

(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability) (Stock Code: 89)

2008 INTERIM RESULTS

The board of directors of Tai Sang Land Development Limited (the "Company") is pleased to announce the unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial information of the Company and its subsidiary companies (collectively the "Group") for the six months ended 30th June 2008 as follows:

(1) CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30TH JUNE 2008 — UNAUDITED

	Note	For the six months ended 30th June 2008 2007 HK\$'000 HK\$'000		
Revenues	4	93,216	85,787	
Cost of sales	5	(21,840)	(18,447)	
Gross profit		71,376	67,340	
Fair value gains on investment properties		85,668	138,064	
Other gains	6	12,590	44,958	
Administrative expenses	5	(33,908)	(28,854)	
Other operating expenses	5	(9,076)	(9,167)	
Operating profit		126,650	212,341	
Finance income	7	543	309	
Finance costs	7	(7,934)	(6,830)	
Finance costs, net		(7,391)	(6,521)	
Profit before income tax		119,259	205,820	
Income tax credit/(expense)	8	8,831	(54,533)	
Profit for the period		128,090	151,287	
Attributable to:				
Equity holders of the Company		123,457	149,397	
Minority interests		4,633	1,890	
		128,090	151,287	
Interim dividend	9	23,014	25,890	
Interim dividend per share	9	HK8cents	HK9cents	
Earnings per share (basic and diluted)	10	HK43cents	HK52cents	

(2) CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH JUNE 2008 — UNAUDITED

	Note	As at 30th June 2008 HK\$'000	2007
Non-current assets Property, plant and equipment Investment properties Leasehold land Available-for-sale financial assets		93,539 3,453,187 91,426 <u>112,265</u> 3,750,417	3,366,975 92,590 <u>99,376</u>
Current assets Investment properties for sale Properties for sale Debtors and prepayments Current income tax recoverable Bank balances and cash	11	$ \begin{array}{r} &$	130,000 102,133 21,175 152 40,707 294,167
Current liabilities Rental and other deposits Creditors and accruals Current income tax liabilities Short term bank loans - secured Bank overdrafts - secured Current portion of long term bank loans - secured	12	31,766 31,578 16,979 216,000 1,222 <u>1,859</u> 299,404	44,806 43,285 12,699 200,000
Net current liabilities		(146,170)	(93,845)
Total assets less current liabilities		3,604,247	3,556,819

	Note	As at 30th June 2008	As at 31st December 2007
		HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Non-current liabilities			
Long term bank loans - secured		(137,538)	
Deferred income tax liabilities		(419,292)	(433,098)
		(556,830)	(565,233)
Net assets		3,047,417	2,991,586
Equity			
Capital and reserves attributable to the Company's equity holders			
Share capital		287,670	287,670
Reserves		2,636,550	2,546,623
2007 final and special dividend proposed		_	60,411
2008 interim dividend declared		23,014	
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		2,947,234	2,894,704
Minority interests		100,183	96,882
Total equity		3,047,417	2,991,586

Notes:

1. Basis of preparation and accounting policies

The Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Information has been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of investment properties and available-for-sale financial assets at fair value, and in accordance with Hong Kong Accounting Standard 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA") and Appendix 16 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

Except as described below, the accounting policies and methods of computation used in the preparation of the Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Information are consistent with those used in the annual report for the year ended 31st December 2007.

In 2008, the following new interpretations of Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards, which include all Hong Kong Accounting Standards and applicable Interpretations ("Ints"), are effective for the accounting periods beginning on 1st January 2008 but are not relevant for the Group:

HK(IFRIC)-Int 11	HKFRS 2 — Group and Treasury Share Transactions
HK(IFRIC)-Int 12	Service Concession Arrangements
HK(IFRIC)-Int 14	HKAS 19 — The Limit on a Defined Benefit Asset, Minimum
	Funding Requirements and their Interaction

The HKICPA has issued certain new and revised standards, interpretations and amendments which are effective from accounting periods beginning from 1st January 2009. The Group has not early adopted these standards, interpretations and amendments in the Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Information. The Group had made an assessment of the impact of these standards, interpretations and amendments and it is not expected to have significant financial impact on the Group's results of operation and financial position except for the changes in disclosures and presentation.

2. Financial risk management

All aspects of the Group's financial risk management objectives and policies are consistent with those disclosed in the annual report for the year ended 31st December 2007.

3. Critical accounting estimates and judgments

Estimates and judgments used are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results.

The estimates and assumptions applied in the preparation of the Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Information are consistent with those used in the annual report for the year ended 31st December 2007.

4. Revenues and segment information

In accordance with the Group's internal financial reporting, the Group has determined that business segments are presented as the primary reporting format and geographical segments as the secondary reporting format. The operations of the Group is organised into three main business segments, namely property rental, property sales and property related services, and are located in Hong Kong and North America.

There are no sales between the geographical segments.

Unallocated income represented dividend income, gain on disposal of a subsidiary company, gain on disposal of investment properties and gain on disposal of plant and equipment. Unallocated costs represented corporate administrative expenses.

Segment assets consist primarily of property, plant and equipment, properties, leasehold land, debtors and prepayments and operating cash. Unallocated assets include properties for corporate use, available-for-sale financial assets, current income tax recoverable and bank balances and cash which are for the corporate use.

Segment liabilities comprise rental and other deposits, creditors and accruals and borrowings for properties investment. Unallocated liabilities include current and deferred income tax liabilities and corporate borrowings.

An analysis of the Group's revenues and results for the period, assets, liabilities and other segment items by business and geographical segments is as follows:

Primary reporting format - business segments

	For the six months ended 30th June 2008 Property			
	Property rental <i>HK\$'000</i>	Property sales HK\$'000	related services HK\$'000	Total <i>HK\$`000</i>
Revenues Total revenues Inter-segment revenues	88,697		7,473 _(2,954)	96,170 _(2,954)
External revenues	88,697		4,519	93,216
Segment results	58,935	(188)	3,553	62,300
Fair value gains on investment properties Unallocated income Unallocated costs	85,668	_	_	85,668 12,590 (33,908)
Operating profit Finance income Finance costs				126,650 543 (7,934)
Profit before income tax Income tax credit				119,259 <u>8,831</u>
Profit for the period				128,090
Capital expenditure - segment - unallocated Depreciation and amortisation	2,102	118	_	2,220 6,905
- segment - unallocated	446	188	—	634 <u>4,531</u>
		As at 30th J	une 2008	
Segment assets Unallocated assets	3,505,705	102,187	1,149	3,609,041 294,610
Total assets				3,903,651
Segment liabilities Unallocated liabilities	411,535	126	1,466	413,127 443,107
Total liabilities				856,234

	Fo	or the six mo 30th June		
	Property rental <i>HK\$'000</i>	Property sales HK\$'000	related services HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Revenues Total revenues Inter-segment revenues	81,638		7,100 (2,951)	88,738 (2,951)
External revenues	81,638		4,149	85,787
Segment results	54,792	(197)	3,578	58,173
Fair value gains on investment properties Unallocated income Unallocated costs	138,064	—		138,064 44,958 (28,854)
Operating profit Finance income Finance costs				212,341 309 (6,830)
Profit before income tax Income tax expense				205,820 (54,533)
Profit for the period				151,287
Capital expenditure - segment - unallocated Depreciation and amortisation	10,205	181		10,386 1,835
- segment - unallocated	1,343	197	_	1,540 4,355
	As	at 31st Deco	ember 2007	
Segment assets Unallocated assets	3,542,316	102,596	1,478	3,646,390 298,441
Total assets				3,944,831
Segment liabilities Unallocated liabilities	489,439	611	1,878	491,928 461,317
Total liabilities				953,245

Secondary reporting format - geographical segments

	For the Reven		ended 30th J Segment 1	
	2008	2007	2008	2007
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Hong Kong	71,315	63,966	57,093	49,219
North America	21,901	21,821	5,207	8,954
	93,216	85,787	62,300	58,173

	Segment assets		
	As at	As at	
	30th June	31st December	
	2008	2007	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Hong Kong	3,328,558	3,358,633	
North America	575,093	586,198	
	3,903,651	3,944,831	

5. Cost and expenses by nature

	For the six months		
	ended 30th June		
	2008	2007	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Cost of sales			
Outgoings in respect of			
- investment properties	15,352	13,100	
- properties for sale	2,403	2,238	
Others	4,085	3,109	
	21,840	18,447	
Administrative and other operating expenses			
Amortisation of leasehold land	1,334	2,190	
Depreciation	3,831	3,705	
Operating lease rental for office premises to			
- a related company	286	571	
- a third party	526		
Staff costs	18,072	17,050	
Others	18,935	14,505	
	42,984	38,021	

6. Other gains

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Finance costs, net

	For the six months ended 30th June	
	2008 HK\$'000	2007 <i>HK</i> \$'000
Dividend income from available-for-sale financial assets		
- listed	610	562
- unlisted	4,676	4,800
Gain on disposal of a subsidiary company	_	39,587
Gain on disposal of investment properties	7,194	_
Gain on disposal of plant and equipment, net	110	9
	12,590	44,958
Finance income and costs		
		ix months 0th June
	2008 <i>HK\$</i> '000	2007 <i>HK</i> \$'000
Finance income		
Interest income from banks	(543)	(309)
Finance costs		
Interest expenses on bank loans and overdrafts wholly		
repayable within five years	7,934	8,072
Less: amount capitalised in properties under development		(1,242)
	7,934	6,830

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8. Income tax credit/(expense)

In 2008, the Hong Kong government enacted a change in profits tax rate from 17.5% to 16.5% for fiscal year of 2008/2009. Hong Kong profits tax has been provided at the rate of 16.5% (2007: 17.5%) on the estimated assessable profit for the period. No overseas taxation has been provided as there is no estimated taxable profit of the overseas subsidiary companies for the period (2007: HK\$Nil).

The amount of income tax credited/(charged) to the condensed consolidated interim income statement represents:

	For the six months ended 30th June		
	2008 <i>HK</i> \$'000	2007 <i>HK</i> \$'000	
Current income tax - current year provision	(4,975)	(2,777)	
Deferred income tax - origination and reversal of temporary differences	13,806	(51,756)	
	8,831	(54,533)	

9. Interim dividend

	For the six months		
	ended 30th June		
	2008	2007	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Interim, declared, of HK8 cents (2007: HK9 cents)			
per ordinary share	23,014	25,890	

At a meeting held on 10th September 2008, the directors declared an interim dividend of HK8 cents per ordinary share for the year ending 31st December 2008. This declared dividend is not reflected as a dividend payable in this Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Information, but will be reflected as an appropriation of retained profits for the year ending 31st December 2008.

10. Earnings per share

The calculation of earnings per share is based on profit attributable to equity shareholders of HK\$123,457,000 (2007: HK\$149,397,000) and on 287,669,676 (2007: 287,669,676) ordinary shares in issue during the period.

As there are no dilutive potential ordinary shares as at 30th June 2008 and 2007, the diluted earnings per share is equal to the basic earnings per share.

11. Debtors and prepayments

Included in debtors and prepayments are trade debtors and their ageing analysis is as follows:

	As at 30th June 2008 <i>HK</i> \$'000	As at 31st December 2007 <i>HK</i> \$'000
Current	292	321
31-60 days	38	136
61-90 days	23	23
Over 90 days	23	
	376	480

The trade debtors represent rental and management fee receivables. Sales are made on open account terms and the Group normally does not grant credit period to trade debtors.

12. Creditors and accruals

Included in creditors and accruals are trade creditors and their ageing analysis is as follows:

	As at 30th June 2008 <i>HK</i> \$'000	As at 31st December 2007 <i>HK</i> \$'000
Current	1,047	2,279
31-60 days	3	227
61-90 days	252	86
Over 90 days	882	808
	2,184	3,400

(3) INTERIM DIVIDEND AND RECORD DATE

The Board of Directors has resolved to declare an interim dividend of HK8 cents (2007: HK9 cents) per share, payable on 14th October 2008 to shareholders whose names standing on the register of members at the close of business on 30th September 2008 (the "Record Date"). In order to qualify for the interim dividend, all transfers of shares accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's Registrars, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited at 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong for registration not later than 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 30th September 2008.

(4) MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

a) **Business Review and Prospects**

The consolidated profit of the Company for the first half of 2008 was HK\$128.1 million, a decrease of 15.3% as compared to the same period last year. It included HK\$85.7 million fair value gains on investment properties and a write back of HK\$12.1 million for deferred income tax on investment properties. Excluding these items, the underlying profit was approximately HK\$30.3 million and the corresponding figure for the first half of 2007 was approximately HK\$56.4 million. The drop in underlying profit for the current period reflected a substantial reduction in disposal gains.

In Hong Kong, the gross rental income rose by 11.7% or HK\$7 million to HK\$66.8 million as compared to the same period last year. There was a significant rise of 13.5% or HK\$3.9 million in gross rental income attributable to godown and warehouse sector, reflecting continuing strong demand for the warehouse space. During the first half of 2008, there were gains on disposal of investment properties of HK\$7.2 million. The sales and purchases agreements of the investment properties, Houses M8 and M9 of Floral Villas, Tso Wo Hang, Sai Kung were entered into in the second half of 2007, but the sales were completed in January 2008. Nevertheless, when comparing to the gain on disposal of a subsidiary company which held a property at Kwai Chung during the first half of 2007 of HK\$39.6 million, there was a substantial reduction in the disposal gain. The rise in improvement and repair expenditures of HK\$3.3 million and the staff cost of HK\$1 million caused a further reduction in the contribution from Hong Kong operation for the first half of 2008.

The Group has applied the proceeds from the disposal of the investment properties in repaying the bank loan and addition of investment in a venture capital fund. A major portion of the bank borrowings of HK\$200 million relating to the hotel development at Wong Chuk Hang will not be repaid in the coming years. The interest expenses will therefore maintain at similar level in the second half of 2008.

In the USA, the rental income from Montgomery Plaza remained steady at HK\$21.9 million as compared to the same period last year. The office spaces occupancy rate of Montgomery Plaza maintained at 100% at mid-year 2008 and the average office rent per square feet per annum maintained at US\$36.5. The operating expenses increased by HK\$3.8 million attributed to the increase in property maintenance expenses and the taxes on property. The interest expenses remained steady. The contribution from the US operation therefore reduced by

HK\$3.7 million as compared to the same period last year. The rental income of Montgomery Plaza for the second half of 2008 will maintain at current level. However, subsequent to the renewal of loan facilities there at floating interest rate, the interest expenses for the second half of 2008 will drop slightly.

b) The Group's liquidity and financial resources

During the relevant period, the Group's total bank borrowings decreased by HK\$62.8 million to HK\$356.6 million. The total equity increased by HK\$55.8 million to HK\$3,047.4 million (at 31st December 2007: HK\$2,991.6 million) and long term bank loans outstanding as at 30th June 2008 amounted HK\$139.4 million (at 31st December 2007: HK\$219.4 million). The debt to equity ratio was 11.7% (at 31st December 2007: 14.0%). The banking facilities available are sufficient for the Group's working capital. The Group's financial flexibility remains healthy.

c) Capital structure of the Group

The capital structure of the Group has not changed materially from the last annual report. The Group's borrowings are primarily denominated in Hong Kong and United States dollars. The Group therefore has no significant exposure to foreign exchange fluctuation.

The maturity of the Group's long term bank loans is as follows:

	2008	As at 31st December 2007
 within one year in the second year in the third to fifth years inclusive 	HK\$'000 1,859 1,859 135,679	HK\$'000 87,222 2,835 129,300
	139,397	219,357

The Group's total bank borrowings of HK\$356.6 million (at 31st December 2007: HK\$419.4 million) are secured by certain properties with an aggregate carrying amount of HK\$1,946.7 million (at 31st December 2007: HK\$1,407.9 million).

d) Significant investment held and their performance and future prospects

The Group holds 12% equity interest in The Yangtze Ventures Limited and The Yangtze Ventures II Limited (collectively "Yangtze"). The fair value of the Group's equity interest in Yangtze as at 30th June 2008 was HK\$54 million as compared to the fair value of HK\$58 million as at 31st December 2007. The drop in valuation of Yangtze partly reflected a drop in valuation of its portfolio of listed investment in CIG Yangtze Ports PLC and Walcom Group, which however alleviated by the rise in share price of Gushan Environmental Energy ("Gushan").

Gushan successfully listed in December 2007. Yangtze has disposed of approximately 14% of its shareholding in Gushan upon its initial public offer. Yangtze has subsequently declared and paid the Group a dividend of HK\$4.7 million during the first half of 2008. The accumulated dividend received from Yangtze up to 30th June 2008 was HK\$45.5 million together with the fair value of Yangtze of HK\$54 million yield a return of 4.1 times over the cost of investment.

During the first half of 2008, the Group made an investment in a new venture fund, The Yangtze China Investment Limited ("YCIL"), of HK\$23.4 million, acquiring 11.8% of the cornerstone shares of YCIL. The management team of YCIL was the same as Yangtze, but YCIL has already successfully listed on the Alternative Investment Market in London. The existing investment portfolio of YCIL includes the following investments:

- i. Convertible loan notes of an aggregate amount of US\$5 million representing a stake of approximately 20% of the equity share capital of IGO on a fully diluted basis. Shanghai IGO is a TV home shopping business that designs and produces pre-recorded TV home shopping programmes for boardcast on TV stations in Shaoxing and Hangzhou.
- ii. Convertible loan note of US\$3 million representing a stake of 30% of the equity share capital of Arigata Holdings Inc., the 100% holding company of Onbest, on a fully diluted basis. Shanghai Onbest is principally engaged in the design, manufacture and sale of fiscal/tax processing solutions installed in IC chips, which are then imbedded in the motherboards of tax-controlled cash registers.

 iii. Convertible loan note of US\$1.3 million representing a stake of 12.5% of the equity share capital of Creative Picture on a fully diluted basis. Hunan Creative Picture is engaged in developing glasses-free 3D visualization facilities, adjusting and manufacturing 3D flat-screen displays.

e) Details of number and remuneration of employees

Including the directors of the Group as at 30th June 2008, the Group employed a total of 148 full-time employees. In addition to salary payment, other benefits include discretionary bonus, insurance, medical schemes and mandatory provident fund schemes.

(5) PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF SHARES

The Company has not redeemed any of its shares during the period. Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiary companies has purchased or sold any of the Company's issued shares during the period.

(6) CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The Company has complied with all the code provisions set out in the Code on Corporate Governance Practices (the "CG Code") contained in Appendix 14 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities (the "Listing Rules") on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited throughout the accounting period covered by the interim report.

The Company has adopted codes of conduct regarding securities transactions by Directors (as defined in the CG Code) on terms no less exacting than the required standard set out in the Model Codes for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Codes") contained in Appendix 10 of the Listing Rules.

On specific enquires made, all Directors have confirmed that, in respect of the accounting period covered by the interim report, they have complied with the required standard set out in the Model Code and the Company's code of conduct regarding Directors' securities transactions.

(7) INDEPENDENT REVIEW

The interim results have been reviewed by the Group's Audit Committee. The interim results for the six months ended 30th June 2008 are unaudited, but have also been reviewed by PricewaterhouseCoopers, the Company's auditor, in accordance with Hong Kong Standard on Review Engagements 2410 "Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A Report on Review of Interim Financial Information Information is included in the interim report to be sent to shareholders.

By Order of the Board William Ma Ching Wai Chairman

Hong Kong, 10th September 2008

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As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprised of eleven directors, of which Mr. Ma Ching Wai, William, Mr. Ma Ching Hang, Patrick, Mr. Ma Ching Kuen, Alfred, Ms. Ma Ching Sau, Amy, Ms. Ma Ching Man, Katy, Ms. Ma Ching Keung, Ruth and Mr. Ma Ching Yeung, Philip are executive directors, Mr. Cheung Wing Yui, Edward is a non-executive director, and Mr. Chau Kwok Fun, Kevin, Mr. Tan Soo Kiu and Mr. William Wong Hing Kwok are independent non-executive directors.