\$1,887,000.

#### **SHARE-BASED PAYMENT TRANSACTIONS (Continued)**

The fair value was calculated using the Binomial model. The inputs into the model were as follows:

Exercise price	HK\$0.055
Volatility	61.745%
Attrition rate	5%
Risk-free rate	4.32%
Expected dividend yield	0%

Expected volatility was determined by using the historical volatility of the Company's share price over the previous 3 years. The expected life used in the model has been adjusted, based on management's best estimate, for the effects of non-transferability, exercise restrictions and behavioural considerations.

# DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURES

As at 30 September, 2023, the interests and short positions of each director and chief executive of the Company in shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV 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 (the "Stock Exchange") pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including the 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 Issuers contained in the Listing Rules, to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange were as follows:

# DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURES (Continued)

	(000	The Company/		Number of shares	Approximate percentage
1	lame of Director	corporation	Capacity	(long position) (Note 1)	of interest
(	Chan Chung Yee, Hubert	The Company	Beneficial owner	659,740,159(L)	52.97%
		The Company	Interest of controlled corporation	22,012,087(L) (Note 2)	1.77%
		Light Emotion Limited	Beneficial owner	1 share of HK\$1.00	50.00%
(	Chan Chung Yin, Roy	The Company	Beneficial owner	93,795,191(L)	7.53%
(	Chan Ming Him, Denny	The Company	Beneficial owner	2,616,991(L)	0.21%
I	o Man Hon	The Company	Beneficial owner	1,537,598(L)	0.12%
L	am Man Hau	The Company	Beneficial owner	625,000(L)	0.05%
٧	Vu Kwok Lam	The Company	Beneficial owner	3,000(L)	0.00%

#### Notes:

- The Letter "L" represents the director's or the chief executive's interests in the shares and underlying shares of the Company or its associated corporations.
- These Shares were held by Light Emotion Limited, a company wholly owned by Mr. Chan Chung Yee, Hubert and his wife, Josephine Liu.
- 3. Save as disclosed above, as at 30 September, 2023, none of the directors and chief executive of the Company had any interests and short positions in shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company or its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) which were required to be notified to the Company and the 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 Issuers contained in the Listing Rules, to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange.

#### DIRECTORS' RIGHTS TO ACQUIRE SHARES OR DEBENTURES

Apart from those disclosed under the heading "Directors' and chief executive's interests and short positions in shares, underlying shares and debentures" and "Share-based payment transactions" above at no time during the period under review were there any rights to acquire 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. None of the Company or any of its subsidiaries was a party to any arrangement to enable the directors or their respective spouse or minor children to acquire such rights in any other body corporate.

# SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES OF THE COMPANY

As at 30 September, 2023, the interests and short positions of the substantial shareholders of the Company (other than the directors and the chief executive of the Company) in the shares and underlying shares of the Company as recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company pursuant to section 336 of the SFO were as follows:

Name	Number of shares (long position) (Note 1)	Capacity/ nature of interest	Approximate percentage of interest
Josephine Liu (Note 2)	681,752,246 (L)	Interest of spouse	54.74%
Chan Low Wai Han, Edwina (Note 3)	93,795,191 (L)	Interest of spouse	7.53%

#### Notes:

- 1. The Letter "L" represents the person's interest in the shares of the Company.
- Ms. Josephine Liu is the wife of Mr. Chan Chung Yee, Hubert. By virtue of the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, Ms. Josephine Liu is deemed to be interested in all the shares in which Mr. Chan Chung Yee, Hubert is interested.
- 3. Ms. Chan Low Wai Han, Edwina is the wife of Mr. Chan Chung Yin, Roy. By virtue of the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, Mrs. Chan Low Wai Han, Edwina is deemed to be interested in all the shares in which Mr. Chan Chung Yin, Roy is interested.

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

During the six months ended 30 September, 2023, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries had purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed shares.

## COMPLIANCE WITH CORPORATE GOVERNANCE CODE OF THE LISTING RULES

In the opinion of the directors, the Company has complied with the code provisions in the Corporate Governance Code (the "Code") as set out in Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules throughout the six months ended 30 September, 2023, except the following provisions:

Code provision A.2.1 stipulates that the roles of chairman and chief executive officer should be separate and should not be performed by the same individual. The Company does not segregate the roles of chairman and chief executive officer and Mr. Chan Chung Yee, Hubert currently holds both positions. The Board believes that vesting the roles of chairman and chief executive officer in the same person provides the Group with strong and consistent leadership in the development and execution of long-term business strategies. The Board will continuously review and improve the corporate governance practices and standards of the Company to ensure that business activities and decision making processes are regulated in a proper and prudent manner.

Code provision A.6.7 stipulates, among other things, that the independent non-executive directors and other non-executive directors should attend general meetings. Mr. Chiu Ngar Wing and Dr. Chu Chor Lup were unable to attend the annual general meeting of the Company held on 25 August, 2023 due to their other commitments.

## COMPLIANCE WITH THE MODEL CODE SET OUT IN APPENDIX 10 TO THE LISTING RULES

The Company has adopted the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers as set out in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules (the "Model Code") as its own code of conduct regarding directors' securities transactions. Having made specific enquiry of all directors, all directors confirmed that they had complied with the required standards set out in the Model Code during the six months ended 30 September, 2023.

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The audit committee has reviewed with management the accounting policies adopted by the Group and discussed internal control and financial reporting matters including the review of the unaudited interim results for the six months ended 30 September, 2023.

#### **APPRECIATION**

The Board of the Company would like to extend its sincere gratitude to the Company's shareholders, business counterparts and all management and the staff members of the Group for their contribution and continued support during the period.

On behalf of the Board

Chan Chung Yee, Hubert

Chairman

Hong Kong, 24 November, 2023