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# 亞洲聯合基建控股有限公司

# ASIA ALLIED INFRASTRUCTURE HOLDINGS LIMITED

(Incorporated in Bermuda with Limited Liability)
(Stock Code: 00711.HK)

# INTERIM RESULTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS		
	Six month	
	30 Septe 2024	2023
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Total revenue	4,449,517	3,789,175
(Loss)/profit attributable to shareholders of the Company	(264,089)	68,331
Basic (loss)/earnings per share	HK(14.89) cents	HK3.83 cents
	30 September 2024	31 March 2024
Equity per share*	HK\$1.23	HK\$1.38

<sup>\*</sup> Equity per share refers to equity attributable to shareholders of the Company divided by the total number of issued ordinary shares as at 30 September 2024 and 31 March 2024 respectively.

# **INTERIM RESULTS**

The board of directors (the "Board" or the "Directors") of Asia Allied Infrastructure Holdings Limited (the "Company") hereby announces the unaudited condensed consolidated interim results of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively the "Group") for the six months ended 30 September 2024 (the "Review Period"), together with the relevant comparative figures for the corresponding period in 2023 as follows:

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the six months ended 30 September 2024

		Six month 30 Septe		
	Notes	2024 (Unaudited) <i>HK</i> \$'000	2023 (Unaudited) <i>HK</i> \$'000	
REVENUE Cost of sales	4	4,449,517 (4,394,440)	3,789,175 (3,535,365)	
Gross profit		55,077	253,810	
Other income and gains, net Administrative expenses Other expenses, net	5	32,624 (204,788) (25,797)	117,065 (182,373) (9,128)	
Finance costs Share of loss of a joint venture Share of profits and losses of associates	6	(110,785) (262) 9,636	(87,917) (5,803) 7,005	
(LOSS)/PROFIT BEFORE TAX Income tax	7 8	(244,295) (5,127)	92,659 (17,631)	
(LOSS)/PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD		(249,422)	75,028	
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME/ (LOSS)  Items that may be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods: Exchange differences: Translation of foreign operations Reclassification adjustments for gain included in profit or loss upon:		1,480	(9,273)	
Deregistration of subsidiaries Disposal of subsidiaries		_ _	10 1,802	
Share of movement in the exchange fluctuation reserve of a joint venture Share of movements in the exchange		(18)	(169)	
fluctuation reserves of associates		4,668	(7,662)	

# Six months ended 30 September

		30 Septe	inber
		2024	2023
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
	Note	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
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OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME/			
(LOSS) FOR THE PERIOD,			
		( 120	(15.202)
NET OF INCOME TAX OF NIL		6,130	(15,292)
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE (LOSS)/			
INCOME FOR THE PERIOD		(243,292)	59,736
(LOSS)/PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD			
ATTRIBUTABLE TO:			
Shareholders of the Company		(264,089)	68,331
Non-controlling interests		14,667	6,697
Tron controlling interests			
		(249,422)	75,028
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TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE (LOSS)/			
INCOME FOR THE PERIOD			
ATTRIBUTABLE TO:			
Shareholders of the Company		(257,959)	53,039
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Non-controlling interests		14,667	6,697
		(243,292)	59,736
(LOSS)/EARNINGS PER SHARE			
ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS			
OF THE COMPANY	10	HK cents	HK cents
Basic and diluted	- 0	(14.89)	3.83
Duble and allated		(14.07)	3.03

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

30 September 2024

	Note	30 September 2024 (Unaudited) HK\$'000	31 March 2024 (Audited) <i>HK</i> \$'000
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment		209,838	214,404
Right-of-use assets		176,935	158,372
Goodwill		196,675	194,485
Intangible assets		1,359	1,544
Investments in joint ventures		3,558	3,840
Investments in associates		550,501	523,253
Investment in an insurance contract		2,648	2,616
Deposit and other receivables		3,894	4,113
Land held for property development		163,404	164,516
Deferred tax assets		278	278
Total non-current assets		1,309,090	1,267,421
CURRENT ASSETS			
Land held for property development		42,647	41,807
Inventories		3,311	3,274
Contract assets		4,217,582	4,667,274
Trade receivables	11	1,129,761	967,973
Prepayments, deposits and			
other receivables		897,148	969,313
Income tax recoverable		31,837	33,809
Financial assets at fair value			
through profit or loss		21,521	23,569
Restricted cash and pledged deposits		37,310	37,035
Cash and cash equivalents		1,262,509	953,433
Total current assets		7,643,626	7,697,487

		30 September 2024	31 March 2024
	Notes	(Unaudited) HK\$'000	(Audited) HK\$'000
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade payables	12	1,829,142	1,916,092
Contract liabilities		319,900	264,545
Other payables and accruals		1,076,952	971,335
Bank borrowings		1,569,313	2,154,097
Lease liabilities		22,373	29,613
Income tax payables		85,010	78,076
Total current liabilities		4,902,690	5,413,758
NET CURRENT ASSETS		2,740,936	2,283,729
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		4,050,026	3,551,150
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Bank borrowings		1,757,138	994,949
Lease liabilities		17,066	23,469
Deferred tax liabilities		2,163	2,163
Total non-current liabilities		1,776,367	1,020,581
Net assets		2,273,659	2,530,569
EQUITY Equity attributable to shareholders of the Company			
Issued capital	13	178,579	178,579
Reserves		2,018,778	2,281,390
		2,197,357	2,459,969
Non-controlling interests		76,302	70,600
Total equity		2,273,659	2,530,569

# NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM FINANCIAL INFORMATION

For the six months ended 30 September 2024 (Unaudited)

#### 1. BASIS OF PREPARATION

This unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial information has been prepared in accordance with the applicable disclosure requirements of Appendix D2 to the Rules Governing the Listing Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") and Hong Kong Accounting Standard ("HKAS") 34 *Interim Financial Reporting* issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

#### 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

This unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial information has been prepared on the historical cost basis, except for investment in an insurance contract and financial assets at fair value through profit or loss which have been measured at fair value.

The accounting policies and methods of computation used in the condensed consolidated interim financial information for the six months ended 30 September 2024 are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the Group's annual financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024, except for the adoption of the following revised Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs") for the first time for the current period's condensed consolidated interim financial information:

Amendments to HKFRS 16 Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback

Amendments to HKAS 7 and HKFRS 7 Supplier Finance Arrangements

The nature and impact of the revised HKFRSs that are applicable to the Group are described below:

- (a) Amendments to HKFRS 16 specify the requirements that a seller-lessee uses in measuring the lease liability arising in a sale and leaseback transaction to ensure the seller-lessee does not recognise any amount of the gain or loss that relates to the right of use it retains. Since the Group has no sale and leaseback transactions with variable lease payments that do not depend on an index or a rate occurring from the date of initial application of HKFRS 16, the amendments did not have any impact on the financial position or performance of the Group.
- (b) Amendments to HKAS7 and HKFRS 7 clarify the characteristics of supplier finance arrangements and require additional disclosure of such arrangements. The disclosure requirements in the amendments are intended to assist users of financial statements in understanding the effects of supplier finance arrangements on an entity's liabilities, cash flows and exposure to liquidity risk. The disclosure of relevant information for supplier finance arrangements is not required for any interim reporting period during the first annual reporting period in which an entity applies the amendments. As the Group does not have supplier finance arrangements, the amendments did not have any impact on the condensed consolidated interim financial information.

### 3. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION

For management purposes, the Group's operating businesses are structured and managed separately according to the nature of their operations and the products and services they provide. Each of the Group's operating segments represents a strategic business unit that offers products and services which are subject to risks and returns that are different from those of the other operating segments.

The chief operating decision maker of the Group has been identified as the executive directors of the Company and certain senior management (collectively referred to as the "CODM"). For the purpose of performance assessment and resource allocation by the CODM, the Group's business activities are categorised under the following five reportable operating segments:

Construction services - provision of construction and consultancy services in areas of civil engineering, electrical and mechanical engineering, foundation and building construction mainly in Hong Kong Property development - development and sale of properties, and leasing of assets in Hong Kong, Mainland China and the United Arab Emirates and assets leasing Professional services - provision of security, tunnel management, property management and other facility management services in Hong Kong Non-franchised bus provision of non-franchised bus services in Hong Kong services Medical technology production and sale of position emission tomography ("PET") and healthcare radiopharmaceuticals for medical use in Hong Kong

#### Segment revenue and results

Segment results represent the profit generated from each segment, net of administrative expenses directly attributable to each segment without allocation of corporate expenses, interest income, gain on disposal of non-current assets classified as held for sale, non-lease-related finance costs and interest on unallocated lease liabilities. This is the measure reported to the CODM for the purposes of resource allocation and performance assessment.

The following is an analysis of the Group's revenue and results by reportable operating segment:

# For the six months ended 30 September 2024

	Construction services (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Property development and assets leasing (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Professional services (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Non- franchised bus services (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Medical technology and healthcare (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Total (Unaudited) HK\$'000
Segment revenue (note 4): Sales to external customers	3,851,928	_	575,112	_	22,477	4,449,517
Intersegment sales			3,533			3,533
	3,851,928		578,645		22,477	4,453,050
Reconciliation:						(2.522)
Elimination of intersegment sales						(3,533)
						4,449,517
Segment results	(98,929)	(29,231)	8,329	855	6,562	(112,414)
Interest income						16,787
Corporate and other unallocated expenses						(38,603)
Finance costs (other than interest on segment lease liabilities)						(110,065)
Loss before tax						(244,295)
Income tax						(5,127)
Loss for the period						(249,422)
Other segment information:						
Share of loss of a joint venture	(262)	_	_	_	_	(262)
Share of profits and losses of associates	6,683	2,098	-	855	-	9,636
Depreciation of property,	(12 =0=)	(445)	(2.052)		(#4.A)	(4.5.505)
plant and equipment	(12,785)	(445)	(2,053)	-	(514)	(15,797)
Depreciation of right-of-use assets Amortisation of intangible assets	(12,344)	(2,644)	(3,184)	-	(1,226)	(19,398)
— unallocated assets						(185)
(Loss)/gain on disposal of property,						
plant and equipment, net	(664)	_	3,195	-	-	2,531
Impairment of other receivables		(24,565)				(24,565)

	Construction services (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Property development and assets leasing (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Professional services (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Non- franchised bus services (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Medical technology and healthcare (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Total (Unaudited) HK\$'000
Segment revenue (note 4): Sales to external customers Intersegment sales	3,365,206	-	404,776 2,883	- -	19,193	3,789,175 2,883
	3,365,206		407,659		19,193	3,792,058
Reconciliation: Elimination of intersegment sales						(2,883)
						3,789,175
Segment results	138,250	(4,844)	(15,016)	704	5,233	124,327
Interest income						6,285
Gain on disposal of non-current assets classified as held for sale						81,855
Corporate and other unallocated expenses						(32,449)
Finance costs (other than interest on segment lease liabilities)						(87,359)
Profit before tax Income tax						92,659 (17,631)
Profit for the period						75,028
Other segment information:						
Share of loss of a joint venture Share of profits and losses of associates — unallocated assets	(5,803) 4,550	1,788	-	704	-	(5,803) 7,042 (37)
Description						7,005
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment Depreciation of right-of-use assets Amortisation of intangible assets — unallocated assets	(15,123) (10,366)	(766) (2,347)	(3,701) (3,857)	-	(598) (1,081)	(20,188) (17,651)
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment, net	29		1,359			1,388
Write-off of other receivables Waiver of other payables	(8,927) 5,659	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	(8,927) 5,659

# Segment assets and liabilities

Information about segment assets and liabilities is not disclosed as it is not regularly reviewed by the CODM.

# Information about a major customer

A summary of revenue earned from an external customer, which contributed more than 10% of the Group's revenue for each of the periods ended 30 September 2024 and 30 September 2023, is set out below:

	Six month	ıs ended	
	30 September		
	2024		
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Customer A:			
Contribution to construction services segment	2,895,786	2,001,370	
Contribution to professional services segment	263,203	125,416	
	3,158,989	2,126,786	

# 4. REVENUE

An analysis of the Group's revenue is as follows:

	Six month 30 Septe	
	2024	2023
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Revenue from contracts with customers	4,449,517	3,789,175

# 5. OTHER INCOME AND GAINS, NET

		Six months ended 30 September		
		2024	2023	
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
	Note	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Other income				
Interest income		16,787	6,285	
Other rental income		277	322	
Other service income		70	587	
Management fee income		2,233	1,570	
Government subsidies*		251	5,811	
Dividend income		477	_	
Sundry income		5,826	4,577	
		25,921	19,152	
Gains, net				
Gain on disposal of subsidiaries		_	9,010	
Waiver of other payables		_	5,659	
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment, net		2,531	1,389	
Gain on disposal of non-current assets classified as				
held for sale	<i>(a)</i>	<del>-</del>	81,855	
Foreign exchange gains, net		4,172		
		6,703	97,913	
Other income and gains, net		32,624	117,065	

<sup>\*</sup> The amount represented subsidies received under the Anti-epidemic Fund and other support scheme in Hong Kong. All conditions relating to these grants have been fulfilled.

#### Note:

(a) On 30 January 2023, the Group entered into a provisional sale and purchase agreement with an independent third party, pursuant to which the Group shall sell to such purchaser a leasehold land under right-of-use assets at the consideration of HK\$93,750,000. The right-of-use asset was classified as a non-current asset classified as held for sale as at 31 March 2023. The transaction was completed on 28 April 2023. As a result of the transaction, a gain of HK\$81,855,000 was recognised during the period ended 30 September 2023.

Further details of the transaction was set out in the Company's announcement dated 30 January 2023.

# 6. FINANCE COSTS

An analysis of the Group's finance costs is as follows:

	Six months ended		
	30 September		
	2024	2023	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Interest on:			
Bank borrowings	101,096	79,670	
Lease liabilities	1,081	1,071	
Total interest expenses Amortisation of ancillary costs incurred in connection with	102,177	80,741	
the arrangement of bank loans	9,212	9,451	
Total finance costs	111,389	90,192	
Less: Amount included in cost of construction work	(604)	(2,275)	
	110,785	87,917	

# 7. (LOSS)/PROFIT BEFORE TAX

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

30 Sept—F           2024         2023           (Unaudited)         (Unaudited)         (Unaudited)           HK\$'000         HK\$'000           Cost of construction work         3,804,855         3,087,045           Cost of construction-related consultancy services provided         39,360         36,752           Cost of goods sold         9,226         7,436           Cost of security, tunnel management, property management and other facility management services provided         540,999         404,132           Depreciation of property, plant and equipment         15,797         20,188           Less: Amount included in cost of sales         (12,116)         (15,811)           Depreciation of right-of-use assets         19,398         17,651           Less: Amount included in cost of sales         (6,718)         (6,055)           Less: Amount included in cost of sales         12,680         11,596           Amortisation of intangible assets         185         185           Equity-settled share option expense         279         592           Other equity-settled share-based payment expense         1,976         756           Impairment of other receivables         24,565         -           Write-off of other receivables         -         8,927 <th></th> <th colspan="2">Six months ended</th>		Six months ended		
Cost of construction work         3,804,855         3,087,045           Cost of construction-related consultancy services provided         39,360         36,752           Cost of goods sold         9,226         7,436           Cost of security, tunnel management, property management and other facility management services provided         540,999         404,132           Depreciation of property, plant and equipment         15,797         20,188           Less: Amount included in cost of sales         (12,116)         (15,811)           Depreciation of right-of-use assets         19,398         17,651           Less: Amount included in cost of sales         (6,718)         (6,055)           Amortisation of intangible assets         185         185           Equity-settled share option expense         279         592           Other equity-settled share-based payment expense         1,976         756           Impairment of other receivables         24,565         -		30 September		
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	Other equity-settled share-based payment expense	1,976	756	
Write-off of other receivables 8,927	Impairment of other receivables	24,565	_	
	Write-off of other receivables		8,927	

### 8. INCOME TAX

An analysis of the Group's income tax is as follows:

	Six months ended	
	30 September	
	2024	2023
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Current — Hong Kong		
Charge for the period	4,633	17,232
(Over)/under-provision in prior years	(792)	188
	3,841	17,420
Current — Elsewhere		
Charge for the period	1,286	2,143
Over-provision in prior years		(55)
	1,286	2,088
Deferred		(1,877)
Total tax expense for the period	5,127	17,631

Note: Hong Kong profits tax has been provided at the rate of 16.5% (six months ended 30 September 2023: 16.5%) on the estimated assessable profits arising in Hong Kong during the period, except for one subsidiary of the Group which is a qualifying entity under the two-tiered profits tax rates regime. The first HK\$2,000,000 (six months ended 30 September 2023: HK\$2,000,000) of assessable profits of this subsidiary is taxed at 8.25% and the remaining assessable profits are taxed at 16.5%. Taxes on profits assessable elsewhere have been calculated at the rates of tax prevailing in the jurisdictions in which the Group operates.

#### 9. DIVIDENDS

Six months
ended
30 September
2023
(Unaudited)
HK\$'000

Final dividend recognised as distribution during the period in
respect of 2023 of HK1.05 cents per ordinary share

18,858

Interim dividend declared in respect of six months ended
30 September 2023 of HK1.13 cents per ordinary share

20,194

39,052

# 10. (LOSS)/EARNINGS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS OF THE COMPANY

The calculation of the basic (loss)/earnings per share amount is based on the (loss)/profit for the period attributable to shareholders of the Company and the weighted average number of ordinary shares used in the calculation is the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the period.

In respect of the financial periods ended 30 September 2024 and 30 September 2023, no adjustment has been made to the basic (loss)/earnings per share amount presented as the share options of the Company outstanding during the financial period had no diluting effect on the basic (loss)/earnings per share amount presented.

The calculation of the basic and diluted (loss)/earnings per share amounts is based on the following data:

Six months ended

1,773,339,847

1,782,639,137

#### (Loss)/earnings

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	30 September	
	2024	2023
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
(Loss)/profit for the period attributable to shareholders of		
the Company, used in the basic and diluted (loss)/earnings		
per share calculation	(264,089)	68,331
Number of shares		
	Six month	ns ended
	30 Septe	ember
	2024	2023
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Weighted average number of ordinary shares		

in issue during the period, used in the basic and diluted (loss)/earnings per share calculation

### 11. TRADE RECEIVABLES

3	80 September	31 March
	2024	2024
	(Unaudited) HK\$'000	(Audited) <i>HK\$</i> '000
Trade receivables	1,129,761	967,973

The Group generally allows a credit period of not exceeding 60 days to its customers. Interim applications for progress payments on construction contracts are normally submitted on a monthly basis and are normally settled within one month.

Before accepting any new customer, the Group assesses the potential customer's credit quality and defines credit limits by customer. Limits and scoring attributed to customers are reviewed periodically. The majority of the Group's trade receivables that are neither past due nor impaired relate to customers that have good credit quality with reference to the respective settlement history.

The ageing analysis of the trade receivables as at the end of the reporting period, based on the invoice date is as follows:

	30 September 2024	31 March 2024
	(Unaudited) <i>HK\$</i> '000	(Audited) HK\$'000
Within 1 month 1 to 2 months	947,411 75,027	738,492 125,255
2 to 3 months	31,807	24,008
Over 3 months	75,516	80,218
	1,129,761	967,973

# 12. TRADE PAYABLES

	30 September	31 March
	2024	2024
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Trade payables other than retention payables	1,116,744	1,221,518
Retention payables	712,398	694,574
	1,829,142	1,916,092

The Group's trade payables (other than retention payables) are non-interest bearing and are normally settled on 30-day terms.

An ageing analysis of the Group's trade payables (other than retention payables) as at the end of the reporting period, based on the invoice date, is as follows:

	30 September 2024 (Unaudited)	31 March 2024 (Audited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Within 1 month 1 to 2 months 2 to 3 months	533,245 53,073 116,914	652,308 111,331 67,338
Over 3 months	413,512	390,541
	1,116,744	1,221,518

#### 13. SHARE CAPITAL

	30 September	31 March
	2024	2024
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Authorised: 5,000,000,000 (as at 31 March 2024: 5,000,000,000) ordinary shares of HK\$0.1 each	500,000	500,000
Issued and fully paid:		
1,785,791,847 (as at 31 March 2024: 1,785,791,847) ordinary shares of HK\$0.1 each	178,579	178,579

A summary of the movements in the Company's issued share capital and share premium account during the six months ended 30 September 2024 is as follows:

	Number of ordinary shares in issue (Unaudited) (		Share premium account (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Total (Unaudited) <i>HK\$</i> '000
At 1 April 2024 and				
30 September 2024	1,785,791,847	178,579	735,089	913,668

During the period, the Company repurchased 15,086,000 (six months ended 30 September 2023: 6,326,000) ordinary shares in total on the Stock Exchange at an aggregate consideration of approximately HK\$6,911,000 (six months ended 30 September 2023: HK\$3,252,000, there was premium of approximately HK\$1,928,000 paid over the nominal value on the repurchases of these shares was debited to the share premium account). The consideration paid on the repurchase of 15,086,000 shares not yet cancelled as at 30 September 2024 was debited to the treasury shares account.

Subsequent to the reporting period and up to the date of this condensed consolidated interim financial information, 1,472,000 ordinary shares in total were repurchased by the Company on the Stock Exchange of an aggregate consideration of approximately HK\$668,000. Such shares together with 15,086,000 shares, which were repurchased but not yet cancelled during the reporting period, and all these shares were not yet cancelled up to the date of this condensed consolidated interim financial information.

The repurchases were effected by the Directors with a view to benefiting the shareholders of the Company as a whole by enhancing the Company's net asset value and earnings per share.

#### 14. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

At the end of the reporting period, the Group had the following contingent liabilities, which have not been provided for in the condensed consolidated interim financial information:

#### (a) Corporate guarantees and performance bonds given

	30 September 2024 (Unaudited) HK\$'000	31 March 2024 (Audited) <i>HK\$</i> '000
Indemnities issued to financial institutions for performance bonds in respect of construction and professional services contracts undertaken by:		
— subsidiaries	861,129	907,215
— joint operations	83,184	83,184
— a joint venture		32,939
	944,313	1,023,338
Guarantees issued to financial institutions to secure credit		
facilities granted to associates (note (ii))	359,351	513,151
	1,303,664	1,536,489

In addition to the above, corporate guarantees were provided by the Group to two parties to indemnify them any losses and liabilities that they may incur in connection with certain construction works of the Group in which the two parties have involvement. In the opinion of the Directors, the financial impact of the contingent liabilities that may arise from these arrangements is assessed to be minimal.

#### Notes:

- (i) In the opinion of the Directors, the fair values of the financial guarantee contracts of the Group are insignificant at initial recognition and the possibility of the default of the parties involved is remote. Accordingly, no value has been recognised in the condensed consolidated statement of financial position in respect of these financial guarantee contracts.
- (ii) At 30 September 2024, the banking facilities granted to associates and guaranteed by the Group were utilised to the extent of HK\$222,890,000 (31 March 2024: HK\$356,423,000).

#### (b) Litigations

The legal proceedings arose from four sets of Sale and Purchase Agreement dated 4 August 2011 and 3 March 2012 respectively (the "SPAs"), pursuant to which the Group purchased four flat top barges (the "Vessels") from a plaintiff. The SPAs stipulated that the plaintiff should buy back the Vessels from the Group in the total consideration of HK\$15,150,000 (the "Buyback") after 36 months from the Vessels' respective delivery dates (the "Buyback Dates"). The Buyback did not take place on the Buyback Dates nor after rounds of negotiations in 2015. In May 2018, the Group disposed of the Vessels to a third party.

In June 2021, the plaintiff commenced the legal proceedings alleging that the Group was in breach of the SPAs and claims, *inter alia*, for (i) loss of rental charges beyond the Buyback Dates and (ii) loss of difference between the market price and the buyback price of the Vessels.

The Group counterclaims against the plaintiff for, *inter alia*, (i) the difference between the buyback prices under the SPAs and the selling price to the third party and (ii) the costs of maintaining the Vessels beyond the Buyback Dates until disposal to the third party.

The plaintiff is now claiming loss and damages in the sum of approximately HK\$9,511,000 against the Group while the Group is counterclaiming loss and damages in the sum of approximately HK\$16,985,000.

On 30 August 2024, the Group and the plaintiff entered into an agreement in full and final settlement of the legal proceedings and all related matters. Pursuant to the settlement agreement, the Group and the plaintiff has procured their respective solicitors to file and serve a Consent Summons to the Court on 5 September 2024 to wholly discontinue the legal proceedings and to vacate the pre-trial fixed for 21 May 2025 and trial fixed for 8 to 18 September 2025, with no order as to costs for the legal proceedings. The Court has granted an order in terms on 9 September 2024.

#### 15. PLEDGE OF ASSETS

At the end of the reporting period, the following assets were pledged to secure the banking facilities granted to the Group:

	30 September 2024	31 March 2024
	(Unaudited)  HK\$'000	(Audited) <i>HK</i> \$'000
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Property, plant and equipment	37,500	38,014
Investment in an insurance contract	2,648	2,616
Right-of-use assets	101,880	104,118
Bank deposits	33,971	34,718
	175,999	179,466

In addition to the above, as at 30 September 2024 and 31 March 2024, the Group has pledged the equity interest in a wholly-owned subsidiary to secure a banking facility granted to an associate.

#### 16. EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

On 30 July 2024, Chun Wo Overseas Holdings Limited ("Chun Wo Overseas"), an indirectly wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company and a major shareholder of Modern Living Investments Holdings Limited ("Modern Living"), an indirectly non-wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, entered into a placing agreement with a placing agent, pursuant to which the placing agent agreed to place, on a commitment basis, 168,000,000 shares (representing 21% of the issued share capital of Modern Living), owned by Chun Wo Overseas to not less than six placees at the placing price of HK\$0.30 per share (the "Placing").

The Placing was completed on 28 October 2024, an aggregate of 168,000,000 Modern Living's shares, representing approximately 21% of the issued share capital of Modern Living, were successfully placed by the placing agent to not less than six placees pursuant to the terms and conditions of the placing agreement, at placing price of HK\$0.30 per share. The net proceeds from the Placing, after deduction of the placing commission and related costs and expenses borne by Chun Wo Overseas, amounted to approximately HK\$46,700,000 and was used by the Group as working capital and repayment of existing indebtedness.

Upon completion, the Group's shareholding in Modern Living was reduced from approximately 85.96% to 64.96%, Modern Living remains as a subsidiary of the Company.

Details of the Placing and its completion are set out in the joint announcements of the Company and Modern Living dated 30 July 2024, 2 September 2024, 17 September 2024 and 28 October 2024.

Save as disclosed above and note 13 to the condensed consolidated interim financial information, there are no other significant events occurred subsequent to the reporting period.

# **BUSINESS REVIEW**

The total revenue for the Group during the Review Period was approximately HK\$4.45 billion (2023: HK\$3.79 billion), with a net loss attributable to shareholders of around HK\$264.1 million (2023: net profit attributable to shareholders HK\$68.3 million). The loss was a result of a write-off of the Group's contract assets for certain projects due to uncertainties regarding their recovery during the Review Period, which is a non-cash accounting treatment in accordance with HKFRSs.

During the Review Period, Hong Kong's macroeconomic environment remained uncertain, with geopolitical tensions, a slowdown in the capital finance market, and prolonged high bank lending rates, resulting in high financing costs and pressure on industrial and commercial operations. In addition, the drainage of talents and the rising aging population in Hong Kong brought many challenges to the business.

Although the market environment has become sluggish in the short term due to the above factors, the Group has developed a strategic plan earlier. On one hand, maintained a carefully-crafted cost-reduction program including strengthening cost and efficiency management, speeding up the collection from construction contracts, actively reducing existing contract assets, and planning to apply those collections to reduce some of the long-term borrowing, thereby saving the corresponding interest expenses and the sale of leased land in the same period last year to realize profits, optimize asset utilization and improve operational efficiency as part of the Group's strategic policies. In order to enhance operational efficiency, the Group's back office set up in Shenzhen has also been operating in regular conditions during the Review Period. It is gradually reducing the overall administrative costs.

On the other hand, the Group's management continues to invest in relevant professional knowledge, skills, cultivate talents, maintain long-term competitive advantages, provide customers with high-quality and cost-effective services, and continue to drive the overall improvement of various business results.

While developing its core business in infrastructure, the Group has successfully established a number of businesses that are closely related to people's well-beings, which will enhance the overall cash flow and earning potential. These include professional property management services, non-franchised bus services and specialising in production and sale of PET radiopharmaceuticals drugs. These businesses are built to optimise the Group's overall growth potential in an uncertain market. The turnover of these businesses amounted to approximately HK\$597.6 million (2023: HK\$424.0 million), representing an increase of 41%, demonstrating the Group's vigilance towards macroeconomic risks and its ability to execute and follow through the new development projects subsequently.

### Construction

During the Review Period, the Group's infrastructure projects maintained an encouraging growth, mainly due to the fact that the Group had been awarded more than HK\$30.00 billion in total contract value in recent years. This size of awards is mainly due to the persistence of the Group to practice the principles of high quality and construction safety, as well as its long-term commitment to nurturing talents and investing advanced equipment regardless of market ups and downs for more than 50 years. "Chun Wo" has become a well-known brand in the industry and has earned the faith and trust of its customers for decades.

Turnover for the period amounted to HK\$3.85 billion, an increase of 14% from HK\$3.37 billion recorded in the same period last year.

As at the end of the Review Period, the Group held a total contract value of HK\$36.13 billion, of which the total value of ongoing contracts was HK\$19.63 billion, indicating sufficient contracts on hand.

The Group has secured 5 new projects during the Review Period, including the Proposed New Headquarters and Youth Hostel at Kowloon Inland Lot No. 11128 for The Hong Kong Girl Guides Association, the Drainage Improvement Works in Kowloon City, the Foundation For Public Housing Development at Tung Chung Area 23 Phase 1, and the Hung Shui Kiu/Ha Tsuen New Development Area Second Phase Development — Contract 2 — Fresh Water Service Reservoir and Associated Mainlaying Works.

The construction segment is currently operating a total of 41 projects, which include the Demolition, Foundation Superstructure and Associated Works Contract for Redevelopment of Kwong Wah Hospital (Phase 2), Improvement Works at Mui Wo, Phase 2, Stage 2, Construction of Trunk Sewage Rising Main in Cheung Sha Wan, Construction of Public Housing Development at Hiu Ming Street and Fanling North New Development Area, and Phase 1: Fanling Bypass Eastern Section (Shek Wu San Tsuen North to Lung Yeuk Tau).

Throughout the Review Period, the Group completed 2 projects including Site Formation and Infrastructure Work's for Development of the Anderson Road Quarry site.

# **Property Development and Assets Leasing**

As evaluated by the Group and its divisions on the socio-macroeconomic and real estate markets in recent years, it was decided to maintain a cautious approach to property development.

During the Review Period, the Group continued to pursue three projects, including "128 Waterloo" located on Waterloo Road, Ho Man Tin, a hybrid residential and retail building named "SOYO" at Soy Street, Mongkok, and a development project located at 437–441 Castle Peak Road in Cheung Sha Wan.

#### **Professional Services**

The Group's strength lies in its expertise in its core businesses and developing new businesses to enhance its cash flow and earnings ratios. Ongoing efforts are gradually generating better results, as well as strengthening the Group's market position.

Last year, the Group has completed the acquisition of Modern Living Investment Holdings Co., Ltd. ("Modern Living") (8426:HK) and successfully resumed stock trading on the GEM board in October 2024. The performance of Modern Living was satisfactory during the Review Period. The professional services segment has successfully reversed its result to a profit of HK\$8.3 million, compared to a loss of HK\$15.0 million in the same period last year, and has recorded a turnover of HK\$575.1 million (2023: HK\$404.8 million) during the Review Period.

During the Review Period, The turnaround of City Services Group Limited ("City Services Group") was attributable to the team's effort achieving a renewal rate of over 80% for security contracts with a material price adjustment. It reflects the strong relationship between City Services Group and its customers. Currently, City Services Group provides professional services to a number of prestigious customers, including the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, the Hong Kong Jockey Club, the Hong Kong Palace Museum, and The Wai — a shopping mall located at Tai Wai Station.

Property management is a people-oriented industry, so the Group keeps a close attention on the property management technology systems in the market and will apply in time to improve the operating cost efficiency. City Services Group is actively promoting the adoption of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and Internet of Things (IoT) technologies to improve service quality and competitive advantage. City Services Group employs more than 3,000 employees and has spent more than 4,000 hours of training in more than 100 training programs, demonstrating the City Services Group's emphasis on talent development.

### **Non-franchised Bus Services**

During the Review Period, the segment continued to operate local bus services and was committed to expanding its customer base, including providing services to well-known organisations and tourists visiting Hong Kong from the mainland and overseas. It has closely monitoring the market recovery.

Despite the impact of high interest rates on non-franchised bus services during the Review Period, segment profit increased by 21% to HK\$860,000 during the period.

Meanwhile, it has demonstrated the Group's long term commitment and sincere efforts to all stakeholders in providing high-quality services and products to the community. We support our SAR Government and looking forward to contribute to the maintenance of our social and business economy.

## **Medical Technology and Healthcare**

This segment, Hong Kong Cyclotron Laboratories Limited ("HKCL"), specializes in the research, development and production of PET drugs and operates one of the largest distribution networks of PET radiopharmaceuticals in Hong Kong. It is also a major supplier of radiopharmaceuticals, such as fluoridedeoxyglucose (FDG) and prostate-specific membrane antigen (PSMA) to public hospitals, private hospitals, and imaging centres in Hong Kong.

During the Review Period, HKCL performed well with a revenue growth of 17% to HK\$22.5 million (2023: HK\$19.2 million) and a profit increase of 25% to HK\$6.6 million (2023: HK\$5.2 million).

#### **Other Business**

During the Review Period, the online construction materials procurement and management platform operated by Mattex Asia Development Limited ("Mattex") recorded stable results.

In order to embrace the great opportunity of digitalization of project management, Mattex has developed a smart site supervision system and started to launch it in the market. This business has enabled the Group to diversify and continuously expand its revenue streams. The segment facilitates the development and realization of new business opportunities. These initiatives are able to generate positive results and strengthening our position in the market.

# **OUTLOOK AND PROSPECTS**

#### Construction

Looking forward, despite our core business in infrastructure remains challenging, we are committed to investing in our professional talent and ensuring product quality and industrial safety, which are widely recognized and respected by the industry in Hong Kong.

The launch of infrastructure projects not only can support Hong Kong's industrial and commercial sectors to invest in the future, but also raises employment and household income levels to maintain people's standard of living and economic vitality during market downturns. According to the 2024 Policy Address, the HKSAR Government plans to supply 189,000 public housing units within five years. It will move forward "Hong Kong Major Transport Infrastructure Development Blueprint", including the Construction of Hung Shui Kiu Station and the Northern Link Main Line which will be commenced in 2024 and 2025 and be targeted to complete in 2030 and 2034. With the Government's orderly launch schedule of the Northern Metropolis and various infrastructure projects, it will create many new opportunities for the construction industry. The outlook for the industry is promising. At the same time, the HKSAR Government plans to roll out smart green transport systems in Kowloon East and Kai Tak, and collaborate with Shenzhen to build the cross-boundary projects such as the Hong Kong-Shenzhen Western Railway. It is a demonstration of huge potential. The Hospital Authority is also planning a Second Ten-year Hospital Development Plan with a budget of \$270.0 billion, and the Group is confident in its business development in Hong Kong. The HKSAR Government is committed to launching a number of key infrastructure projects. These commitments will serve as a new engine for Hong Kong's future growth, bringing opportunities for the construction industry and to the Group.

Under a high-interest environment, the segment will focus on shortening the period of accounts receivables. It is expected to positively improve the competitiveness and profitability of the business in the medium to long term. It is anticipated that there will be a series of plans to address the Hong Kong's economy, which will be introduced one after another, and various related investment will resume in a steady manner. The Group will continue to focus on implementing cost reduction programs and improving execution efficiency. They are expected to generate better results for the Group.

# **Property Development and Assets Leasing**

In the first half of 2024, the Government announced the abolition of all demand-side management measures for residential properties, and all residential property transactions will no longer be subject to Special Stamp Duty (SSD) and Buyer's Stamp Duty (BSD), etc. As the government gradually eases policy, it is anticipated that the market will need time to response. Meanwhile, the Hong Kong Monetary Authority (HKMA) has issued guidance to banks to relax the loan-to-value ratio and stress tests, which may lead to a recovery trend in residential property trading. With the US Federal Reserve announcing a half-percentage rate cut during the period, the first interest rate cut cycle in more than four years, which is expected to make the market active too. The Group will closely monitor the market and look for suitable investment opportunities.

#### **Professional Services**

City Services Group provides more than 3 million square meters of professional services to customers, further strengthening our market share and business sustainability. Looking forward, the Group will continue to leverage its strengths to drive continuous growth.

The joining of Modern Living will broaden the Group's property management segment, creating huge opportunities for the Group's future development to combine the professional services of the private sector and public housing estates. The integration of public-private sectors will bring in the synergies to further develop the momentum as well as the stable and sustainable contributions to the Group.

In view of the labour shortage and the rising trend in labour costs, the Group will maintain cautious and reduce the operating costs effectively.

#### Non-franchised Bus Services

The Group remains optimistic about the development of the non-franchised bus services business and will actively expand its customer base, seizing every development opportunity to achieve even better performance.

# Medical Technology and Healthcare

A second laboratory has been completed and is expected to be operational in 2025, which will significantly increase our supply capacity. We also actively cooperate with international advanced medical companies to explore the development and production of the corresponding radiodiagnostic drugs mainly for Alzheimer's disease. This is in line with our Group's mission of improving people's quality of health.

Looking forward, the Group aims to drive technology development beyond the territory of Hong Kong. Our goal is to increase our treatment sample size, advance our technical expertise, as well as expand our regional coverage to enhance the business earning potential. The Group is fully committed to building a healthier and more sustainable future for mankind.

### **Other Business**

The Group will continue to explore suitable development opportunities, drive further expansion of its operations, and proactively seize new prospects to achieve its strategic goals of diversifying our business portfolio and sources of revenue. We will maintain our principles of taking careful steps and applying our expertise to deal with these complicated and ever-changing global conditions. Ultimately, we will manage our long-term sustainable growth.

#### Conclusion

Although the local economy will remain uncertain in 2024, the Group still maintains its capabilities, we are keeping our principles to providing high-quality products and services to the community and creating long-term value for all of our stakeholders.

With our years of industry experience and professional knowledge, we strive to optimize internal resources and business network to enhance execution efficiency and competitiveness. Coupled with our asset-light and prudent financial policies, the Group is committed to maintaining its goal of maximizing profitability in the short-term, medium-term, and long-term.

In addition, we will continue to closely monitor market trends and government policies, and pay attention to new opportunities that may arise from economic shifts in various sectors, so as to further expand the scale of local and regional development.

At the same time, the HKSAR Government and leaders in the PRC are studying in-depth plans to revitalize the economy and to raise Hong Kong's attractiveness. Key areas such as finance, healthcare, shipping, tourism, and infrastructure are all necessary categories. The Group has been fully prepared for long-term investment in talent training, professional technology, etc., and we are full of confidence that the Group can fully welcome the advent of these recovery plans. By that time, the Group is ready to work together with the relevant government departments to make the greatest contribution to Hong Kong.

# LIQUIDITY AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES

The financial position of the Group remained stable during the Review Period. The Group operates a centralized treasury function to monitor its cash position, cashflow and funding requirements, that mainly relies upon internally generated funds as well as bank borrowings to finance its operations and expansion, which is supplemented by equity funding when it is required.

At 30 September 2024, the total net debts of the Group amounted to approximately HK\$2,066.1 million, representing total debts of approximately HK\$3,365.9 million less total of cash and bank balances of approximately HK\$1,299.8 million. The debt maturity profile, based on scheduled repayment dates set out in loan agreements of the Group at 30 September 2024, is analysed as follows:

	As at	As at
30 Se	eptember	31 March
	2024	2024
(Ur	naudited)	(Audited)
HK	(\$ million	HK\$ million
Bank borrowings and lease liabilities repayable:		
Within one year or on demand	1,591.7	1,092.0
After one year, but within two years		
— On demand shown under current liabilities	_	315.3
— Remaining balances	1,767.2	1,007.0
After two years, but within five years		
<ul> <li>On demand shown under current liabilities</li> </ul>	_	776.4
— Remaining balances	4.9	10.1
Over five years	2.1	1.3
Total debts	3,365.9	3,202.1

The Group has continued to implement a prudent financial management policy, at 30 September 2024, the gearing ratio of the Group, being the proportion of net interest bearing debts to equity attributable to Shareholders, was 0.94 (31 March 2024: 0.90).

To minimise exposure on foreign exchange fluctuations, the Group's bank borrowings and cash balances are primarily denominated in Hong Kong dollars or Renminbi which are the same as the functional currency of the relevant group entities. The Group has no significant exposure to foreign exchange rate fluctuations and shall use derivative contracts to hedge against its exposure to currency risk only when it is required. Furthermore, the Group uses combination of fixed and floating interest rate in bank borrowings and such bank borrowings have not been hedged by any interest rate financial instruments.

# **CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

Details of the contingent liabilities of the Group are set out in Note 14 to the condensed consolidated interim financial information.

#### PLEDGE OF ASSETS

Details of the pledge of assets of the Group are set out in Note 15 to the condensed consolidated interim financial information.

### EMPLOYEE AND REMUNERATION POLICIES

The Group had approximately 6,400 employees as at 30 September 2024. Total remuneration of employees for the Review Period amounted to approximately HK\$1,028.0 million. Employees are remunerated according to their nature of work and the market trend, with merit-based components incorporated in the annual increment review to reward and motivate individual performance. Employee bonus is distributable based on the performance of the respective divisions and the employees concerned. Moreover, the Group also provides in-house training program and sponsorship for external training courses which are complementary to their job functions.

To provide incentives for employees to achieve performance goals, the Company adopted the restricted share award scheme (the "Share Award Scheme") on 1 August 2017, pursuant to which the Company may grant to eligible participants restricted shares of the Company, which will align the interests of employees directly to the Shareholders through ownership of shares of the Company. Such grant shares are acquired by the scheme trustee on the market of the Stock Exchange and held upon trust for the benefit of the grantees and shall become vested in the grantees upon satisfaction of specified vesting criteria.

In addition, the Company had also adopted a share option scheme (the "Share Option Scheme"), under which the Directors are authorised to grant share options to the eligible participants to subscribe for shares of the Company for the purpose of, among other things, providing incentives and rewards to, and recognising the contributions of, the eligible participants. The Share Option Scheme was valid and effective for a period of 10 years commencing on 3 September 2012 and expired on 2 September 2022, after which no further share options shall be offered or granted but the share options granted prior to the expiry date shall continue to be valid and exercisable in accordance with the provisions of the Share Option Scheme.

# INTERIM DIVIDEND

The Board does not recommend the payment of an interim dividend for the six months ended 30 September 2024 (six months ended 30 September 2023: HK1.13 cents per share and amounting to approximately HK\$20.2 million).

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

During the Review Period, the Company repurchased 15,086,000 shares of the Company at an aggregate consideration of HK\$6,911,030 (before expenses) on the Stock Exchange. None of the repurchased shares were cancelled during the Review Period.

Particulars of the repurchase during the Review Period are as follows:

Months of share repurchase	Number of shares repurchased	Highest price paid per share HK\$	Lowest price paid per share HK\$	Aggregate consideration paid (before expenses) HK\$
April	3,460,000	0.48	0.47	1,649,940
June	1,464,000	0.46	0.46	673,440
July	4,724,000	0.46	0.44	2,141,830
August	3,388,000	0.455	0.44	1,523,320
September	2,050,000	0.45	0.45	922,500
Total	15,086,000			6,911,030

The Directors considered that the repurchases were made with a view to enhancing the net assets value per share and earnings per share of the Company.

Save as disclosed above, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities during the Review Period.

## **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES**

The Company has complied with all the code provisions of the Corporate Governance Code contained in Appendix C1 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange (the "Listing Rules") throughout the Review Period.

# **DIRECTORS' SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS**

The Company has adopted the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code") contained in Appendix C3 to the Listing Rules as its code of conduct regarding securities transactions by the Directors. All Directors have confirmed, after a specific enquiry made by the Company, that they have fully complied with the required standard set out in the Model Code throughout the Review Period.

#### EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

Details of the significant events of the Group after the reporting period are set out in Note 16 to the condensed consolidated interim financial information.

## **AUDIT COMMITTEE REVIEW**

The Audit Committee of the Board (the "Audit Committee") comprises five members, namely Mr. Wu William Wai Leung (Chairman of the Audit Committee), Ms. Wong Wendy Dick Yee, Dr. Yim Yuk Lun, Stanley, Mr. Lam Yau Fung, Curt and Mr. Ho Gilbert Chi Hang, all being NEDs or INEDs. The Audit Committee has reviewed with the management and given its consent to the accounting principles and practices adopted by the Group and discussed internal control and financial reporting matters including the review of the unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial information of the Group for the Review Period.

By Order of the Board

ASIA ALLIED INFRASTRUCTURE

HOLDINGS LIMITED

Pang Yat Ting, Dominic

Chairman

Hong Kong, 28 November 2024

As at the date of this announcement, the executive directors of the Company are Mr. Pang Yat Ting, Dominic, Mr. Xu Jianhua, Jerry, Ir Dr. Pang Yat Bond, Derrick JP and Mr. Shea Chun Lok, Quadrant, the non-executive directors of the Company are Ms. Wong Wendy Dick Yee and Dr. Yim Yuk Lun, Stanley SBS BBS JP, and the independent non-executive directors of the Company are Mr. Wu William Wai Leung, Mr. Lam Yau Fung, Curt, Mr. Ho Gilbert Chi Hang and Dr. Yen Gordon.