

MING FUNG JEWELLERY GROUP LIMITED 明豐珠寶集團有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability) (Stock Code: 0860)

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Corporate Information

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Executive Directors

Mr. Wong Chi Ming, Jeffry (*Chairman*) Mr. Chung Yuk Lun Mr. Yu Fei, Philip

Independent Non-Executive Directors

Mr. Lee Pak Chung Mr. Chan Man Kiu Mr. Tam Ping Kuen, Daniel

AUDIT COMMITTEE

Mr. Lee Pak Chung (*Chairman*) Mr. Chan Man Kiu Mr. Tam Ping Kuen, Daniel

REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

Mr. Chan Man Kiu (*Chairman*) Mr. Lee Pak Chung Mr. Tam Ping Kuen, Daniel

NOMINATION COMMITTEE

Mr. Tam Ping Kuen, Daniel (*Chairman*) Mr. Chan Man Kiu Mr. Lee Pak Chung

COMPANY SECRETARY

Mr. Lau Chun Pong

QUALIFIED ACCOUNTANT

Mr. Lau Chun Pong

LEGAL ADVISORS

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Hong Kong Branch Share Registrar and Transfer Office Tricor Tengis Limited 26th Floor, Tesbury Centre 28 Queen's Road East, Wanchai Hong Kong

AUDITOR

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Chairman's Statement

On behalf of the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Ming Fung Jewellery Group Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "Group"), I am pleased to present the annual report of the Group for the year ended 30 September 2008.

Financial Performance

For the year ended 30 September 2008, the Group achieved a record-high turnover of approximately HK\$650.0 million, representing a moderate increase of approximately 6.5% as compared to approximately HK\$610.3 million in the previous year. However, net profit attributable to shareholders was approximately HK\$85.3 million, representing a decline of 12.2% over the previous year. Gross profit margin was approximately 37.4%, improved by 7.8% as compared to 34.7% in last year, while net profit margin was approximately 13.1%, dropped by 17.6% as compared to 15.9% in last year.

Business review

Affected by the substantial slowing down of the economic growths in U.S. and Europe, and the worldwide financial crisis, the Group entered a difficult period in export business for the year ended 30 September 2008. The entire export sales slid down by approximately 19.6% to HK\$393.5 million as compared to HK\$489.5 million in the previous year. The drop was mainly attributed to the slow down of orders from the export markets in U.S. and Europe, which turned worse in the summer session of 2008. Besides the sales decline, the gross profit margins on export sales to U.S. and Europe were also squeezed as pricing competition turned severe when faced with reduced demand. Nonetheless, despite the increased challenges in the export markets, the Group was still able to maintain an overall business growth. The increase in turnover was mainly attributable to the maturing of retail sales business in the domestic market in PRC. Overall, the negative impact in export sales during the year was significantly offset by the Group's successful strategies in its continuous exploration of the domestic jewellery markets in PRC, and in the continuous lessening of its reliance on the export jewellery markets in both U.S. and Europe.

The Group opened its first store in JB Cityplaza, Shanghai in 2005, and established its own retail brand name, SAVANTI. Since then, SAVANTI has profitably explored into the luxury jewellery markets in PRC. By the end of the financial year 2008, SAVANTI already had a total of 29 self-operated stores spread across major cities in PRC, including Beijing, Shanghai, Hangzhou, Tianjin, Dalian, Harbin, Changchun, Chongqing, Chengdu, Mudanjiang and Qitaihe.

For the year ended 30 September 2008, domestic sales in PRC contributed 39.5% of the Group's turnover and 64.7% of the Group's operating profits, and had already replaced U.S. export sales as the Group's single largest contribution segment of total sales revenue as well as operating profits. Meanwhile, the Group's gross profit margin achieved an outstanding record-high of approximately 37.4%, thanks to the persistent increase of the Group's share of business from domestic sales which provided considerably higher gross profit margins than the export business, notably 64% versus 20%, in the financial period under review.

During the year, the selling and distribution expenses of the Group amounted to approximately HK\$105.6 million. The increase in selling and distribution expenses was mainly due to increased costs in sales commission and store rentals, and the Group's increased efforts on sales promotion and brand marketing. At the same time, despite the increasingly diversified business activities, the Group's administrative expenses for the year were maintained at approximately HK\$27.5 million, as compared to HK\$23.8 million in the previous financial year.

Chairman's Statement

Future Plans and Prospect

During the year under review, the Group proudly achieved ever-higher turnover and gross profits. The success was mainly driven by the Group's strategy in the exploration of the domestic market in PRC, and the contribution of SAVANTI stores in PRC. For the year ended 30 September 2008, a total of 26 out of 29 SAVANTI stores were reflecting full-year operating results. Over the past few years, SAVANTI has already established its sound reputation amongst retail customers in the Northern and Northeastern geographical regions as well as amongst the various renowned nationwide department store operators in PRC. The Group will consolidate SAVANTI brandname and market reputation in the coming year.

This coming Chinese Lunar Year of Ox would be an excellent year for entering into marriages. Since jewellery sales in PRC are closely correlated to the total number of marriages across the country, and the PRC government has approved a RMB4 trillion (equivalent to USD584 billion) budget to fuel the growth of the national economy with emphasis on stimulating retail demand, the Group believes the jewellery retail business in PRC would continue to be a blooming and prosperous market over the coming year. According to the latest survey by the HK Trade Development Council, there are more than 10 million couples getting married in PRC per year. The Chinese families look upon marriage as the most important stage in lifetime and every year they would spend more than RMB250 billion, equivalent to USD36.5 billion, on their consumption expenditures related to marriages. As such, the Group will continue its strategy in exploring the opportunities which may arise in the jewellery retail markets in PRC.

Immediately after the Chinese Lunar New Year in 2009, Group is going to start a joint venture co-operation with a successful and experienced local jewellery retail chain operator in the Southern China region. The Group is going to choose around 10 to 20 most profitable and best-run stores of its joint venture partner to sell SAVANTI items. The Group and the joint venture partner will share the turnover on an agreed basis. This joint venture co-operation can help SAVANTI expand into the Southern cities in PRC, where SAVANTI has not yet established its presence, at low initial set up costs and minimized operation risks.

For the export business, in view of the seriousness of the current financial turmoil in U.S. and Europe, the Group foresees further downward stress in overall demand in the above major export markets. Overall, the contribution of sales revenue and operating profits from the export sales segment to the Group is expected to further diminish in the coming year. Nonetheless, the Group will continue to preserve its present worldwide clientele and market position by maintaining its presence in major international jewellery fairs.

In summary, the Group has shifted its focus to and benefited from the domestic markets in PRC through the launch of its retail network by its own brand name, SAVANTI. The blooming and proven jewellery retail demand in PRC is likely to continue to fuel the Group's business growth and generate strong operating cash-in-flow to the Group.

Chairman's Statement

Appreciation

On behalf of the Board, I would like to express our appreciation to the management and staff members for their continued dedication and contribution. I would also like to express our gratitude to our shareholders for their support to the Group.

Wong Chi Ming, Jeffry Chairman Hong Kong 20 January 2009

Management Discussion and Analysis

Financial Review

During the financial year ended 30 September 2008, the turnover of the Group was about HK\$650.0 million, representing an increase of about 6.5% as compared to the previous financial year. The increase in turnover of the Group for the year was mainly attributable to our continuous expansion in the domestic jewellery markets in PRC.

The net profit from ordinary activities attributable to shareholders was about HK\$85.3 million, representing a decrease of 12.2% when compared that of the previous financial year. The gross profit margin of the Group was about 37.4%, 7.8% higher as compared to 34.7% in the previous financial year. The net profit margin of the Group for the year was approximately 13.1%, 17.6% lower as compared to 15.9% in the previous financial year.

The operating expenses net of other revenue amounted to approximately HK\$131.4 million (2007: HK\$86.6 million). The percentage of these expenses to turnover was approximately 20.2% (2007: 14.2%), which was increased by 42.3% when compared to the previous financial year, but was in line with our internal cost budget.

For the financial year ended 30 September 2008, the Group invested approximately HK\$7.5 million (2007: HK\$17.2 million) in property, plant and equipment.

Operations Review

Products manufactured by the Group were sold to a well-diversified global market, including U.S., Europe, Middle East and Asia. When compared to the results in the previous financial year, the Group achieved higher growths in the sales to Middle East and Asia while suffered a decline in the sales to U.S., and Europe. Overall, turnover of the Group increased to approximately HK\$650.0 million an increase of 6.5% when compared to that of last year. The increase in turnover was attributed to the Group successfully transformed its primary focus to the domestic jewellery markets in PRC while largely reduced its reliance on the export markets to U.S. and Europe. For the financial year ended 30 September 2008, export sales to U.S. accounted for only 21.9% of the Group's turnover when compared to 37.1% in the previous financial year. Meanwhile, export sales to Europe accounted for only 28.0% of the Group's turnover when compared to 35.0% of the previous year. At the same time, the export sales to Middle East and Asia accounted for about 50.0% of the Group's turnover when compared to 27.9% in the previous financial year.

Liquidity and Financial Resources

For the financial year ended 30 September 2008, the Group improved its net current assets position to HK\$589.5 million from HK\$522.3 million. The net current assets comprise of inventories of HK\$488.9 million (2007: HK\$360.4 million), trade receivables of about HK\$130.0 million (2007: HK\$134.1 million), other receivables of about HK\$20.5 million (2007: HK\$13.3 million), cash and bank balances of about HK\$167.6 million (2007: HK\$149.5 million) and current liabilities of about HK\$217.5 million (2007: HK\$134.9 million).

Increases in inventories were in line with the increase in the turnover for the year and more inventories have been reserved for customer orders and expansion in the number of domestic retail stores in PRC. The Group's inventory turnover, trade receivables turnover and trade payables turnover periods were 438 days, 73 days and 19 days respectively. The inventory turnover period was lengthened as the Group transformed its business focus from export wholesale oriented to domestic retail oriented. Overall, these turnover periods were consistent and complied with the respective policies of the Group on credit terms granted to customers and credit terms obtained from suppliers.

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Management Discussion and Analysis

Liquidity and Financial Resources (continued)

During the year, the Group financed its operations and investing activities through a combination of operating cash inflows and interest bearing bank borrowings. The capital structure of the Company solely consists of share capital. As at 30 September 2008, the shareholders' equity of the Group amounted to HK\$518.3 million (2007: HK\$432.5 million). The Group's total interest bearing bank borrowings as at 30 September 2008 amounted to approximately HK\$265.4 million, representing an increase of approximately HK\$53.0 million when compared to HK\$212.4 million in the previous financial year. The interest bearing bank borrowings were mainly used for working capital in the expansion of the domestic retail sales network in PRC and carried at commercial lending interest rates. The maturity of interest bearing bank borrowings comprised approximately HK\$112.4 million (2007: HK\$180.0 million) repayable within 1 year and repayable more than 1 year respectively. For the HK\$112.4 million interest bearing bank borrowings repayable within 1 year, of comprised of HK\$27.0 million syndicated bank borrowing. The Group also has confidence to renew or repay the HK\$85.4 million trust receipt loan and bank overdraft. The Group also has confidence to renew or repay the HK\$85.4 million trust receipt loan and bank overdraft. The Group and adequate financial position during the year under review and is well prepared for cashflow budget in the coming year.

The sales and purchases of the Group were mostly denominated in the US dollars, Hong Kong dollars and Renminbi. The cash and cash equivalents and interest bearing borrowings of the Group were also denominated in Hong Kong dollars, the US dollars and Renminbi. Since the Group's exposure to fluctuations in foreign exchange rates was minimal, the Group did not use any hedging instruments.

As at 30 September 2008, the Group did not have any capital commitments (2007: Nil). The Group also did not have any significant contingent liabilities as at 30 September 2008 (2007: Nil).

As at 30 September 2008, the Company provided guarantees in favour of certain banks to the extent of approximately HK\$404.3 million (2007: HK\$411.9 million) in respect of banking facilities granted to certain subsidiaries of the Company. As at 30 September 2008, the banking facilities utilised by these subsidiaries amounted to approximately HK\$265.4 million (2007: HK\$212.4 million).

Employee and Remuneration Policies

As at 30 September 2008, the Group had approximately 350 employees with remuneration of approximately HK\$20.7 million. The Group's emolument policies are formulated according to the performance of individual employee and will be reviewed regularly every year.

During the year under review, the Group did not grant any share options.

Save as disclosed above, the current information in other management and discussion analysis has not changed materially from the information disclosed in the last published 2008 interim report.

Directors and Senior Management

Directors

Executive Directors

Mr. Wong Chi Ming, Jeffry, aged 51, is the Chairman of the Company and the co-founder of the Group. Mr. Wong, with extensive experience in the jewellery industry in Hong Kong and extensive knowledge in the jewellery industry of the United States and Europe, is responsible for the overall strategic planning and policy making of the Group. He was appointed as a director on 28 February 2002.

Mr. Chung Yuk Lun, aged 48, is a Director of the Company. He is a fellow member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, an associate member of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants and an Associate Chartered Accountant (England and Wales). Mr. Chung is responsible for the finance and accounting matters of the Group. He was appointed as a director on 28 February 2002. He is also an executive director of Radford Capital Investment Limited and an independent non-executive director of Heritage International Holdings Limited and an independent non-executive director of Forefront Group Limited, all are companies listed on the main board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

Mr. Yu Fei, Philip, aged 51, is a Director of the Company. He obtained a Bachelor of Science degree from California State University, Los Angeles. Mr. Yu is responsible for the sales and marketing of the Group's products and has over 21 years of experience in trading businesses. He was appointed as a director on 2 April 2004.

Independent Non-Executive Directors

Mr. Lee Pak Chung, aged 44, was appointed as an Independent Non-Executive Director in August 2002. He is a Certified Public Accountant in Hong Kong practicing under his name Lee Pak Chung, Certified Public Accountant (Practising) and has over 19 years of experience in accounting, auditing and corporate finance. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Studies and a Master of Business Administration degree in Finance. He is also an independent non-executive director of Global Green Tech Group Limited, a company listed on the main board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

Mr. Chan Man Kiu, aged 47, was appointed as an Independent Non-Executive Director in March 2004. He is a fellow member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants and a member of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Mr. Chan possesses over 21 years of experience in the financial services sector, excelling in development and management of internal operations, business integration and financial controls.

Mr. Tam Ping Kuen, Daniel, aged 45, joined the Company as an Independent Non-Executive Director in May 2006. He is the founder of Daniel Tam & Co., Certified Public Accountants (Practising). Mr. Tam holds a Master of Financial Economics degree from the University of London and is an associate member of Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants and a fellow member of Association of Chartered Certified Accountants. He is also an independent non-executive director of Warderly International Holdings Limited, a company listed on the main board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

Senior Management

Mr. Chiu Hung Wai, Aaron, aged 51, is the Chief Executive of the Asia Pacific region. Mr. Chiu joined the Group in February 2005 and is responsible for the sales and distribution of jewellery products for our retail and wholesale business in the PRC. Mr. Chiu obtained a Bachelor of Science degree from California State University at Long Beach, United States. He has over 21 years of experience in managing national sales chains.

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Directors and Senior Management (Continued)

Senior Management (continued)

Ms. Chang Sze Man, Rosita, aged 39, is the Marketing Director of the Asia Pacific region. Ms. Chang joined the Group in August 2006 and is responsible for the marketing programs for our retail and wholesale business in the PRC. She obtained a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Hong Kong. She has more than 11 years of marketing experience with multi-national companies in the PRC and Hong Kong.

Mr. Chiao Lee, aged 42, is the Corporate Finance Director of the Group. Mr. Chiao joined the Group in April 2006 and is responsible for corporate finance matters of the Group. Mr. Chiao obtained a Master of Business Administration degree from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, United States. He has over 13 years of experience serving in global investment and merchant banks, with concentration in the fields of rating advisory and corporate finance.

Mr. Lau Chun Pong, aged 35, is the Financial Controller of the Group. Mr. Lau joined the Group in June 2008 and is responsible for the financial and accounting matters of the Group. Mr. Lau holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from University of California, Los Angeles and is an associate member of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants and American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. He has over 10 years of experience in the field of finance, accounting and auditing.

Mr. Ji Yi Dong, aged 41, is the Sales Manager of the Group. Mr. Ji joined the Group in December 2002 and is responsible for the sales and distribution of jewellery products of the Group. He has over 7 years of experience in sales and distribution of jewellery products.

Mr. Zhou Zhen Bing, aged 39, is the Production Manager of the Group. Mr. Zhou joined the Group in September 2002 and is responsible for organising and coordination of jewellery production of the Group. He has over 9 years of experience in production and operational management.

Mr. Gao Qiang, aged 44, is the Senior Finance Manager of the Group. Mr. Gao joined the Group in March 2008 and is responsible for the finance and accounting matters of the Group. He has over 18 years of experience in the field of finance and accounting.

Mr. Liang Jing Xiong, aged 45, is the Finance and Accounting Manager of the Group. Mr. Liang joined the Group in July 2000 and is responsible for the finance and accounting matters of the Group. He has over 20 years of experience in the field of finance and accounting.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of Ming Fung Jewellery Group Limited (the "Company") will be held at 9:00 a.m. on 27 March 2009 at Lower Lobby, Plaza I-III, Novotel Century Hong Kong, 238, Jaffe Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong for the following purposes:

- 1. To receive and consider the audited consolidated financial statements and the reports of the directors and auditor of the Company for the year ended 30 September 2008;
- 2. To declare a final dividend in scrip for the year ended 30 September 2008, if any;
- 3. To re-elect Mr. Chung Yuk Lun and Mr. Tam Ping Kuen, Daniel as directors and to authorise the board of directors to fix the directors' remuneration;
- 4. To re-appoint Hopkins CPA Limited as auditor and to authorise the board of directors to fix their remuneration;
- 5. To consider as special business and, if thought fit, pass with or without amendments, the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

"THAT

- (a) subject to paragraph (c) of this resolution, pursuant to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, the exercise by the directors of the Company ("Directors") during the Relevant Period (as defined below) of all the powers of the Company to allot, issue and otherwise deal with additional shares ("Shares") in the capital of the Company or securities convertible into Shares, or options, warrants or similar rights to subscribe for any Shares, and to make, grant, sign or execute offers, agreements or options, deeds and other documents which would or might require the exercise of such powers, subject to and in accordance with all applicable laws, be and it is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the approval in paragraph (a) of this resolution shall authorise the Directors during the Relevant Period to make, grant, sign or execute offers, agreements or options, deeds and other documents which would or might require the exercise of such powers after the end of the Relevant Period;
- (c) the aggregate nominal amount of share capital allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted (whether pursuant to an option or otherwise) and issued by the Directors pursuant to the approval in this resolution, otherwise than pursuant to:
 - (i) a rights issue (as defined below); or
 - (ii) the exercise of rights of subscription or conversion attaching to any warrants of the Company or any securities which are convertible into Shares; or

- (iii) the exercise of any option under the share option scheme or similar arrangement for the time being adopted for the grant or issue to officers and/or employees of the Company and/or any of its subsidiaries or any other eligible persons of Shares or rights to acquire Shares of the Company; or
- (iv) scrip dividends or under similar arrangement providing for the allotment of Shares in lieu of the whole or part of a dividend on Shares in accordance with the articles of association of the Company in force from time to time; and
- (v) a specific authority granted by the shareholders of the Company,

shall not exceed 20% of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue as at the date of passing of this resolution, and the said approval pursuant to paragraph (a) of this resolution shall be limited accordingly;

(d) for the purpose of this resolution:

"Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this resolution until whichever is the earliest of:

- (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company;
- (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the articles of association of the Company or the applicable laws of the Cayman Islands to be held; or
- (iii) the date on which the authority set out in this resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting; and

"Rights Issue" means the allotment, issue or grant of Shares pursuant to an offer of shares open for a period fixed by the Directors to the holders of Shares whose names appear on the register of members of the Company on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such Shares as at that date (subject to such exclusions or other arrangements as the Directors may deem necessary or expedient in relation to fractional entitlements or having regard to any restrictions or obligations under the laws of, or the requirements of any recognised regulatory body or any stock exchange in, any territory applicable to the Company)."

6. To consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without amendments, the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

"THAT

- (a) subject to paragraph (b) of this resolution, the exercise by the Directors of the Company during the Relevant Period (as defined below) of all powers of the Company to purchase shares ("Shares") in the capital of the Company on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Stock Exchange") or on any other exchange on which the securities of the Company may be listed and recognised by the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong and the Stock Exchange for this purpose ("Recognised Stock Exchange"), subject to and in accordance with the applicable laws of the Cayman Islands and the requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited or those of any other Recognised Stock Exchange as amended from time to time, be and the same is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
- (b) the aggregate nominal amount of Shares which may be purchased by the Company pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) of this resolution during the Relevant Period shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue as at the date of passing of this resolution (on the basis that no Shares are issued or repurchased by the Company before and up to the date of passing this resolution, the Company will be allowed to repurchase fully paid Shares up to a maximum of 76,745,000 Shares) and the approval pursuant to paragraph (a) of this resolution shall be limited accordingly;
- (c) for the purpose of this resolution, "Relevant Period" means the period from the date of passing of this resolution until whichever is the earliest of:
 - (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company; or
 - (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the articles of association of the Company or the applicable laws of the Cayman Islands to be held; or
 - (iii) the date on which the authority set out in this resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of shareholders of the Company in general meeting."

7. To consider as special business and, if thought fit, pass with or without amendments, the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

"THAT subject to the passing of the resolutions numbered 5 and 6 as set out in the notice (the "Notice") convening this meeting, the general mandate granted to the Directors to exercise the powers of the Company to allot, issue and otherwise deal with Shares in the capital of the Company pursuant to the resolution numbered 5 as set out in the Notice be and the same is hereby extended by the addition to the aggregate nominal amount of share capital of the Company which may be allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted by the Directors pursuant to such general mandate of an amount representing the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company purchased by the Company under the authority granted pursuant to the resolution numbered 6 as set out in the Notice provided that such amount shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate nominal amount of the share capital of the Company in issue as at the date of passing of this resolution."

8 As special business to consider and, if thought fit, pass with or without amendments, the following Resolution as an ordinary resolution:

"THAT a final dividend for the year ended 30 September 2008 of HK0.5 cent per Share (the "Dividend") be paid to Shareholders whose names appear in the register of members of the Company at the close of business on 27 March 2009 and THAT conditional upon the Listing Committee of the Stock Exchange granting approval for the listing of, and permission to deal in, the Scrip Dividend Shares (as described in the circular (the "Circular") of the Company to the Shareholders dated 30 January 2009 of which this Notice forms part):

- (a) Shareholders other than the Excluded Shareholders (as described in the Circular) be entitled to receive the Dividend by way of the Scrip Dividend Shares in lieu of cash;
- (b) in the case of Excluded Shareholders, if any, the Scrip Dividend Shares shall not be issued to such Excluded Shareholders but shall be sold in the market and the net proceeds of sale, after deduction of expenses, shall be distributed pro-rata to such Excluded Shareholders unless the amount to be distributed to such Excluded Shareholders is less than HK\$100, in which case such amount shall be retained for the benefit of the Company;
- (c) no fractional Shares be allotted and distributed but Shares representing fractional entitlements be aggregated and sold for the benefit of the Company; and

(d) the Directors be authorised to allot and issue the Scrip Dividend Shares falling to be issued under the Scrip Dividend Scheme (as described in the Circular) and to do all such acts, deeds and things as they may in their absolute discretion consider necessary, desirable or expedient to implement and/or to give effect to the Scrip Dividend Scheme."

> By order of the Board Ming Fung Jewellery Group Limited Wong Chi Ming, Jeffry *Chairman*

Hong Kong 30 January 2009

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As at the date hereof, the Company's executive directors are Mr. Wong Chi Ming, Jeffry, Mr. Chung Yuk Lun and Mr. Yu Fei, Philip and independent non-executive directors are Mr. Lee Pak Chung, Mr. Chan Man Kiu and Mr. Tam Ping Kuen, Daniel.

Notes:

- (1) A member of the Company entitled to attend and vote at the aforesaid meeting is entitled to appoint one or (if he holds 2 or more shares) more proxies to attend and vote in his stead. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
- (2) To be valid, the form of proxy together with any power of attorney or other authority under which it is signed or a notarially certified copy of that power of attorney or authority must be deposited with the Hong Kong branch share registrars of the Company, Tricor Tengis Limited at 26th Floor, Tesbury Centre, 28 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong not later than 48 hours before the time fixed for holding the meeting or any adjournment thereof.
- (3) Completion and return of the form of proxy will not preclude members from attending and voting at the aforesaid meeting.
- (4) The register of members will be closed from 25 March 2009 to 27 March 2009 (both dates inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares will be effected. In order to qualify for the proposed final dividend, if any and to attend and vote at the aforesaid meeting, all transfers of shares accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Hong Kong branch share registrars of the Company, Tricor Tengis Limited at 26th Floor, Tesbury Centre, 28 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong for registration no later than 4:30 p.m. on 24 March 2009.

The directors ("Directors") of Ming Fung Jewellery Group Limited ("Company") have pleasure in submitting their annual report together with the audited financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "Group") for the year ended 30 September 2008.

Principal Activities

The principal activity of the Company is investment holding. Details of the principal activities of the subsidiaries of the Company are set out in note 17 to the financial statements. There were no significant changes in the nature of the Group's principal activities during the year.

Segment Information

An analysis of the Group's turnover and results by geographical segments based on the location of customers and business segments for the year ended 30 September 2008 is set out in note 7 to the financial statements.

Results and Dividends

The Group's results for the year ended 30 September 2008 and the state of affairs of the Company and of the Group as at that date are set out in the financial statements on pages 35 to 80.

During the year, an interim dividend of HK\$2,302,000 (2007: HK\$2,302,000) was declared and paid on 7 August 2008. The Directors proposed a final dividend of HK0.5 cent per share in scrip (2007: HK0.5 cent in cash) for the year ended 30 September 2008 to be payable to shareholders whose names appear in the register of members of the Company on 27 March 2009. This proposed dividend was not reflected as a dividend payable in these financial statements, but will be reflected as an appropriation of retained profits for the year ended 30 September 2008.

Closure of Register of Members

The register of members will be closed from 25 March 2009 to 27 March 2009 (both dates inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares will be effected. In order to qualify for the proposed final dividend, if any and to attend and vote at the forthcoming annual general meeting, all transfers of shares accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Hong Kong branch share registrars of the Company, Tricor Tengis Limited at 26th Floor, Tesbury Centre, 28 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong for registration no later than 4:30 p.m. on 24 March 2009.

Summary of 5 Years' Financial Information

The following is a summary of the published consolidated results and of the assets and liabilities of the Group for each of the 5 years ended 30 September 2008, prepared on the bases set out in the note below:

Results

	Year ended 30 September				
	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Turnover	649,970	610,257	480,372	429,959	353,967
Profit from operating activities	111,542	125,377	78,567	68,285	59,749
Finance costs	(11,675)	(10,945)	(9,276)	(3,953)	(2,354)
Profit before tax	99,867	114,432	69,291	64,332	57,395
Tax	(14,580)	(17,258)	(12,273)	(10,149)	(10,421)
Net profit from ordinary activities attributable to					
shareholders	85,287	97,174	57,018	54,183	46,974

Assets and Liabilities

	At 30 September				
	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Non-current assets	81,846	90,192	87,739	94,696	71,155
Current assets	807,003	657,240	423,125	308,742	240,967
Total assets	888,849	747,432	510,864	403,438	312,122
Current liabilities	217,515	134,933	159,675	157,003	114,670
Non-current liabilities	153,000	180,000	42,500		
Total liabilities	370,515	314,933	202,175	157,003	114,670
Net assets	518,334	432,499	308,689	246,435	197,452

Note: The results of the Group for the years ended 30 September 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007 and the assets and liabilities of the Group as at 30 September 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007 are extracted from the audited financial statements. The results of the Group for the year ended 30 September 2008 and the assets and liabilities of the Group as at 30 September 2008 are those set out in the financial statements on pages 35 and 36 respectively.

Property, Plant and Equipment

Details of movements in the Group's property, plant and equipment during the year are set out in note 16 to the financial statements.

Pre-emptive Rights

There is no provision for pre-emptive rights under the Company's articles of association or the laws of the Cayman Islands, being the jurisdiction in which the Company was incorporated, which would oblige the Company to offer new shares on a pro-rata basis to its existing shareholders.

Purchase, Redemption or Sale of Listed Securities of the Company

The Company has not redeemed any of its shares, and neither the Company, nor any of its subsidiaries has purchased or sold any of the Company's listed securities during the year.

Reserves

Details of movements in the reserves of the Company and of the Group during the year are set out in note 26 to the financial statements and in the consolidated statement of changes in equity respectively.

Distributable Reserves

As at 30 September 2008, the Company had distributable reserves of approximately HK\$193,733,000 (2007: HK\$191,804,000) calculated in accordance with the Companies Law, Chapter 22 (Law 3 of 1961, as consolidated and revised) of the Cayman Islands. This includes the Company's share premium account of approximately HK\$149,176,000 (2007: HK\$149,176,000) which is distributable to the shareholders of the Company provided that immediately following the date on which the dividend is proposed to be distributed, the Company will be in a position to pay off its debts as and when they fall due in the ordinary course of business. The share premium account may also be distributed in the form of fully paid bonus shares.

Major Customers and Suppliers

In the year under review, sales to the Group's 5 largest customers accounted for approximately 19% of the total sales for the year and the sales to the largest customer included therein amounted to approximately 5%.

Purchases from the Group's 5 largest suppliers accounted for approximately 48% of the total purchases for the year and the purchases from the largest supplier included therein amounted to approximately 20%.

None of the Directors, or any of their associate(s) or any shareholders of the Company (which, to the best knowledge of the Directors, own more than 5% of the Company's issued share capital) had any beneficial interest in the Group's 5 largest customers or 5 largest suppliers.

Directors

The Directors during the year were as follows:

Executive Directors

Mr. Wong Chi Ming, Jeffry (*Chairman*) Mr. Chung Yuk Lun Mr. Yu Fei, Philip

Independent Non-Executive Directors

Mr. Lee Pak Chung Mr. Chan Man Kiu Mr. Tam Ping Kuen, Daniel

In accordance with Articles 108(A) of the Company's articles of association, Mr. Chung Yuk Lun and Mr. Tam Ping Kuen, Daniel will retire and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election at the forthcoming annual general meeting.

Biographical Details of Directors and Senior Management

Biographical details of the Directors and the senior management of the Group are set out on pages 8 and 9 of the annual report.

Directors' Service Contracts

Mr. Wong Chi Ming, Jeffry, as executive director has entered into a service contract with the Company, his term of service commenced from 1 August 2002 for an initial period of 36 months and expired on 31 July 2005 renewable automatically for successive terms of one year each commencing from the day next after the expiry of the then current term of the appointment.

Mr. Chung Yuk Lun as executive director has entered into a service contract with the Company, his term of service commenced from 1 August 2002 for an initial period of 12 months and expired on 31 July 2003 renewable automatically for successive terms of one year each commencing from the day next after the expiry of the then current term of the appointment.

Mr. Yu Fei, Philip as executive director has entered into a service contract with the Company, his term of service commenced from 2 April 2004 for an initial period of 24 months and expired on 1 April 2006 renewable automatically for successive terms of one year each commencing from the day next after the expiry of the then current term of the appointment.

The existing service contracts of the executive directors will continue thereafter until terminated by either party giving not less than 3 months' notice in writing to the other party.

Save as disclosed above, no Director proposed to have a service contract with the Company which is not determinable by the Company within 1 year without payment of compensation, other than statutory compensation.

Directors' Interests in Contracts

No Director had a significant beneficial interest, either directly or indirectly, in any contract of significance to the business of the Group to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries was a party during the year under review.

Management Contracts

No contracts concerning the management and administration of the whole or any substantial part of the business of the Company were entered into or in existence during the year.

Directors' Interests and Short Positions in the Shares, Underlying Shares and Debentures of the Company or Any Associated Corporations

As at 30 September 2008, the interests of the Directors in the shares and underlying shares of the Company or its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance ("SFO")), which (a) were required to be notified to the Company and The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Stock Exchange") pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests and short positions which the Directors are taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO); or (b) were required, pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO, to be entered in the register referred to therein; or (c) were required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers ("Model Code") were as follows:

		Number of			
		issued	Number of		
	Type of	ordinary	underlying	Total	Percentage
Director	interests	shares held	shares held	interests	of interest
Mr. Wong Chi Ming, Jeffry	Corporate (Notes)	416,000,000	-	416,000,000	54.21%

Notes:

- (a) The interest disclosed represents the 416,000,000 shares held by Equity Base Holdings Limited, a company incorporated in the British Virgin Islands which is wholly owned by Mr. Wong Chi Ming, Jeffry by virtue of Section 344(3) of the SFO.
- (b) All the interests disclosed above represent long positions in the shares of the Company.
- (c) Ms. Lui Ching Han, Magda, the spouse of Mr. Wong Chi Ming, Jeffry is deemed to be interested in these shares under the SFO.

Directors' Interests and Short Positions in the Shares, Underlying Shares and Debentures of the Company or Any Associated Corporations (continued)

Mr. Wong Chi Ming, Jeffry is the sole shareholder of Equity Base Holdings Limited which is the controlling shareholder of the Company.

In addition to the above, certain Directors have non-beneficial personal equity interests in certain subsidiaries of the Company held in trust for the Company solely for the purpose of complying with the statutory minimum number of shareholders required for Hong Kong incorporated companies which was in force prior to 13 February 2004.

Save as disclosed above, as at 30 September 2008, none of the Directors, or their associate(s) had any interests or short positions in the shares or debt securities of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) which (a) were required 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 which the Directors are taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO); or (b) were required, pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO, to be entered in the register referred to therein; or (c) were required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code.

Directors' Rights to Acquire Shares or Debentures

Apart from the share option scheme disclosures in note 25 to the financial statements, at no time during the year were the rights to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in or debentures of the Company granted to any Director or their respective spouse or children under 18 years of age, or were any such rights exercised by them; or was the Company or its holding company or any of its subsidiaries or fellow subsidiaries a party to any arrangement to enable the Directors to acquire such rights in the Company or any other body corporate.

Directors' Interests in a Competing Business

During the year under review and up to date of this report, no Director of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is considered to have an interest in a business which competes or is likely to compete, either directly or indirectly, with the business of the Group, pursuant to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Listing Rules"), other than those business of which the Directors of the Company were appointed as Directors to represent the interest of the Company and/or the Group.

Share Option Scheme

Detailed disclosures relating to the Company's share option scheme are set out in note 25 to the financial statements.

Substantial Shareholders

As at 30 September 2008, the following persons (other than the Directors) had interest in the shares and the underlying shares of the Company which (a) would fall to be disclosed to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO; or (b) were required, pursuant to Section 336 of the SFO, to be entered in the register referred to therein:

	Number of	
	issued ordinary	
	shares and	
	underlying	Percentage of
Name	shares held	total issued
Equity Base Holdings Limited	416,000,000	54.21%
	(<i>Notes</i> (<i>a</i>) and (<i>c</i>))	
Cheah Capital Management Limited	61,460,000	8.00%
	(Notes (b) and (c))	
Cheah Cheng Hye	61,460,000	8.00%
	(Notes (b) and (c))	
Cheah Company Limited	61,460,000	8.00%
	(Notes (b) and (c))	
Hang Seng Bank Trustee International Limited	61,460,000	8.00%
	(Notes (b) and (c))	
Value Partners Group Limited	61,460,000	8.00%
	(Notes (b) and (c))	
Value Partners Limited	61,460,000	8.00%
	(Notes (b) and (c))	
Value Partners Asia Fund, LLC	51,640,000	6.72%
	(Note (c))	
NTAsian Discovery Master Fund	39,060,000	5.09%
	(Note (c))	

Notes:

- (a) These interests are also included as corporate interests of Mr. Wong Chi Ming, Jeffry, as disclosed under the heading "Directors' interests and short positions in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company or any associated corporations". Ms. Lui Ching Han, Magda, the spouse of Mr. Wong Chi Ming, Jeffry is deemed to be interested in these shares under the SFO.
- (b) These shares are held by Hang Seng Bank Trustee International Limitd in its capacity as the trustee of a family trust through Value Partners Limited, Value Partners Group Limited, Cheah Company Limited and Cheah Capital Management Limited. Mr. Cheah Cheng Hye ("Mr. Cheah") is the founder of the family trust and Ms. To Hau Yin as the spouse of Mr. Cheah is deemed to be interested in these shares.

(c) All the interests stated above represent long positions in the shares of the Company.

Substantial Shareholders (continued)

Save as disclosed above, as at 30 September 2008, there was no person who (i) had an interest or short position in the shares and underlying shares of the Company which (a) would fall to be disclosed to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO; or (b) were required, pursuant to Section 336 of the SFO, to be entered in the register referred to therein; or (ii) were, directly or indirectly, interested in 5% or more of the nominal value of any class of share capital carrying the right to vote in all circumstances at general meetings of the Company or any options in respect of such capital.

Interest Bearing Bank Loans and Other Borrowings

Particulars of interest bearing bank loans and other borrowings of the Company and the Group as at 30 September 2008 are set out in notes 22 and 23 to the financial statements.

Retirement Benefits Scheme

Details of the retirement benefits scheme of the Group are set out in note 3 to the financial statements under "Employee benefits: (a) Pension obligations" on page 46.

Public Float

Based on information that is publicly available to the Company and within the knowledge of the Directors, the percentage of the ordinary shares in public hands exceed 25% as at 21 January 2009, the latest practicable date to ascertain such information prior to the issue of this annual report.

Corporate Governance

The Company has complied throughout the year ended 30 September 2008 with the code provisions of the Code on Corporate Governance Practices (the "Code") as set out in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules with deviation on role segregation of chairman and chief executive officer.

Code Provision A.2.1

Mr. Wong Chi Ming, Jeffry is the Chairman of the board of directors. The Company has no such title as the chief executive officer and the daily operation and management of the Company is monitored by the executive directors as well as the senior management.

The Board is of the view that although there is no chief executive officer, the balance of power and authority is ensured by the operation of the Board, which comprises experienced individuals and meet from time to time to discuss issues affecting the operations of the Company.

Further information on the Company's corporate governance practices is set out in the Corporate Governance Report contained in the Company's annual report.

Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Companies ("Model Code")

The Company has adopted the Model Code as set out in Appendix 10 of the Listing Rules. The Company has made specific enquiry on all directors regarding any non-compliance with the Model Code during the year under review and they all confirmed that they have fully complied with the required standard set out in the Model Code.

Independent Non-Executive Directors

Pursuant to Rules 3.10(1) and 3.10(2) of the Listing Rules, the Company has appointed 3 independent non-executive directors. The Company confirms that it has received from each of the independent non-executive directors a confirmation of his independence pursuant to Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules and the Company still considers all the existing independent non-executive directors to be independent.

Audit Committee

The Company has an audit committee which was established in accordance with the requirements of the Code, for the purposes of reviewing and providing supervision over the Group's financial reporting process and internal controls. Currently the audit committee comprises the 3 independent non-executive directors, who have reviewed the financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2008.

Auditor

Hopkins CPA Limited has audited the financial statements for the year. Hopkins CPA Limited has expressed its willingness to continue in office and the Board recommends that it be reappointed. A resolution proposing the reappointment of Hopkins CPA Limited as auditor of the Company and giving authority to the directors to determine its remuneration will be submitted to the forthcoming annual general meeting.

On behalf of the Board Ming Fung Jewellery Group Limited Wong Chi Ming, Jeffry *Chairman*

Hong Kong 20 January 2009

Corporate Governance Practices

The board of directors of the Company (the "Board") is of the view that corporate governance is vital to the continued success of the Company and has therefore adopted various measures to ensure that a high standard of corporate governance is upheld. The Company has applied the principal and complied with the requirements of the Code on Corporate Governance Practices (the "Code") of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities (the "Listing Rules") on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "SEHK") save and except deviation as more specifically described below. The current practices will be reviewed and updated regularly so that the latest development in corporate governance can be followed and observed.

Directors

Directors' Securities Transactions

The Company has adopted the code of conduct regarding directors' securities transactions as set out in the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code") of the Listing Rules. Having made specific enquiry of all directors, they all have confirmed that they have complied with the required standard as set out in the Model Code throughout the year.

Board of Directors

The Board comprises:

Executive Directors	:	Mr. Wong Chi Ming, Jeffry <i>(Chairman)</i> Mr. Chung Yuk Lun Mr. Yu Fei, Philip
Independent Non-Executive Directors	:	Mr. Lee Pak Chung Mr. Chan Man Kiu Mr. Tam Ping Kuen, Daniel

Each independent non-executive director gives an annual confirmation of his independence to the Company, and the Company considers them to be independent under Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules.

Directors (continued)

Board of Directors (continued)

During the financial year ended 30 September 2008, a total of 15 Board meetings were held and the attendance of directors is set out as follows:

	Number of regular Board meetings attended in the financial year ended	
Name of director	<u>30 September 2008</u>	Attendance rate
Mr. Wong Chi Ming, Jeffry	4	100%
Mr. Chung Yuk Lun	4	100%
Mr. Yu Fei, Philip	4	100%
Mr. Lee Pak Chung	4	100%
Mr. Chan Man Kiu	4	100%
Mr. Tam Ping Kuen, Daniel	4	100%

Some of the Board meetings for day-to-day operations of the Group were attended by executive directors and the attendance of executive directors is set out as follows:

	Number of other Board meetings attended in the financial year ended	
Name of director	<u> </u>	Attendance rate
Mr. Wong Chi Ming, Jeffry	11	100%
Mr. Chung Yuk Lun	7	64%
Mr. Yu Fei, Philip	10	91%

The Board is responsible for following types of decisions:

- (a) formulation of operational and strategic direction of the Group;
- (b) monitoring the financial performance of the Group;
- (c) overseeing the performance of the management;
- (d) ensuring a prudent and effective framework of internal control is in place to enable risks to be assessed and managed; and
- (e) setting the Group's values and standards.

while daily operation and administration are delegated to the management.

Directors (continued)

Board of Directors (continued)

The Board held meetings from time to time whenever necessary. At least 14 days notice of regular Board meetings is given to all directors and they can include matters for discussion in the agenda as they think fit. The agenda accompanying Board papers are sent to all directors at least 3 days before the date of every Board meeting in order to allow sufficient time for the directors to review the documents.

Minutes of every Board meeting are circulated to all directors for their perusal and comments prior to confirmation of the minutes at the following Board meeting. The Board also ensures that it is supplied in a timely manner with all necessary information in a form and of a quality appropriate to enable it to discharge its duties.

Every Board member has full access to the advice and services of the company secretary with a view to ensuring that Board procedures, and all applicable rules and regulations are followed and they are also entitled to have full access to Board papers and related materials so that they are able to make an informed decision and to discharge their duties and responsibilities.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Mr. Wong Chi Ming, Jeffry ("Mr. Wong") is the chairman of the Company and co-founder of the Company. Mr. Wong has extensive experience in the jewellery industry who is responsible for the overall strategic planning and policy making of the Group.

The Company has no such title as the chief executive officer and therefore the daily operation and management of the Company is monitored by the executive directors as well as the senior management.

The Board is of the view that although there is no chief executive officer, the balance of power and authority is ensured by the operation of the Board, which comprises experienced individuals and meet from time to time to discuss issues affecting operation of the Company.

Appointment and Re-election of Directors

Each executive director is appointed for a specific term which is renewable automatically. All independent non-executive directors are appointed for a specific term which may be extended as each and the Company may agree but they are subject to retirement by rotation and re-election at the annual general meeting of the Company in accordance with the provisions of the articles of association of the Company.

The current articles of association, which was adopted in the annual general meeting on 3 March 2006, provide that subject to the manner of retirement by rotation of directors as from time to time prescribed by the Listing Rules, at each annual general meeting, one-third of the directors for the time being shall retire from office by rotation and that every director shall be subject to retirement by rotation at least once every 3 years.

Accountability and Audit

Financial Reporting

The management provides such explanation and information to the Board and reports regularly to the Board on financial position and prospects of the business of the Company so as to enable the Board to make an informed assessment of the financial and other information put before the Board for approval.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for preparing the financial statements of the Group. The directors' responsibilities in the preparation of the financial statements and the auditor's responsibilities are set out in the Independent Auditor's Report. The responsibility of the external auditor is to form an independent opinion, based on their audit, on those consolidated financial statements prepared by the Board and to report their opinion to the shareholders of the Company. A statement by auditor about their reporting responsibility is set out in the Independent Auditor's Report.

Internal Control and Risk Management

The Board is responsible for the Company's internal control system and risk management procedures and for reviewing the effectiveness of the Company's internal control. The Board has conducted a review of, and is satisfied with the effectiveness of the system of internal controls of the Group.

The Group is committed to the identification, monitoring and management of risks associated with its business activities. The Group's internal control system is designed to provide reasonable assurance against material misstatement or loss and to manage and eliminate risks of failure in operational systems and fulfillment of business objective. The system includes a defined management structure with segregation of duties and a cash management system such as monthly reconciliation of bank accounts.

The Board reviews the effectiveness of the Group's material internal controls. Based on information furnished to it and on its own observations, the Board is satisfied with present internal controls of the Group.

Audit Committee

The audit committee of the Company (the "Audit Committee") comprises 3 independent non-executive directors, who have reviewed the financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2008. All of them have appropriate professional qualifications or accounting or related financial management expertise. Mr. Lee Pak Chung is the chairman of the Audit Committee. No member of the Audit Committee is a member of the former or existing auditor of the Company.

According to the existing terms of reference of the Audit Committee, its major roles and functions are as follows:

- (a) to make recommendation to the Board on the appointment, reappointment and removal of the external auditor, and to approve the remuneration and terms of engagement of the external auditor, and any questions of resignation or dismissal of that auditor;
- (b) to review and monitor the external auditor's independence and objectivity and the effectiveness of the audit process in accordance with applicable standard;
- (c) to develop and implement policy on the engagement of the external auditor to provide non-audit services;
- (d) to monitor integrity of the interim and annual financial statements and interim and annual report and accounts, and to review significant financial reporting judgments contained in them;
- (e) to review the Company's financial controls, internal control and risk management systems;
- (f) to discuss with the management the system of internal control system;
- (g) to consider any findings or major investigations of internal control matters as delegated by the Board or on its own initiative and management's response;
- (h) to review the Group's financial and accounting policies and practices;
- (i) to review the external auditor's management letter, any material queries raised by the auditor to management in respect of the accounting records, financial accounts or systems of control and management's response;

Audit Committee (continued)

- (j) to ensure that the Board will provide a timely response to the issues raised in the external auditor's management letter;
- (k) to report to the Board on the matters raised in the Code on Corporate Governance Practices set out in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules;
- (l) to consider other topics within the duties mentioned above as requested from time to time by the Board;
- (m) to review arrangements by which employees of the Company may raise concerns about possible improprieties in financial reporting, internal control or other matters; and
- (n) to act as the key representatives body for overseeing the Company's relation with the external auditor.

According to the current terms of reference, meetings of the Audit Committee shall be held at least twice a year. 2 meetings were held for the year ended 30 September 2008. The attendance of each member is set out as follows:

Name of director	Number of meetings attended in the financial year ended 30 September 2008	<u>Attendance rate</u>
Mr. Lee Pak Chung	2	100%
Mr. Chan Man Kiu	2	100%
Mr. Tam Ping Kuen, Daniel	2	100%

At the meetings held during the year, in performing its duties in accordance with its terms of reference, the work performed by the Audit Committee included:

- (a) review and supervise the financial reporting process and internal control system of the Company and its subsidiaries; and
- (b) review the financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2007 and 6 months ended 31 March 2008 respectively with reference to the scope of the terms of reference.

Auditor's Remuneration

During the financial year ended 30 September 2008, the fees charged by the Company's auditor in respect of audit and non-audit services amounted to approximately HK\$1,950,000 and HK\$170,000 respectively.

Remuneration of Directors and Senior Management

Remuneration Committee

The remuneration committee of the Company (the "Remuneration Committee") was established on 31 March 2006 comprising the 3 independent non-executive directors. Mr. Chan Man Kiu is the chairman of the Remuneration Committee.

According to the terms of reference of the Remuneration Committee, its major roles and functions are as follows:

- (a) to make recommendations to the Board on the Company's policy and structure for all remuneration of directors and senior management and on the establishment of a formal and transparent procedure for developing policy on such remuneration;
- (b) to have the delegated responsibility to determine the specific remuneration packages of all executive directors and senior management, including benefits in kind, pension rights and compensation payments, including any compensation payable for loss or termination of their office or appointment, and make recommendations to the Board of the remuneration of non-executive directors;
- (c) to consider factors such as salaries paid by comparable companies, time commitment and responsibilities of the directors, employment conditions elsewhere in the Group and desirability of performance-based remuneration;
- (d) to review and approve performance-based remuneration by reference to corporate goals and objectives resolved by the Board from time to time;
- (e) to review and approve the compensation payable to executive directors and senior management in connection with any loss or termination of their office or appointment to ensure that such compensation is determined in accordance with relevant contractual terms and that such compensation is otherwise fair and not excessive for the Company;
- (f) to review and approve compensation arrangements relating to dismissal or removal of directors for misconduct to ensure that such arrangements are determined in accordance with relevant contractual terms and that any compensation payment is otherwise reasonable and appropriate; and
- (g) to ensure that no director or any of his associates is involved in deciding his own remuneration.

Remuneration of Directors and Senior Management (continued)

Remuneration Committee (continued)

Meeting of the Remuneration Committee shall be held at least once a year. Two meetings were held during the year ended 30 September 2008. During the meetings, remuneration packages to the directors for the year ended 30 September 2008 has been discussed and approved.

The attendance of each member is set out as follows:

	Number of	
	meetings attended in the	
	financial year ended	
Name of director	30 September 2008	Attendance rate
Mr. Chan Man Kiu	2	100%
Mr. Lee Pak Chung	2	100%
Mr. Tam Ping Kuen, Daniel	2	100%

The Company has adopted a share option scheme which became effective on 3 September 2002, which serves as an incentive to attract, retain and motivate staff. Details of the share option scheme are set out in note 25 to the financial statements. The emolument payable to directors depends on their respective contractual terms under the service contracts and the appointment letters, and as recommended by the Remuneration Committee. Details of the directors' emolument are set out in note 10 to the financial statements.

Nomination Committee

The nomination committee of the Company (the "Nomination Committee") was established on 31 March 2006 comprising the 3 independent non-executive directors. Mr. Tam Ping Kuen, Daniel is currently the chairman of the Nomination Committee.

According to the terms of reference of the Nomination Committee, its major roles and functions are as follows:

- (a) review the structure, size and composition (including the skills, knowledge and experience) of the Board on a regular basis and make recommendations to the Board regarding any proposed changes;
- (b) identify individuals suitably qualified to become Board members and select or make recommendations to the Board on the selection of individual nominated for directorships;
- (c) assess the independence of independent non-executive directors;
- (d) make recommendations to the Board on relevant matters relating to the appointment or re-appointment of directors and succession planning for directors in particular the chairman; and
- (e) other matters as may be delegated by the Board.

Meeting of the Nomination Committee shall be held at least once a year. Two meetings were held during the year ended 30 September 2008. Issues concerning the structure, size and composition of the board of directors and change of qualified accountant were discussed.

The attendance of each member is set out as follows:

Name of director	Number of meetings attended in the financial year ended <u>30 September 2008</u>	Attendance rate
Mr. Tam Ping Kuen, Daniel	2	100%
Mr. Lee Pak Chung	2	100%
Mr. Chan Man Kiu	2	100%

Independent Auditor's Report



HOPKINS CPA LIMITED 3/F, Sun Hung Kai Centre 30 Harbour Road Hong Kong

Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of:- **Ming Fung Jewellery Group Limited** (Incorporated in Cayman Islands with limited liability)

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of the Company set out on pages 35 to 80, which comprise the consolidated and company balance sheets as at 30 September 2008, and the consolidated income statement, the consolidated statement of changes in equity and the consolidated cash flow statement for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes.

Directors' responsibility for the financial statements

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation and the true and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs") issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA") and the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance. This responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and the true and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit and to report solely to you, as a body, and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility towards or accept liability to any other person for the contents of this report. We conducted our audit in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing issued by the HKICPA. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance as to whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

Independent Auditor's Report

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and true and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the directors, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the Group as at 30 September 2008 and of the Group's results and cash flows for the year ended in accordance with HKFRSs and have been properly prepared in accordance with the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

Hopkins CPA Limited Albert Man-Sum Lam Practising Certificate Number P02080

Hong Kong 20 January 2009

Consolidated Income Statement

Year ended 30 September 2008

	Notes	2008 HK\$'000	2007 <i>HK\$`000</i>
TURNOVER COST OF SALES	6 9	649,970 (407,062)	610,257 (398,325)
GROSS PROFIT		242,908	211,932
OTHER REVENUE SELLING AND DISTRIBUTION EXPENSES ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	8	1,743 (105,649) (27,460)	1,441 (64,210) (23,786)
PROFIT FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	9	111,542	125,377
FINANCE COSTS	11	(11,675)	(10,945)
PROFIT BEFORE TAX		99,867	114,432
TAX	12	(14,580)	(17,258)
NET PROFIT FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS		85,287	97,174
DIVIDENDS Interim Proposed final	14	2,302 	2,302 3,837
		6,139	6,139
EARNINGS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS – Basic	15	HK11.1 cents	HK13.2 cents
Consolidated Balance Sheet

At 30 September 2008

		2008	2007
	Notes	<u> </u>	HK\$'000
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	16	81,846	90,192
CURRENT ASSETS			
Prepayments, deposits and other receivables		20,494	13,283
Inventories	18	488,922	360,351
Trade receivables	19	129,999	134,058
Cash and cash equivalents	20	167,588	149,548
		807,003	657,240
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade payables	21	21,448	19,087
Other payables and accruals		7,925	7,417
Secured interest bearing bank borrowings,			
due within 1 year	22	112,423	32,379
Tax payables		75,719	76,050
		217,515	134,933
NET CURRENT ASSETS		589,488	522,307
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		671,334	612,499
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Secured interest bearing bank borrowings,			
due after 1 year	22	153,000	180,000
NET ASSETS		518,334	432,499
EQUITY			
Capital and reserves attributable to			
the Company's shareholders			
Share capital	24	7,675	7,675
Reserves	26	506,822	420,987
Proposed final dividend	26	3,837	3,837
		518,334	432,499

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Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity

Year ended 30 September 2008

		Share	Share	Statutory	Proposed final	Retained	Exchange	T. (.)
		capital	premium	reserve	dividend	profits	reserve	Total
	Notes	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	(Notes a) HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	notes	<u> </u>	ΠΚφ 000	ΠΚΦ 000	ΠΚΦ 000	ΠΚ\$ 000	ΠΚΦ 000	ΠΚ\$ 000
At 30 September 2006 and								
1 October 2006		6,975	42,285		3,488	255,824	117	308,689
Final dividend paid on		0,975	42,203	_	3,400	233,024	11/	508,089
30 March 2007		_	_	_	(3,488)	(130)	_	(3,618)
Interim dividend paid on		-	-	_	(3,400)	(150)	-	(3,010)
8 August 2007	14					(2,202)		(2 202)
-	14	-	-	-	-	(2,302)	-	(2,302)
Issue of shares upon		2(0	6 500					6760
exercise of share options		260	6,500	-	-	-	-	6,760
Issue of new shares	14	440	22,854	-	-	-	-	23,294
Final dividend proposed	14	-	-	-	3,837	(3,837)	-	-
Net profit for the year		-	-	-	-	97,174	-	97,174
Transfer to statutory reserve		-	-	792	-	(792)	-	-
Exchange reserve							2,502	2,502
At 30 September 2007 and								
1 October 2007		7,675	71,639	792	3,837	345,937	2,619	432,499
Final dividend paid on								
18 April 2008	14	-	-	-	(3,837)	-	-	(3,837)
Interim dividend paid on								
7 August 2008	14	-	-	-	-	(2,302)	-	(2,302)
Final dividend proposed	14	-	-	-	3,837	(3,837)	-	-
Net profit for the year		-	-	-	-	85,287	-	85,287
Exchange reserve		-	-	-	-	-	6,687	6,687
6								
At 30 September 2008		7,675	71,639	792	3,837	425,085	9,306	518,334

Notes:

(a) The statutory reserve of the Group refers to the PRC statutory reserve fund. Appropriations to such reserve fund are made out of profit after tax of the statutory financial statements of the PRC subsidiaries and the amount should not be less than 10% of the profit after tax unless the aggregate amount exceeded 50% of registered capital of the PRC subsidiaries. The statutory reserve fund can be used to make up prior years' losses of the PRC subsidiaries.

Consolidated Cash Flow Statement

Year ended 30 September 2008

	Notes	2008 HK\$'000	2007 <i>HK\$`000</i>
OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Net cash used in operating activities	27	(17,011)	(22,065)
INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Interest received		1,466	1,369
Proceeds from disposal of property,			
plant and equipment		198	_
Proceeds from disposal of subsidiaries		147	-
Purchases of property, plant and equipment		(7,487)	(17,201)
Net cash used in investing activities		(5,676)	(15,832)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Interest paid		(11,061)	(10,945)
Increase in interest bearing bank loans, secured		-	180,000
Increase/(decrease) in trust receipt loans, secured		53,011	(6,487)
Repayment of interest bearing bank loans, secured		-	(85,000)
Proceeds from issue of shares		-	30,054
Dividend paid		(6,139)	(5,920)
Net cash generated from financing activities		35,811	101,702
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		13,124	63,805
Effect of foreign exchange rates		4,883	2,358
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING			
OF YEAR		149,548	83,385
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR		167,555	149,548
ANALYSIS OF BALANCES OF CASH AND			
CASH EQUIVALENTS	• •		
Cash and bank balances	20	142,228	125,697
Non-pledged time deposits with original maturity	20		22.051
of less than 3 months when acquired	20	25,360	23,851
Bank overdrafts, secured	22	(33)	
		167,555	149,548

Balance Sheet

At 30 September 2008

	Notes	2008 HK\$'000	2007 <i>HK\$`000</i>
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Investment in subsidiaries	17	77,737	77,737
CURRENT ASSETS			
Amounts due from subsidiaries	17	669,941	237,123
Cash and cash equivalents	20	130	155
		670,071	237,278
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Amounts due to subsidiaries	17	545,769	119,023
Other payables and accruals		2,301	1,752
Secured interest bearing bank borrowings			
due within 1 year	22	6,005	2,436
		554,075	123,211
NET CURRENT ASSETS		115,996	114,067
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		193,733	191,804
EQUITY			
Share capital	24	7,675	7,675
Reserves	26	182,221	180,292
Proposed final dividend	26	3,837	3,837
		193,733	191,804

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Yu Fei, Philip Director

Year ended 30 September 2008

1. Corporate Information

Ming Fung Jewellery Group Limited ("Company") was incorporated in the Cayman Islands as an exempted company with limited liability on 30 January 2002 under the Companies Law, Chapter 22 (Law 3 of 1961, as consolidated and revised) of the Cayman Islands. Its shares have been listed on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Stock Exchange") on 3 September 2002.

The address of its registered office is Cricket Square, Hutchins Drive, P.O. Box 2681, Grand Cayman, KY1-1111, Cayman Islands. The principal place of business of the Company is located at Room 1825, 18th Floor, Hutchison House, 10 Harcourt Road, Central, Hong Kong.

The principal activity of the Company is investment holding. The principal activities of the Company's subsidiaries (which together with the Company are collectively referred to as the "Group") are set out in note 17 to the financial statements. There were no significant changes in the nature of the Group's principal activities during the year.

2. Application of New And Revised Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRS(s)")

In the current year, the Group and the Company have applied, for the first time, the following new standard, amendment to Hong Kong Accounting Standards ("HKAS") and interpretations ("HK(IFRIC) – Int") (new "HKFRSs") issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA"), which are effective for the Group's and the Company's financial year beginning 1 October 2007.

HKAS 1 (Amendment)	Presentation of Financial Statements - Capital Disclosures
HKFRS 7	Financial Instruments: Disclosures
HKAS 39 & HKFRS 7 (Amendments)	Reclassification of Financial Assets
HK(IFRIC) - Int 10	Interim Financial Reporting and Impairment
HK(IFRIC) – Int 11	HKFRS 2: Group and Treasury Share Transactions

The adoption of the new HKFRSs has resulted in the following areas:

- The impact of application of HKFRS 7 "Financial Instruments: Disclosures" has been to expand the disclosures provided in the consolidated financial statements regarding the Group's financial instruments, especially on the sensitivity analysis to market risk.
- The impact of application of HKAS 1 (Amendment) "Capital Disclosures" has been to disclose information regarding its objectives, policies and processes for managing capital.

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2. Application of New and Revised Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRS(s)") (continued)

The application of the remaining new HKFRSs has had no material effect on how the results and financial position of the Group and the Company for the current or prior accounting periods are prepared and presented. Accordingly, no prior period adjustment has been required.

The Group and the Company have not early adopted the following new and revised standards, amendments or interpretations that have been issued but are not yet effective.

HKFRSs (Amendments)	Improvements to HKFRSs ⁵
HKAS 1 (Revised)	Presentation of Financial Statements ¹
HKAS 23 (Revised)	Borrowing Costs ¹
HKAS 27 (Revised)	Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements ²
HKAS 32 and HKAS 1 (Amendments)	Puttable Financial Instruments and Obligations Arising on Liquidation ¹
HKAS 39 (Amendment)	Eligible Hedged Items ²
HKFRS 1 & HKAS 27 (Amendments)	Cost of an Investment in a Subsidiary, Jointly Controlled Entity or Associate ¹
HKFRS 2 (Amendment)	Vesting Conditions and Cancellations ¹
HKFRS 3 (Revised)	Business Combinations ²
HKFRS 8	Operating Segments ¹
HK(IFRIC) – Int 12	Service Concession Arrangements ³
HK(IFRIC) – Int 13	Customer Loyalty Programmes ⁴
HK(IFRIC) – Int 14	HKAS 19 – The Limit on a Defined Benefit Asset, Minimum Funding Requirements and their Interaction ³
HK(IFRIC) – Int 15	Agreements for the Construction of Real Estate ¹
HK(IFRIC) – Int 16	Hedges of a Net Investment in a Foreign Operation ⁶
HK(IFRIC) – Int 17	Distributions of Non-cash Assets to Owners ²

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2. Application of New and Revised Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRS(s)") (continued)

- ¹ Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2009
- ² Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 July 2009
- ³ Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2008
- ⁴ Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 July 2008
- ⁵ Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2009 except the amendments to HKFRS 5, effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 July 2009
- ⁶ Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 October 2008

The adoption of HKFRS 3 (Revised) may affect the accounting for business combination for which the acquisition date is on or after the beginning of the first annual reporting period beginning on or after 1 July 2009. HKAS 27 (Revised) will affect the accounting treatment for changes in a parent's ownership interest in a subsidiary that do not result in a loss of control, which will be accounted for as equity transactions. HKAS 23 (Revised) removes the option to expense borrowing costs as incurred and requires capitalisation of borrowing costs attributable to qualifying assets. Qualifying assets are assets that take a substantial time to get ready for their intended use or sale. The Directors of the Company are in the process of assessing the potential impact and so far concluded that the application of the other new or revised standards, amendments or interpretations will have no material impact on the results and financial position of the Group and the Company.

3. Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of preparation

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs") (which also include Hong Kong Accounting Standard ("HKASs") and Interpretations) issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA"), accounting principles generally accepted in Hong Kong and the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance. The consolidated financial statements also comply with the applicable disclosure provisions of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited. They have been prepared under the historical cost convention. These financial statements are presented in Hong Kong dollars and all values are rounded to the nearest thousand (HK\$'000) except otherwise indicated.

Basis of presentation and consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries for the year ended 30 September 2008. Control is achieved where the Company has the power to govern the financial and operating policies of an entity so as to obtain benefits from its activities. The results of subsidiaries acquired or disposed of during the year are included in the consolidated financial statements from or to their effective date of acquisition or up to the effective date of disposal, as appropriate.

All significant inter-company transactions and balances within the Group are eliminated on consolidation.

Year ended 30 September 2008

3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Subsidiaries

Subsidiaries are all entities over which the Group has the power to govern the financial and operating policies generally accompanying a shareholding of more than one half of the voting rights. The existence and effect of potential voting rights that are currently exercisable or convertible are considered when assessing whether the Group controls another entity.

Subsidiaries are fully consolidated from the date on which control is transferred to the Group. They are de-consolidated from the date that control ceases.

The purchase method of accounting is used to account for the acquisition of subsidiaries by the Group. The cost of an acquisition is measured as the fair value of the assets given, equity instruments issued and liabilities incurred or assumed at the date of exchange, plus costs directly attributable to the acquisition. Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities and contingent liabilities assumed in a business combination are measured initially at their fair values at the acquisition date, irrespective of the extent of any minority interest. The excess of the cost of acquisition over the fair value of the Group's share of the identifiable net assets acquired is recorded as goodwill. If the cost of acquisition is less than the fair value of the net assets of the subsidiary acquired, the difference is recognised directly in the income statement.

Inter-company transactions, balances and unrealised gains on transactions between the Group's entities are eliminated. Unrealised losses are also eliminated but considered as an impairment indicator of an impairment of the asset transferred. Accounting policies of subsidiaries have been changed where necessary to ensure consistency with the policies adopted by the Group.

In the Company's balance sheet the investments in subsidiaries are stated at cost less provision for impairment losses. The results of subsidiaries are accounted for by the Company on the basis of dividend received and receivable.

Revenue recognition

Revenue is recognised when it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Group and when the revenue can be measured reliably, on the following bases:

- (a) for the sale of goods, when the significant risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred to the buyer, provided that the Group maintains neither managerial involvement to the degree usually associated with ownership, nor effective control over the goods sold; and
- (b) for interest income, on a time proportion basis, taking into account the principal outstanding and the effective interest rate applicable.

Year ended 30 September 2008

3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Segment reporting

In accordance with the Group's internal financial reporting, the Group has determined the geographical segment be presented as the primary reporting format and business segment as the secondary reporting format.

Unallocated costs represent corporate expenses. Segment assets consist primarily of property, plant and equipment, inventories and receivables. Segment liabilities comprise operating liabilities and exclude items such as taxation and certain corporate borrowings.

In respect of geographical segment reporting, sales are based on the country in which the customer is located and total assets and capital expenditure are based on where the assets are located.

Operating leases

Leases where substantially all the rewards and risks of ownership of assets remain with the lessor are accounted for as operating leases. Where the Group is the lessee, rentals payable under the operating leases are charged to the income statement on the straight-line basis over the lease terms.

Goodwill

Goodwill arising on the acquisition of subsidiaries represents the excess of the cost of the business combination over the Group's interest in the net fair value of the acquirees' identifiable assets acquired, and liabilities and contingent liabilities assumed as at the date of acquisition.

Goodwill on acquisitions for which the agreement date is on or after 1 October 2005 applies.

Goodwill arising on acquisition is recognised in the consolidated balance sheet as an asset, initially measured at cost and subsequently at cost less any accumulated impairment losses.

The carrying amount of goodwill is reviewed for impairment annually or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may be impaired.

Year ended 30 September 2008

3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Goodwill (continued)

For the purpose of impairment testing, goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the Group's cash-generating units, or groups of cash-generating units, that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the Group are assigned to those units or groups of units. Each unit or group of units to which the goodwill is so allocated:

- (a) represents the lowest level within the Group at which the goodwill is monitored for internal management purposes; and
- (b) is not larger than a segment based on either the Group's primary or the Group's secondary reporting format determined in accordance with HKAS 14 "Segment Reporting".

Impairment is determined by assessing the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit (or group of cash-generating units) to which the goodwill relates. Where the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit (or group of cash-generating units) is less than the carrying amount, an impairment loss is recognised.

Where goodwill forms part of a cash-generating unit (or group of cash-generating units) and part of the operation within that unit is disposed of, the goodwill associated with the operation disposed of is included in the carrying amount of the operation when determining the gain or loss on disposal of the operation. Goodwill disposed of in this circumstance is measured based on the relative values of the operation disposed of and the portion of the cash-generating unit retained.

An impairment loss recognised for goodwill is not reversed in a subsequent period.

Goodwill previously eliminated against the consolidated reserves

Prior to the adoption of Statement of Standard Accounting Practice 30 "Business Combinations" in 2001, goodwill arising on acquisition was eliminated against the consolidated retained profits in the year of acquisition. On the adoption of HKFRS 3, such goodwill remains eliminated against the consolidated retained profits and is not recognised in profit or loss when all or part of the business to which the goodwill relates is disposed of or when a cash-generating unit to which the goodwill relates becomes impaired.

Year ended 30 September 2008

3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Employee benefits

(a) Pension obligations

The Group operates a defined contribution Mandatory Provident Fund retirement benefits scheme ("MPF Scheme") under the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance, for those employees who are eligible to participate in the MPF Scheme. The MPF Scheme has operated since 1 December 2000. Contributions are made based on a percentage of the employees' basic salaries and are charged to the income statement as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the MPF Scheme. The assets of the MPF Scheme are held separately from those of the Group in an independently administered fund. The Group's employer contributions vest fully with the employees when contributed into the MPF Scheme.

The employees of the PRC subsidiaries are members of the state-managed retirement benefit scheme operated by the PRC government. The PRC subsidiaries are required to contribute a certain percentage of their payroll to the retirement benefit scheme to fund the benefits. The only obligation of the Group with respect to the retirement benefit scheme is to make the required contributions under the scheme.

(b) Employee leave entitlements

Employee entitlements to annual leave and long service leave are recognised when they accrue to employees. A provision is made for the estimated liability for annual leave as a result of services rendered by employees up to the balance sheet date.

Employee entitlements to sick leave and maternity leave are not recognised until the time of leave.

(c) Share option scheme

The Group operates an equity-settled, share option scheme. The fair value of the employee services and suppliers of goods or services received in exchange for the grant of the options is recognised as an expense. The total amount to be expensed over the vesting period is determined by reference to the fair value of the options granted, excluding the impact of any non-market vesting conditions (for example, profitability and sales growth targets). Non-market vesting conditions are included in assumptions about the number of options that are expected to become exercisable. At each balance sheet date, the entity revises its estimates of the number of options that are expected to become exercisable. It recognises the impact of the revision of original estimates, if any, in the income statement with a corresponding adjustment to equity.

The proceeds received net of any directly attributable transaction costs are credited to share capital (nominal value) and share premium when the options are exercised.

Year ended 30 September 2008

3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Financial Instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised on the balance sheet when a group entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instruments. Financial assets and financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value. Transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of financial assets and financial liabilities (other than financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL")) are added to or deducted from the fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities, as appropriate, on initial recognition. Transaction costs directly attributable to the acquisition of financial assets or financial liabilities at FVTPL are recognised immediately in profit or loss.

Financial assets

The Group's financial assets are classified as financial assets at loans and receivable. All regular way purchases or sales of financial assets are recognised and derecognised on a trade date basis. Regular way purchases or sales are purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within the time frame established by regulation or convention in the marketplace.

Effective interest method

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial asset and of allocating interest income over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts (including all fees on points paid or received that form an integral part of the effective interest rate, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) through the expected life of the financial asset, or, where appropriate, a shorter period.

Interest income is recognised on an effective interest basis for debt instruments other than those financial assets designated as at FVTPL.

Year ended 30 September 2008

3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Financial Instruments (continued)

Financial assets (continued)

Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. At each balance sheet date subsequent to initial recognition, loans and receivables (including trade and other receivables, amounts due from subsidiaries, bank deposits and balances and cash) are carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any identified impairment losses (see accounting policy on impairment of financial assets below).

Impairment of financial assets

Financial assets, other than those at FVTPL are assessed for indicators of impairment at each balance sheet date. Financial assets are impaired where there is objective evidence that as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the financial asset, the estimated future cash flows of the financial assets have been impacted.

For loans and receivable, objective evidence of impairment could include:

- significant financial difficulty of the issuer or counterparty; or
- default or delinquency in interest or principal payment; or
- it becoming probable that the borrower will enter bankruptcy of financial re-organisation.

For certain categories of financial asset, such as trade receivable, assets that are assessed not to be impaired individually are subsequently assessed for impairment on a collective basis. Objective evidence of impairment for a portfolio of receivables could include the Group's past experience of collecting payments and observable changes in national or local economic conditions that correlate with default on receivables.

For financial assets carried at amortised cost, an impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss when there is objective evidence that the asset is impaired and is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of the estimated future cash flows discounted at the original effective interest rate.

The carrying amount of the financial asset is reduced by the impairment loss directly for all financial asset with the exception of trade receivables, where the carrying amount is reduced through the use of an allowance account. Changes in the carrying amount of the allowance account are recognised in profit or loss. When a trade receivable is considered uncollectible, it is written off against the allowance account. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited to profit or loss.

Year ended 30 September 2008

3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Financial Instruments (continued)

Financial assets (continued)

Impairment of financial assets (continued)

For financial assets measured at amortised cost, if, in a subsequent period, the amount of impairment loss decreases and the decrease can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment loss was recognised, the previously recognised impairment loss is reversed through profit or loss to the extent that the carrying amount of the asset at the date the impairment is reversed does not exceed what the amortised cost would have been had the impairment not been recognised.

Financial liabilities

Financial liabilities issued by a group entity are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into and the definitions of a financial liability.

Effective interest method

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial liability and of allocating interest expense over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments through the expected life of the financial liability, or where appropriate a shorter period.

Interest expense is recognised on an effective interest basis other than those financial liability designated as at FVTPL.

Year ended 30 September 2008

3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Financial Instruments (continued)

Financial liabilities (continued)

Financial liabilities including trade and other payables, bills payable, amounts due to subsidiaries and bank borrowings are initially measured at fair value, and subsequently measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest method.

Borrowings

Borrowings are recognised initially at fair value, net of transaction costs incurred. Transaction costs are incremental costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition, issue or disposal of a financial asset or financial liability, including fees and commissions paid to agents, advisers, brokers and dealers, levies by regulatory agencies and securities exchanges, and transfer taxes and duties. Borrowings are subsequently stated at amortised cost; any difference between the proceeds (net of transaction costs) and the redemption value is recognised in the income statement over the period of the borrowings using the effective interest method.

Borrowings are classified as current liabilities unless the Group has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after the balance sheet date.

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3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Dividends

Final dividends proposed by the directors are classified as a separate allocation of retained profits within the capital and reserves section of the balance sheet, until they have been approved by the shareholders in a general meeting. When these dividends have been approved by the shareholders and declared, they are recognised as a liability.

Interim dividends are simultaneously proposed and declared, because the Company's memorandum and articles of association grant the directors the authority to declare interim dividends. Consequently, interim dividends are recognised immediately as a liability when they are proposed and declared.

Impairment of assets

Where an indication of impairment exists, or when annual impairment testing for an asset is required (other than inventories, deferred tax assets, financial assets, investment properties and goodwill), the asset's recoverable amount is estimated. An asset's recoverable amount is calculated as the higher of the asset's or cash-generating unit's value in use and its fair value less costs to sell, and is determined for an individual asset, unless the asset does not generate cash inflows that are largely independent of those from other assets or groups of assets, in which case, the recoverable amount is determined for the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

An impairment loss if recognised only if the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. An impairment loss is charged to the income statement in the period in which it arises, unless the asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the impairment loss is accounted for in accordance with the relevant accounting policy for that revalued asset.

An assessment is made at each reporting date as to whether there is any indication that previously recognised impairment losses may no longer exist or may have decreased. If such indication exists, the recoverable amount is estimated. A previously recognised impairment loss of an asset other than goodwill is reversed only if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount of that asset, however not to an amount higher than the carrying amount that would have been determined (net of any depreciation/amortisation), had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset in prior years. A reversal of such impairment loss is credited to the income statement in the period in which it arises, unless the asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the reversal of the impairment loss is accounted for in accordance with the relevant accounting policy for that revalued asset.

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3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Property, plant and equipment

All property, plant and equipment are stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the items.

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Group and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are expensed in the income statement during the financial period in which they are incurred.

Depreciation is calculated on the reducing-balance basis to write off the cost of each asset, less accumulated impairment losses, over its estimated useful life. The principal annual rates used for this purpose are as follows:

Leasehold improvement	20%
Plant and machinery	15%
Furniture, fixtures and office equipment	15% - 20%
Motor vehicles	15%

The gains or losses on disposal or retirement of property, plant and equipment recognised in the income statement are the difference between the net sales proceeds and the carrying amount of the relevant assets.

Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value after allowances for obsolete or slow-moving items. Cost is calculated using the first-in, first-out basis and comprises all costs of purchase, costs of conversion and other costs incurred in bringing the inventories to their present location and condition. Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs of completion and the estimated costs necessary to make the sale.

Taxation

Income tax charge represents the sum of the tax currently payable and deferred tax.

The tax currently payable is based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit differs from profit as reported in the consolidated income statement because it excludes items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years, and it further excludes items that are never taxable or deductible. The Group's liability for current tax is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

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3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is the tax expected to be payable or recoverable on differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the financial statements and the corresponding tax bases used in the computation of taxable profit, and is accounted for using the balance sheet liability method. Deferred taxation is charged or credited in the income statement, except when it relates to items charged or credited directly to equity, in which case the deferred taxation is also dealt with in equity.

Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognised for all taxable temporary differences. Deferred tax assets should be recognised for all deductible temporary differences to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary difference can be utilised, and also should be recognised for the carryforward of unused tax losses and unused tax credits to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the unused tax losses and unused tax credits can be utilised.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities should be measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the period when the asset is realised or the liability is settled, based on tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

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3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Foreign currencies translation

(a) Functional and presentation currency

Items included in the financial statements of each of the Group's entities are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates (the "functional currency"). The Group's functional currency is United States dollars ("US\$") while the consolidated financial statements are presented in Hong Kong dollars ("HK\$"), which is the presentation currency of the Group and the Company.

(b) Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at year-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the income statement.

(c) Group companies

The results and financial position of all the group entities (none of which has the currency of a hyperinflationary economy) that have a functional currency different from the presentation currency are translated into the presentation currency as follows:

- (i) assets and liabilities for each balance sheet presented are translated at the closing rate at the date of that balance sheet;
- (ii) income and expenses for each income statement are translated at average exchange rates (unless this average is not a reasonable approximation of the cumulative effect of the rates prevailing on the transaction dates, in which case income and expenses are translated at the dates of the transactions); and
- (iii) all resulting exchange differences are recognised as a separate component of equity.

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3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Related parties

Parties are considered to be related to the Group if:

- (a) directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, the Group:
 - (i) controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, the entity;
 - (ii) has an interest in the entity that gives it significant influence over the entity;
 - (iii) has joint control over the entity;
- (b) the party is a jointly-controlled entity;
- (c) the party is a member of the key management personnel of the Group or its parent;
- (d) the party is a close member of the family or any individual referred to in (a) or (c);
- (e) the party is an entity that is controlled, jointly-controlled or significantly influenced by or for which significant voting power in such entity resides with, directly or indirectly, any individual referred to in (c) or (d); or
- (f) the party is a post-employment benefit plan for the benefit of employees of the Group, or of any entity that is a related party of the Group.

Cash and cash equivalents

For the purpose of the consolidated cash flow statement, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and demand deposits, and short term highly liquid investments which are readily convertible into known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value, and have a short maturity of generally within 3 months when acquired, less bank overdrafts which are repayable on demand and form an integral part of the Group's cash management.

For the purpose of balance sheet, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and at banks, including term deposits, and assets similar in nature to cash, which are not restricted as to use.

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3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Contingent liabilities

A contingent liability is a possible obligation that arises from past events and whose existence will only be confirmed by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the control of the Group. It can also be a present obligation arising from past events that is not recognised because it is not probable that outflow of economic resources will be required or the amount of obligation cannot be measured reliably.

A contingent liability is not recognised but is disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. When a change in the probability of an outflow occurs so that the outflow is probable, it will then be recognised as a provision.

Share capital

Ordinary shares are classified as equity. Share capital is determined using the nominal value of shares that have been issued.

Any transaction costs associated with the issuing of shares are deducted from the proceeds (net of any related income tax benefits), to the extent they are incidental costs directly attributable to the equity transaction.

4. Financial risk management

(a) Financial risk factors

The Group's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: foreign exchange risk, price risk, credit risk, liquidity risk and cash flow and fair value interest rate risk.

(i) Foreign exchange risk

The Group operates mainly in Hong Kong and PRC and is exposed to foreign exchange risk arising from various currency exposures, primarily with respect to United States Dollars and Renminbi. Foreign exchange risk arises from future commercial transactions, recognised assets and liabilities and net investments in foreign operations.

The Group manages its foreign exchange risk by performing regular reviews of the Group's net foreign exchange exposures. The Group has not entered into any forward foreign exchange contracts to hedge its foreign exchange exposure as the directors are of the view that the potential foreign exchange exposures are not significant.

As at 30 September 2008 and 2007, if Renminbi and United States Dollars had strengthened/ weakened by 5% and 1% respectively against Hong Kong Dollars with all other variables held constant, profit for the year and shareholders' equity would have been approximately HK\$749,000 higher/lower (2007: HK\$1,011,000 higher/lower), mainly as a result of foreign exchange gains/losses on translation of United States Dollars-denominated cash and cash equivalents, borrowings, trade and other receivables, and trade and other payables.

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4. Financial risk management (continued)

- (a) Financial risk factors (continued)
 - (ii) Price risk

The Group is not exposed to any equity security risk or commodity price risk.

(iii) Credit risk

The Group has no concentrations of credit risk. It has policies in place to ensure that the sales of products are made to customers with appropriate credit history and the Group performs credit evaluation of its customers.

Retail sales are usually made in cash, through credit cards or through reputable and dispersed department stores. Majority of trade receivables are with wholesales customers having an appropriate credit history and at credit terms of 30 to 120 days. Normally the Group does not require collaterals from trade debtors. The existing debtors have no significant defaults in the past. The Group's historical experience in collection of trade and other receivables falls within the recorded allowances and the directors are of the opinion that adequate provision for uncollectible receivables, if any, has been made.

As at 30 September 2008 and 2007, substantially all the bank balances as detailed in Note 20 are held in major financial institutions located in Hong Kong and the PRC, which management believes are of high credit quality. The Group has a policy to limit the amount of credit exposure to any financial institution and management does not expect any losses arising from non-performance by these counterparties.

(iv) Liquidity risk

Prudent liquidity risk management implies maintaining sufficient cash and the availability of funding through an adequate amount of committed credit facilities. The Group aims to maintain flexibility in funding by keeping committed credit lines available.

Management monitors rolling forecasts of the Group's liquidity reserve comprising undrawn borrowing facility (Note 23) and cash and cash equivalents (Note 20) on the basis of expected cash flow.

Financial liabilities of the Group and of the Company are primarily due within one year, except for long-term bank borrowings.

The table below analyses the Group's financial liabilities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the balance sheet to the contractual maturity date. The amounts disclosed in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows. Balances due within 12 months equal their carrying balances, as the impact of discounting is no significant.

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4. Financial risk management (continued)

(a) Financial risk factors (continued)

(iv) Liquidity risk (continued)

	Less than 1 year <i>HK\$</i> '000	Between 1 and 2 years <i>HK\$'000</i>	Between 2 and 5 years HK\$'000	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
Group				
At 30 September 2008				
Bank borrowings and				
interest payment	112,423	153,000	-	265,423
Trade payables	21,448	_	-	21,448
Other payables and accruals	7,925			7,925
	141,796	153,000		294,796
At 30 September 2007				
Bank borrowings and				
interest payment	32,379	27,000	153,000	212,379
Trade payables	19,087	_	_	19,087
Other payables and accruals	7,417			7,417
	58,883	27,000	153,000	238,883

(v) Interest rate risk

The Group's exposure to interest rate risk for changes in interest rates relates primarily to the Group's bank balances which generate interest income for the Group and the Group's floating interest rates borrowings. The Group does not actively engaged in derivative financial instruments to hedge its interest rate risk.

At 30 September 2008, it is estimated that a general increase/decrease of 50 basis points in interest rates, with all other variables held constant, would decrease/increase the Group's profit after tax and retained profits by approximately HK\$1,108,000 (2007: HK\$876,000).

Assuming that the change in interest rates had occurred at the balance sheet date and had been applied to the exposure to interest rate risk for financial instruments at the balance sheet date. The 50 basis points increase or decrease represents management's assessment of reasonably possible change in interest rates over the period until the next annual balance sheet date. The analysis is performed on the same basis for 2007.

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4. Financial risk management (continued)

- (a) Financial risk factors (continued)
 - (vi) Fair value

The fair value of the Group's financial assets and liabilities are not materially different from their carrying amounts because of the immediate or short term maturity of these financial instruments.

(b) Capital risk management

The Group's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern in order to provide returns for shareholders and benefits for other stakeholders and to maintain an optimal capital structure to reduce the cost of capital.

The Group manages the capital structure and make adjustments to it in the light of changes in economic conditions. In order to maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Group may adjust the dividend payments to shareholders or obtain new bank borrowings.

The Group also monitors capital on the basis of gearing ratio. This ratio is calculated as net debt divided by total capital. Net debt is calculated as total borrowings (including current and non-current borrowings as shown in the consolidated balance sheet) less cash and cash equivalents. Total capital is calculated as "equity", as shown in the consolidated balance sheet, plus net (cash)/debt.

The table below analyses the Group's capital structure as at 30 September 2008 and 2007:

	2008 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2007 <i>HK\$</i> '000
Total borrowings	265,423	212,379
Less: Cash and cash equivalents	(167,588)	(149,548)
Net debt	97,835	62,831
Total equity	518,334	432,499
Gearing ratio	<u> </u>	15%

The Group's strategy is to maintain a solid capital base to support the operations and development of its business in the long term.

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5. Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgements

Estimates 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 Group makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below:

(a) Impairment of receivables

The Group's management determines impairment of receivables on a regular basis. This estimate is based on the credit history of its customers and current market conditions. Management reassesses the impairment of receivables at the balance sheet date.

(b) Useful lives of property, plant and equipment

The Group's management determines the estimated useful lives and related depreciation charges for its property, plant and equipment. This estimate is based on the historical experience of the actual useful lives of property, plant and equipment of similar nature and functions. It could change significantly as a result of technical innovations and competitor actions in response to severe industry cycles. Management will increase the depreciation charge where useful lives are less than previously estimated lives, or it will write-off or write-down technically obsolete or non-strategic assets that have been abandoned or sold.

(c) Net realisable value of inventories

Net realisable value of inventories is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business, less estimated costs of completion and selling expenses. These estimates are based on the current market conditions and the historical experience of selling products of a similar nature. It could change significantly as a result of competitor actions in response to severe industry cycles. Management reassesses these estimations at the balance sheet date to ensure inventory is shown at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

6. Turnover

Turnover represents the net invoiced value of goods sold, after allowances for returns and trade discounts, and after eliminations of all significant intra-group transactions during the year.

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7. Segment Information

In accordance with the Group's internal financial reporting, segment information is presented by way of 2 segment formats: (a) on a primary segment reporting basis, by geographical segment; and (b) on a secondary segment reporting basis, by business segment.

The principal activities of the Group are the manufacture and sale of jewellery products, which are managed according to the geographical location of customers.

Each of the Group's geographical segments, based on the location of customers, represents a strategic business unit that offers products to customers located in different geographical areas which are subject to risks and returns that are different from those of other geographical segments. The Group's geographical segments are as follows:

- (a) United States;
- (b) Europe; and
- (c) Middle East and Asia.

In determining the Group's geographical segments, revenue is attributed to the segments based on the location of customers and assets are attributed to the segments based on the location of assets.

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7. Segment Information (continued)

(a) (i) Geographical segments based on the location of customers

The following tables present revenue, results and certain asset, liability and expenditure information of the Group's geographical segments for the years ended 30 September 2008 and 2007.

	United	States	Euro	ope		lle East I Asia	Consoli	dated
	2008 HK\$'000	2007 HK\$'000	2008 HK\$'000	2007 HK\$'000	2008 HK\$'000	2007 HK\$'000	2008 HK\$'000	2007 HK\$'000
Segment revenue: Sales to external customers	142,355	226,347	182,307	213,473	325,308	170,437	649,970	610,257
Segment results	18,424	27,554	24,700	35,273	85,552	76,298	128,676	139,125
Unallocated revenue Unallocated expenses							1,743 (18,877)	1,441 (15,189)
Profit from operating activities Finance costs							111,542 (11,675)	125,377 (10,945)
Profit before tax Tax							99,867 (14,580)	114,432 (17,258)
Net profit from ordinary activities attributable to shareholders							85,287	97,174
Segment assets Unallocated assets	157,878	221,624	202,184	209,019	360,777	166,880	720,839 168,010	597,523 149,909
Total assets	157,878	221,624	202,184	209,019	360,777	166,880	888,849	747,432
Segment liabilities Unallocated liabilities	5,633	8,488	7,214	8,006	12,872	6,392	25,719 344,796	22,886 292,047
Total liabilities	5,633	8,488	7,214	8,006	12,872	6,392	370,515	314,933
Other segment information: Depreciation	3,319	5,545	4,251	5,229	7,585	4,175	15,155	14,949
Capital expenditure	1,640	6,380	2,100	6,017	3,747	4,804	7,487	17,201

(ii) Geographical segments based on the location of assets

	Hong H	Hong Kong		Macau		PRC		Consolidated	
	2008 HK\$'000	2007 HK\$'000	2008 HK\$'000	2007 HK\$'000	2008 HK\$'000	2007 HK\$'000	2008 HK\$'000	2007 HK\$'000	
Segment assets	73,213	92,858	145	116	815,491	654,458	888,849	747,432	
Capital expenditure	49	106			7,438	17,095	7,487	17,201	

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7. Segment Information (continued)

(b) Business segments

The following tables present revenue, results and certain asset, liability and expenditure information of the Group's business segments for the years ended 30 September 2008 and 2007.

	Exports		Domestic		Consoli	dated
	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Segment revenue:						
Sales to external customers	393,549	489,505	256,421	120,752	649,970	610,257
Segments results	45,375	94,958	83,301	44,167	128,676	139,125
Unallocated revenue					1,743	1,441
Unallocated expenses					(18,877)	(15,189)
Profit from operating activities					111,542	125,377
Finance costs					(11,675)	(10,945)
Profit before tax					99,867	114,432
Tax					(14,580)	(17,258)
Net profit from ordinary activities						
attributable to shareholders				!	85,287	97,174
Segment assets	303,179	345,418	417,660	252,105	720,839	597,523
Unallocated assets					168,010	149,909
Total assets	303,179	345,418	417,660	252,105	888,849	747,432
Segment liabilities	10,016	12,425	15,703	10,461	25,719	22,886
Unallocated liabilities					344,796	292,047
Total liabilities	10,016	12,425	15,703	10,461	370,515	314,933
Other segment information:						
Depreciation	9,853	12,392	5,302	2,557	15,155	14,949
Capital expenditure	532	106	6,955	17,095	7,487	17,201

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8. Other Revenue

	Grou	Group		
	2008	2007		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000		
Interest income	1,466	1,369		
Others	277	72		
	1,743	1,441		

9. Profit from Operating Activities

The Group's profit from operating activities is arrived at after charging/(crediting):

	Group		
	2008	2007	
	<u> </u>	HK\$'000	
Cost of inventories sold	407,062	398,325	
Depreciation	15,155	14,949	
Minimum lease payments under operating leases on leasehold land and buildings Staff costs (excluding directors' remuneration – <i>note 10</i>):	40,490	18,654	
Wages and salaries	20,690	13,534	
Retirement benefits scheme contributions	804	340	
	21,494	13,874	
Auditor's remuneration	1,950	1,500	
Interest income	(1,466)	(1,369)	

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10. Directors' Remuneration and 5 Highest Paid Employees

Details of the remuneration of the directors of the Company for the year disclosed pursuant to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange and Section 161 of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance are as follows:

		20	08		2007
		Salaries,	Retirement		
		allowances	benefits		
		and benefits	scheme		
	Fees	in kind	contributions	Total	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Mr. Wong Chi Ming, Jeffry*	_	780	_	780	845
Mr. Chung Yuk Lun*	-	600	12	612	612
Mr. Yu Fei, Philip	-	100	-	100	100
Mr. Lee Pak Chung	36	-	-	36	36
Mr. Chan Man Kiu	100	-	-	100	100
Mr. Tam Ping Kuen, Daniel	100			100	100
	236	1,480	12	1,728	1,793

* Also highest paid employees of the Group.

Fees include approximately HK\$236,000 (2007: HK\$236,000) payable to the independent non-executive directors of the Company. There were no other emoluments payable to the independent non-executive directors of the Company during the year (2007: Nil).

There was no arrangement under which a director waived or agreed to waive any remuneration during the year (2007: Nil).

During the year, no emoluments were paid by the Group to the directors or any of the 5 highest paid employees as an inducement to join, or upon joining the Group, or as compensation for loss of office (2007: Nil).

During the year, there were no options granted to the directors in respect of their services to the Group (2007: Nil).

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10. Directors' Remuneration and 5 Highest Paid Employees (continued)

The 5 highest paid employees during the year included 2 (2007: 2) directors, details of whose remuneration are disclosed above. The details of the remuneration of the remaining 3 (2007: 3) non-director, highest paid employees, whose remuneration fell within the Nil to HK\$1,000,000 band, are as follows:

	Group		
	2008	2007	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Basic salaries, housing benefits, other allowances			
and benefits in kind	1,614	1,716	
Retirement benefits scheme contributions	12	12	
	1,626	1,728	

During the year, no (2007: Nil) share options were granted to the highest paid, non-director employees in respect of their services to the Group.

11. Finance Costs

	G	Group	
	2008	2007	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Interest on interest bearing bank overdrafts, trust receipt			
loans and other interest bearing bank loans wholly			
repayable within 5 years	11,675	10,945	

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12. Tax

The amount of tax charged to the consolidated income statement represents:

	Gr	Group		
	2008	2007		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000		
Current year provision:				
Hong Kong profits tax	-	-		
Overseas taxation	14,580	17,258		
Tax charge for the year	14,580	17,258		

- (a) No provision for Hong Kong profits tax has been made as the Group did not generate any assessable profits arising in Hong Kong.
- (b) Overseas taxation is related to Macau and PRC tax which has been provided at the applicable income tax rate on the assessable profits based on existing legislation, interpretations and practices in respect thereof.

A reconciliation of the tax expense applicable to profit before tax using the principal statutory rates for the countries in which the Company and its subsidiaries are domiciled to the tax expense at the effective tax rates, are as follows:

	Group	
	2008	2007
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Profit before tax	99,867	114,432
Tax at the statutory rate of 16.5% (2007: 17.5%)	16,478	20,025
Effect of different rates for companies operating		
in other jurisdictions	(5,331)	(6,299)
Expenses not deductible for tax	2,421	8,722
Income not subjected to tax	(15)	(6,474)
Unutilised tax losses	1,027	1,284
Tax charge at the Group's effective rate	14,580	17,258

No provision for deferred taxation has been made as the Group did not have any significant unprovided deferred taxation in respect of the year (2007: Nil).

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13. Net Profit From Ordinary Activities Attributable to Shareholders

The net profit from ordinary activities attributable to shareholders dealt with in the financial statements of the Company for the year was approximately HK\$8,068,000 (2007 net profit: HK\$15,053,000).

14. Dividends

During the year, an interim dividend of approximately HK\$2,302,000 (2007: HK\$2,302,000) was declared and paid on 7 August 2008.

At a meeting held on 20 January 2009, the directors proposed a final dividend of HK0.5 cent per share in scrip (2007: HK0.5 cent in cash) for the year ended 30 September 2008 to be payable to shareholders whose names appear in the register of members of the Company on 27 March 2009 (the "Record Date"). Subject to shareholders' approval at the forthcoming annual general meeting, such dividend will be payable on or about 22 May 2009. This proposed dividend was not reflected as a dividend payable in these financial statements, but will be reflected as an appropriation of retained profits for the year ended 30 September 2008.

The Board has proposed that the final dividend will be payable in the form of new shares in lieu of cash in respect of all such dividend subject to shareholders' approval. The market value of the shares to be issued under the scrip dividend proposal will be fixed by reference to the average of the closing prices of the Company's shares on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Stock Exchange") for the five consecutive trading days up to and including the Record Date. The proposed scrip dividend is conditional upon the Stock Exchange granting listing of, and permission to deal in, the new shares. Details of the scrip dividend scheme will be published in due course. It is expected that the share certificates will be dispatched to shareholders on or about 22 May 2009.

The proposed final dividend for 2008 is calculated on the basis of 767,450,000 shares in issue on 30 September 2008.

15. Earnings Per Share Attributable to Shareholders

The calculation of basic earnings per share is based on the Group's net profit from ordinary activities attributable to shareholders for the year of approximately HK\$85,287,000 (2007: HK\$97,174,000) and the weighted average of 767,450,000 (2007: 735,857,671) ordinary shares in issue during the year.

No dilutive earnings per share is presented for the year ended 30 September 2008 as the Group did not have any potential dilutive ordinary shares outstanding.

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16. Property, Plant and Equipment

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At 30 September 2008

	Leasehold improvement HK\$'000	Plant and machinery <i>HK\$'000</i>	Furniture, fixtures and office equipment <i>HK\$'000</i>	Motor vehicles <i>HK\$'000</i>	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
Cost:					
At 1 October 2007	22,897	126,941	1,649	1,056	152,543
Exchange translation	2,213	_	32	_	2,245
Additions	6,966	_	127	394	7,487
Disposals	(2,919)				(2,919)
At 30 September 2008	29,157	126,941	1,808	1,450	159,356
Accumulated depreciation:					
At 1 October 2007	3,313	57,939	728	371	62,351
Exchange translation	431	_	10	_	441
Provided during the year	4,498	10,316	174	167	15,155
Disposals	(437)				(437)
At 30 September 2008	7,805	68,255	912	538	77,510
Net book value:					
At 30 September 2008	21,352	58,686	896	912	81,846

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16. Property, Plant and Equipment (continued)

Group

Reconciliation of opening balance:

At 30 September 2007

	Leasehold improvement <u>HK\$'000</u>	Plant and machinery <i>HK\$'000</i>	Furniture, fixtures and office equipment <i>HK\$'000</i>	Motor vehicles <i>HK\$'000</i>	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
Cost:					
At 1 October 2006	5,666	126,941	1,380	1,056	135,043
Exchange translation	288	_	11	_	299
Additions	16,943		258		17,201
At 30 September 2007	22,897	126,941	1,649	1,056	152,543
Accumulated depreciation:					
At 1 October 2006	715	45,762	576	251	47,304
Exchange translation	96	_	2	_	98
Provided during the year	2,502	12,177	150	120	14,949
At 30 September 2007	3,313	57,939	728	371	62,351
Net book value:					
At 30 September 2007	19,584	69,002	921	685	90,192

17. Investment in Subsidiaries

	Co	Company		
	2008	2007		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000		
Unlisted shares, at cost	77,737	77,737		

The balances with subsidiaries included in the Company's current assets and liabilities are unsecured, interestfree and have no fixed terms of repayment.

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17. Investments in Subsidiaries (continued)

Particulars of the subsidiaries are as follows:

Name	Place of incorporation/ establishment and operations*	Paid-up share/ registered capital	Percentage of equity attributable to the Company	Principal activities
Directly held				
Ming Fung Investment Holdings Limited	British Virgin Islands ("BVI")	Ordinary US\$1,000	100%	Investment holding
Indirectly held				
Brilliant (Macao Commercial Offshore) Company Limited	Macau	Ordinary MOP\$100,000	100%	Distribution of jewellery products
Jeda International Services Limited	BVI/Israel, India and Belgium	Ordinary US\$1,000	100%	Dormant [#]
Master Will Limited	Hong Kong	Ordinary HK\$2	100%	Provision of administrative services
On Line Pacific Services Limited	BVI	Ordinary US\$1,000	100%	Dormant
Pacific Worldwide Marketing Services Limited	BVI/United States, Europe, Middle East and South East Asia	Ordinary US\$1,000	100%	Dormant [#]
佛山市順德區即達珠寶金行 有限公司	PRC	HK\$2,000,000**	100%	Processing of jewellery products
Maxbonus Investments Limited	Hong Kong/PRC	Ordinary HK\$1	100%	Investment holding
Ascent Hill Investments Limited	Hong Kong	Ordinary HK\$1	100%	Investment holding
Bolton Limited	Hong Kong	Ordinary HK\$1	100%	Investment holding
Joymart Enterprises Limited	BVI	Ordinary US\$1,000	100%	Trading of jewellery products
Megaprofit Enterprises Limited	BVI	Ordinary US\$1,000	100%	Trading of jewellery products
莎梵蒂珠寶貿易(上海) 有限公司	PRC	US\$140,000^^	100%	Retailing of jewellery products
東莞即達珠寶首飾 有限公司	PRC	HK\$10,000,000***	100%	Manufacture and sale of jewellery products

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17. Investments in Subsidiaries (continued)

- * Where the place of operations is different from its place of incorporation/ establishment.
- ** 佛山市順德區即達珠寶金行有限公司 is a wholly foreign-owned enterprise established in PRC for an operating period of 11 years commencing from its date of establishment on 23 September 2002. The registered capital of 佛山市順德 區即達珠寶金行有限公司 of HK\$2,000,000 has been fully paid up by the Group.
- *** 東莞即達珠寶首飾有限公司 is a wholly foreign-owned enterprise established in PRC for an operating period of 15 years commencing from its date of establishment on 25 October 2006. The registered capital of 東莞即達珠寶首飾有 限公司 of HK\$10,000,000 has been fully paid up by the Group.
- * 莎梵蒂珠寶貿易(上海)有限公司 is a wholly foreign-owned enterprise established in PRC for an operating period of 20 years commencing from its date of establishment on 22 May 2006. The registered capital of 莎梵蒂珠寶貿易(上海) 有限公司 of US\$140,000 has been fully paid up by the Group.
- # These two companies have been struck off from the BVI Government Register with effect from 1 November 2007.
- ## Two subsidiaries were disposed during the year and did not have any significant impact on the Group's cash flows or operating results.

18. Inventories

	Group	
	2008	2007
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Raw materials	141,317	85,566
Finished goods	347,605	274,785
	488,922	360,351

19. Trade Receivables

The Group normally allows credit terms to established customers ranging from 30 to 120 days. The Group seeks to maintain strict control over its outstanding receivables. Overdue balances are reviewed regularly by senior management. In view of the aforementioned and the fact that the Group's trade receivables relate to a large number of diversified customers, there is no significant concentration of credit risk. Trade receivables are non-interest bearing.

An aging analysis of the trade receivables as at the balance sheet date, based on the date of recognition of the sale, is as follows:

	Group	
	2008	2007
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
1 – 30 days	45,956	49,242
31 - 60 days	43,961	44,886
61 – 90 days	40,082	39,930
	129,999	134,058

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19. Trade Receivables (continued)

An aged analysis of the trade receivables that are not considered to be impaired is as follows:

	Group	
	2008	2007
	<u> </u>	HK\$'000
Neither past due nor impaired	129,999	134,058

Receivables that were neither past due nor impaired relate to a large number of diversified customers for whom there was no recent history of default.

20. Cash and Cash Equivalents

	Gro	Group		pany
	2008	2007	2008	2007
	<u>HK\$'000</u>	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Cash and bank balances	142,228	125,697	130	155
Non-pledged time deposits	25,360	23,851		
Cash and cash equivalents	167,588	149,548	130	155

The effective interest rate on non-pledged time deposits was 1.71% (2007: 2.34%) per annum and the deposit had maturity of 3 months (2007: 3 months).

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21. Trade Payables

The Group normally obtains credit terms ranging from 30 to 120 days from its suppliers.

An aging analysis of the trade payables as at the balance sheet date, based on the date of receipt of goods purchased, is as follows:

	Group	
	2008	
	<u> </u>	HK\$'000
1 - 30 days	20,453	13,945
31 – 60 days	31	536
61 – 90 days	338	314
91 – 180 days	417	1,734
181 – 360 days	209	2,558
	21,448	19,087

22. Secured Interest Bearing Bank Borrowings

		Grou	р	Compar	ny
		2008	2007	2008	2007
	Notes	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Bank overdrafts, secured	23	33	_	-	_
Trust receipt loans, secured	23	112,390	32,379	6,005	2,436
Bank loans, secured	23	153,000	180,000		
	-	265,423	212,379	6,005	2,436
Secured interest bearing bank borrowings are repayable as follows:					
Within 1 year		112,423	32,379	6,005	2,436
In the 2nd year	-	153,000	180,000		
Portion classified		265,423	212,379	6,005	2,436
as current liabilities	-	(112,423)	(32,379)	(6,005)	(2,436)
Non-current portion	_	153,000	180,000		

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22. Secured Interest Bearing Bank Borrowings (continued)

On 25 July 2007, the Group has entered into a loan refinancing agreement with a syndicate of banks for a term loan of HK\$180 million which will be repaid in 5 successive quarterly instalments after 2 years from the utilisation date. The term loan bears interest at floating interest rate of Hong Kong Interbank Offered Rate (HIBOR) plus 1.3% per annum.

All trust receipt loans and overdraft bear interest at floating interest rate.

All secured interest bearing bank borrowings were denominated in Hong Kong dollars. The effective annual interest rates of the Group's bank borrowings for the year 2008 ranges from 3.9% to 7.3% (2007: 5.40% to 9.50%).

23. Banking Facilities

As at 30 September 2008, the Group's banking facilities were secured by the corporate guarantees of the Company and certain subsidiaries of the Company.

24. Share Capital

	Number of shares '000	Nominal value HK\$'000
Authorised ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each		
At 30 September 2007 and 30 September 2008	2,000,000	20,000
Issued and fully paid ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each		
At 30 September 2007 and 30 September 2008	767,450	7,675

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25. Share Options

The Company operates a share option scheme ("Scheme") for the purpose of providing incentives and rewards to eligible participants who contribute to the success of the Group's operations. The Scheme became effective on 3 September 2002 and unless otherwise cancelled or amended, will remain in force for 10 years from its date of adoption 12 August 2002.

Salient details of the Scheme are:

- (a) The maximum number of shares issuable upon exercise of the options which may be granted under the Scheme and any other share option scheme of the Group to each participant in any 12-month period shall not exceed 1% of the issued share capital of the Company for the time being. Any further grant of share options in excess of this limit is subject to shareholders' approval in a general meeting;
- (b) The exercise period of the share options granted is determinable by the directors, and commences after a certain vesting period and ends on a date which is not later than 10 years from the date of the grant of the share options or the expiry date of the Scheme, whichever is the earlier;
- (c) The offer of a grant of share options may be accepted within 21 days from the date of the offer, upon payment of a nominal consideration of HK\$1 by the grantee; and
- (d) The exercise price of the share options is determinable by the directors but may not be less than the highest of (i) the closing price of the Company's shares as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotations sheet on the date of the offer of grant, which must be a trading day; (ii) the average closing price of the Company's shares as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotations sheets for the 5 trading days immediately preceding the date of the offer of the grant; and (iii) the nominal value of the Company's shares.

No share options were granted or cancelled during the year. There were no outstanding share options as of 30 September 2008.

Since adoption of the Scheme, no share options have been offered and/or granted to the directors of the Group under the Scheme.

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26. Reserves

Group

The amounts of the Group's reserves and the movements therein for the current and prior years are presented in the consolidated statement of changes in equity of the financial statements.

Company

			Proposed		
		Share	final	Retained	
		premium	dividend	profits	Total
	Notes	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At 30 September 2006 and					
1 October 2006		119,822	3,488	22,332	145,642
Final dividend paid on 30 March 2007		_	(3,488)	(130)	(3,618)
Interim dividend paid on 8 August 2007		_	_	(2,302)	(2,302)
Issue of shares upon					
exercise of share options		6,500	_	_	6,500
Issue of new shares		22,854	_	_	22,854
Final dividend proposed		_	3,837	(3,837)	-
Net profit for the year	13			15,053	15,053
At 30 September 2007 and					
1 October 2007		149,176	3,837	31,116	184,129
Final dividend paid on 18 April 2008		149,170	(3,837)	51,110	(3,837)
Interim dividend paid on 18 April 2008		_	(3,837)	_	(3,837)
7 August 2008				(2,302)	(2,302)
Final dividend proposed	14	_	3,837	(3,837)	(2,302)
	14	_	5,057		– ۹ ۵۶۹
Net profit for the year	15			8,068	8,068
At 30 September 2008		149,176	3,837	33,045	186,058

Notes:

(a) In accordance with the Companies Law, Chapter 22 (Law 3 of 1961, as consolidated and revised) of the Cayman Islands, the share premium account is distributable to the shareholders of the Company provided that immediately following the date on which the dividend is proposed to be distributed, the Company will be in a position to pay off its debts as and when they fall due in the ordinary course of business. The share premium account may also be distributed in the form of fully paid bonus shares.

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26. Reserves (continued)

Notes: (continued)

- (b) As at 30 September 2008, in the opinion of the Directors, the reserves of the Company available for distribution to shareholders amounted to approximately HK\$186,058,000 (2007: HK\$184,129,000) of which HK\$3,837,000 (2007: HK\$3,837,000) has been proposed as final dividend for the year, subject to the restrictions stated in note (a) above.
- (c) The share premium account of the Company includes: (i) the difference between the nominal value of the share capital of the subs idiaries acquired pursuant to the group reorganisation on 12 August 2002 over the nominal value of the share capital of the Company issued in exchange therefor; (ii) the premium arising from the new issue; (iii) the premium arising from the capitalisation issue; and (iv) the premium arising from issue of shares upon exercise of share options scheme.
- (d) The share premium account of the Group includes: (i) the difference between the combined net asset value of the subsidiaries acquired pursuant to the group reorganisation on 12 August 2002 over the nominal value of the share capital of the Company issued in exchange therefor; (ii) the premium arising from the new issue; (iii) the premium arising from the capitalisation issue; and (iv) the premium arising from issue of shares upon exercise of share options scheme.

27. Notes to the Consolidated Cash Flow Statement

Reconciliation of profit from operating activities to net cash outflow from operations

	2008	2007
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Profit from operating activities	111,542	125,377
Interest income	(1,466)	(1,369)
Depreciation	15,155	14,949
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	2,284	_
Gain on disposal of subsidiaries	(277)	_
Increase in prepayments, deposits and other receivables	(7,211)	(2,924)
Increase in inventories	(128,571)	(145,701)
Decrease/(Increase) in trade receivables	4,059	(19,368)
Increase in trade payables	2,361	7,479
Increase in other payables and accruals	24	3,058
Tax paid	(14,911)	(3,566)
Net cash used in operating activities	(17,011)	(22,065)

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28. Disposal of subsidiaries

	2008 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2007 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Net assets disposed of:		
Cash and cash equivalents	3	_
Other payables and accruals	(130)	
	(127)	-
Gains on disposal of subsidiaries	277	
Total consideration	150	
Satisfied by:		
Cash consideration	150	
Net inflow of cash and cash equivalent		
in respect of the disposal of subsidiaries	147	

The Group disposed of its interests in 2 wholly-owned subsidiaries, Brilliant Jewellery Trading Limited and On Line Jewellery Manufacturer Company Limited. They were sold to third-parties at the carrying value and fair value of 150,000. The subsidiaries disposed of during the year did not have any significant impact on the Group's cash flows or operating results.

29. Related Party Transactions

Apart from the remuneration paid to the directors of the Company (being the key management personnel) as disclosed in note 10, there were no other significant related party transactions entered into by the Group.

30. Contingent Liabilities

The Group did not have any significant contingent liabilities at the balance sheet date (2007: Nil).

The Company has given guarantees in favour of certain banks to the extent of approximately HK\$404,250,000 (2007: HK\$411,900,000) in respect of banking facilities granted to certain subsidiaries of the Company. As at 30 September 2008, the banking facilities utilised by these subsidiaries amounted to approximately HK\$265,423,000 (2007: HK\$212,379,000).

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31. Operating Lease Arrangements

The Group leases certain of its leasehold land and buildings under operating lease arrangements. The original lease terms for these leasehold land and buildings were 2 years.

As at 30 September 2008, the Group had total future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases falling due as follows:

	Group	
	2008	2007
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Within 1 year	31,129	16,086
In 2 to 5 years, inclusive	1,707	327
	32,836	16,413

The Company did not have any operating lease arrangements as at 30 September 2008 (2007: Nil).

32. Capital Commitments

As at 30 September 2008, the Group and the Company had no significant capital commitments (2007: Nil).

33. Comparative Figures

Certain comparative figures have been reclassified to conform with current year's presentation.

34. Ultimate Holding Company

The directors of the Company consider that the ultimate holding company of the Company as at 30 September 2008 was Equity Base Holdings Limited, which was incorporated in the British Virgin Islands.

35. Approval of the Financial Statements

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 20 January 2009.