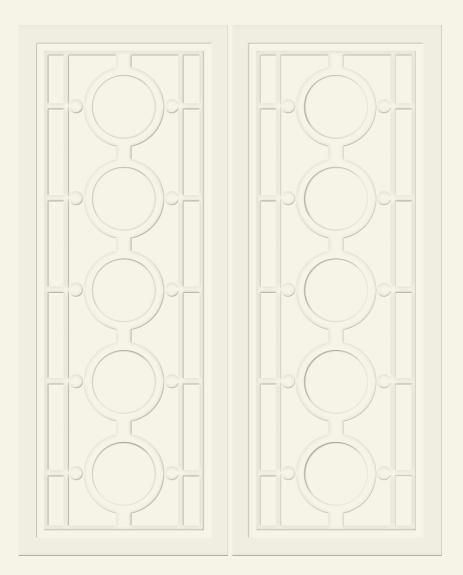
## NATIONAL ELECTRONICS HOLDINGS LIMITED

Stock Code: 213



#### **2022 INTERIM REPORT**

The Board (the "**Board**") of Directors (the "**Directors**") of National Electronics Holdings Limited (the "**Company**") would like to present the interim results of the Company and its subsidiaries (together, the "**Group**") for the six months ended 30 September 2022.

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS

For the six months ended 30 September 2022

		Six months end	ed 30 September
		2022	2021
		(unaudited)	(unaudited)
	Notes	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Revenue	3	266,291	374,119
Cost of sales		(220,722)	(328,919)
Gross profit		45,569	45,200
Other income	4	7,771	2,292
Other loss – net	5	(24,585)	(51,624)
Increase in fair value of investment properties	11	140,984	104,853
Distribution costs		(4,365)	(4,156)
Administrative expenses		(87,972)	(56,098)
Finance costs	6	(48,746)	(36,021)
Share of results of associates		(26)	(13)
Share of results of joint ventures		(4,656)	59,263
Profit before taxation	7	23,974	63,696
Income tax (expense)/credit	8	(2,669)	619
Profit for the period		21,305	64,315
Earnings per share Basic	9	2.26 HK cents	6.65 HK cents
Diluted		2.26 HK cents	6.65 HK cents

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

For the six months ended 30 September 2022

	Six months ender 2022 (unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>	ed 30 September 2021 (unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>
Profit for the period	21,305	64,315
Other comprehensive (expense)/income		
Items that may be subsequently reclassified to profit or loss: Exchange differences arising on translation of foreign operations Fair value gain on other assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	(74,789) 765	44 3,290
Other comprehensive (expense)/income for the period	(74,024)	3,334
Total comprehensive (expense)/income for the period	(52,719)	67,649
Profit attributable to: – Equity holders of the Company – Non-controlling interests	21,330 (25) 21,305	64,354 (39) 64,315
<b>Total comprehensive (expense)/income attributable to:</b> – Equity holders of the Company – Non-controlling interests	(52,694) (25) (52,719)	67,688 (39) 67,649

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

At 30 September 2022

	Notes	30 September 2022 (unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>	31 March 2022 (audited) <i>HK\$'000</i>
NON-CURRENT ASSETS Investment properties Property, plant and equipment Right-of-use assets Goodwill	11	4,547,514 52,058 309,398 1,270	4,347,962 55,349 321,490 1,270
Interests in associates Interests in joint ventures Other assets at fair value through other comprehensive income		7,286 337,725 27,500	7,312 342,381 26,735
Deferred tax assets		5,095	8,031 5,110,530
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b> Debt instruments at amortised cost Inventories Financial assets at fair value through		2,773 84,311	3,144 94,199
profit or loss Inventory of unsold properties Properties under development for sale Bills receivables	12	178,659 63,904 1,365,155 -	199,831 69,561 1,325,975 762
Trade receivables, deposits and prepayments Amount due from an associate Amount due from a joint venture Tax recoverable Bank balances and cash	13	294,126 9,786 48,701 984 903,481	374,907 9,786 48,701 1,188 1,100,196
		2,951,880	3,228,250

## **CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION** (continued) *At 30 September 2022*

	Notes	30 September 2022 (unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>	31 March 2022 (audited) <i>HK\$'000</i>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b> Trade and bills payables Customers' deposits Accrued expenses and other payables Amount due to an associate Amount due to a joint venture Tax payable Derivative financial instruments	14	39,642 550,740 140,497 4,405 208,868 3,136	68,596 585,298 118,372 4,405 179,368 3,146 21
Lease liabilities Bank loans		17,002 1,234,409	17,319 1,338,453
		2,198,699	2,314,978
NET CURRENT ASSETS		753,181	913,272
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		6,041,027	6,023,802
CAPITAL AND RESERVES Share capital Reserves	15	92,773 2,419,549	94,930 2,520,290
Equity attributable to owners of the Company Non-controlling interests		2,512,322 1,360	2,615,220 1,385
TOTAL EQUITY		2,513,682	2,616,605
<b>NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b> Provision for long service payments Lease liabilities Bank loans Deferred tax liabilities		1,814 55,049 3,410,234 60,248	1,814 63,732 3,281,226 60,425
		3,527,345	3,407,197
		6,041,027	6,023,802

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY For the six months ended 30 September 2022

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## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the six months ended 30 September 2022

	Six months ended 30 Septemb 2022 202	
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Net cash generated from/(used in) operating activities	113,972	(262,995)
Net cash used in investing activities	(99,147)	(9,455)
Net cash (used in)/generated from financing activities	(121,216)	198,437
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(106,391)	(74,013)
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 April	1,100,196	1,095,051
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes	(90,324)	(2,115)
Cash and cash equivalents at 30 September	903,481	1,018,923
Analysis of the balances of cash and cash equivalents	002 481	1.019.022
Bank balances and cash	903,481	1,018,923

#### NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the six months ended 30 September 2022

#### (1) BASIS OF PREPARATION

The condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Hong Kong Accounting Standard ("**HKAS**") 34 "*Interim Financial Reporting*" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("**HKICPA**") as well as with the applicable disclosure requirements of Appendix 16 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

#### (2) PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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

Other than additional accounting policies resulting from application of amendments to Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("**HKFRSs**"), the accounting policies and methods of computation used in the condensed consolidated financial statements for the six months ended 30 September 2022 are the same as those presented in the Group's annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022.

In the current interim period, the Group has applied the following amendments to HKFRSs issued by the HKICPA, for the first time, which are mandatorily effective for the annual periods beginning on or after 1 April 2022 for the preparation of the Group's condensed consolidated financial statements:

Amendments to HKFRS 3	Reference to the Conceptual Framework
Amendments to HKAS 16	Property, Plant and Equipment – Proceeds before Intended Use
Amendments to HKAS 37	Onerous Contracts - Cost of Fulfilling a Contract
Amendments to HKFRSs	Annual Improvements to HKFRSs 2018-2020

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

### (3) SEGMENT INFORMATION

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

#### Six months ended 30 September 2022 (unaudited)

	Manufacture of watches and trading of watch movements <i>HK\$'000</i>	Property development and investment <i>HK\$*000</i>	Hotel operation <i>HK\$'000</i>	Consolidated HK\$'000
<b>REVENUE</b> External sales	227,886		38,405	266,291
<b>RESULT</b> Segment result	3,825	74,378	16,097	94,300
Bank interest income Unallocated other income Unallocated other expenses Finance costs Share of results of associates Share of results of joint ventures				3,093 3,007 (22,998) (48,746) (26) (4,656)
Profit before taxation Income tax expense				23,974 (2,669)
Profit for the period				21,305

#### (3) SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

#### Six months ended 30 September 2021 (unaudited)

	Manufacture of watches and trading of watch movements <i>HK\$</i> <sup>*</sup> 000	Property development and investment <i>HK\$'000</i>	Hotel operation <i>HK\$`000</i>	Consolidated HK\$'000
REVENUE				
External sales	343,281	475	30,363	374,119
RESULT				
Segment result	5,464	88,138	10,164	103,766
Bank interest income Unallocated other income Unallocated other expenses Finance costs Share of results of associates Share of results of joint ventures				1,850 4,414 (69,563) (36,021) (13) 59,263
Profit before taxation Income tax credit				63,696 619
Profit for the period				64,315

Segment result represents the profit earned by each segment without allocation of central administration costs, share of results of associates, share of results of joint ventures, other income and finance costs. This is the measure reported to the chief operating decision maker for the purpose of resource allocation and performance assessment.

#### (3) SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

#### **Geographical information**

The Group's main operations are located in Hong Kong and other regions in the People's Republic of China ("**PRC**"), North America and Europe.

The following is an analysis of the Group's revenue from external customers based on geographical location of the customers:

	Six months ende	d 30 September
	2022	2021
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Hong Kong and the PRC	256,500	362,448
North America	3,042	8,626
Europe	6,665	3,045
Others	84	
	266,291	374,119

#### (4) **OTHER INCOME**

	Six months ended 30 Septembe	
	2022	2021
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Bank interest income	3,093	1,850
Government subsidies	3,017	_
Sundry income	1,661	442
	7,771	2,292

	Six months ende	d 30 September
	2022	2021
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	_	382
Loss on fair value changes of financial assets at fair value		
through profit or loss	(24,585)	(52,006)
	(24,585)	(51,624)

#### (6) FINANCE COSTS

	Six months ended 30 September	
	2022	2021
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Interest on:		
Bank loans and overdrafts	66,036	44,579
Lease liabilities	1,831	1,450
Total borrowing costs	67,867	46,029
Less: Amounts capitalised to investment properties and		
properties under development for sale	(19,121)	(10,008)
	48,746	36,021

#### (7) PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION

	Six months ended 30 September	
	2022	2021
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Profit before taxation has been arrived at after charging:		
Staff costs including directors' emoluments	52,197	50,124
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	4,105	5,336
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	11,845	12,915
Cost of inventories recognised as an expense	204,467	321,851
Net foreign exchange loss	61,538	_
Expenses relating to short-term leases	355	538
and after crediting/(charging):		
Gross rental income	38,405	30,363
Less: Outgoings	(18,045)	(17,308)
Net rental income	20,360	13,055

#### (8) INCOME TAX (EXPENSE)/CREDIT

	Six months ended 30 September	
	2022	2021
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Other jurisdictions		
- Current period	(2)	(120)
Deferred tax		
- Current period	(2,667)	739
	(2,669)	619

Hong Kong Profits Tax is calculated at 16.5% (six months ended 30 September 2021: 16.5%) on the estimated assessable profits for the period.

Taxation arising in other jurisdictions is calculated at the rates prevailing in the relevant jurisdictions.

#### (9) EARNINGS PER SHARE

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

	Six months ended 30 September	
	2022	2021
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Earnings		
Earnings for the purpose of basic and diluted earnings		
per share		
(Profit for the period attributable to owners of		
the Company)	21,330	64,354
Number of shares		
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for		
the purpose of basic earnings per share	945,239,793	968,357,596

No diluted earnings per share is presented for both periods as there were no potential ordinary shares in issue.

#### (10) **DIVIDENDS**

	Six months ended 30 September	
	<b>2022</b> 20	
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Dividends recognised as distribution during the period: 2022 final dividend of 3.0 HK cents (2021: 3.0 HK cents)		
per share	28,262	29,037

Subsequent to the end of the reporting period, the Directors proposed an interim dividend of 0.5 HK cent (2021: 0.5 HK cent) per share be paid to the shareholders of the Company whose names appear in the Register of Members on 16 December 2022.

#### (11) INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

	HK\$'000
FAIR VALUE	
At 1 April 2021 (audited)	3,946,423
Additions	131,715
Acquired on an acquisition of a subsidiary	132,464
Increase in fair value recognised in profit or loss	134,757
Exchange realignment	2,603
At 31 March 2022 (audited)	4,347,962
Additions	112,859
Increase in fair value recognised in profit or loss	140,984
Exchange realignment	(54,291)
At 30 September 2022 (unaudited)	4,547,514

All of the Group's property interests held under operating leases to earn rentals or for capital appreciation purposes are measured using the fair value model and are classified and accounted for as investment properties.

The fair values of the investment properties located in Hong Kong at 30 September 2022 have been arrived at on the basis of a valuation carried out on that date by Cushman & Wakefield Limited and Savills Valuation and Professional Services Limited, independent qualified professional valuers not connected with the Group.

The fair value of the investment property located in the PRC at 30 September 2022 has been arrived at on the basis of a valuation carried out on that date by Knight Frank Petty Limited, independent qualified professional valuer not connected with the Group.

The fair value of the Group's investment property located in the United Kingdom at 30 September 2022 has been arrived at on the basis of a valuation carried out by Savills (UK) Limited, independent qualified professional valuer not connected with the Group.

The fair value of the Group's investment property located in Japan at 30 September 2022 has been arrived at on the basis of a valuation carried by CBRE K.K., independent qualified professional valuer not connected with the Group.

The fair values of the completed investment properties located in Hong Kong and the United Kingdom and the land located in Japan were determined based on direct comparison approach, where the values are assessed by reference to the comparable properties in close proximity and adjusted for differences in key attributes such as property size and location.

#### (11) INVESTMENT PROPERTIES (continued)

The fair values of the investment properties under construction located in Hong Kong and the PRC were determined by using residual approach with the basis that the investment properties will be developed and completed in accordance with the latest development proposals and taken into account the construction costs that will be expended to complete the development to reflect the quality of the completed development.

#### (12) BILLS RECEIVABLES

As at the end of the reporting period, there is no bills receivable (31 March 2022: approximately HK\$762,000 are aged within 30 days).

#### (13) TRADE RECEIVABLES, DEPOSITS AND PREPAYMENTS

The Group has a policy of allowing an average credit period of 30 days to its trade customers.

The following is an ageing analysis of trade receivables net of allowance for credit losses presented based on the invoice date at the end of the reporting period:

	At 30 September	At 31 March
	2022	2022
	(unaudited)	(audited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Within 30 days	16,269	30,332
31 to 90 days	8,142	22,906
91 to 180 days	275	6,912
Over 180 days	7,193	3,256
	31,879	63,406

## (14) TRADE AND BILLS PAYABLES

(15)

The following is an ageing analysis of trade and bills payables presented based on the invoice date:

	At 30 September 2022 (unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>	At 31 March 2022 (audited) <i>HK\$'000</i>
Within 30 days	22,859	53,045
31 to 90 days	16,296	14,973
91 to 180 days	-	16
Over 180 days	487	562
	39,642	68,596
) SHARE CAPITAL		
	Number	
	of shares	Amount
Ordinary shares of HK\$0.1 each		HK\$'000
Authorised:		
At 1 April 2021 (audited), 31 March 2022 (audited) and 30 September 2022 (unaudited)	1,500,000,000	150,000
Issued and fully paid:		
At 1 April 2021 (audited)	970,172,962	97,017
Cancelled on repurchase of shares	(20,866,000)	(2,086)
At 31 March 2022 (audited)	949,306,962	94,931
Cancelled on repurchase of shares	(21,580,000)	(2,158)
At 30 September 2022 (unaudited)	927,726,962	92,773

#### (16) CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

	At 30 September	At 31 March
	2022	2022
	(unaudited)	(audited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Contracted for but not provided:		
Construction of properties	134,001	192,767
Investment properties	1,334	9,039
	135,335	201,806

#### (17) RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

(1) The Group's balances with related parties are as follows:

	At 30 September	At 31 March
	2022	2022
	(unaudited)	(audited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Advance to an associate	9,786	9,786
Advance to a joint venture	48,701	48,701
Advance from an associate	4,405	4,405
Advance from a joint venture	208,868	179,368

(2) The compensation to key management personnel during the period was approximately HK\$17,226,000 (six months ended 30 September 2021: approximately HK\$17,826,000).

#### (18) FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

## (i) Fair value of the Group's financial assets and financial liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis

Some of the Group's financial assets are measured at fair value at the end of each reporting period. The fair value measurements are categorised into Level 1, 2 or 3 based on the degree to which the inputs to the fair value measurements are observable and the significance of the inputs to the fair value measurement in its entirety, which are described as follows:

- Level 1 inputs are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the entity can access at the measurement data;
- Level 2 inputs are inputs, other than quoted prices included within Level 1, that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly; and
- Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

The following table gives information about how the fair values of these financial assets are determined (in particular, the valuation technique(s) and input(s) used).

Financial assets/ Financial liabilities	Fair val 30/09/2022 (unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>	ue as at 31/03/2022 (audited) <i>HK\$'000</i>	Fair value hierarchy	Valuation technique(s) and key input(s)	Significant unobservable input(s)
Listed equity securities classified as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	67,194	82,187	Level 1	Quoted bid prices in an active market	N/A
Listed fund investments classified as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	13,447	17,986	Level 1	Quoted bid prices in an active market	N/A
Unlisted equity security classified as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	23,550	23,484	Level 3	Recent transaction price/ Option pricing model	Recent transaction price/Volatility of equity value
Unlisted fund investments classified as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	68,138	59,200	Level 3	Net asset value (note)	Net asset value (note)

#### (18) FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

Financial assets/ Financial liabilities	Fair val 30/09/2022 (unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>	ue as at 31/03/2022 (audited) <i>HK\$'000</i>	Fair value hierarchy	Valuation technique(s) and key input(s)	Significant unobservable input(s)
Unlisted debt instruments classified as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	6,330	8,024	Level 2	Underlying assets has quoted price in an active market	N/A
Equity linked notes	-	8,950	Level 2	Underlying assets has quoted price in an active market	N/A
Interest rate swaps classified as derivative financial instruments	Liabilities- –	Liabilities- 21	Level 2	Discounted cash flow. Future cash flows are estimated based on forward interest rates (from observable yield curves at the end of the reporting period) and contracted interest rates, discounted at a rate that reflect the credit risk of various counterparties	N/A

*(i)* Fair value of the Group's financial assets and financial liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis (continued)

Note: The net asset value is mainly attributable from an underlying unlisted investment with its fair value is determined with reference to the recent transaction price of the investment.

In June 2021, an unlisted equity security of approximately HK\$15,667,000 was listed on The Toronto Stock Exchange, with its shares traded in an active market. Therefore, the fair value of the investment as at 30 September 2022 was determined based on a published price quotation available on The Toronto Stock Exchange and was classified as Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy.

Other than the transfer of the equity security from Level 3 to Level 1 explained above there were no transfers between the levels of the fair value hierarchy during the period.

#### (18) FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

## (ii) Fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities that are not measured at fair value on a recurring basis

The Directors estimate the fair value of its financial assets and financial liabilities measured at amortised cost using the discounted cash flow analysis.

#### (iii) Reconciliation of Level 3 fair value measurements

	Unlisted warrant investment HK\$'000	Unlisted debt securities HK\$'000	Unlisted equity security HK\$'000	Unlisted fund investments HK\$'000	<b>Total</b> <i>HK\$'000</i>
At 1 April 2021 (audited)	2,880	10,995	44,172	113,040	171,087
Purchase	-	_	-	19,662	19,662
Settlement	-	(10,833)	-	(41,413)	(52,246)
Redemption	-	-	-	(53,666)	(53,666)
Transfer out of Level 3	-	-	(15,667)	-	(15,667)
Disposal	-	-	(751)	-	(751)
Total (losses)/gains in profit or loss	(2,880)	(162)	(4,270)	21,577	14,265
At 31 March 2022 and					
1 April 2022 (audited)	_	_	23,484	59,200	82,684
Purchase	-	_	-	8,336	8,336
Total losses in profit or loss					
- unrealised			66	602	668
At 30 September 2022 (unaudited)			23,550	68,138	91,688

#### **INTERIM DIVIDEND**

The Directors resolved to declare an interim dividend of 0.5 HK cent (2021: 0.5 HK cent) per share.

#### **BUSINESS REVIEW**

The Group's turnover for the six months ended 30 September 2022 was approximately HK\$266,291,000 as compared with HK\$374,119,000 over the same period last year. Net profit attributable to shareholders of the Company for the six months ended 30 September 2022 was approximately HK\$21,330,000 as compared with approximately HK\$64,354,000 over the same period in 2021.

During the period under review, the performance of the property development and investment business was satisfactory.

The Group's boutique hotel division performed well, achieving increases in turnover and profit during the period under review.

During the same period, the Group's watch manufacturing and watch component trading division recorded decreases in turnover and profit.

#### PROSPECTS

With the worldwide interest rate hike and China's stringent COVID policy, the Group expects that the improvement in the performance of its watch and watch component business may be delayed.

The Group's boutique hotel business is anticipated to maintain its improvement in occupancy and rates in view of the gradual relaxation of COVID-19 related travel restrictions in the region.

The Group will continue to market the two remaining houses at 45 Tai Tam Road, Hong Kong, a joint venture project with BPE Asia Real Estate Fund L.P.

The Group's luxurious residential project at 1 South Bay Close has topped off and the construction work is expected to complete in the first half year of 2023.

The superstructure construction work of the Group's Phase III mixed use project at 88 Queen Street East in Toronto, Canada is progressing well and according to schedule. On 29 November 2022, the Board considered the business plan submitted by the Canadian management to transfer certain residential properties (31 Condominium units) under development for sale ("**transferred units**") of the Group in this project to investment properties. Based on the feasibility study submitted by the Group's marketing consultant about the current and expected market conditions, the Board adopted this change in use from the original plan to sell the transferred units after completion to the rental of the transferred units out to third parties on longer lease terms. As at 30 September 2022, the book cost of the transferred units were approximately HK\$64,000,000.

#### FINANCIAL REVIEW

## Liquidity and financial resources

At 30 September 2022, the Group's total borrowings were approximately HK\$4,645 million. The maturity profile spreads over a period of 30 years, with approximately HK\$1,235 million repayable within one year, approximately HK\$3,205 million within two to five years and approximately HK\$205 million beyond five years.

At 30 September 2022, the Group's gearing ratio was 1.36 (31 March 2022: 1.25) which is calculated based on the Group's long-term bank borrowings of approximately HK\$3,410 million and shareholders' funds of approximately HK\$2,512 million.

At 30 September 2022, the Group's total bank balances and cash was approximately HK\$903 million (31 March 2022: approximately HK\$1,100 million).

Similar to last period, the Group has maintained a reasonable level of cash resources and stand-by credit facilities to provide adequate liquid funds to finance its commitments and working capital requirements.

#### **Treasury policies**

At 30 September 2022, 85% of the Group's borrowings was in HKD, 11% in CAD, 2% in GBP, 1% in JPY and 1% in USD.

At 30 September 2022, 44% of the Group's bank balances and cash was in CAD, 28% in HKD, 16% in USD, 5% in JPY, 5% in RMB and 2% in GBP.

All the Group's borrowings are variable-rate borrowings. The Group will carefully monitor its foreign exchange and interest rate exposures and utilise financial instruments such as forward contracts and interest rate swaps as necessary.

#### Future plans for material investments

The Group currently has no other plans for material investments. All investments, if any, will be funded by bank borrowings and the internal resources of the Group.

#### Charges on assets

At 30 September 2022, certain properties and bank deposits of the Group of approximately HK\$6,290 million (31 March 2022: approximately HK\$6,058 million) were pledged to secure banking facilities for the Group.

#### Employees

At 30 September 2022, the Group employed approximately 240 employees in Hong Kong, the PRC and other overseas countries. The staff costs recognised in profit or loss for the period including directors' emoluments amounted to approximately HK\$52 million (six months ended 30 September 2021: approximately HK\$50 million). Remuneration is determined by reference to market terms as well as the qualifications and experiences of the staff concerned. Salaries are reviewed annually and discretionary bonuses may be paid depending on individual performance and the profitability of the Group.

## DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES

At 30 September 2022, the interests of the Directors, chief executives and their associates in the shares and debentures of the Company and its associated corporations, as recorded in the register maintained by the Company pursuant to Section 352 of the Securities and Futures Ordinance ("SFO"), or as otherwise notified to the Company and The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by the Directors of Listed Companies, were as follows:

Name of director	Capacity	Personal interests	Corporate interests	Other interests	Total interests	Percentage of the issued share capital of the Company (note f)
Mr. Jimmy Lee Yuen Ching	Chairman	-	-	536,514,894 (notes a, b)	536,514,894	57.831%
Mr. Loewe Lee Bon Chi	Managing Director	21,720,000	-	549,514,894 (notes a, c)	571,234,894	61.574%
Mr. James Lee Yuen Kui	Managing Director	6,534	-	-	6,534	0.001%
Mr. Ricky Wai Kwong Yuen	Executive Director	-	40,994,543 (note d)	-	40,994,543	4.419%
Mr. William Chan Chak Cheung	Independent Non-executive Director	330,000	-	-	330,000	0.036%
Mr. David Sun Dai Wai	Independent Non-executive Director	-	6,067,857 (note e)	-	6,067,857	0.654%

#### Ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each

#### DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES (continued)

Notes:

- (a) 516,514,894 shares are part of the property of two discretionary trusts of which Mr. Jimmy Lee Yuen Ching and his family members and Mr. Loewe Lee Bon Chi's family members are named beneficiaries.
- (b) 20,000,000 shares are held by Mr. Jimmy Lee Yuen Ching's family member.
- (c) 33,000,000 shares are held by Mr. Loewe Lee Bon Chi's family member.
- (d) These 40,994,543 shares are part of the property of two discretionary trusts of which Mr. Ricky Wai Kwong Yuen is named beneficiary.
- (e) These 6,067,857 shares are held by Sun International Limited, the issued share capital of which are owned by Mr. David Sun Dai Wai and parties acting in concert with him. Therefore Mr. David Sun Dai Wai is deemed to be interested in the shares held by that company under the SFO.
- (f) The percentage was calculated based on a total of 927,726,962 shares in issue as at 30 September 2022.

Saved as disclosed above, at 30 September 2022, none of the directors or chief executive or any of their associates had any interests, or short positions in any shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or its associated corporations as defined in the SFO.

## SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS

Other than the interests of certain directors disclosed under the heading "Directors' Interests in Shares" above, the register of substantial shareholders maintained by the Company pursuant to Section 336 of the SFO discloses no other person as having a notifiable interest or short position in the issued share capital of the Company as at 30 September 2022.

#### PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF SHARES

Save for the Company's purchases of its own shares on the Stock Exchange as disclosed below, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries had purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's securities during the six months ended 30 September 2022.

	Number of ordinary shares of	Price pe	er share	Aggregate consideration paid (including
Month of repurchase	HK\$0.1 each	Highest	Lowest	expenses)
		HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
April 2022	8,000	1.01	1.01	8,191
May 2022	960,000	1.05	1.01	992,041
July 2022	6,264,000	1.03	1.03	6,477,239
August 2022	2,148,000	1.03	1.01	2,197,114
September 2022	12,200,000	1.01	1.00	12,267,671
	21,580,000			21,942,256

## CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The Company had complied throughout the six months ended 30 September 2022 with the Corporate Governance Code (the "**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 the CG Code A.4.1 and A.4.2.

Pursuant to the CG Code A.4.1, Non-executive Directors should be appointed for a specific term, subject to re-election. The Non-executive Directors of the Company were not appointed for a specific term, but are subject to retirement by rotation and re-election at the Company's Annual General Meetings in accordance with the Company's Bye-law 99(A). The Company considers that sufficient measures have been taken to ensure that the Company's corporate governance practices are no less exacting than those in the CG Code A.4.1.

Pursuant to the CG Code A.4.2, every director, including those appointed for a specific term, should be subject to retirement by rotation at least once every three years. In the opinion of the Board, the Chairman and Managing Director play a pivotal role in charting of corporate strategies and direction of the Group and should not be subject to retirement by rotation in consideration of the stability and continuity development of the Group. As such, the Board believes that exempting the Chairman and Managing Director from retiring from office by rotation at Annual General Meeting in accordance with the Bye-law 99(A) of the Company is in the best interest of the Group.

#### AUDIT AND RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The Company has established an Audit and Risk Management Committee and its members comprise Mr. Chan Kwok Wai, Mr. Chan Chak Cheung, William and Mr. Sun Dai Wai, David, who are all Independent Non-executive Directors. The Audit and Risk Management Committee has reviewed with management the accounting principles and practices adopted by the Group and discussed the auditing, internal control, risk management and financial reporting matters. The interim results for the six months ended 30 September 2022, which have not been audited, have been reviewed by the Audit and Risk Management Committee.

## **MODEL CODE**

The Company has adopted a code of conduct regarding the Directors' securities transactions ("**Model Code**") on terms no less exacting than the required standard set out in the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers as set out in Appendix 10 of the Listing Rules. The Company has made specific enquiries to all Directors who have confirmed that, during the period under review, they had complied with the required standard set out in the Model Code.

By Order of the Board LEE YUEN CHING JIMMY Chairman

Hong Kong, 29 November 2022

As at the date of this report, the Executive Directors of the Company are Mr. Lee Yuen Ching, Jimmy, Mr. Lee Bon Chi, Loewe, Mr. Lee Yuen Kui, James, Mr. Lee Yuen Cheor, Edward and Mr. Wai Kwong Yuen Ricky; the Non-executive Director is Ms. Lee Yuen Yu, Dorathy and the Independent Non-executive Directors are Mr. Chan Chak Cheung, William, Mr. Chan Kwok Wai and Mr. Sun Dai Wai, David.

## SCHEDULE OF MAJOR PROPERTIES HELD BY THE GROUP

Details of the major properties held by the Group at 30 September 2022 are as follows:

## **INVESTMENT PROPERTIES**

Location	Lease term	Group's interest	Туре
The Putman No. 202 Queen's Road Central, Sheung Wan, Hong Kong	Long term	100%	Commercial
99 Bonham Nos. 99, 101-103 Bonham Strand and No. 127 Wing Lok Street, Sheung Wan, Hong Kong	Long term	100%	Commercial
One96 No. 196 Queen's Road Central, Sheung Wan, Hong Kong	Long term	100%	Commercial
The Jervois No. 89 Jervois Street, Sheung Wan, Hong Kong	Long term	100%	Commercial
Two parcels of land located at Nos. 10 and 12 Nali Road, Yinkai Industrial Park, Economic and Technological Development Area, Nanning, Guangxi Zhuangzu Autonomous Region, the PRC	Medium term	100%	Industrial
Apartment 306, Burlington Gate, together with Parking Space 7, 25 Cork Street, London W1S 3NB, United Kingdom	Long term	100%	Residential
Apartment 503, Burlington Gate, together with Parking Space 49, 25 Cork Street, London W1S 3NB, United Kingdom	Long term	100%	Residential
No. 1 South Bay Close, Repulse Bay, Hong Kong	Medium term	100%	Residential
House No. 8, No. 39 Deep Water Bay Road, Shouson Hill, Hong Kong	Medium term	100%	Residential

## SCHEDULE OF MAJOR PROPERTIES HELD BY THE GROUP (continued)

#### **INVESTMENT PROPERTIES** (continued)

Location	Lease term	Group's interest	Туре
House No. 26, Le Palais, No. 8 Pak Pat Shan Road, Tai Tam, Hong Kong	Medium term	100%	Residential

## PROPERTIES UNDER DEVELOPMENT FOR SALE

Location	Group's accounting classification	Group's interest	Site area (sq. m.)	Residential (sq. m.)	Retail and office (sq. m.)	Development status	Expected completion date
88 Queen Street East, Toronto, Ontario, Canada	Subsidiary	100%	3,197	39,701	10,360	The superstructure construction is underway	2024

## **INVENTORY OF UNSOLD PROPERTIES**

Location	Group's accounting classification	Group's interest	Residential (sq. m.)	Development status
House No. 1 and House No. 6, 45 Tai Tam Road, Hong Kong	Joint venture (Note)	50%	889	Completed

Total held through the joint venture: 889 – of which attributable to the Group: 444.5

*Note:* The carrying amount of the interest in joint venture as at 30 September 2022 represented 4.10% of the total assets of the Group.