

China Apex Group Limited 中國恒泰集團有限公司

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Interim Report

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Financial Highlights

	Six months ended 30 June			
	2023 HK\$'000	2022 HK\$'000	change	
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	+/(-)	
Revenue	123,386	125,612	(1.7%)	
Gross profit	42,594	40,808	4.4%	
Gross profit margin	34.5%	32.5%	6.2%	
Profit for the period	5,910	10,978	(46.2%)	
Attributable to equity shareholders				
of the Company				
Profit for the period	3,394	8,587	(60.5%)	
Basic and diluted earnings				
per share (HK cents)	0.6	1.8	(66.7%)	
	As at	As at		
	30 June	31 December		
	2023	2022	-1	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	change	
	(unaudited)	(audited)	+/(-)	
			(0.051)	
Total assets	284,991	305,712	(6.8%)	
Cash and cash equivalents	67,457	105,266	(35.9%)	
Total equity attributable to equity	480 400	4040:5	(0.05/)	
shareholders of the Company	179,488	184,913	(2.9%)	

BUSINESS REVIEW

The Group continued to engage in manufacturing finished zippers in China. The Group's customers for zippers business are principally OEMs who manufacture apparel products for (i) some apparel brands in China; and (ii) some well-known international apparel brands. The Group maintains a close working relationship with apparel brand owners on the design of zippers to be applied in the apparel products. The apparel brand owners usually decide on the zipper supplier for their OEMs and place orders with such OEMs who in turn source zippers and other garment accessories from the Group.

The Group is continuously looking for new investments and business opportunities in order to diversify the existing business.

The Group recorded profit attributable to equity shareholders of the Company of approximately HK\$3.39 million for the six months ended 30 June 2023, as compared with profit attributable to equity shareholders of the Company of approximately HK\$8.59 million for the same period in 2022. The decrease in profit was primarily attributable to, among other factors, that the Group recognized net foreign exchange gain of approximately HK\$4.9 million as compared to the corresponding period in 2022 of approximately HK\$6.9 million resulting from the depreciation of Renminbi during the period. The Group also incurred additional professional fees for business development for the six months ended 30 June 2023.

PROSPECTS

The economy in the first half of 2023 has been met with ongoing difficulties and challenges due to insufficient domestic demand, weak terminal consumption, a complex external environment, continued conflicts between Russia and Ukraine, high US dollar interest rate hikes and high inflation. Even with the advent of epidemic prevention and control, economic recovery has been in a process of a wave-like development with unexpected twists and turns. However, the Chinese economy has seen positive development in its resilience and potential. Additionally, the fundamentals of long-term improvement have not changed. Faced with a complex external environment, the Company will seize the opportunity to actively take the following measures:

- Increase market development efforts, strengthen cooperation with existing customers, expand the zipper business beyond the clothing industry, and develop in overseas markets;
- Increase R&D investment, improve R&D capabilities, closely follow market trends and customer demands, strengthen the development of new products, new categories, and new processes, and create industry-leading products;
- Integrate existing production capacity, further improve automation levels, improve production processes, improve product quality, control costs, and enhance the Company's competitiveness;
- 4. Accelerate the transformation of digitalization and informatization to "data intelligence", further improving operational efficiency and management levels;
- 5. Strengthen capital management and control operational risks; and
- 6. Enhance talent management and improve organizational operational capabilities.

We will continue to review business strategies and operations of the Group to formulate long-term corporate strategies and development plans. We will also explore other business or investment opportunities to promote the future development of the Group.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

A comparison of the financial results for the six months ended 30 June 2023 and the corresponding period in 2022 is set out as follows:

REVENUE

The Group's revenue for the six months ended 30 June 2023 amounted to approximately HK\$123.4 million, representing a decrease of approximately 1.7% as compared to the corresponding period in 2022.

Revenue analysis by product category:

Six months ended 30 June

	2023 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	%	2022 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	%
Sales of goods Finished zippers and sliders Others	122,120 1,266	99.0 1.0	123,042 2,570	98.0 2.0
Total	123,386	100.0	125,612	100.0

Revenue analysis by geographic location:

Six months ended 30 June

	2023 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	%	2022 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	%
Mainland China Overseas	109,042 14,344	88.4 11.6	108,821 16,791	86.6 13.4
Total	123,386	100.0	125,612	100.0

The decrease in revenue was primarily due to the insufficient domestic demand and weak terminal consumption as a result of the depreciation of Renminbi.

GROSS PROFIT

Gross profit analysis by product category:

Six months ended 30 June

	2023 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	%	2022 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	%
Finished zippers and sliders Others	41,734 860	98.0 2.0	39,620 1,188	97.1 2.9
Total	42,594	100.0	40,808	100.0

The increase in gross profit was primarily due to the effect from cost control implemented to the daily operations.

EXPENSES AND COSTS

Distribution costs, comprising mainly staff costs, transportation costs and advertising and promotion expenses, increased by approximately 44.7% to approximately HK\$9.07 million for the six months ended 30 June 2023 from approximately HK\$6.27 million for the same period in 2022, which was mainly due to the increase in sales activities and advertisement.

Administrative expenses, consisting primarily of salary and welfare expenses for management and administrative personnel, depreciation and amortisation, professional fees, auditors' remuneration and other administrative expenses, increased by approximately 8.8% to approximately HK\$32.57 million for the six months ended 30 June 2023 from approximately HK\$29.95 million for the same period in 2022, which was mainly due to the increase in professional fees for business development.

PROFITABILITY

The Group recorded profit attributable to equity shareholders of the Company of approximately HK\$3.39 million, as compared with a profit attributable to equity shareholders of the Company of approximately HK\$8.59 million for the six months ended 30 June 2022. The profit margin attributable to equity shareholders of the Company was approximately 2.75% for the six months ended 30 June 2023.

CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS

Connected Transactions in Relation to the Lease in Respect of Certain Land and Buildings

(i) On 14 January 2022, Classic Winner Limited ("Classic Winner"), a company owned as to 50% and 50% by Mr. Xu Xipeng and Mr. Xu Xinan respectively, as lessor and KEE Zippers Corporation Limited ("KEE Zippers"), an indirect 85%-owned subsidiary of the Company, as lessee entered into a lease renewal agreement (the "Third HK Lease Renewal Agreement") pursuant to which Classic Winner has agreed to lease to KEE Zippers a property in Hong Kong at a monthly rental of HK\$54,000 (exclusive of Government rates, Government rent, management fees and all other outgoings) payable in advance in cash without any deduction on the 16th day of each month for a term of two years commencing from 16 January 2022 to 15 January 2024. As Classic Winner is owned as to 50% and 50% by Mr. Xu Xipeng and Mr. Xu Xinan respectively, who are directors of certain subsidiaries of the Company, Classic Winner is therefore a connected person of the Company at the subsidiary level.

An independent property valuer advised that the monthly rental of HK\$54,000 is fair and reasonable with reference to the market value.

On 14 January 2022, 佛山市南海今和明投資有限公司 (Foshan City Nanhai (ii) Jinheming Investment Company Limited*), ("Nanhai Jinheming"), a company owned as to 50% and 50% by Mr. Xu Xipeng and Mr. Xu Xinan respectively, as lessor and 開易(淅江)服裝配件有限公司 (KEE (Zheijang) Garment Accessories Limited*) ("KEE Zhejiang"), an indirect 85%-owned subsidiary of the Company, as lessee entered into a lease renewal agreement (the "Third Zhejiang Lease Renewal Agreement") pursuant to which Nanhai Jinheming has agreed to lease to KEE Zhejiang the production base in Zhejiang Province at a monthly rental of RMB625,958 payable in cash within the first 10 working days of each month commencing from 16 January 2022 for a term of two years commencing on 16 January 2022 to 15 January 2024 with three months' rent of RMB1,877,874 as deposit. As Nanhai Jinheming is owned as to 50% and 50% by Mr. Xu Xipeng and Mr. Xu Xinan respectively, who are directors of certain subsidiaries of the Company, Nanhai Jinheming is therefore a connected person of the Company at the subsidiary level.

An independent property valuer advised that the monthly rental of RMB625,958 is fair and reasonable with reference to the market value.

(iii) On 31 December 2022, Mr. Xu Xipeng and Mr. Xu Xinan, connected persons at the subsidiary level of the Company, as lessors and KEE Guangdong as lessee, entered into the lease renewal agreement (the "Guangdong Lease Renewal Agreement 2022") to renew the lease of a plant in Guangdong for a further term of two years commencing from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2024 for a monthly rental of RMB428,980 payable within the first 10 working days of each month commencing from 1 January 2023.

An independent property valuer advised that the monthly rental of RMB428,980 is fair and reasonable with reference to the market value.

(iv) On 27 August 2021, KEE Jingmen, a company owned as to 50% and 50% by Mr. Xu Xipeng and Mr. Xu Xinan, respectively and KEE Guangdong, an indirect 85%-owned subsidiary of the Company entered into a two years lease renewal agreement (the "Jingmen Lease Renewal Agreement 2021") pursuant to which KEE Jingmen has agreed to lease the Jingmen property at a monthly rental of RMB533,000 payable before the fifth day of each month commencing from 1 September 2021 to 31 August 2023, with three months' rent of RMB1,599,000 as deposit. As KEE Jingmen is owned as to 50% and 50% by Mr. Xu Xipeng and Mr. Xu Xinan respectively, KEE Jingmen is a connected person at the subsidiary level of the Company as of the date of the Jingmen Lease Renewal Agreement 2021. An independent property valuer advised that the monthly rental of RMB533,000 is fair and reasonable with reference to the market rate.

On 29 April 2022, 開易 (湖北) 拉鏈製造有限公司 (KEE (Hubei) Zippers Manufacturing Company Limited*) ("KEE Hubei") replaced KEE Guangdong as a new lessee to the Jingmen Lease Renewal Agreement 2021. KEE Jingmen as lessor, KEE Guangdong as the original lessee, and KEE Hubei as the new lessee entered into a novation agreement pursuant to which KEE Hubei shall assume all the rights and obligations of KEE Guangdong under the Jingmen Lease Renewal Agreement 2021 with effect from 1 May 2022. An independent property valuer advised that the monthly rental of RMB533,000 is fair and reasonable with reference to the market rate.

(v) On 31 May 2022, KEE Jingmen and KEE Hubei entered into a lease agreement for a PRC property (the "PRC Property Phase II") for a term from 1 June 2022 to 31 August 2023 (the "Phase II Lease Agreement") pursuant to which KEE Jingmen agreed to lease to KEE Hubei the production base in Zhejiang Province at a monthly rental of RMB245,658 payable in cash before the fifteen day of each month commencing from 1 September 2022 with three months' rent of RMB736,974 as deposit. As KEE Jingmen is owned as to 50% and 50% by Mr. Xu Xipeng and Mr. Xu Xinan respectively therefore a connected person of the Company at the subsidiary level. An independent property valuer advised that the monthly rental of RMB245,658 is fair and reasonable with reference to the market rate.

In accordance with HKFRS 16 applicable to the Company, as a result of the entering into the Third HK Lease Renewal Agreement, Third Zhejiang Lease Renewal Agreement, Guangdong Lease Renewal Agreement 2022, Jingmen Lease Renewal Agreement 2021 and Phase II Lease Agreement, the Group recognised an additional asset representing its right to use the property under the relevant lease agreements of a total of approximately HK\$2 million for the Third HK Lease Renewal Agreement and Third Zhejiang Lease Renewal Agreement, approximately HK\$0.2 million for the Guangdong Lease Renewal Agreement 2022, approximately HK\$8.58 million for the Jingmen Lease Renewal Agreement 2021 and approximately HK\$8.34 million for the Phase II Lease Agreement, respectively. As such, the transactions under the above lease agreements were recognised as acquisitions of right-of-use assets which constituted one-off connected transactions of the Company under Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules. Details of which had been disclosed in the Company's relevant announcements dated 14 January 2022, 30 December 2022, 27 August 2021, 29 April 2022 and 31 May 2022, respectively.

BUSINESS UPDATE IN RELATION TO RELOCATION OF ZHEJIANG PRODUCTION BASE

KEE Zhejiang, a 85%-owned subsidiary of the Company, has been informed by the management committee of Jiashan Economic and Technology Development Zone ("JETDZ Management Committee") that, the production base located at 116 Jinjia Avenue, Economic Development Zone, Jiashan County, Zhejiang Province, China is included in the implementation area of the organic renewal project of the Economic Development Zone and required to be vacated.

KEE Zhejiang has yet to receive the timeline of the relocation of Zhejiang Production Base from the JETDZ Management Committee and will discuss with the JETDZ Management Committee regarding the relocation plan.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

The Group's funding policy aims at ensuring sufficient capital to meet the working capital requirements, increase capital efficiency and capital gains. The Group will apply the appropriate debt instrument in financing to achieve those objectives.

The Group's net cash outflow from operating activities for the six months ended 30 June 2023 amounted to approximately HK\$16.55 million (six months ended 30 June 2022: HK\$12.07 million). Such increase was mainly attributable to an increase in trade debtors as at 30 June 2023. The Group's net cash outflow from investing activities for the six months ended 30 June 2023 amounted to approximately HK\$2.91 million (six months ended 30 June 2022: HK\$4.31 million). The net cash outflow was mainly attributable to the payment for the purchase of property, plant and equipment. The Group's net cash outflow from financing activities for the six months ended 30 June 2023 amounted to approximately HK\$12.56 million (net cash inflow for the six months ended 30 June 2022: HK\$0.45 million). The cash outflow for the six months ended 30 June 2023 was mainly attributable to payment of lease rentals.

As at 30 June 2023, cash and cash equivalents amounted to approximately HK\$67.46 million, representing decrease of approximately HK\$37.81 million as compared with the position as at 31 December 2022. Such decrease was mainly due to increase in payment for the purchase of property, plant and equipment and payment of lease rental during the six months ended 30 June 2023.

As at 30 June 2023, cash and cash equivalents of the Group in the amount of approximately HK\$28.25 million, HK\$35.48 million and HK\$3.61 million were denominated mainly in RMB, HKD and USD, respectively. As at 31 December 2022, cash and cash equivalents of the Group in the amount of approximately HK\$41.77 million, HK\$53.00 million and HK\$10.49 million were denominated mainly in RMB, HKD and USD, respectively.

The Group did not have borrowings other than lease liabilities and amount due to a related party as at 30 June 2023 and 31 December 2022.

The Group actively and regularly reviews and manages its capital structure to maintain a balance between the higher shareholder returns that might be possible with higher levels of borrowings and the advantages and security afforded by a sound capital position, and makes adjustments to the capital structure in light of changes in economic conditions. The Group monitors its capital structure on the basis of an adjusted net debt-to-capital ratio. For this purpose, adjusted net debt is defined as total debts (which includes interest-bearing loans and borrowings), less cash and cash equivalents. Adjusted capital comprises all components of equity.

The Group's strategy is to maintain the adjusted net debt-to-capital ratio (i.e. total lease liabilities plus amount due to a related party less cash and cash equivalents over total equity) below 20%. As at 30 June 2023 and 31 December 2022, as the total debt is less than cash and cash equivalent, no adjusted net debt-to-capital ratio was calculated. In order to maintain or adjust the ratio, the Group may adjust the amount of dividends paid to shareholders, issue new shares, return capital to shareholders, raise new debt financing or sell assets to reduce debt.

NET CURRENT ASSETS

As at 30 June 2023, the Group had current assets of approximately HK\$176.85 million. The key components of current assets as at 30 June 2023 included inventories of approximately HK\$26.45 million, trade and other receivables of approximately HK\$82.94 million and cash and cash equivalents of approximately HK\$67.46 million. The key components of current liabilities included trade and other payables of approximately HK\$50.66 million and current portion of lease liabilities of approximately HK\$18.13 million.

The net current assets increased by approximately HK\$2.93 million to HK\$107.96 million as at 30 June 2023 from approximately HK\$105.03 million as at 31 December 2022.

BANK BORROWING

As at 30 June 2023 and 30 June 2022, the Group does not have any bank borrowings and therefore, the gearing ratio was not applicable.

PLEDGED ASSETS

As at 30 June 2023, the Group did not have any pledged assets.

CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

As at 30 June 2023, the Group did not have any material contingent liabilities.

FOREIGN CURRENCY RISK

Individual companies within the Group has limited foreign currency risk as most of the transactions are denominated in the same currency as the functional currency of the operations in which they relate. The Group did not hedge its exposure to risks arising from fluctuations in exchange rates during the six months ended 30 June 2023.

EMPLOYEES

As at 30 June 2023, the Group had 663 full-time employees (30 June 2022: 804). The Group reviews the remuneration and benefits of its employees annually according to the relevant market practice and individual performance of the employees. Save for the social insurance in China and the mandatory provident fund scheme in Hong Kong, the Group has not set aside or accrued any amount of money to provide for retirement or similar benefits for its employees. The staff costs incurred in the six months ended 30 June 2023 were approximately HK\$51.05 million (the six months ended 30 June 2022: approximately HK\$49.98 million). The increase in staff costs is mainly due to the increase in headcount of the workers as a result of human resources integration.

MATERIAL ACQUISITIONS AND DISPOSALS OF SUBSIDIARIES AND ASSOCIATED COMPANIES

The Group did not have material acquisitions and disposals of subsidiaries and associated companies for the six months ended 30 June 2023.

INTERIM DIVIDEND

The Board does not recommend the payment of any interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2023.

EVENTS SUBSEQUENT TO THE END OF THE REPORTING PERIOD

The Directors confirm that no significant event that affected the Group has occurred after 30 June 2023 and up to the date of this report.

SHARE OPTION SCHEME

At the extraordinary general meeting of the Company held on 30 May 2023, an ordinary resolution was passed to adopt a share option scheme (the "Share Option Scheme").

The purpose of the Share Option Scheme is to enable the Group to grant share options to selected participants as incentives or rewards for their contributions or potential contribution to the Group. The eligibility of any of the eligible participants shall be determined by the Board from time to time on the basis of the Board's opinion as to the eligible participant's contribution to the development and growth of the Group.

When the Share Option Scheme was approved by the shareholders of the Company on 30 May 2023, it was also approved that the total number of Shares which may be allotted and issued upon exercise of all options to be granted under the Share Option Scheme must not in aggregate exceed 10% of the Shares in issue as at the date of the extraordinary general meeting, i.e. 55,776,480 Shares (the "Scheme Mandate Limit"). The Company may renew the Scheme Mandate Limit with shareholders' approval provided that each such renewal may not exceed 10% of the Shares in issue as at the date of the shareholders' approval. Unless approved by shareholders of the Company, the total number of Shares issued and to be issued upon exercise of the options granted under the Share Option Scheme and any other share option scheme of the Group (including both exercised or outstanding options) to each participant in any 12-month period shall not exceed 1% of the issued Shares of the Company for the time being. For further details in relation to grants of options to the Directors, chief executive or substantial Shareholders of the Company or their respective associates, please refer to the announcement of the Company dated 9 May 2023.

The exercise price for the Shares under the Share Option Scheme will be a price determined by the Board, but shall not be less than the highest of (i) the closing price of Shares as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotations sheet on the date of the offer of grant; (ii) the average closing price of the Shares as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotations sheet for the five trading days immediately preceding the date of the offer of grant; and (iii) the nominal value of the Shares.

The vesting period for options shall not be less than 12 months.

A nominal consideration of HK\$1 is payable on acceptance of the grant of an option. An option may be accepted by a participant within 30 days from the date of the offer for the grant of the option.

An option may be exercised in accordance with the terms of the Share Option Scheme at any time during a period to be notified by the Board to each grantee, which period must expire no later than 10 years from the date of the grant (subject to acceptance) of the option.

The Share Option Scheme will remain in force for a period of 10 years commencing on the date on which the Share Option Scheme is adopted. The remaining life of Share Option Scheme is 9 years. For further details, please refer to the announcements of the Company dated 9 May 2023 and 30 May 2023.

As at the date of this report, the total number of the Shares available for issuance upon exercise of all share options granted according to the Share Option Scheme was 55,776,480 Shares (accounting for 10% of the issued share capital of the Company as at the date of this report).

No options have been granted or agreed to be granted under the Share Option Scheme as at 30 June 2023.

DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVES' INTERESTS AND/ OR SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES OR DEBENTURES OF THE COMPANY OR ANY OF ITS ASSOCIATED CORPORATIONS

As at 30 June 2023, the interests and short positions of the Directors and chief executives in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO), which were required (i) to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests and short positions in which they were taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO); (ii) pursuant to section 352 of the SFO, to be entered in the register maintained by the Company referred to therein; or (iii) pursuant to the Model Code, to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange were as follows:

Long positions in the shares and underlying shares of the Company

Name of Director	Type of Interest	Number of Shares	Approximate Percentage of Interest
Lin Ping (note 1)	Interest in controlled corporation	26,556,126	4.76%
Mak Yung Pan Andrew (note 1)	Interest in controlled corporation	26,556,126	4.76%

Notes:

- Golden Diamond Inc. ("Golden Diamond") is owned as to 60% by Ms. Lin Ping and 25% by Mr.
 Mak Yung Pan Andrew and holds long position in 26,556,126 shares of the Company. Accordingly,
 each of Ms. Lin Ping and Mr. Mak Yung Pan Andrew is deemed to be interested in the 26,556,126
 shares of the Company.
- The percentage is calculated on the basis of 557,764,800 shares of the Company in issue as at 30 June 2023.

Save as disclosed above, as at 30 June 2023, so far as is known to any Directors or chief executive of the Company, none of the Directors and chief executives of the Company had any interests or short positions in any shares, underlying shares and debenture of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) which would have to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests or short positions which they were taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO), or which were recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO, or which were required, pursuant to the Model Code, to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange.

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' AND OTHER PERSONS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN THE SHARES OR LINDERLYING SHARES OF THE COMPANY

As at 30 June 2023, the register maintained under section 336 of the SFO shows that the Company had been notified of the following substantial Shareholders' and other persons' interests and short positions, representing 5% or more of the Company's issued share capital, were as follows:

Long Position in Shares and Underlying Shares of the Company

Name of Shareholder	Capacity	Number of Shares	Approximate Percentage of Interest
China Sun (note 1)	Beneficial owner	133,706,331	23.97%
Central Eagle (note 2)	Beneficial owner	130,897,663	23.47%
Golden Diamond (note 3)	Beneficial owner	26,566,126	4.76%
Noble Wisdom Ever Limited ("Noble Wisdom") (note 4)	Security interest	326,089,600	70.16%
China Huarong Overseas Investment Holdings Co., Limited ("Huarong Overseas") (note 5)	Interest of controlled corporation	326,089,600	70.16%

Name of Shareholder	Capacity	Number of Shares	Approximate Percentage of Interest
華融華僑資產管理股份 有限公司 Huarong Overseas Chinese Assets Management Corporation Limited*	Interest of controlled corporation	326,089,600	70.16%
("Huarong Overseas Chinese") (note 6) Huarong Zhiyuan Investment & Management Company Limited*	Interest of controlled corporation	326,089,600	70.16%
("Huarong Zhiyuan") (note 7) China Huarong Asset Management Co., Ltd. ("China Huarong Asset	Interest of controlled corporation	326,089,600	70.16%
Management") (note 7) Chan Ho Yin (note 8)	Joint and several receivers	160,272,457	28.73%
Li Kin Long Kenny (note 8)	Joint and several receivers	160,272,457	28.73%

Notes:

- 1. China Sun is wholly-owned by Mr. Qiu Chuanzhi.
- 2. Central Eagle is 100%-owned by Mr. Wu Jingming.
- 3. Golden Diamond is owned as to 60% by Ms. Lin Ping and 25% by Mr. Mak Yung Pan Andrew.
- 4. Noble Wisdom is wholly-owned by Huarong Overseas.
- 5. Huarong Overseas is wholly owned by Huarong Overseas Chinese.
- 6. Huarong Overseas Chinese is 91%-owned by Huarong Zhiyuan.
- 7. Huarong Zhiyuan is wholly owned by China Huarong Asset Management.
- 8. Chan Ho Yin and Li Kin Long Kenny have been appointed Joint and Several Receivers over the Charged Assets (as defined in the share charges executed by China Sun Corporation, Central Eagle Limited and Golden Diamond Inc. (as chargors) over shares of the Company in favour of Noble Wisdom Ever Limited (the "Chargee") dated 2 July 2019) on 7 October 2021 pursuant to 3 Deeds of Appointment of Receivers signed by the Chargee dated 7 October 2021.
- The percentage is calculated on the basis of 557,764,880 shares of the Company in issue as at 30 June 2023.

Save as disclosed above, as at 30 June 2023, the Directors were not aware of any other person (other than the Directors or chief executive of the Company) had registered an interest or a short position in the Shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company which was required to be disclosed to the Company under Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO or which was required to be recorded in the register of the Company required to be kept under Section 336 of Part XV of the SFO.

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN COMPETING BUSINESS

None of the Directors is or was interested in any business apart from the Group's business, which competes or competed or is or was likely to compete, either directly or indirectly, with the Group's business at any time during the six months ended 30 June 2023 and up to and including the date of this interim report.

CHANGES IN DIRECTORS' INFORMATION

The Directors confirm that there was no change in the information of Directors which is required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51B(1) of the Listing Rules since the publication of the annual report of the Company for the financial year ended 31 December 2022.

Corporate Governance and Other Information

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES

The Company is committed to maintaining and upholding guidelines and procedures for stringent corporate governance. In respect of the six months ended 30 June 2023, all the provisions set out in the CG Code were met by the Company except for the following:

Code provision C.1.6 of the CG Code requires that independent non-executive Directors and other non-executive Directors shall attend general meetings and develop a balanced understanding of the views of shareholders. Certain independent non-executive Directors were unable to attend the annual general meeting of the Company that was held on 27 June 2023 respectively due to personal reason.

COMPLIANCE WITH THE MODEL CODE BY DIRECTORS AND RELEVANT EMPLOYEES

The Company has adopted the Model Code as its code of conduct regarding securities transactions by the Directors.

The Company made specific enquiries to all Directors and all Directors confirmed that they have complied with the required standard set out in the Model Code and its code of conduct regarding any Directors' securities transactions throughout the period from 1 January 2023 to 30 June 2023.

The Company has also adopted a code of conduct regarding securities transactions by relevant employees on terms no less exacting than the required standard set out in the Model Code. All the relevant employees who, because of office or employment, are likely to be in possession of inside information in relation to the Company's securities has been requested to follow such code when dealing in the securities of the Company.

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

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities for the six months ended 30 June 2023.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The unaudited interim financial report of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2023 has been reviewed by the audit committee of the Board.

By order of the Board

Yip Siu Lun Dave

Chairman and executive Director

Hong Kong, 30 August 2023

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss

For the six months ended 30 June 2023

	Six months ended 30 June		
		2023	2022
	Notes	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
		(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Revenue	5	123,386	125,612
Cost of sales		(80,792)	(84,804)
Gross profit		42,594	40,808
Other revenue and gains/(losses), net	6(b)	6,383	8,266
Distribution costs	. ,	(9,070)	(6,269)
Administrative expenses		(32,574)	(29,947)
Interests on lease liabilities		(1,472)	(2,088)
Profit before taxation	6	5,861	10,770
Income tax credit	7	49	208
Profit for the period		5,910	10,978
Profit for the period attributable to:			
Equity shareholders of the Company		3,394	8,587
Non-controlling interests		2,516	2,391
Profit for the period		5,910	10,978
Earnings per share attributable to the equity shareholders of the Company	0		
(HK cents) Basic and diluted	8	0.6	1.8
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Condensed Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income

For the six months ended 30 June 2023

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2023 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	2022 HK\$'000 (unaudited)
Profit for the period	5,910	10,978
Other comprehensive income for the period		
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss: - Exchange differences on translation of financial statements of subsidiaries in the Mainland China	(10,371)	(14,619)
Total comprehensive income for the period	(4,461)	(3,641)
Attributable to: Equity shareholders of the Company Non-controlling interests	(5,425) 964	(3,849) 208
Total comprehensive income for the period	(4,461)	(3,641)

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

As at 30 June 2023

	Notes	At 30 June 2023 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	At 31 December 2022 HK\$'000 (audited)
Non-current assets Property, plant and equipment Right-of-use assets Intangible assets Prepayments for property, plant and equipment Regard deposits	9	69,369 26,353 1,081	73,753 37,068 1,272
Rental deposits Deferred tax assets		4,683 5,580 108,139	5,382 5,691 123,166
Current assets Inventories Trade and other receivables Cash and cash equivalents	10 11	26,455 82,940 67,457	33,527 43,753 105,266
Current liabilities Trade and other payables Tax payable Amount due to a related party Lease liabilities	12 13	50,659 111 - 18,126	47,577 115 7,393 22,427
Net current assets		68,896 107,956	77,512 105,034
Total assets less current liabilities		216,095	228,200

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

As at 30 June 2023

	Notes	At 30 June 2023 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	At 31 December 2022 HK\$'000 (audited)
Non-current liabilities			
Lease liabilities		13,017	20,661
Deferred tax liabilities		1,124	1,124
Doloriou tax habilities	-	1,127	1,127
		14,141	21,785
Net assets		201,954	206,415
Capital and reserves			
Share capital	14(b)	5,578	5,578
Reserves	(5)	173,910	179,335
Total equity attributable to the equity			
shareholders of the Company		179,488	184,913
Non-controlling interests		22,466	21,502
Total equity		201,954	206,415

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity

For the six months ended 30 June 2023 – unaudited

	Attributable to equity shareholders of the Company								
	Share capital HK\$'000	Share premium HK\$'000	Capital reserve HK\$'000	Statutory reserve HK\$'000	Exchange reserve HK\$'000	Accumulated losses HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000	Non- controlling interests HK\$'000	Total equity HK\$'000
Balance at 1 January 2022 Change in equity for the six months ended 30 June 2022:	4,648	145,830	18,324	25,856	23,027	(76,017)	141,668	23,098	164,766
Profit for the period	-	-	-	-	-	8,587	8,587	2,391	10,978
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	(12,436)		(12,436)	(2,183)	(14,619)
Total comprehensive income	-	_	-	-	(12,436)	8,587	(3,849)	208	(3,641)
Appropriation to statutory reserve	-	-	-	1,881	-	(1,881)	_	-	
Balance at 30 June 2022	4,648	145,830	18,324	27,737	10,591	(69,311)	137,819	23,306	161,125

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity

For the six months ended 30 June 2023 – unaudited

	Attributable to equity shareholders of the Company								
	Share capital HK\$'000	Share premium HK\$'000	Capital reserve HK\$'000	Statutory reserve HK\$'000	Exchange reserve HK\$'000	Accumulated losses HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000	Non- controlling interests HK\$'000	Total equity HK\$'000
Balance at 1 January 2023 Change in equity for the six months ended 30 June 2023:	5,578	213,575	18,324	25,856	(515)	(77,905)	184,913	21,502	206,415
Profit for the period	-	-	-	-	-	3,394	3,394	2,516	5,910
Other comprehensive income		-		-	(8,819)	-	(8,819)	(1,552)	(10,371)
Total comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	(8,819)	3,394	(5,425)	964	(4,461)
Appropriation to statutory reserve	-	-	-	1,805	-	(1,805)	-	_	-
Balance at 30 June 2023	5,578	213,575	18,324	27,661	(9,334)	(76,316)	179,488	22,466	201,954

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

For the six months ended 30 June 2023

	Six months ended 30 June			
Note	2023 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	2022 HK\$'000 (unaudited)		
Operating activities				
Cash used in operations Tax (paid) refunded	(16,540) (10)	(12,287) 222		
Net cash used in operating activities	(16,550)	(12,065)		
Investing activities				
Payment for the purchase of property, plant and equipment Proceeds from disposal of property,	(3,165)	(4,602)		
plant and equipment Other net cash flows arising from investing	-	81		
activities	256	203		
Net cash used in investing activities	(2,909)	(4,318)		
Financing activities				
Advances from related parties Capital element of lease rental paid Interest element of lease rental paid	- (11,091) (1,472)	12,048 (9,513) (2,088)		
Net cash (used in)/generated from				
financing activities	(12,563)	447		
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(32,022)	(15,936)		
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January	105,266	59,870		
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes	(5,787)	(3,011)		
Cash and cash equivalents at 30 June 11	67,457	40,923		

1 GENERAL

China Apex Group Limited (the "Company") was incorporated in the Cayman Islands as an exempted company with limited liability under the Companies Law of the Cayman Islands and its shares are listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange").

The addresses of the registered office and principal place of business of the Company are disclosed in the section headed "Corporate Information" to the interim report. The Group, comprising the Company and its subsidiaries, continues to operate the zipper business.

The Company was informed by Mr. Chan Ho Yan (also known as Michael Chan) and Mr. Li Kin Long Kenny of D&P China (HK) Limited (trading as Kroll) (the "Receivers") on 7 October 2021 that the Receivers were appointed by Noble Wisdom Ever Limited (the "Creditor"), a subsidiary of China Huarong Asset Management Co., Ltd. (Stock code: 2799) ("Huarong") by three Deeds of Appointment of the Receivers dated 7 October 2021 signed by the Creditor as the joint and several receivers of 341,446,600 shares of the Company (the "Relevant Shares"), of which 125,397,663 shares are beneficially owned by Central Eagle Limited ("Central Eagle"), representing approximately 26.98% of the issued share capital of the Company, 133,706,331 shares are beneficially owned by China Sun Corporation ("China Sun"), representing approximately 28.77% of the issued share capital of the Company and 82,342,606 shares are beneficially owned by Golden Diamond Inc. ("Golden Diamond"), representing approximately 17.71% of the issued share capital of the Company.

As announced by the Company on 9 March 2022 and 23 March 2022, the shareholders of Central Eagle and the Creditor entered into the sale and purchase agreement (the "SP Agreement") on 9 March 2022 and the completion of SP Agreement took place on 23 March 2022 (the "Completion"). Upon Completion, the Receivers remain interested in 216,048,937 Shares (the "Adjusted Relevant Shares"), representing approximately 46.48% of the total issued share capital of the Company. The Adjusted Relevant Shares represent approximately 46.48% of the issued share capital of the Company as at 30 June 2022.

The directors of the Company (the "Directors") considered that Huarong is and remain to be the controlling shareholder of the Company as at 30 June 2023 and the date of approval of these condensed consolidated interim financial statements.

2 BASIS OF PREPARATION

The unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the applicable disclosure provisions of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange (the "Listing Rules"), including compliance with Hong Kong Accounting Standard ("HKAS") 34 Interim financial reporting issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA").

The preparation of the condensed consolidated interim financial statements in compliance with HKAS 34 requires the use of certain judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenses on a year to date basis. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The interim financial statements contain condensed consolidated interim financial statements and selected explanatory notes. The notes include an explanation of events and transactions that are significant to an understanding of the changes in financial position and performance of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively the "Group") since the 2022 annual financial statements. The condensed consolidated interim financial statements and notes thereon do not include all of the information required for full set of financial statements prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs").

3 PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The condensed consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the same accounting policies adopted in the 2022 annual financial statements, except for the accounting policy changes that are required to be adopted in the 2023 annual financial statements. Details of these changes in accounting policies are set out below.

3 PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Overview on changes in accounting policies

The HKICPA has issued a number of new HKFRS or amendments to HKFRSs that are first effective or first time adopted and relevant for the current accounting period of the Group:

- (i) Insurance contract (HKFRS 17)
- (ii) Definition of Accounting Estimates (Amendments to HKAS 8)
- (iii) Disclosure of Accounting Policies (Amendments to HKAS 1 and HKFRS Practice Statement 2)
- (iv) Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single Transaction (Amendments to HKAS 12)
- (v) International Tax Reform Pillar Two Model Rules (Amendments to HKAS 12)

The new or amended HKFRSs that are effective from 1 January 2023 did not have any significant impact on the Group's condensed consolidated interim financial statements.

4 SEGMENT REPORTING

The Group manages its businesses by divisions, which are organised by a mixture of both business line and geography.

Information reported to the Group's senior executive management, being the chief operating decision maker, for the purposes of resource allocation and assessment, focuses on revenue analysis by geographic location of customers. No other discrete financial information is provided other than the Group's results and financial position as a whole. Accordingly, only entity-wide disclosures, major customers and geographic information are presented.

5 REVENUE

The principal activities of the Group are manufacture and sale of zippers, sliders and other related products.

The amount of each significant category of revenue is as follows:

	Six months ended 30 June		
	2023	2022	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	
Sales of goods Finished zippers and sliders	122,120	123,042	
Others	1,266	2,570	
	123,386	125,612	

The above revenue is recognised at a point in time when the control of the goods has been passed to customers.

No individual customer had transactions exceeding 10% of the Group's revenue.

6 PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION

Profit before taxation is arrived at after charging/(crediting):

a. Staff costs

	Six months ended 30 June		
	2023	2022	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	
Salaries, wages and other benefits Contributions to defined contribution	46,101	44,317	
retirement plans	4,950	5,659	
	51,051	49,976	

6 PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION (CONTINUED)

b. Other revenue and gains/(losses), net

	Six months ended 30 June		
	2023 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	2022 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	
Interest income Gains on disposal of property,	256	203	
plant and equipment	23	6	
Government grants Net foreign exchange gains Others	543 4,897 664	215 6,950 892	
	6,383	8,266	

Note: No government grants (2022: HK\$72,000) included in profit or loss was obtained from Employment Support Scheme ("ESS") under the Anti-epidemic Fund launched by the Hong Kong SAR Government supporting the payroll of the Group's employees. Under the ESS, the Group had to commit to spending these grants on payroll expenses, and not reducing employee head count below prescribed levels for a specified period of time. The Group did not have other unfulfilled obligations relating to this program.

c. Other items

	Six months ended 30 June		
	2023 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	2022 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	
Depreciation and amortisation* – plant and equipment – intangible assets – right-of-use assets	5,838 158 10,000	7,366 49 9,669	
	15,996	17,084	
Provision for/(reversal of) impairment losses on inventories Cost of inventories*	1,363 80,792	(36) 84,804	

^{*} Cost of inventories includes HK\$41,990,000 for the six months ended 30 June 2023 (six months ended 30 June 2022: HK\$42,245,000) relating to staff costs, depreciation and amortisation expenses which amounts are also included in the respective total amounts disclosed separately above or in note 6(a) for each of these types of expenses.

7 INCOME TAX CREDIT

	Six months ended 30 June		
	2023 HK\$'000	2022 HK\$'000	
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	
Current tax – PRC corporate income tax Deferred taxation	10 (59)	12 (220)	
	(49)	(208)	

- (a) Pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Cayman Islands and the BVI, the Group is not subject to any income tax in the Cayman Islands or the BVI.
 - KEE Zippers Corporation Limited is subject to Hong Kong Profits Tax at the rate of 16.5% in 2023 and 2022.
- (b) 開易 (廣東) 服裝配件有限公司 (KEE (Guangdong) Garment Accessories Limited) ("KEE Guangdong") was recognised as a High and New Technology Enterprise and is entitled to a preferential income tax rate of 15% up to 2025. Except for KEE Guangdong, the statutory income tax rate applicable to the Company's other subsidiaries in Mainland China was 25%.
- (c) Pursuant to the Corporate Income Tax Law of the PRC and its relevant regulations, PRC-resident enterprises are levied withholding income tax at 10% on dividends to their non-PRC-resident corporate investors for earnings accumulated beginning on 1 January 2008. Undistributed earnings generated prior to 1 January 2008 are exempted from such withholding tax. Under the Sino-Hong Kong Double Tax Arrangement and its relevant regulations, a qualified Hong Kong tax resident which is the "beneficial owner" and holds 25% or more of the equity interest of a PRC-resident enterprise is entitled to a reduced withholding tax rate of 5%. As at 30 June 2023, deferred tax liability recognised in this regard was HK\$1,124,000 (31 December 2022: HK\$1,124,000).

8 EARNINGS PER SHARE

a. Basic earnings per share

The calculation of basic earnings per share is based on earnings attributable to the equity shareholders of the Company for the six months ended 30 June 2023 amounting to HK\$3,394,000 (for the six months ended 30 June 2022: HK\$8,587,000) and the weighted average number of 557,764,800 ordinary shares (six months ended 30 June 2022: 464,804,000 ordinary shares) in issue during the six months ended 30 June 2023.

b. Diluted earnings per share

The diluted earnings per share is equal to the basic earnings per share as there were no potential dilutive shares in issue during both six months ended 30 June 2023 and 2022.

9 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

During the six months ended 30 June 2023, the Group acquired items of property, plant and machinery (including payments for construction in progress) with a cost of HK\$4,016,000 (six months ended 30 June 2022: HK\$5,536,000).

10 TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

As of the end of the reporting period, the ageing analysis of trade debtors and bills receivable (which are included in trade and other receivables) based on the invoice date and net of loss allowance, is as follows:

	At 30 June 2023 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	At 31 December 2022 HK\$'000 (audited)
Within 1 month Over 1 month but within 2 months Over 2 months but within 3 months Over 3 months	34,330 27,739 6,890 9,751	13,723 14,520 5,838 2,905
Trade debtors and bills receivable, net of loss allowance Rental deposits Other prepayments Other tax receivables Other debtors	78,710 770 1,838 – 1,622	36,986 - 1,233 5,080 454
	82,940	43,753

All of the trade and other receivables are expected to be recovered or recognised as expense within one year.

The Group recognised impairment loss based on the same accounting policies adopted in the 2022 annual financial statements.

11 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	At 30 June 2023 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	At 31 December 2022 HK\$'000 (audited)
Cash at bank and in hand	67,457	105,266
Cash and cash equivalents in the condensed consolidated statement of cash flows	67,457	105,266

12 TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

As of the end of the reporting period, the ageing analysis of trade creditors (which are included in trade and other payables), based on the invoice date, is as follows:

	At 30 June 2023 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	At 31 December 2022 HK\$'000 (audited)
Within 1 month Over 1 month but within 3 months Over 3 months but within 6 months Over 6 months	12,364 155 7 37	7,414 193 - 23
Trade creditors Payroll and staff benefits payable Accrued expenses Payables for purchase of property, plant and equipment	12,563 23,581 7,769	7,630 22,721 6,932 2,274
Other tax payables Contract liabilities Other payables	3,580 1,419 1,106	5,588 1,832 600

13 AMOUNT DUE TO A RELATED PARTY

The balance represents advance made by an individual which is vice president of the Company and son-in-law of a director of the Company. It is unsecured, interest free and repayable on demand.

14 CAPITAL, RESERVES AND DIVIDENDS

a. Dividends

No interim dividend was declared in respect of the periods ended 30 June 2023 and 2022.

b. Share capital

Authorised and issued share capital

	At 30 J Number of shares '000 (unaudited)	une 2023 Share capital HK\$'000 (unaudited)	At 31 Decer Number of shares '000 (audited)	mber 2022 Share capital HK\$'000 (audited)
Authorised: Ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each	2,000,000	20,000	2,000,000	20,000
Ordinary shares, issued and fully paid:	557,765	5,578	557,765	5,578

15 COMMITMENTS

Capital commitments outstanding at 30 June 2023 and 31 December 2022 not provided for in the condensed consolidated interim financial statements were as follows:

•	1,119	1,460
	(unaudited)	(audited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	2023	2022
	30 June	31 December
	At	At

16 MATERIAL RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

In addition to the transactions disclosed in other parts of these condensed consolidated interim financial statements, the Group entered into the following material related party transactions:

a. Transactions

- i. The Group renewed a lease agreement which expired on 31 December 2020 for a term of two years ending 31 December 2022 in respect of certain leasehold land and buildings entered into with Mr Xu Xipeng and Mr Xu Xinan, the senior management of the Group. During the six months ended 30 June 2023, the rentals paid by the Group under this lease agreement amounted to HK\$2,912,000 (value added tax ("VAT") included) (RMB2,574,000 equivalent) (six months ended 30 June 2022: HK\$2,870,000 (RMB2,364,000 equivalent)).
- ii. Since the disposals of certain leasehold land and buildings during the year ended 31 December 2016, the Group has agreed to leaseback those assets from Classic Winner Limited ("Class Winner") and Foshan City Nanhai Jinheming Investment Company Limited ("Nanhai Jinheming") which are owned by Mr Xu Xipeng and Mr Xu Xinan. These two lease agreements were renewed again on 16 January 2020. The rentals paid by the Group to Classic Winner and Nanhai Jinheming for the six months ended 30 June 2023 amounted to HK\$324,000 and HK\$4,249,000 (RMB3,756,000 equivalent) (VAT included) (six months ended 30 June 2022: HK\$324,000 and HK\$4,560,000 (RMB3,756,000 equivalent)) respectively.

16 MATERIAL RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (CONTINUED)

a. Transactions (Continued)

- iii. KEE Guangdong renewed a lease agreement which expired on 31 August 2021 for a term of two years ending 31 August 2023 with KEE (Jingmen) Garment Accessories Limited which are owned by Mr Xu Xipeng and Mr Xu Xinan in respect of certain leasehold land and buildings. On 29 April 2022, KEE (Hubei) Zippers Manufacturing Company Limited ("KEE Hubei") replaced KEE Guangdong as the lessee. During the six months ended 30 June 2023, the rentals paid by the Group under this lease agreement amounted to HK\$3,618,000 (VAT included) (RMB3,198,000 equivalent) (six months ended 30 June 2022: HK\$3,882,000 (RMB3,198,000 equivalent)).
- iv. KEE Hubei entered into a lease agreement on 31 May 2022 with a term from 1 June 2022 to 31 August 2023 with KEE (Jingmen) Garment Accessories Limited which are owned by Mr Xu Xipeng and Mr Xu Xinan in respect of certain leasehold land and buildings. During the six months ended 30 June 2023, the rentals paid by the Group under this lease agreement amounted to HK\$1,668,000 (VAT included) (RMB1,474,000 equivalent)(six months ended 30 June 2022: Nii).

b. Key management personal compensation

Remuneration for key management personnel of the Group, including amounts paid to the Company's directors, is as follows:

Six months ended 30 June

	2023 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	2022 HK\$'000 (unaudited)
Short-term employee benefits Retirement scheme contribution	3,779 46	2,565 60
	3,825	2,625

Total remuneration is included in "staff costs" (note 6(a)).

17 EVENTS AFTER THE END OF THE REPORTING PERIOD

Save as disclosed in this report, the Directors confirm that no significant event that affected the Group has occurred after 30 June 2023 and up to the date of approval of these condensed consolidated interim financial statements.

Glossary

In this interim report, unless the context otherwise requires, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

"Board"	means	the board of Directors
"CG Code"	means	code on corporate governance practices as set out in Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules
"Company"	means	China Apex Group Limited, an exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands on 6 July 2010 and the Shares of which are listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange
"Director(s)"	means	the director(s) of the Company
"Group"	means	the Company and its subsidiaries
"HK\$" and "HK cents"	means	Hong Kong dollars and cents respectively, the lawful currency of Hong Kong
"Hong Kong"	means	the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the PRC
"Listing Rules"	means	the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange
"Main Board"	means	the stock market operated by the Stock Exchange, which excludes the GEM and the options market
"Model Code"	means	the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers as set out in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules
"OEM"	means	original equipment manufacturer or manufacturing
"PRC" or "China" or "Mainland China"	means	the People's Republic of China excluding, for the purpose of this report, Hong Kong, the Macau Special Administrative Region of the PRC and Taiwan

Glossary

"RMB"	means	Renminbi, the lawful currency of the PRC
"SFO"	means	Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap. 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong)
"Share(s)"	means	share(s) of HK\$0.01 each in the share capital of the Company
"Shareholder(s)"	means	holder(s) of issued Share(s)
"Stock Exchange"	means	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited

^{*} The English translation or transliteration of the Chinese name(s), where indicated, is included for information purposes only, and should not be regarded as the official English name(s) of such Chinese name(s).