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ALLIED PROPERTIES (H.K.) LIMITED

(聯合地產(香港)有限公司)

(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 56)

UNAUDITED INTERIM RESULTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2011

The board of directors (“Board”) of Allied Properties (H.K.) Limited (“Company”) is pleased to announce that the unaudited consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (“Group”) for the six months ended 30th June, 2011 with the comparative figures for the corresponding period in 2010 are as follows:

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

for the six months ended 30th June, 2011

		Six months ended 30th June,	
		2011	2010
	Notes	Unaudited HK\$ Million	Unaudited HK\$ Million (Restated)
Continuing operations			
Revenue	4 & 5	1,960.7	1,695.2
Other income		41.8	138.9
Total income		2,002.5	1,834.1
Cost of sales and other direct costs		(113.3)	(102.9)
Brokerage and commission expenses		(104.8)	(103.3)
Selling and marketing expenses		(32.7)	(36.9)
Administrative expenses		(607.9)	(524.3)
Changes in values of properties	6	665.0	414.7
Bad and doubtful debts		(41.1)	(42.2)
Other operating expenses		(198.6)	(212.0)
Finance costs	7	(30.7)	(36.2)
Share of results of associates		232.8	194.3
Share of results of jointly controlled entities		123.3	28.6
Profit before taxation	8	1,894.5	1,413.9
Taxation	9	(226.6)	(162.8)
Profit for the period from continuing operations		1,667.9	1,251.1
Discontinued operations			
(Loss) profit for the period from discontinued operations	10	(1.5)	23.1
Profit for the period		1,666.4	1,274.2

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT (Cont'd)
for the six months ended 30th June, 2011

	<i>Notes</i>	Six months ended 30th June, 2011 Unaudited HK\$ Million	2010 Unaudited HK\$ Million (Restated)
Attributable to:			
Owners of the Company			
Profit for the period from continuing operations		1,282.5	868.4
(Loss) profit for the period from discontinued operations		(1.0)	14.8
		<u>1,281.5</u>	<u>883.2</u>
Non-controlling interests			
Profit for the period from continuing operations		385.4	382.7
(Loss) profit for the period from discontinued operations		(0.5)	8.3
		<u>384.9</u>	<u>391.0</u>
		<u>1,666.4</u>	<u>1,274.2</u>
Earnings per share:			
From continuing and discontinued operations	<i>11</i>		
Basic		<u>17.49 HK cents</u>	<u>14.47 HK cents</u>
Diluted		<u>17.49 HK cents</u>	<u>14.47 HK cents</u>
From continuing operations			
Basic		<u>17.50 HK cents</u>	<u>14.23 HK cents</u>
Diluted		<u>17.50 HK cents</u>	<u>14.23 HK cents</u>

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
for the six months ended 30th June, 2011

	Six months ended 30th June,	
	2011	2010
	Unaudited	Unaudited
	HK\$ Million	HK\$ Million
Profit for the period	<u>1,666.4</u>	<u>1,274.2</u>
Other comprehensive income (expenses):		
Available-for-sale financial assets		
– Net fair value changes during the period	4.6	(2.1)
– Reclassification adjustment to profit or loss on disposal	(1.5)	(0.4)
– Deferred tax	<u>–</u>	<u>(0.4)</u>
	3.1	(2.9)
Exchange differences arising on translation of foreign operations	47.5	12.0
Reclassification adjustment to profit or loss on liquidation of a jointly controlled entity	(0.2)	–
Reclassification adjustment to profit or loss on liquidation of subsidiaries	–	(6.7)
Revaluation gain on properties transferred from property, plant and equipment to investment properties	146.0	5.4
Deferred tax arising on revaluation gain on properties transferred from property, plant and equipment to investment properties	(24.1)	–
Share of other comprehensive income (expenses) of associates	123.4	(16.2)
Share of other comprehensive income of jointly controlled entities	<u>0.7</u>	<u>0.9</u>
Other comprehensive income (expenses) for the period, net of tax	<u>296.4</u>	<u>(7.5)</u>
Total comprehensive income for the period	<u>1,962.8</u>	<u>1,266.7</u>
Attributable to:		
Owners of the Company	1,502.4	871.1
Non-controlling interests	<u>460.4</u>	<u>395.6</u>
	<u>1,962.8</u>	<u>1,266.7</u>

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
at 30th June, 2011

		At 30th June, 2011 Unaudited <i>HK\$ Million</i>	At 31st December, 2010 Audited <i>HK\$ Million</i>
	<i>Notes</i>		
Non-current assets			
Investment properties		5,967.3	5,156.4
Property, plant and equipment		579.9	627.9
Prepaid land lease payments		10.0	10.0
Goodwill		2,490.3	2,490.3
Intangible assets		1,109.2	1,190.4
Interests in associates		5,607.1	5,274.9
Interests in jointly controlled entities		1,344.5	1,221.6
Available-for-sale financial assets		340.0	292.1
Statutory deposits		108.0	50.8
Amounts due from associates		56.2	56.1
Loans and advances to consumer finance customers due after one year		2,674.9	2,291.9
Deposits and other receivables		94.9	33.4
Deferred tax assets		91.5	94.1
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		200.1	–
		<u>20,673.9</u>	<u>18,789.9</u>
Current assets			
Properties held for sale and other inventories		440.6	412.8
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		762.8	720.7
Prepaid land lease payments		0.4	0.4
Loans and advances to consumer finance customers due within one year		3,842.5	3,172.6
Trade and other receivables	13	7,543.6	6,737.3
Amounts due from associates		197.4	58.5
Amount due from a jointly controlled entity		2.2	7.7
Tax recoverable		1.9	1.5
Short-term pledged bank deposits and bank balances		121.5	99.5
Cash, deposits and cash equivalents		4,333.5	4,255.0
		<u>17,246.4</u>	<u>15,466.0</u>

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (Cont'd)
at 30th June, 2011

	<i>Notes</i>	At 30th June, 2011 Unaudited <i>HK\$ Million</i>	At 31st December, 2010 Audited <i>HK\$ Million</i>
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	14	1,556.6	1,460.9
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss		6.9	6.3
Amount due to a holding company		31.4	24.9
Amounts due to fellow subsidiaries		758.0	757.1
Amounts due to associates		14.4	14.1
Amounts due to jointly controlled entities		0.1	0.1
Tax payable		189.9	106.7
Bank and other borrowings due within one year		3,575.1	2,874.8
Mandatory convertible notes		32.7	32.6
Provisions		44.3	74.7
		<u>6,209.4</u>	<u>5,352.2</u>
Net current assets		<u>11,037.0</u>	<u>10,113.8</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>31,710.9</u>	<u>28,903.7</u>
Capital and reserves			
Share capital		1,390.6	1,390.6
Share premium and reserves		17,258.1	15,968.9
Equity attributable to owners of the Company		<u>18,648.7</u>	<u>17,359.5</u>
Equity elements of mandatory convertible notes and warrants		1,616.5	1,616.5
Shares held for employee ownership scheme		(17.7)	(23.7)
Employee share-based compensation reserve		4.5	10.6
Share of net assets of subsidiaries		6,308.9	6,033.6
Non-controlling interests		<u>7,912.2</u>	<u>7,637.0</u>
Total equity		<u>26,560.9</u>	<u>24,996.5</u>
Non-current liabilities			
Bonds		1,038.7	500.0
Bank and other borrowings due after one year		3,312.7	2,690.4
Amount due to an associate		48.2	47.1
Mandatory convertible notes		31.5	45.9
Deferred tax liabilities		705.5	610.9
Provisions		13.4	12.9
		<u>5,150.0</u>	<u>3,907.2</u>
		<u>31,710.9</u>	<u>28,903.7</u>

Notes:

1. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the applicable disclosure requirements of Appendix 16 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited and with Hong Kong Accounting Standard 34 “Interim Financial Reporting” issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for certain properties and financial instruments, which are measured at fair value.

A number of new and revised Standards and Interpretations are effective for the financial year beginning on 1st January, 2011. The adoption of the new and revised Standards and Interpretations has had no material effect on the condensed consolidated financial statements of the Group for the current and prior accounting periods. Except as mentioned in note 3 below, the same accounting policies, presentation and methods of computation have been followed in these condensed consolidated financial statements as were applied in the preparation of the Group’s financial statements for the year ended 31st December, 2010.

3. RESTATEMENT OF COMPARATIVES

In prior years, the net profit (“Net Profit”) and net loss (“Net Loss”) on financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss were classified under revenue. In the current period, the directors of the Company have determined that Net Profit and Net Loss are classified under other income and other operating expenses respectively. Accordingly, the comparatives of the condensed consolidated income statement are restated:– Net Profit of HK\$88.1 million and Net Loss of HK\$77.4 million were reclassified from revenue to other income and other operating expenses respectively.

As described in more detail in note 10, in the second half of 2010, subsidiaries engaged in medical, nursing agency, physiotherapy, dental and other services (“Discontinued Medical Service Business”) were disposed and the operations of provision of Discontinued Medical Service Business which represented a substantial portion of the operations under the segment of “Healthcare” in the previous year were discontinued. The operation remaining in the Healthcare segment is the provision of elderly care services. Accordingly, the segment is redesignated as “Elderly care services” for the purpose of segmental information.

Certain comparative figures for 2010 have been adjusted to conform with the current presentation described above.

4. REVENUE

	Six months ended 30th June,	
	2011	2010
	HK\$ Million	HK\$ Million (Restated)
Continuing operations	1,960.7	1,695.2
Discontinued operations	–	512.3
	<u>1,960.7</u>	<u>2,207.5</u>

5. SEGMENTAL INFORMATION

Analysis of the Group's revenue and results from continuing operations by reportable and operating segments is as follows:

	Six months ended 30th June, 2011					
	Investment, broking and finance <i>HK\$ Million</i>	Consumer finance <i>HK\$ Million</i>	Elderly care services <i>HK\$ Million</i>	Property rental, hotel operations and management services <i>HK\$ Million</i>	Sale of properties and property based investments <i>HK\$ Million</i>	Total <i>HK\$ Million</i>
Segment revenue	794.7	961.9	64.5	149.2	–	1,970.3
Less: inter-segment revenue	(3.0)	–	–	(6.6)	–	(9.6)
Segment revenue from external customers from continuing operations	<u>791.7</u>	<u>961.9</u>	<u>64.5</u>	<u>142.6</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>1,960.7</u>
Segment results	479.3	451.9	3.0	609.0	25.9	1,569.1
Finance costs						(30.7)
Share of results of associates						232.8
Share of results of jointly controlled entities	1.1	–	–	122.2	–	123.3
Profit before taxation						1,894.5
Taxation						(226.6)
Profit for the period from continuing operations						<u>1,667.9</u>
	Six months ended 30th June, 2010 (Restated)					
	Investment, broking and finance <i>HK\$ Million</i>	Consumer finance <i>HK\$ Million</i>	Elderly care services <i>HK\$ Million</i>	Property rental, hotel operations and management services <i>HK\$ Million</i>	Sale of properties and property based investments <i>HK\$ Million</i>	Total <i>HK\$ Million</i>
Segment revenue	726.0	787.7	53.8	153.2	–	1,720.7
Less: inter-segment revenue	(6.2)	–	–	(19.3)	–	(25.5)
Segment revenue from external customers from continuing operations	<u>719.8</u>	<u>787.7</u>	<u>53.8</u>	<u>133.9</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>1,695.2</u>
Segment results	335.2	402.6	(2.4)	442.7	49.1	1,227.2
Finance costs						(36.2)
Share of results of associates						194.3
Share of results of jointly controlled entities	2.9	–	–	25.7	–	28.6
Profit before taxation						1,413.9
Taxation						(162.8)
Profit for the period from continuing operations						<u>1,251.1</u>

Inter-segment transactions have been entered into on terms agreed by the parties concerned.

6. CHANGES IN VALUES OF PROPERTIES

	Six months ended 30th June,	
	2011	2010
	<i>HK\$ Million</i>	<i>HK\$ Million</i>
Continuing operations		
Changes in values of properties comprise:		
Net increase in fair value of investment properties	629.7	366.0
Impairment loss reversed for properties held for sale	27.7	51.5
Impairment loss reversed (recognised) for hotel property	7.6	(2.8)
	<u>665.0</u>	<u>414.7</u>

7. FINANCE COSTS

	Six months ended 30th June,	
	2011	2010
	<i>HK\$ Million</i>	<i>HK\$ Million</i>
Continuing operations		
Total finance costs included in:		
Cost of sales and other direct costs	43.9	19.8
Finance costs	30.7	36.2
	<u>74.6</u>	<u>56.0</u>

8. PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION

	Six months ended 30th June,	
	2011	2010
	<i>HK\$ Million</i>	<i>HK\$ Million</i>
Profit before taxation from continuing operations has been arrived at after charging:		
Amortisation of intangible assets	98.0	92.3
Amortisation of prepaid land lease payments	0.2	0.2
Depreciation	29.4	23.4
Impairment loss for amounts due from associates	–	0.3
Impairment loss for intangible assets	–	1.0
Impairment loss for interest in an associate	10.7	–
Impairment loss included in bad and doubtful debts		
– Loans and advances to consumer finance customers	124.3	142.0
– Trade and other receivables	4.6	–
Net realised and unrealised loss on financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss – securities (included in other operating expenses)	24.0	68.6
Net realised and unrealised loss on unlisted investment funds (included in other operating expenses)	21.5	8.8
and after crediting:		
Dividend income from listed equity securities	1.5	3.9
Dividend income from unlisted equity securities	8.2	3.8
Gain on disposal of a subsidiary	–	29.3
Gain on liquidation of subsidiaries	–	3.7
Interest income (included in revenue)	1,315.0	1,016.9
Net profit on dealing in leveraged foreign currencies (included in other income)	–	0.5
Net profit on other dealing activities (included in other income)	1.3	1.7
Net realised and unrealised profit on financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss – derivatives (included in other income)	5.2	85.9
Net realised profit on disposal of available-for-sale financial assets (included in other income)	2.4	0.6
Reversal of impairment loss included in bad and doubtful debts		
– Loans and advances to consumer finance customers	47.7	78.0
– Trade and other receivables	–	1.6

9. TAXATION

	Six months ended 30th June,	
	2011	2010
	<i>HK\$ Million</i>	<i>HK\$ Million</i>
The income tax charged from continuing operations comprises:		
Current tax		
Hong Kong	120.2	120.9
Other jurisdictions	22.9	10.7
	<u>143.1</u>	<u>131.6</u>
Under provision in prior years	10.2	0.3
	<u>153.3</u>	<u>131.9</u>
Deferred tax		
Current period	73.3	30.9
	<u>226.6</u>	<u>162.8</u>

Hong Kong Profits Tax is calculated at the rate of 16.5% of the estimated assessable profits for both reported periods.

Taxation arising in other jurisdictions is calculated on the estimated assessable profits for the period at the rates of taxation prevailing in the countries in the relevant jurisdictions.

10. DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

On 8th October, 2010, Allied Overseas Limited (“AOL”), an indirect non wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, and Cautious Base Limited, a direct wholly-owned subsidiary of AOL, entered into a share sale agreement (“Share Sale Agreement”) with Altai Investments Limited and RHC Holding Private Limited (collectively known as the “Purchaser”) and had agreed to sell 100% of the issued share capital of the companies (“Disposal Group”) engaged in the Discontinued Medical Service Business previously included in the healthcare segment of the Group to the Purchaser. Further details are set out in AOL’s circular dated 2nd November, 2010. The disposal of the Discontinued Medical Service Business was completed on 30th November, 2010.

Profit for the period ended 30th June, 2010 from discontinued operations include the following:

	<i>HK\$ Million</i>
Amortisation of intangible assets	8.3
Depreciation	9.3
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11. EARNINGS PER SHARE

From continuing and discontinued operations

The calculation of basic and diluted earnings per share from continuing and discontinued operations attributable to owners of the Company is based on the following data:

	Six months ended 30th June,	
	2011	2010
	<i>HK\$ Million</i>	<i>HK\$ Million</i>
Earnings		
Profit attributable to owners of the Company	1,281.5	883.2
Adjustments to profit in respect of ordinary shares that will be issued upon the conversion of the mandatory convertible notes of a subsidiary	(65.5)	–
Earnings for the purpose of basic and diluted earnings per share	<u>1,216.0</u>	<u>883.2</u>
	<i>Million shares</i>	<i>Million shares</i>
Number of shares		
Weighted average number of shares in issue for the purpose of basic and diluted earnings per share	<u>6,953.1</u>	<u>6,103.2</u>

From continuing operations

The calculation of the basic and diluted earnings per share from continuing operations attributable to owners of the Company is based on the following data:

	Six months ended 30th June,	
	2011	2010
	<i>HK\$ Million</i>	<i>HK\$ Million</i>
Earnings		
Profit attributable to owners of the Company	1,282.5	868.4
Adjustments to profit in respect of ordinary shares that will be issued upon the conversion of the mandatory convertible notes of a subsidiary	(65.5)	–
Earnings for the purpose of basic and diluted earnings per share	<u>1,217.0</u>	<u>868.4</u>
	<i>Million shares</i>	<i>Million shares</i>
Number of shares		
Weighted average number of shares in issue for the purpose of basic and diluted earnings per share	<u>6,953.1</u>	<u>6,103.2</u>

From discontinued operations

Basic loss per share from discontinued operations is 0.01 HK cents (2010: earnings per share of 0.24 HK cents) is calculated based on the loss attributable to owners of the Company from discontinued operations of HK\$1.0 million (2010: profit of HK\$14.8 million) and the weighted average number of 6,953.1 million (2010: 6,103.2 million) shares in issue during the period. Diluted (loss) earnings per share from discontinued operations for both periods were the same as the basic (loss) earnings per share as there were no dilutive potential ordinary shares outstanding.

12. DIVIDEND

The Board does not recommend the declaration of an interim dividend (2010: HK\$ Nil).

The Company paid and recognised dividends of HK\$208.6 million (2010: HK\$ Nil), representing 3 HK cents per share being the final dividend of 2010, during the current period. No dividend was paid and recognised in the prior period as the final dividend of 2009 was paid in July 2010.

13. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

The following is an aged analysis of trade and other receivables based on the date of invoice / contract note at the reporting date:

	At 30th June, 2011 <i>HK\$ Million</i>	At 31st December, 2010 <i>HK\$ Million</i>
Less than 31 days	1,157.1	1,128.4
31 to 60 days	12.9	17.7
61 to 90 days	12.9	5.8
Over 90 days	27.5	158.7
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	1,210.4	1,310.6
Margin loans and other receivables (before impairment)	6,492.4	5,590.1
Allowances for impairment	(159.2)	(163.4)
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	7,543.6	6,737.3

14. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

The following is an aged analysis of the trade and other payables based on the date of invoice / contract note at the reporting date:

	At 30th June, 2011 <i>HK\$ Million</i>	At 31st December, 2010 <i>HK\$ Million</i>
Trade payables:		
Less than 31 days	1,265.1	1,165.7
31 to 60 days	9.4	14.9
61 to 90 days	9.9	7.6
Over 90 days	30.3	22.0
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	1,314.7	1,210.2
Accruals and other payables on demand	241.9	250.7
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	1,556.6	1,460.9
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INTERIM DIVIDEND

The Board does not recommend the payment of an interim dividend for the six months ended 30th June, 2011 (2010: Nil). Accordingly, there will be no closure of the register of members of the Company.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial Results

The revenue of the Group for the period was HK\$1,960.7 million (2010: HK\$1,695.2 million for continuing operations), an increase of 15.7% compared to the continuing operations of 2010.

The profit attributable to the owners of the Company for the period was HK\$1,281.5 million (2010: HK\$883.2 million), an increase of HK\$398.3 million. Earnings per share amounted to HK 17.49 cents (2010: HK14.47 cents).

The increase in profit was primarily due to:

- an increased contribution from the Group's investment, broking and finance division and consumer finance division; and
- the fair value gain on revaluation of the investment properties of the Group was higher.

Financial Resources, Liquidity and Capital Structure

The Group is principally financed by cash inflow from operating activities and banking facilities granted by the banks. The banking facilities of the Group are reviewed from time to time and new banking facilities will be obtained or renewed to meet the funding requirements for capital commitments, investments and operations of the Group.

During the period, United Asia Finance Limited (“UAF”), the consumer finance subsidiary of Sun Hung Kai & Co. Limited (“Sun Hung Kai”) issued Renminbi denominated bonds to third parties with maturity period of 3-year and carrying value of HK\$538.7 million at the end of the reporting period. At 30th June, 2011, the Group’s net borrowings amounted to HK\$4,293.7 million (at 31st December, 2010: HK\$2,546.3 million), representing bank and other borrowings, amounts due to fellow subsidiaries, financial liabilities portion of mandatory convertible notes (“MCN”) being the accrued effective interest and bonds totalling HK\$8,748.7 million (at 31st December, 2010: HK\$6,900.8 million) less bank deposits, bank balances, treasury bills and cash of HK\$4,455.0 million (at 31st December, 2010: HK\$4,354.5 million) and the Group had equity attributable to owners of the Company of HK\$18,648.7 million (at 31st December, 2010: HK\$17,359.5 million). Accordingly, the Group’s gearing ratio of net borrowings to equity attributable to owners of the Company was 23.0% (at 31st December, 2010: 14.7%).

	At 30th June, 2011 <i>HK\$ Million</i>	At 31st December, 2010 <i>HK\$ Million</i>
Bank loans and overdrafts are repayable as follows:		
On demand or within one year	2,407.5	1,625.4
More than one year but not exceeding two years	2,643.0	522.6
More than two years but not exceeding five years	669.7	2,167.8
Bank loans with a repayment on demand clause are repayable as follows:		
Within one year	761.1	851.3
More than one year but not exceeding two years	38.6	41.8
More than two years but not exceeding five years	188.5	180.5
	<u>6,708.4</u>	<u>5,389.4</u>
Other borrowings repayable on demand or within one year	8.4	8.3
Other borrowings with a repayment on demand clause are repayable as follows :		
Within one year	146.9	143.9
More than one year but not exceeding two years	24.1	23.6
More than two years but not exceeding five years	–	–
Amounts due to fellow subsidiaries	758.0	757.1
Bonds held by a fellow subsidiary repayable within five years	500.0	500.0
Renminbi denominated bonds repayable within five years	538.7	–
	<u>1,976.1</u>	<u>1,432.9</u>
	<u>8,684.5</u>	<u>6,822.3</u>

Financial liabilities portion of MCN being the accrued effective interest at the end of the reporting period:

	At 30th June, 2011 <i>HK\$ Million</i>	At 31st December, 2010 <i>HK\$ Million</i>
Current portion	32.7	32.6
Non-current portion	31.5	45.9
	<u>64.2</u>	<u>78.5</u>

At 30th June, 2011, the current ratio (current assets/current liabilities) of the Group was 2.8 times (at 31st December, 2010: 2.9 times).

Other than the MCN and Renminbi denominated bonds, most of the bank and other borrowings of the Group, the amount due to a fellow subsidiary and the bonds held by a fellow subsidiary are charged at floating interest rates. There are no known seasonal factors in the Group's borrowing profile.

Material Acquisition and Disposal

On 24th May, 2011, Allied Overseas Limited ("AOL") and its wholly-owned subsidiary, New Able Holdings Limited ("New Able") entered into an acquisition agreement ("Acquisition Agreement") with Besford International Limited ("Vendor") and COL Capital Limited. According to the Acquisition Agreement, New Able has agreed to acquire 100% of the issued share capital of Rise Cheer Investments Limited ("Rise Cheer") and Taskwell Limited ("Taskwell") from the Vendor and all the shareholder's loans owed by Rise Cheer and Taskwell to the Vendor ("Acquisition") at a total consideration of approximately HK\$1,330.7 million. The sole asset of Rise Cheer and Taskwell is 1,900,939,562 ordinary shares of APAC Resources Limited ("APAC") in aggregate, representing approximately 27.71% equity interest in the issued share capital of APAC. On 24th May, 2011, the initial deposit of approximately HK\$66.5 million, by way of cheque, has been paid upon signing of the Acquisition Agreement as partial payment of the consideration.

The ordinary resolution approving the Acquisition was duly passed by the shareholders of AOL at the special general meeting of AOL held on 16th August, 2011. Completion of the Acquisition is still subject to the fulfilment of certain conditions pursuant to the Acquisition Agreement. It is presently expected that upon completion of the Acquisition, APAC will be classified and accounted for by AOL as an investment in associate. Further details of the Acquisition are set out in the circular of AOL dated 28th July, 2011.

Apart from the above, there were no material acquisitions or disposals of subsidiaries, associated companies or jointly controlled entities during the period.

Risk of Foreign Exchange Fluctuation

The Group is required to maintain foreign currency exposure to cater for its recurring operating activities and present and potential investment activities, meaning it will be subject to reasonable exchange rate exposure. However, the Group will closely monitor this risk exposure as required.

Contingent Liabilities

(a) At the end of the reporting period, the Group had guarantees as follows:

	At 30th June, 2011 <i>HK\$ Million</i>	At 31st December, 2010 <i>HK\$ Million</i>
Guarantees for banking facilities granted to a jointly controlled entity	550.6	1,661.0
Indemnities on banking guarantees made available to a clearing house and regulatory body	4.5	4.5
Other guarantees	3.0	3.0
	<u>558.1</u>	<u>1,668.5</u>

(b) In 2001, an order was made by the Hubei Province Higher People's Court in China ("2001 Order") enforcing a CIETAC award of 19th July, 2000 ("Award") by which Sun Hung Kai Securities Limited ("SHKS"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Sun Hung Kai, was required to pay US\$3 million to Chang Zhou Power Development Company Limited ("JV"), a mainland PRC joint venture. SHKS had disposed of all of its beneficial interest in the JV to Sun Hung Kai's then listed associate, Tian An China Investments Company Limited ("Tian An"), in 1998 and disposed of any and all interest it might hold in the registered capital of the JV ("Interest") to Long Prosperity Industrial Limited ("LPI") in October 2001. Subsequent to those disposals, SHKS' registered interest in the JV in the amount of US\$3 million was frozen further to the 2001 Order. SHKS is party to the following litigation relating to the JV:

- (i) On 29th February, 2008, a writ of summons with general indorsement of claim was issued by Global Bridge Assets Limited ("GBA"), LPI and Walton Enterprises Limited ("Walton") ("2008 Writ") in the High Court of Hong Kong against SHKS ("HCA 317/2008"). In the 2008 Writ,
- (a) GBA claims against SHKS for damages for alleged breaches of a guarantee, alleged breaches of a collateral contract, for an alleged collateral warranty, and for alleged negligent and/or reckless and/or fraudulent misrepresentation;
 - (b) LPI claims against SHKS damages for alleged breaches of a contract dated 12th October, 2001; and
 - (c) Walton claims against SHKS for the sum of US\$3 million under a shareholders agreement and/or pursuant to the Award and damages for alleged wrongful breach of a shareholders agreement. GBA, LPI and Walton also claim against SHKS interest on any sums or damages payable, costs, and such other relief as the court may think fit.

The 2008 Writ was served on SHKS on 29th May, 2008. It is being vigorously defended. Among other things, pursuant to a 2001 deed of waiver and indemnification, LPI (being the nominee of GBA) waived and released SHKS from any claims including any claims relating to or arising from the Interest, the JV or any transaction related thereto, covenanted not to sue, and assumed liability for and agreed to indemnify SHKS from any and all damages, losses and expenses arising from any claims by any entity or party arising in connection with the Interest, the JV or any transaction related thereto. On 24th February, 2010 the Court of Appeal struck out the claims of GBA and LPI, and awarded costs of the appeal and the strike out application as against GBA and LPI to SHKS. Subsequently, GBA, LPI and Walton sought to amend their claims which was opposed by SHKS and is pending a determination by the court. While a provision has been made for legal costs, Sun Hung Kai does not consider it presently appropriate to make any other provision with respect to HCA 317/2008.

- (ii) On 20th December, 2007, a writ (“Mainland Writ”) was issued by Cheung Lai Na (張麗娜) (“Ms. Cheung”) against Tian An and SHKS and was accepted by the Intermediate People’s Court of Wuhan City, Hubei Province (“IPC”) (湖北省武漢市中級人民法院) [(2008) 武民商外初字第8號], claiming the transfer of a 28% shareholding in the JV, and RMB19,040,000 plus interest thereon for the period from January 1999 to the end of 2007, together with related costs and expenses. Judgment was awarded by IPC in favour of Tian An and SHKS on 16th July, 2009 which judgment was being appealed against by Ms. Cheung. On 24th November, 2010, the Higher People’s Court of Hubei Province (湖北省高級人民法院) ordered that the case be remitted back to the IPC for retrial. The retrial shall take place on a date to be fixed. While a provision has been made for legal costs, Sun Hung Kai does not consider it presently appropriate to make any other provision with respect to this writ.
- (c) AOL entered into a share sale agreement dated 8th October, 2010 (“Share Sale Agreement”) in relation to the disposal (“Disposal”) of subsidiaries operating the medical and associated health services businesses (“Disposal Group”). The Disposal was completed on 30th November, 2010. Pursuant to the Share Sale Agreement, the purchaser of the Disposal Group has given back to back indemnity to AOL against all securities, guarantees or indemnities given by or binding upon AOL in respect of any liability of the Disposal Group, accordingly the purchaser of the Disposal Group shall indemnify AOL against all amounts paid by AOL after completion of the Disposal pursuant to any securities, guarantees and indemnities already given by AOL. At 30th June, 2011, AOL has an outstanding guarantee in favour of a third party in connection with a medical contract entered into by a company within the Disposal Group. The annual value of this medical contract amounts to approximately HK\$42.2 million in 2010. The guarantee has not been released as at 30th June, 2011.
- (d) Pursuant to the Share Sale Agreement, AOL has given certain warranties and indemnities to the purchaser of the Disposal Group which the purchaser may rely on for any breaches by AOL. AOL has signed a tax deed to indemnify the purchaser for tax liabilities of the Disposal Group prior to completion which have not been provided for in the closing account of the Disposal Group upon completion of the Disposal as at 30th November, 2010. The valid period for the claims under the tax deed shall be seven years from completion. In respect of most other claims against other general customary warranties and indemnities in the Share Sale Agreement, valid period for such claim is within twelve months from completion of the Disposal.

Material Litigation Update

- (a) On 14th October, 2008, a writ of summons was issued by Sun Hung Kai Investment Services Limited (“SHKIS”), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Sun Hung Kai in the High Court of Hong Kong against Quality Prince Limited, Allglobe Holdings Limited, the Personal Representative of the Estate of Lam Sai Wing, Chan Yam Fai Jane (“Ms. Chan”) and Ng Yee Mei (“Ms. Ng”), seeking recovery of (a) the sum of HK\$50,932,876.64; (b) interest; (c) legal costs; and (d) further and/or other relief. Having sold collateral for the partial recovery of amounts owing, SHKIS filed a Statement of Claim in the High Court of Hong Kong on 24th October, 2008 claiming (a) the sum of HK\$36,030,376.64; (b) interest; (c) legal costs; and (d) further and/or other relief. Summary judgment against all the defendants was granted by Master C Chan on 25th May, 2009, but judgment with respect to Ms. Chan and Ms. Ng only was overturned on appeal by the judgment of Suffiad J dated 7th August, 2009. SHKIS’s appeal of that judgment to the Court of Appeal was heard on 6th May, 2010, and was dismissed. The trial will be heard on a date to be fixed.
- (b) Details of proceedings relating to Chang Zhou Power Development Company Limited, a mainland PRC joint venture, are set out in paragraph (b) of the “Contingent Liabilities” section.

Pledge of Assets

At the end of the reporting period, certain of the Group’s investment properties, hotel property, land and buildings and properties held for sale with an aggregate carrying value of HK\$6,341.8 million (at 31st December, 2010: HK\$5,751.8 million), bank deposits and bank balances of HK\$120.0 million (at 31st December, 2010: HK\$98.0 million), listed investments belonging to the Group with fair values of HK\$89.2 million (at 31st December, 2010: HK\$1.4 million) and listed investments belonging to margin clients with fair values of HK\$2,247.5 million* (at 31st December, 2010: HK\$1,941.5 million) together with certain securities in respect of a listed subsidiary with a carrying value of HK\$1,507.7 million (at 31st December, 2010: HK\$1,506.5 million) were pledged to secure loans and general banking facilities to the extent of HK\$3,755.7 million (at 31st December, 2010: HK\$3,438.4 million) granted to the Group. Facilities amounting to HK\$2,640.7 million (at 31st December, 2010: HK\$2,141.2 million) were utilised at the end of the reporting period.

At the end of the reporting period, a bank deposit of HK\$1.5 million (at 31st December, 2010: HK\$1.5 million) was pledged to secure a guarantee facility issued to third parties by a bank to the extent of HK\$2.0 million (at 31st December, 2010: HK\$2.0 million).

The share of a subsidiary was also pledged for the bonds issued by the Group and held by a fellow subsidiary.

* *Based on the agreement terms, the Group is able to repledge clients’ securities for margin financing arrangement with other financial institutions under governance of the Securities and Futures Ordinance.*

Events after the Reporting Period

- (a) On 25th August, 2011, Sun Hung Kai announced the conversion by Asia Financial Services Company Limited of all of its outstanding mandatory convertible notes with an aggregate principal amount of HK\$1,708.0 million into shares of Sun Hung Kai at a conversion price of HK\$5.0 per share. Accordingly, 341.6 million new ordinary shares of Sun Hung Kai (“Conversion Shares”) are expected to be issued on or before 5th September, 2011. Upon the allotment of the Conversion Shares, the Group’s shareholding in Sun Hung Kai will decrease from approximately 62.75% to approximately 52.63%. Further details of the conversion of mandatory convertible notes are set out in the announcement of Sun Hung Kai dated 25th August, 2011 and the Company’s joint announcement with Allied Group Limited dated 26th August, 2011.
- (b) In October 2010, AOL and its direct wholly-owned subsidiary, Cautious Base Limited (“Holdco”) entered into the Share Sale Agreement with Altai Investments Limited and RHC Holding Private Limited (collectively “Purchaser”). According to the Share Sale Agreement, AOL and Holdco have agreed to sell 100% of the issued share capital of the Disposal Group companies to the Purchaser for the consideration of transaction, payable on the closing date for an amount in cash equal to aggregate sum of (i) HK\$1,521 million; (ii) the base working capital (i.e. HK\$20 million) and (iii) the estimated working capital adjustment (i.e. a deduction of approximately HK\$0.6 million from the base working capital) (collectively being “Consideration Amount”), subject to the working capital adjustment. Further details of the Disposal are set out in the AOL’s circular dated 2nd November, 2010.

On 13th July, 2011, the closing statement in relation to the Share Sale Agreement (“Closing Statement”) was issued and the working capital of the Disposal Group at closing date was agreed to be approximately HK\$35.8 million. Pursuant to the working capital confirmed in the Closing Statement, the consideration receivable was adjusted to approximately HK\$16.4 million as at 30th June, 2011. This amount has been subsequently received by AOL following the period end date.

OPERATIONAL REVIEW

Properties

Hong Kong

- The net gain in the value of the Group’s property portfolio was HK\$665.0 million during the period, higher than the corresponding period of last year.
- The Group continued to record increases in rental income from its Hong Kong property portfolio, benefiting from the strong rental market during the period.
- The hotel division continued to report an improved result with increases in both occupancies and average room rates.

Mainland China

- The profit attributable to the owners of Tian An was HK\$564.6 million (2010: HK\$541.1 million).
- Tian An continued to dispose of non-core assets and will continue to devote significant efforts to its cyberpark investments.
- By the end of the 2011 half year, Tian An had a total attributable GFA of approximately 620,300 m² under construction.
- The sales from production and trading of cement and related products by the operations in Shandong and Shanghai contributed a segmental profit of HK\$43.6 million to Tian An's profit.

Financial Services

Broking and finance

- Sun Hung Kai, the Group's broking and finance arm, recorded a profit attributable to its owners of HK\$601.3 million (2010: HK\$492.1 million).
- Wealth Management & Brokerage, Consumer Finance and Principal Investments continued to perform well during the period whilst the results of Capital Markets (formerly classified as Corporate Finance) and Asset Management were affected by unrealised mark-to-market losses on positions resulting from underwriting activities and investments in affiliated funds respectively.
- In February 2011, Sun Hung Kai formed a strategic alliance with EK Immigration Consulting Limited, a market leader in immigration consulting, to service investors applying for the Hong Kong Capital Investment Entrant Scheme ("CIES"). Progress has been satisfactory on CIES client acquisition.
- In May, SHK MasterChoice Discretionary Portfolio Management Services was launched and became available exclusively to Sun Hung Kai Financial customers. It is managed by SHK Fund Management Limited, with Look's Asset Management Limited appointed as the investment adviser and aims at the growing class of high net worth investors demanding discretionary portfolio management services.

Consumer finance

- UAF performed satisfactorily in the first half of 2011, continuing to deliver another record interim profit, mainly driven by strong growth in the China loans business.
- Growth in mainland China loan businesses accelerated during the period with the gross principal balance exceeding the HK\$1 billion mark at the end of the period.

- UAF extended business operations to Yunnan province and Dalian in March 2011. The branch network in mainland China at the end of the reporting period expanded to 40 outlets, consisting of 33 in Shenzhen, two in Shenyang, and one each in Chongqing, Tianjin, Chengdu, Kunming and Dalian.
- UAF's local businesses continued to progress well. Gross principal loan balances in Hong Kong recorded satisfactory growth of 15% during the period. UAF had a total of 45 branches in Hong Kong at the end of the reporting period.
- To fund the rapid expansion of UAF on the mainland, UAF has established a US\$3 billion Medium Term Note programme and in April 2011 issued a RMB500 million three-year bond under this programme at an interest rate of 4% per annum. The funding is targeted to match UAF's RMB funding needs for the anticipated loan growth in China.

Investments

AOL

- The results for the period from continuing operations attributable to the owners of AOL turned from a loss of HK\$2.9 million in 2010 to a profit of HK\$3.3 million in 2011 mainly due to increase in bank interest income. As a result of the disposal of its medical and associated health services businesses in late 2010, the profit for the period attributable to owners of AOL decreased from HK\$28.4 million in 2010 to HK\$1.8 million in 2011.
- The acquisition of 27.71% equity interest in APAC has been approved by shareholders of AOL. Completion of the acquisition is still subject to the fulfilment of certain conditions pursuant to the Acquisition Agreement.

Employees

The total number of staff of the Group at 30th June, 2011 was 4,104 (at 31st December, 2010: 4,009). The Group reviews remuneration packages from time to time. Besides salary payments, other staff benefits include contributions to employee provident funds, medical subsidies and a discretionary bonus scheme.

BUSINESS OUTLOOK

The recent downgrade of US credit ratings and the concerns regarding the Euro Zone debt problems have brought uncertainty to the world economy. The Group will closely monitor stock market fluctuations and the impact on the Group's financial services businesses.

In both Hong Kong and mainland China, the respective governments have implemented various measures to control increases in the residential property prices. Such measures have dampened sentiment in the short term but the Group remains confident of the longer term prospects for the property markets in both Hong Kong and on the mainland.

The Board will continue to prudently implement its stated strategies for the benefit of the Group and all its shareholders.

COMPLIANCE WITH THE CODE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES

During the six months ended 30th June, 2011, the Company has applied the principles of, and complied with, the applicable code provisions of the Code on Corporate Governance Practices (“CG Code”) as set out in Appendix 14 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, except for certain deviations which are summarised below:

Code Provisions B.1.3 and C.3.3

Code provisions B.1.3 and C.3.3 of the CG Code stipulate that the terms of reference of the remuneration committee and audit committee should include, as a minimum, those specific duties as set out in the respective code provisions.

The terms of reference of the remuneration committee (“Remuneration Committee”) adopted by the Company are in compliance with the code provision B.1.3 except that the Remuneration Committee shall review (as opposed to determine under the code provision) and make recommendations to the Board on the remuneration packages of the Executive Directors only and not senior management (as opposed to Executive Directors and senior management under the code provision).

The terms of reference of the audit committee (“Audit Committee”) adopted by the Company are in compliance with the code provision C.3.3 except that the Audit Committee (i) shall recommend (as opposed to implement under the code provision) the policy on the engagement of the external auditors to supply non-audit services; (ii) only possesses the effective ability to scrutinise (as opposed to ensure under the code provision) whether management has discharged its duty to have an effective internal control system; and (iii) can promote (as opposed to ensure under the code provision) the co-ordination between the internal and external auditors, and check (as opposed to ensure under the code provision) whether the internal audit function is adequately resourced.

The reasons for the above deviations were set out in the Corporate Governance Report contained in the Company’s Annual Report for the financial year ended 31st December, 2010. The Board considers that the Remuneration Committee and the Audit Committee should continue to operate according to the terms of reference adopted by the Company. The Board will review the terms at least annually and make appropriate changes if considered necessary.

CHANGE IN DIRECTOR’S INFORMATION

Mr. David Craig Bartlett (“Mr. Bartlett”) has been appointed as an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company and a member of each of Audit Committee and Remuneration Committee with effect from 4th August, 2011. The consultancy fee of Mr. Bartlett under the service contract was determined after negotiation and with reference to his qualification, experience, duties and responsibilities within the Company, the remuneration policy of the Company and the prevailing market condition of similar position.

AUDIT COMMITTEE REVIEW

The Audit Committee has reviewed with management the accounting principles and practices adopted by the Group and discussed internal controls and financial reporting matters including a general review of the unaudited interim financial report for the six months ended 30th June, 2011. In carrying out this review, the Audit Committee has relied on a review conducted by the Group's external auditors in accordance with Hong Kong Standard on Review Engagements 2410 "Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and on the interim results announcements of the listed associates, as well as reports obtained from management. The Audit Committee has not undertaken detailed independent audit checks.

PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF SHARES

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries had purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's shares during the six months ended 30th June, 2011.

By Order of the Board
Allied Properties (H.K.) Limited
Arthur George Dew
Chairman

Hong Kong, 26th August, 2011

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises Messrs. Lee Seng Hui (Chief Executive), Li Chi Kong and Mark Wong Tai Chun being the Executive Directors; Mr. Arthur George Dew (Chairman) being a Non-Executive Director; and Messrs. Steven Samuel Zoellner, Alan Stephen Jones and David Craig Bartlett being the Independent Non-Executive Directors.