



亞洲金融集團(控股)有限公司  
ASIA FINANCIAL HOLDINGS LTD.

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)  
(Stock Code: 662)

**2007 INTERIM RESULTS**

The board of directors (the “Board”) of Asia Financial Holdings Limited (the “Company”) announces the unaudited condensed consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (the “Group”) for the six months ended 30th June, 2007 as follows:

**UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT**

For the six months ended 30th June, 2007

	Notes	Six months ended 30th June,	
		2007	2006
		HK\$'000	HK\$'000
			(Restated)
REVENUE	3	<b><u>412,821</u></b>	<b><u>395,854</u></b>
PROFIT FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Gross premiums		412,821	395,854
Reinsurers' share of gross premiums		(145,428)	(165,327)
Change in unearned premiums reserve		(23,118)	1,703
Change in life fund		<u>(822)</u>	<u>(1,548)</u>
Net insurance contract premiums revenue		243,453	230,682
Gross claims paid		(162,313)	(118,629)
Reinsurers' share of gross claims paid		52,839	24,641
Gross change in outstanding claims		(13,254)	(50,917)
Reinsurers' share of gross change in outstanding claims		<u>(1,310)</u>	<u>20,032</u>
Net claims incurred		(124,038)	(124,873)
Commission income		23,541	26,166
Commission expenses		<u>(90,984)</u>	<u>(77,491)</u>
Net commission expenses		(67,443)	(51,325)

		Six months ended 30th June,	
	Notes	2007 HK\$'000	2006 HK\$'000 (Restated)
Management expenses for underwriting business		<u>(18,402)</u>	<u>(20,611)</u>
Underwriting profit		33,570	33,873
Dividend income		23,659	18,870
Gain on investment activities		234,758	55,199
Interest income		53,689	34,678
Other revenue		<u>17,650</u>	<u>5,221</u>
		363,326	147,841
Operating expenses		<u>(38,164)</u>	<u>(32,286)</u>
		325,162	115,555
Share of profits and losses of jointly-controlled entities		23,323	6,804
Share of profits and losses of associates		<u>3,344</u>	<u>2,602</u>
PROFIT BEFORE TAX	4	351,829	124,961
TAX	5	<u>(22,265)</u>	<u>(9,205)</u>
PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS		329,564	115,756
DISCONTINUED OPERATION			
Net gain associated with the discontinued operation	6	<u>-</u>	<u>2,677,299</u>
PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD		<u>329,564</u>	<u>2,793,055</u>
Attributable to:			
Equity holders of the Company		328,676	2,792,328
Minority interests		<u>888</u>	<u>727</u>
		<u>329,564</u>	<u>2,793,055</u>
DIVIDENDS	7		
Interim		98,958	52,901
Special		<u>-</u>	<u>1,269,626</u>
		<u>98,958</u>	<u>1,322,527</u>

		Six months ended 30th June,	
	Notes	2007	2006
		HK\$'000	HK\$'000
			(Restated)
DIVIDEND PER SHARE	7		
Interim		HK9.4 cents	HK5.0 cents
Special		<u>-</u>	<u>HK120.0 cents</u>
		<u>HK9.4 cents</u>	<u>HK125.0 cents</u>
EARNINGS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINARY EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE COMPANY	8		
Basic			
- For profit for the period		<u>HK31.2 cents</u>	<u>HK263.9 cents</u>
Basic			
- For profit from continuing operations		<u>HK31.2 cents</u>	<u>HK10.9 cents</u>
Diluted			
- For profit for the period		<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>
- For profit from continuing operations		<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>

# UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

30th June, 2007

	30th June, 2007 HK\$'000	31st December, 2006 HK\$'000
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Property, plant and equipment	191,310	192,651
Investment properties	3,450	3,450
Interests in jointly-controlled entities	284,264	97,694
Loan to a jointly-controlled entity	31,000	31,000
Interests in associates	71,760	70,483
Due from associates	10,762	-
Held-to-maturity securities	296,340	370,638
Available-for-sale securities	930,705	749,898
Properties held for sale	-	14,457
Loans and advances and other assets	226,313	365,002
Securities measured at fair value through profit or loss	2,972,354	2,623,700
Insurance receivables	116,218	142,921
Reinsurance assets	355,140	371,238
Pledged deposits	34,831	32,793
Cash and cash equivalents	1,714,258	1,753,875
Total assets	<u>7,238,705</u>	<u>6,819,800</u>
<b>EQUITY AND LIABILITIES</b>		
Equity attributable to equity holders of the Company		
Issued capital	1,052,739	1,052,739
Reserves	4,557,698	4,247,086
Proposed dividend	98,958	115,801
	<u>5,709,395</u>	<u>5,415,626</u>
Minority interests	<u>30,636</u>	<u>29,748</u>
Total equity	<u>5,740,031</u>	<u>5,445,374</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Insurance contract liabilities	1,126,246	1,096,004
Insurance payables	132,029	135,688
Due to associates	265	265
Other liabilities	170,023	92,710
Tax payable	58,825	38,473
Deferred tax liabilities	11,286	11,286
Total liabilities	<u>1,498,674</u>	<u>1,374,426</u>
Total equity and liabilities	<u>7,238,705</u>	<u>6,819,800</u>

## NOTES

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The condensed consolidated interim financial statements are prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Accounting Standard No.34 “Interim Financial Reporting”. The accounting policies and basis of preparation adopted are consistent with those adopted in the Company’s financial statements for the year ended 31st December, 2006 except for the adoption of the new Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards (“HKFRSs”) and Hong Kong Accounting Standards (“HKASs”), which are effective for periods beginning on 1st January, 2007 and as disclosed below.

#### HKAS 1 Amendment Capital Disclosures:

The revised HKAS 1 will affect the disclosures of qualitative information about the Group’s objective, policies and processes for managing capital; quantitative data about what the Company regards as capital; and compliance with any capital requirements and the consequences of any non-compliance.

#### HKFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures

The HKFRS 7 requires disclosures that enable users of the financial statements to evaluate the significance of the Group’s financial instruments and the nature and extent of risks arising from those financial instruments and also incorporates major disclosure requirements of HKAS 32.

Such adoption did not result in material changes to the Group’s accounting policies.

# NOTES (cont'd)

## 2. SEGMENT INFORMATION

### (a) Business segments

The following tables present revenue and results for the Group's business segments.

Group	Continuing operations			Total HK\$'000	Discontinued operation	Consolidated HK\$'000
	Insurance HK\$'000	Corporate HK\$'000	Eliminations HK\$'000		Banking HK\$'000	
For the six months ended 30th June, 2007						
Segment revenue:						
External customers	412,821	-	-	412,821	-	412,821
Other revenue	191,304	138,452	-	329,756	-	329,756
Intersegment	<u>2,280</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,280)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>606,405</u>	<u>138,452</u>	<u>(2,280)</u>	<u>742,577</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>742,577</u>
Segment results	<u>206,884</u>	<u>118,278</u>	<u>-</u>	325,162	-	325,162
Share of profits and losses of:						
Jointly-controlled entities	18,045	5,278	-	23,323	-	23,323
Associates	3,296	48	-	<u>3,344</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,344</u>
Profit before tax				351,829	-	351,829
Tax	(11,592)	(10,673)	-	(22,265)	-	(22,265)
Gain on disposal of the discontinued operation	-	-	-	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Profit for the period				<u>329,564</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>329,564</u>

## NOTES (cont'd)

### 2. SEGMENT INFORMATION (cont'd)

#### (a) Business segments (cont'd)

Group	Continuing operations			Total HK\$'000	Discontinued operation	Consolidated HK\$'000
	Insurance HK\$'000	Corporate HK\$'000	Eliminations HK\$'000		Banking HK\$'000	
For the six months ended 30th June, 2006						
Segment revenue:						
External customers	395,854	-	-	395,854	115,167	511,021
Other revenue	64,050	49,918	-	113,968	-	113,968
Intersegment	<u>1,832</u>	<u>872</u>	<u>(1,567)</u>	<u>1,137</u>	<u>(1,137)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>461,736</u>	<u>50,790</u>	<u>(1,567)</u>	<u>510,959</u>	<u>114,030</u>	<u>624,989</u>
Segment results	<u>79,429</u>	<u>36,126</u>	<u>-</u>	115,555	59,669	175,224
Share of profits and losses of:						
Jointly-controlled entities	4,937	1,867	-	6,804	-	6,804
Associates	2,602	-	-	<u>2,602</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,602</u>
Profit before tax				124,961	59,669	184,630
Tax	(8,409)	(796)	-	(9,205)	(10,663)	(19,868)
Gain on disposal of the discontinued operation	-	-	-	<u>-</u>	<u>2,628,293</u>	<u>2,628,293</u>
Profit for the period				<u>115,756</u>	<u>2,677,299</u>	<u>2,793,055</u>

#### (b) Geographical segments

Over 90% of the Group's revenue and results are derived from operations carried out in Hong Kong.

### 3. REVENUE

Revenue, which is also the Group's turnover, represents gross premiums net of discounts, from direct and reinsurance business underwritten during the period.

**NOTES (cont'd)****4. PROFIT BEFORE TAX**

The Group's profit before tax is arrived at after charging/(crediting):

	<b>Six months ended 30th June,</b>	
	<b>2007</b>	<b>2006</b>
	<b>HK\$'000</b>	<b>HK\$'000</b>
Depreciation	<b>5,229</b>	2,604
Employee benefits expense (including directors' remuneration):	<b>35,673</b>	30,427
Minimum lease payments under operating leases in respect of land and buildings	<b>1,201</b>	594
Gain on disposal of securities measured at fair value through profit or loss, net	<b>(83,793)</b>	(34,797)
Fair value gains on securities measured at fair value through profit or loss, net	<b>(153,266)</b>	(24,186)
Gain on disposal of available-for-sale securities	<b>(12)</b>	(10)
Loss on disposal or retirement of held-to-maturity securities	<b>622</b>	255
Impairment loss of available-for-sale securities	<b>196</b>	3,539
Impairment allowances on loans and advances and other assets	-	91
Write-off of property, plant and equipment	-	159
Gain on sale of properties held for sale	<b>(4,828)</b>	-
Write-back of an impairment allowance against a loan to a jointly-controlled entity	-	(1,000)
Dividend income from:		
Listed investments	<b>(20,859)</b>	(16,291)
Unlisted investments	<b>(2,800)</b>	(2,579)
Interest income	<b><u>(53,689)</u></b>	<b><u>(34,678)</u></b>



## NOTES (cont'd)

### 5. TAX

Hong Kong profits tax for the Group has been provided at the rate of 17.5% (2006: 17.5%) on the estimated assessable profits arising in Hong Kong during the period. Taxes on profits assessable elsewhere have been calculated at the rates of tax prevailing in the countries in which the Group operates, based on existing legislation, interpretations and practices in respect thereof.

	<b>Six months ended 30th June,</b>	
	<b>2007</b>	<b>2006</b>
	<b>HK\$'000</b>	<b>HK\$'000</b>
Current tax charge for the period:		
Hong Kong	<b>22,484</b>	8,494
Elsewhere	<b>596</b>	711
Overprovision of current tax in prior periods	<b><u>(815)</u></b>	<u>-</u>
	<b><u>22,265</u></b>	<u>9,205</u>

### 6. DISCONTINUED OPERATION

There was no discontinued operation for the six months ended 30th June, 2007. The details of the discontinued operation for the six months ended 30th June, 2006 are presented below.

On 14th February, 2006, a share purchase agreement (the "Share Purchase Agreement") was entered into between the Company and Public Financial Holdings Limited ("PFH") (formerly "JCG Holdings Limited"), a company incorporated in Bermuda and listed on the The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, and an independent third party to the Group. Pursuant to the Share Purchase Agreement, the Company disposed of and PFH acquired the entire 8,100,000 issued and fully paid ordinary shares of HK\$100 each in the share capital of Asia Commercial Bank Limited ("ACB"), a then wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, together with the subsidiaries of ACB (the "ACB Group") at a cash consideration of HK\$4,499,550,000 (the "Preliminary Consideration"), subject to adjustment ("Consideration Adjustment") upon completion of the Share Purchase Agreement.

The Consideration Adjustment, as determined and agreed by the Company and PFH in July 2006, was HK\$85,449,000.

## NOTES (cont'd)

### 6. DISCONTINUED OPERATION (continued)

The results in respect of the ACB Group for the prior period were presented below:

	Six months ended 30th June, 2006 HK\$'000
Interest income	258,799
Interest expense	(169,207)
Net fee and commission income from the banking business	13,876
Gains less losses arising from dealing in foreign currencies from the banking business	4,184
Other operating revenue	<u>7,515</u>
	115,167
Expenses	<u>( 55,498)</u>
Profit before tax from the discontinued operation	59,669
Tax - current charge	<u>( 10,663)</u>
Profit for the period from the discontinued operation	49,006
Gain on disposal of the discontinued operation	<u>2,628,293</u>
Net gain associated with the discontinued operation	<u>2,677,299</u>

The net cash flows incurred by the ACB Group were as follows:

	Six months ended 30th June, 2006 HK\$'000
Operating activities	236,830
Investing activities	<u>50,484</u>
Net cash inflow	<u>287,314</u>

## NOTES (cont'd)

### 6. DISCONTINUED OPERATION (cont'd)

Earnings per share from the discontinued operation:

	Six months ended 30th June, 2006 HK cents
Basic	<u>253.0</u>
Diluted	<u>N/A</u>

The calculation of basic earnings per share from the discontinued operation for the six months ended 2006 was based on the net gain associated with the discontinued operation of HK\$2,677,299,000 and on 1,058,021,428 ordinary shares in issue during the period up to the date of disposal of the ACB Group.

Diluted earnings per share amounts from the discontinued operation for the six months ended 30th June, 2006 had not been calculated as no dilutive events existed.

## NOTES (cont'd)

### 7. DIVIDENDS

	Six months ended 30th June,	
	2007	2006
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Interim dividend:		
HK9.4 cents (2006: HK5.0 cents) per ordinary share based on 1,052,739,428 (2006:1,058,021,428) shares in issue	98,958	52,901
Special dividend:		
Nil (2006: HK\$1.2 per ordinary share based on 1,058,021,428 shares in issue)	-	1,269,626
	<u>98,958</u>	<u>1,322,527</u>

The Board has resolved to pay an interim dividend of HK9.4 cents per share (2006: HK5.0 cents) and a special dividend of nil per share (2006: HK\$1.2), which will be paid in cash, for the six months ended 30th June, 2007 payable on 25th October, 2007 to shareholders whose names appear on the Register of Members of the Company as at the close of business on 18th October, 2007.

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

The calculation of basic earnings per share is based on the profit for the period attributable to ordinary equity holders of the Company of HK\$328,676,000 (2006: HK\$2,792,328,000) and on 1,052,739,428 (2006: 1,058,021,428) ordinary shares in issue during the period.

## MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

(All changes in % refer to the same period last year unless otherwise specified)

Profit attributable to equity holders of the Company

<from continuing business>: HK\$328.7m +185.7%  
(-88.2% for including the gain associated with the sale of Asia Commercial Bank in 2006)

Earnings per share<from continuing business>: HK31.2cents +186.2%

Interim dividend per share: HK9.4 cents +88.0%

Asia Financial Group achieved a net profit of HK\$328.7 million in the first half of 2007. This represents a 185.7% increase on the figure for the continuing businesses in the first half of 2006 (that is, after excluding contribution from the operations and gain from the sale of Asia Commercial Bank during that period). This very satisfactory result reflects strength in global securities markets, continued solid underwriting profits and rising returns from joint ventures and associated companies. Despite some global securities market volatility since mid-2007, we hope our prudent investment approach to deliver a good result for the full year.

### **Economic background**

The Hong Kong economy continued to perform very well in the first half of 2007, with real GDP growth of 6.9% on a year-on-year basis. Nearly all indicators were positive, with exports of goods and services, consumption and capital investment all showing particular strength. Unemployment fell to the lowest level since mid-1998, while inflation remained moderate. The global economy generally displayed continued strength, with both China and the United States, among others, enjoying firm growth. Hong Kong and other world financial markets reflected this very benign environment.

### **Overview by investment segments**

#### Insurance

Wholly owned Asia Insurance's turnover rose 4.0% for the first six months of 2007, while underwriting profit remained in line with that of the same period in the previous year, reflecting a highly competitive operating environment in the Hong Kong general insurance sector. Asia Insurance's net profit of HK\$218.9 million, 172.2% rise for the period therefore resulted mainly from increased investment and dividend income. This was due to the good performance of the Hang Seng Index, which rose over 9% from 19,964 to 21,772 during the period and of the United States and mainland Chinese stock markets.

Asia Insurance's underwriting strategy of concentrating on quality business rather than pursuing market share in less profitable sectors like employees' compensation continued during the period. This is expected to bring longer-term benefits over the coming two or three years. Agency agreements with The Prudential Assurance Co. Ltd and Sime Managing Agency Ltd, a member company of the vehicle distributor, Sime Darby Group during the period will further strengthen our distribution network for the long term. Looking further ahead, Asia Insurance's ranking as one of the top quality Hong Kong-registered general insurers will enable us to continue focusing on the better quality types of business. We therefore remain very confident about the company's prospects in the years to come.

Associated and jointly-controlled companies in the insurance segment all delivered satisfactory performances during the period. Our profits from BC Reinsurance rose 14.3%, from People's Insurance Company of China (HK) rose 47.4% and from Professional Liability Underwriting Services rose 5.0%, while our returns from Hong Kong Life Insurance increased by a very healthy 710.6%. We anticipate future increases in returns from all these companies as start-up costs are absorbed and their businesses develop.

#### Other Portfolio Investment

The remainder of our portfolio investments produced very satisfactory gains and dividend income, in line with those of Asia Insurance. The impact was magnified by the addition of funds to the portfolio following the sale of Asia Commercial Bank. Our currency exposure, such as holdings denominated in Thai Baht, boosted some unrealized gains. Interest income increased largely as a result of a larger deposit base.

The Group has no direct exposure to the parts of the credit market affected by the sub-prime loans problems arising in the United States. Secondary exposure via equity and fund investments is limited by our policy of diversification and focus on quality, while our holdings in derivative instruments are relatively minor.

At the time of writing, the outlook for the markets during the rest of 2007 is difficult to judge. While we cannot rule out further volatility of the sort that hit global securities markets in the beginning of the second half, the fundamentals in Hong Kong and mainland China look reasonably good. We believe that, by maintaining a careful investment strategy, including the locking in of some profits, the Group's portfolio investments will show acceptable returns for the year as a whole.

#### Health Care

The Group's return from its 3.5% holding in Bumrungrad Hospital PCL of Thailand was HK\$14.0 million in the first half of this year.

In April we took a 19.5% stake in Bumrungrad International Limited (“BIL”). This hospital development and health care company is currently operating in the Philippines, Middle East and is expanding elsewhere in Asia. Demographic and related government policy trends will produce growing demand for health-related services in the Asia-Pacific region in the years ahead, and we expect BIL and other possible investments in this sector to represent sound long-term sources of profit.

#### Pension and Asset Management

The Group’s main current presence in this sector, its holding in the jointly-controlled company Bank Consortium Trust (“BCT”), yielded a healthy increase in profit in the first half of 2007 of 182.7% compared with the same period last year. This reflected the company’s progression from a start-up to a profitable entity. BCT is one of the top five providers of Mandatory Provident Fund services in Hong Kong, and its outlook remains positive.

#### Property and Other Investment

The Group’s interests in real estate and other areas represent only a small percentage of our overall investments. The main projects – developments in Mainland China – enable us to leverage partnerships and gain geographical diversification that may benefit us in our core areas of interest in due course. Their performances were good over the period.

#### **Management approach and future prospects**

Management continues with its longstanding policy of prudence in the pursuit of long-term growth in shareholder value and the seeking of new investment opportunities in our favoured business and geographic sectors. Our use of the proceeds from the sale of Asia Commercial Bank in 2006 reflects, and will continue to reflect, these principles. With a possibility of rising inflation in Hong Kong, we will also remain conscious of the need to manage costs carefully. The rise in operating expenses in the first half of 2007 reflects some office rental expenses following the disposal of Asia Commercial Bank and some increases resulting from internal management transfers at that time.

The near-term outlook seems reasonable for Hong Kong, China and the region. We are confident that our management approach will be able to handle uncertainties concerning global securities markets and interest rates and the possibility of a slowdown in the United States, and we expect to report satisfactory performances by our investment portfolio and the insurance business for the year as a whole.

Looking further ahead, we see major strategic opportunities for Asia Financial Group. In particular, we believe there will be a growing demand for insurance and health care in the Asia-Pacific region. Our aim is to augment our direct investment and joint venture activity in the insurance and health care areas where we can identify value and possible opportunities to leverage our traditional expertise, networks and client bases. Given the scale of the possible opportunities that lie ahead, we are prepared to exercise patience in considering and selecting new investments.

**Contingent liabilities**

As at 30th June, 2007, the Group had no material contingent liabilities.

**Employees and remuneration policy**

The total number of employees of the Group as at 30th June, 2007 was 239 (December, 2006: 239). Annual remuneration increments and promotions are determined through a performance-oriented appraisal system, with the basic pay structure being reviewed from time to time to reflect market trends. In addition to the basic salary, employees also receive an annual bonus based on both the Group's and their individual performance. Medical and retirement benefit schemes are made available to all level of personnel. There was no share option scheme in operation during the six months ended 30th June, 2007. The Group also offers various training and induction programmes to its employees.

**DIVIDEND**

The Board has resolved to declare an interim cash dividend of HK9.4 cents per ordinary share (2006: HK5.0 cents) for the six months ended 30th June, 2007 payable on or about Thursday, 25th October, 2007 to shareholders whose names appear on the Register of Members of the Company on Thursday, 18th October, 2007.

**CLOSURE OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS**

The Register of Members will be closed from Monday, 15th October, 2007 to Thursday, 18th October, 2007, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be effected. In order to qualify for the interim dividend, all transfers accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged for registration with the Company's Hong Kong Branch Registrars, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at Shops 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai, Hong Kong not later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, 12th October, 2007.

**PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF THE COMPANY'S SHARES**

During the six months ended 30th June, 2007, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's shares.

**CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

The Company has complied with all the code provisions set out in the Code on Corporate Governance Practices contained in Appendix 14 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules") throughout the six months ended 30th June, 2007.



## **REVIEW OF INTERIM RESULTS**

The Audit Committee has reviewed the unaudited interim financial statements of the Group for the six months ended 30th June, 2007.

## **PUBLICATION OF INTERIM RESULTS AND INTERIM REPORT**

This results announcement is published on the websites of the Company ([www.afh.hk](http://www.afh.hk)) and The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ([www.hkex.com.hk](http://www.hkex.com.hk)). The 2007 interim report will be despatched to the shareholders and available on the same websites on or about 29th September, 2007.

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

As at the date of this announcement, the executive directors of the Company are Mr. Robin Y.H. Chan (Chairman), The Hon. Bernard C. Chan (President), Mr. Stephen Tan, Mr. Wong Kok Ho; the non-executive directors are Mr. Lau Ki Chit, Dr. The Hon. Leo Tung Hai Lee, Mr. Choedchu Sophonpanich, Mr. Ng Song Hin, Dr. The Hon. Philip Y.H. Wong, Mr. Kenneth Chi Lam Siao, Mr. George Lap Wah Lee, Mr. Michitoki Yokoi, Ms. Chan Yeow Toh and the independent non-executive directors are Ms. Anna Suk Han Chow, Mr. Andrew Chiu Cheung Ma and Dr. Ko Wing Man.

By Order of the Board  
**ROBIN YAU HING CHAN**  
*Chairman*

Hong Kong, 25th September, 2007