

# **SOUTH CHINA HOLDINGS LIMITED**

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 265)

# INTERIM REPORT FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2012

#### **UNAUDITED INTERIM RESULTS**

The board of directors (the "Board") of South China Holdings Limited (the "Company") announces that the unaudited consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively the "Group") for the six months ended 30 June 2012 are as follows:

#### CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

	Notes	Six months ended 30 Jur 2012 2 (Unaud (Unaudited) and Restar HK\$'000 HK\$'		
CONTINUING OPERATIONS Revenue Cost of sales	2	79,160 (25,683)	74,769 (25,845)	
Gross profit Other income Fair value loss on financial assets at fair value		53,477 1,926	48,924 3,766	
through profit or loss Selling and distribution costs Administrative expenses Other operating expenses, net		(778) (3,859) (41,202) (1,404)	(10,161) (3,503) (40,013) (1,233)	
Profit/(loss) from operations Finance costs	2 3	8,160 (3,879)	(2,220) (3,327)	
Profit/(loss) before tax from continuing operations Income tax expense	4 5	4,281 (2,132)	(5,547) (2,302)	
Profit/(loss) for the period from continuing operations DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS Loss for the period from discontinued operations	6	2,149	(7,849) (4,529)	
Profit/(loss) for the period		2,149	(12,378)	
Attributable to:  - Owners of the Company  - Non-controlling interests		2,616 (467) 2,149	(10,330) (2,048) (12,378)	
Earning/(loss) per share attributable to owners of the Company  – Basic	7			
For profit/(loss) for the period		HK0.1 cent	HK(0.6) cent	
For profit/(loss) from continuing operations		HK0.1 cent	HK(0.4) cent	
<ul><li>Diluted For profit/(loss) for the period</li></ul>		HK0.1 cent	HK(0.6) cent	
For profit/(loss) from continuing operations		HK0.1 cent	HK(0.4) cent	

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Six months ended 30 June		
	2012	2011	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Profit/(loss) for the period	2,149	(12,378)	
Other comprehensive income/(loss)			
Changes in fair value on available-for-sale financial assets	7,695	6,413	
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	(1,653)	1,929	
Release of exchange differences upon disposal of subsidiaries		(430)	
Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the period	6,042	7,912	
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period	8,191	(4,466)	
Attributable to:			
- Owners of the Company	8,903	(3,361)	
– Non-controlling interests	(712)	(1,105)	
	8,191	(4,466)	

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

		As at 30 June 2012	As at 31 December 2011 (Unaudited
	Notes	(Unaudited) <i>HK</i> \$'000	and Restated)  HK\$'000
Non-current assets Property, plant and equipment Investment properties Available-for-sale financial assets Other non-current assets Goodwill	8 9	8,521 38,000 37,014 28,103 2,994	8,586 38,000 29,319 28,368 2,994
Total non-current assets		114,632	107,267
Current assets Inventories Trade and other receivables Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss Advances to non-controlling shareholders of subsidiaries Pledged bank deposits Cash and cash equivalents	10 11	33,577 324,590 23,129 1,756 15,835 61,960	30,730 269,515 23,907 1,778 15,835 57,149
Total current assets		460,847	398,914
Current liabilities Trade and other payables Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings Advances from non-controlling shareholders of subsidiaries Tax payable	12	310,518 44,578 54 1,430	208,191 87,552 25 1,077
Total current liabilities		356,580	296,845
Net current assets		104,267	102,069
Total assets less current liabilities		218,899	209,336
Non-current liabilities Advances from shareholders		58,154	56,782
Net assets		160,745	152,554
<b>Equity</b> Equity attributable to owners of the Company Issued capital Reserves		45,584 95,193 140,777	45,584 86,290 131,874
Non-controlling interests		19,968	20,680
Total equity		160,745	152,554

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

			Retained	Attributable		
			profits/	to owners	Non-	
	Issued	Other	(accumulated	of the	controlling	Total
	capital	reserves	loss)	Company	interests	equity
			(Unaudited	(Unaudited		(Unaudited
			and	and		and
	(Unaudited)		Restated)	Restated)	(Unaudited)	Restated)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Balance at 1 January 2012, as previously reported	45,584	84,314	(2,337)	127,561	20,680	148,241
Change in accounting policy - Adoption of HKAS 12 Amendment			4,313	4,313		4,313
Balance at 1 January 2012, as restated	45,584	84,314	1,976	131,874	20,680	152,554
Total comprehensive income/(loss)						
for the period		6,287	2,616	8,903	(712)	8,191
At 30 June 2012	45,584	90,601	4,592	140,777	19,968	160,745
Balance at 1 January 2011, as previously reported	45,584	89,630	14,542	149,756	40,959	190,715
Change in accounting policy  – Adoption of HKAS 12						
Amendment			2,385	2,385		2,385
Balance at 1 January 2011,	/5.50/	00 (20	1(007	150 1 /1	(0.050	102.100
as restated	45,584	89,630	16,927	152,141	40,959	193,100
Total comprehensive income/(loss)						
for the period		6,969	(10,330)	(3,361)	(1,105)	(4,466)
At 30 June 2011						

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	Six months ended 30 June		
	2012	2011	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Net cash flows from/(used in) operating activities	51,377	(14,781)	
Net cash flows (used in)/from investing activities	(999)	21,229	
Net cash flows used in financing activities	(45,192)	(17,746)	
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	5,186	(11,298)	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	72,984	74,507	
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes, net	(375)	172	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	77,795	63,381	
ANALYSIS OF BALANCES OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS Cash and bank balances as stated in the condensed			
consolidated statement of financial position  Time deposits with original maturity of less than three months	61,960	47,546	
when acquired, pledged as security for banking facilities	15,835	15,835	
Cash and cash equivalents as stated in the condensed			
consolidated statement of cash flows	77,795	63,381	

#### NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the six months ended 30 June 2012

#### 1. Principal accounting policies and basis of preparation

The unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements ("interim financial statements") have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities (the "Listing Rules") on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") and the Hong Kong Accounting Standards No. 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (the "HKICPA").

The accounting policies and methods of computation used in the preparation of the interim financial statements are consistent with those used in the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2011 except as disclosed below.

The HKICPA has issued a few amendments to Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs") (which include all Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards, Hong Kong Accounting Standards ("HKASs") and interpretations) that are first effective for the current accounting period of the Group.

#### The adoption of revised HKFRSs

In 2012, the Group adopted the amendment of HKFRSs below, which is relevant to its operations.

HKFRS 7 Amendments Amendments to HKFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures – Transfer of Financial Assets

HKAS 12 Amendments Amendments to HKAS 12 Income Taxes – Deferred Tax: Recovery of Underlying Assets

HKFRS 7 Amendment has no material impact on current or comparative periods.

In December 2010, the HKICPA amended HKAS 12 "Income taxes", to introduce an exception to the principle for the measurement of deferred tax assets or liabilities arising on an investment property measured at fair value. HKAS 12 requires an entity to measure the deferred tax relating to an asset depending on whether the entity expects to recover the carrying amount of the asset through use or sale. The amendment introduces a rebuttable presumption that an investment property measured at fair value is recovered entirely by sale. The amendment is applicable retrospectively to annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2012 with early adoption permitted.

The Group has adopted this amendment retrospectively for the financial period ended 30 June 2012 and the effects of adoption are disclosed as follows.

The Group has investment properties measured at their fair value of HK\$38,000,000 as of 1 January 2012. As required by the amendment, the Group has re-measured the deferred tax relating to the investment properties according to the tax consequence on the presumption that they are recovered entirely by sale retrospectively. There is no material impact on the condensed consolidated income statement for the two periods ended 30 June 2012 and 2011. The comparative figures for 2011 have been restated to reflect the change in accounting policy. The effect of the restatement on the 31 December 2011 condensed consolidated statement of financial position, and the consequential effect on the 30 June 2012 condensed consolidated statement of financial position are as follows:

	30 June	31 December
	2012	2011
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Effect on condensed consolidated statement of financial position:		
Decrease in deferred tax liabilities	4,313	4,313
Increase in retained profits	4,313	4,313

The Group has not applied any new standard or interpretation that is not yet effective for current accounting period.

These interim financial statements should be read, where relevant, in conjunction with the 2011 annual financial statements of the Group.

These interim financial statements have been reviewed by the Company's audit committee.

#### 2. Revenue and segmental information

Revenue represents the net invoiced value of goods sold, after allowances for returns and trade discounts; the value of services rendered and commission income during the period.

An analysis of the Group's segment information is as follows:

#### For the six months ended 30 June 2012

	Travel related and other services <i>HK\$</i> '000	Trading and manufacturing of jewellery <i>HK</i> \$'000	Investment holding <i>HK</i> \$'000	Total <i>HK</i> \$'000
Segment revenue:				
Sales to external customers and				
revenue from continuing operations	47,485	31,675	-	79,160
Segment results	9,100	2,285	(3,225)	8,160
Reconciliation:				
Finance costs				(3,879)
Profit before tax from continuing operations				4,281
As at 30 June 2012				
	Travel	Trading and		
	related and	manufacturing	Investment	
	other services	of jewellery	holding	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Segment assets and total assets	385,422	39,793	150,264	575,479
Segment liabilities	302,718	6,538	59,470	368,726
Reconciliation:				
Corporate and other unallocated liabilities				46,008
Total liabilities				414,734

#### 2. Revenue and segmental information (continued)

For the six months ended 30 June 2011

	Travel related and other services (Restated) <i>HK\$'000</i>	Trading and manufacturing of jewellery  HK\$'000	Investment holding  HK\$'000	Total (Restated) <i>HK\$'000</i>
Segment revenue:				
Sales to external customers and revenue from continuing operations	44,445	30,324	_	74,769
revenue from continuing operations	11,11)	30,324		74,707
Segment results	11,198	1,533	(14,951)	(2,220)
Reconciliation:				
Finance costs				(3,327)
Loss before tax from continuing operations				(5,547)
As at 31 December 2011				
	Travel	Trading and		
	related and	manufacturing	Investment	
	other services	of jewellery	holding	Total
				(Restated)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Segment assets and total assets	324,338	36,988	144,855	506,181
Segment liabilities	198,636	6,323	60,039	264,998
Reconciliation:				
Corporate and other unallocated liabilities				88,629
Total liabilities				353,627
			Reve	
			Six months er	
			2012	2011
				(Restated)
			HK\$'000	HK\$'000
By geographical location *:				
Hong Kong			39,144	38,748
Mainland China			40,016	36,021
			79,160	74,769

<sup>\*</sup> The revenue information from continuing operations above is based on the location of the customers.

#### 2. Revenue and segmental information (continued)

The gross proceeds received and receivable from the sale of airline tickets and the provision of other travel related services are as follows:

	Six months en	Six months ended 30 June	
	2012	2011	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Gross proceeds received and receivable	1,668,195	1,412,228	

#### 3. Finance costs

An analysis of finance costs from continuing operations is as follows:

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2012	2011
		(Restated)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Interest on bank loans, overdrafts and other loans wholly repayable		
within five years	2,507	1,789
Interest on advances from directors	1,372	1,538
	3,879	3,327

#### 4. Profit/(loss) before tax from continuing operations

For the six months ended 30 June 2012, profit/(loss) before tax from continuing operations is arrived at after charging depreciation of approximately HK\$1,416,000 (six months ended 30 June 2011: approximately HK\$980,000) in respect of the Group's property, plant and equipment.

#### 5. Income tax

Hong Kong profits tax has been provided at the rate of 16.5% (six months ended 30 June 2011: 16.5%) on the estimated assessable profits arising in Hong Kong during the period. Taxes on profits assessable elsewhere have been calculated at the rates of tax prevailing in the countries/jurisdictions in which the Group operates.

#### 6. Discontinued operations

On 29 July 2011, the Company entered into an agreement with an independent third party to dispose of the entire issued share capital of Genion Limited, which owns 60% equity interests in Chongqing South China Zenith Information Technology Co., Ltd., which in turn owns 100% equity interests in Chongqing Zenith International Information Technology Co., Ltd.\* (重慶中天國際信息技術有限公司), 50% equity interests in Chongqing Jin Tung Tai Information Technology Co., Ltd.\* (重慶金通泰信息技術有限公司) and 18% equity interests in Chongqing Fortuna Information Technology Co., Ltd., respectively. Genion Limited and its subsidiaries (collectively "Genion"), which were engaged in information technology business, constituted the information technology business segment with operations in Mainland China. Upon completion of the disposal of Genion on 25 August 2011, the Group ceased the information technology business thereafter.

On 11 January 2011, the Company entered into an agreement to dispose of the entire equity interests of Thousand China Investments Limited and its subsidiaries (collectively "TCL"), which were engaged in forestry business, to South China (China) Limited ("SCC"), of which certain directors were also the directors of the Company. Upon completion of the disposal of TCL on 31 January 2011, the Group ceased the forestry business thereafter.

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#### 6. Discontinued operations (continued)

Financial information relating to Genion and TCL for the six months ended 30 June 2011 is set out below. The condensed consolidated income statement distinguishes the discontinued operations from the continuing operations.

	Six month	s ended 30 June 2	2011
	Genion	TCL	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Revenue	49,005	_	49,005
Other income	940	_	940
Expenses	(53,302)	(585)	(53,887)
Finance costs	(913)	_	(913)
Share of profits and losses of associates	(7)		(7)
Loss before tax from discontinued operations	(4,277)	(585)	(4,862)
Income tax	(97)		(97)
	(4,374)	(585)	(4,959)
Gain on disposal of subsidiaries	(4,5/4)	430	430
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Loss for the period from discontinued operations	(4,374)	(155)	(4,529)
Loss per share:			
Basic, from discontinued operations		_	HK0.1 cent
		=	
Diluted, from discontinued operations		=	HK0.1 cent
The calculations of basic and diluted loss per share from discontinued of	progrations are based	on.	
The calculations of basic and diluted loss per share from discontinued c	operations are based	OII:	
			Six months
			ended
			30 June 2011
Loss attributable to owners of the Company from discontinued operation	ns	=	HK\$2,721,000
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the period			1.002 /01.002
used in the basic and diluted loss per share calculations		=	1,823,401,000

#### 7. Earning/(loss) per share attributable to owners of the Company

The calculations of basic and diluted earning/(loss) per share are based on:

	Six months ended 30 June		
	2012		
	HK\$'000	(Restated) HK\$'000	
Earning/(loss)			
Profit/(loss) attributable to owners of the Company, used in			
the basic earning/(loss) per share calculation	2,616	(10,330)	
Profit/(loss) attributable to owners of the Company, used in			
the diluted earning/(loss) per share calculation:	2616	(7,600)	
From continuing operations	2,616	(7,609)	
From discontinued operations		(2,721)	
	2,616	(10,330)	

Number of shares
Six months ended 30 June
2012 201

#### **Shares**

Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the period used in the basic and diluted earning/(loss) per share calculations

**1,823,401,000 1**,823,401,000

The Company's share options have no dilutive effect for two periods ended 30 June 2012 and 2011 because the exercise price of the Company's share options was higher than the average market price for shares for two periods ended 30 June 2012 and 2011.

#### 8. Available-for-sale financial assets

The shares held by the Group included the shares in SCC (Stock Code 413) of approximately HK\$36.6 million as at 30 June 2012.

#### 9. Other non-current assets

They include deposit for acquisition of properties and land development costs in Panyu, Guangzhou (廣州番禺) and Tanggu, Tianjin (天津塘沽) in the PRC.

#### 10. Trade and other receivables

Included in trade and other receivables of the Group are trade receivables of HK\$274,052,000 (31 December 2011: HK\$222,471,000). The Group's trading terms with its customers are on credit with credit periods ranging from period of one to three months (31 December 2011: one to three months), depending on a number of factors including trade practices, collection history and location of customers. Each customer has a maximum credit limit. The Group seeks to maintain strict control over its outstanding receivables and has a credit control department to minimize credit risk. Overdue balances are reviewed regularly by the senior management.

An aged analysis of trade receivables as at the end of the reporting period, based on invoice date and net of provision, is as follows:

	As at	As at
	30 June	31 December
	2012	2011
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Within 90 days	266,583	212,544
91 to 180 days	6,686	9,398
181 to 365 days	714	461
Over 365 days	69	68
	274,052	222,471

#### 11. Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

The shares held by the Group included the shares of South China Financial Holdings Limited (Stock Code 619) and South China Land Limited (Stock Code 8155).

#### 12. Trade and other payables

Included in trade and other payables of the Group are trade payables of HK\$253,769,000 (31 December 2011: HK\$154,647,000) and their aged analysis as at the end of reporting period, based on invoice date is as follows:

	As at	As at
	30 June	31 December
	2012	2011
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Within 90 days	252,674	153,610
91 to 180 days	166	289
181 to 365 days	225	138
Over 365 days	704	610
	253,769	154,647

The trade payables are non-interest-bearing and are normally settled on 15 to 90 days' terms (31 December 2011: 15 to 90 days).

#### 13. Related party transactions

(a) In addition to the transactions disclosed elsewhere in these interim financial statements, the Group had the following transactions with related parties during the six months ended 30 June 2012 and 2011:

			Six months end	months ended 30 June	
			2012	2011	
Name of related party	Nature of transaction	Notes	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Directors and companies in					
which certain directors					
have beneficial interests*/**	Rental expenses	<i>(i)</i>	1,269	1,294	
Directors#	Interest expenses	(ii)	1,372	1,538	
Non-controlling shareholder of					
a former subsidiary#	Interest income	(iii)	-	(97)	
Non-controlling shareholder of					
a former subsidiary*	Interest expense	(iii)		97	

<sup>\*</sup> The directors of the Company are also the directors of the related companies.

#### Notes:

- (i) These transactions were charged at prevailing market rates.
- (ii) The interest expenses were charged at the Hong Kong dollar prime rate per annum.
- (iii) The interest income/expense was charged at interest 8% per annum.
- (b) Outstanding balances with related parties:

Details of the balances with related parties at the end of the reporting period are included in the condensed consolidated statement of financial position.

(c) Compensation of key management personnel of the Group:

The directors of the Company are the key management personnel of the Group. Compensation of key management personnel of the Group is as follows:

	Six months er	Six months ended 30 June		
	2012	2011		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000		
The contract of the Contract o				
Fees, salaries, allowances and benefits in kind and				
pension scheme contribution	1,238	1,237		

#### 14. Comparative amounts

The comparative condensed consolidated income statement has been re-presented as if the operation discontinued during the six months ended 30 June 2011. Certain comparative amounts in note 2 under heading "Revenue and segmental information" have been reclassified to conform with the current period presentation. In the opinion of the Company's directors, such reclassification provides a more appropriate presentation on the Group's business segments.

As a result of the adoption of the amendments to HKAS 12 "Income Taxes", certain comparative figures have been adjusted to conform with the current period presentation. Details of the adoption of revised HKFRSs are set out in note 1 to these interim financial statements.

<sup>\*\*</sup> The related party transactions also constitute connected transactions or continuing connected transactions as defined in Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules.

<sup>\*</sup> The related party transactions also constitute exempted connected transactions or continuing connected transactions as defined in Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules.

#### MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

#### **Business Review**

The Group recorded revenue of HK\$79.2 million and a profit of HK\$2.1 million for the six months ended 30 June 2012. The improvement on financial result was mainly attributed to the decrease in fair value loss on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss and no occurrence of loss from discontinued operations for the six months ended 30 June 2012.

#### Travel Related and Other Services

Travel related and other services recorded revenue of HK\$47.5 million, representing a 6.8% increase over the corresponding period in 2011 and a profit from operation of HK\$9.1 million for six months ended 30 June 2012.

Travel related and other services included revenue from Four Seas Travel amounting to HK\$46.5 million, representing a 7.8% increase over the corresponding period in 2011. Four Seas Travel recorded continuous growth on gross sales proceeds and receivables in the first half of 2012. Our gross revenue was boosted by the increase in business travel and airfare in Hong Kong and Mainland China.

In Mainland China, Four Seas Travel already has branches in Beijing, Shanghai, Chongqing, Guangzhou, Shenzhen and Nanjing. As global enterprises in Mainland China continued to seek high quality services, Four Seas Travel had recorded significant increase on gross sales proceeds of corporate business in Mainland China.

#### Trading and Manufacturing

In addition to the distribution and sale of jewellery products such as precious stones, jade, gold and silver in our flagship store in Nanjing and counters of large department stores in Nanjing and Maanshan, our manufacturing operation is located in Nanjing and is also engaged in the production of jewellery. Jewellery business recorded a revenue of HK\$31.7 million and a profit from operation of HK\$2.3 million for six months ended 30 June 2012, representing increases of 4.5% and 49.1% respectively compared to the corresponding period in 2011.

#### Material Acquisitions and Disposals of Subsidiaries and Associates

During the six months ended 30 June 2012, the Group did not make any material acquisition and disposal of subsidiaries and associates.

#### Liquidity and Financial Resources

As at 30 June 2012, the Group had a current ratio of 1.29 and a gearing ratio of 0% (31 December 2011: 1.34 and 16.6% respectively). The gearing ratio was computed by the Group's net debt divided by capital plus net debt. As at 30 June 2012, since the Group had net cash position (cash and cash equivalents less interest-bearing bank and other borrowings) of HK\$17.4 million, no gearing ratio was computed. The Group's operations and investments continue to be financed by internal resources and bank borrowings.

#### Exposure to Fluctuations in Exchange Rates and Related Hedges

As at 30 June 2012, the Group had no significant exposure to fluctuations in exchange rates and any related hedges.

#### **Capital Structure**

The Group had no debt securities or other capital instruments as at 30 June 2012 and up to the date of this report. There was no material change in the Group's capital structure as compared to the most recently published annual report.

#### Pledges of Assets, Contingent Liabilities and Commitments

As at 30 June 2012, there was no material change in the Group's pledges of assets, contingent liabilities and commitments as compared to the most recently published annual report.

#### **Investments**

During the six months ended 30 June 2012, shares of South China Land Limited recorded a fair value loss of HK\$714,000 on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss in the condensed consolidated income statement and shares of SCC recorded a fair value gain of HK\$7.7 million on available-for-sales financial assets in the condensed consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

There was no material change in the Group's investments as compared to the most recently published annual report.

#### **Employees**

As at 30 June 2012, the total number of employees of the Group was 384 (31 December 2011: 381). Employees' costs (including directors' emoluments) for continuing operations amounted to approximately HK\$28.3 million for the six months ended 30 June 2012 (six months ended 30 June 2011: approximately HK\$26.4 million).

In addition to salary, other fringe benefits such as medical subsidies, provident fund and subsidized training programs are offered to all employees of the Group. Performance of the employees is normally reviewed on an annual basis with adjustment compatible to the market. Individual employees may also receive a discretionary bonus at the end of each year based on performance. The Company adopted an employee share option scheme on 31 May 2002 which was terminated on 5 June 2012 and was replaced by a new share option scheme which became effective on 11 June 2012.

#### Supplementary Information in relation to the Company's Interim Report

Explanation given by the Board of the changes and treatment of the matters relating to the qualified opinion in the independent auditors' report for the 2011 financial statements of the Group

Ernst & Young, Certified Public Accountants, issued an independent auditors' report with qualified opinion for the 2011 financial statements of the Group. The Board has given detailed explanation on the matters relating to the auditors' opinion in the 2011 financial statements of the Group, details of which can be found in 2011 annual report published on the website of the Stock Exchange (http://www.hkex.com.hk) on 26 April 2012.

#### **Prospects**

Four Seas Travel will continue to enhance its internet booking platform in order to complement its sales network and improve its efficiency and competitiveness. The alliance with global partner, Travel Solution International, will enable Four Seas Travel to expand its global client base. We will continue to develop our travel services in the major cities of Mainland China to capture this fast growing travel market.

We will strengthen and consolidate the scale of sale and profitability of the existing point-of sale in order to achieve continuity in revenue and profit growth in the jewellery business.

#### **INTERIM DIVIDEND**

The Board resolved not to declare the payment of an interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2012 (six months ended 30 June 2011: Nil).

# DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVES' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURES OF THE COMPANY OR ANY ASSOCIATED CORPORATION

As at 30 June 2012, the interests and short positions of the directors and chief executives of the Company in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance ("SFO")) as recorded in the register required to be kept under Section 352 of the SFO, or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code") as set out in Appendix 10 of the Listing Rules, were as follows:

#### The Company

#### (i) Long positions in shares

Name of Director	Capacity an		Total number of ordinary shares	Approximate percentage of shareholding	
	Beneficial owner	Interest of controlled corporations	•	8	
Mr. Ng Hung Sang ("Mr. Ng")	71,652,200	1,272,529,612 (Note a)	, , , ,	73.72%	
Mr. Richard Howard Gorges ("Mr. Gorges")	-	487,949,760 (Note a)	487,949,760	26.76%	
Ms. Cheung Choi Ngor ("Ms. Cheung")	-	487,949,760 (Note a)	487,949,760	26.76%	

#### (ii) Long positions in underlying shares

		Number of underlying	Approximate percentage of
Name of Director	Capacity	shares	shareholding
Mr. Gorges	Beneficial owner	18,000,000 (Note b)	0.99%
Ms. Cheung	Beneficial owner	18,000,000 (Note b)	0.99%
Mr. Ng Yuk Fung, Peter	Beneficial owner	18,000,000 (Note b)	0.99%
Ms. Ng Yuk Mui, Jessica	Beneficial owner	18,000,000 (Note b)	0.99%

#### Notes:

- (a) The 1,272,529,612 shares of the Company held by Mr. Ng through controlled corporations include 371,864,000 shares held by Parkfield Holdings Limited ("Parkfield"), 396,050,252 shares held by Fung Shing Group Limited ("Fung Shing"), 16,665,600 shares held by Ronastar Investments Limited ("Ronastar"), 237,303,360 shares held by Bannock Investment Limited ("Bannock") and 250,646,400 shares held by Earntrade Investments Limited ("Earntrade"). Parkfield, Fung Shing and Ronastar are all wholly-owned by Mr. Ng. Bannock is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Earntrade which is owned as to 60% by Mr. Ng, 20% by Mr. Gorges and 20% by Ms. Cheung, all of whom are considered as parties to an agreement to which Section 317 of the SFO applies. As such, Mr. Ng, Mr. Gorges and Ms. Cheung were deemed to have an interest in 487,949,760 shares held by Bannock and Earntrade.
- (b) Please refer to details set out in section headed "Share Option Schemes".

Save as disclosed above, as at 30 June 2012, none of the directors or chief executives of the Company had registered any interest or short positions in the shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) as recorded in the register which was required to be kept under Section 352 of the SFO, or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code.

# SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' AND OTHER PERSONS' INTERESTS OR SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES

As at 30 June 2012, the following persons, other than the directors and chief executives of the Company, had interests and short positions in the shares and underlying shares of the Company as recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under Section 336 of Part XV of the SFO:

Long position in shares

Name of Shareholder	Capacity	Number of ordinary shares	Approximate percentage of shareholding
Earntrade	Beneficial owner and interest of a controlled corporation	487,949,760 (Note)	26.76%
Bannock	Beneficial owner	237,303,360 (Note)	13.01%
Parkfield	Beneficial owner	371,864,000	20.39%
Fung Shing	Beneficial owner	396,050,252	21.72%

*Note:* Bannock is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Earntrade. The 487,949,760 shares in the Company held by Earntrade include 237,303,360 shares held by Bannock directly.

Save as disclosed above, as at 30 June 2012, no person, other than the directors or chief executives of the Company whose interests are set out in the section "Directors' and Chief Executives' Interests and Short Positions in Shares, Underlying Shares and Debentures of the Company or any Associated Corporation", had registered any interests or short positions in the shares or underlying shares of the Company in the register that was required to be kept under Section 336 of the SFO.

#### SHARE OPTION SCHEMES

#### (i) 2002 Share Option Scheme

The share option scheme adopted by the Company on 31 May 2002 (the "2002 Share Option Scheme") was terminated on 5 June 2012. Share options granted under the 2002 Share Option Scheme prior to its termination shall continue to be valid and exercisable pursuant to the terms of the 2002 Share Option Scheme. Particulars and movements of the outstanding share options granted under the 2002 Share Option Scheme during the six months ended 30 June 2012 were as follows:

	Number of share options								
Name or category of participants	Outstanding as at 1 January 2012	Granted during the period	Exercised during the period	Lapsed during the period	Cancelled during the period	Outstanding as at 30 June 2012	Date of grant of share options (DD/MM/YYYY) (Note a)	Exercise period of share options (DD/MM/YYYY)	Exercise price per share HK\$ (Note b)
Directors									
Ms. Cheung	6,000,000	-	-	_	_	6,000,000	18/09/2007	18/09/2008 - 17/09/2017	2.00
	6,000,000	-	_	_	-	6,000,000	18/09/2007	18/09/2009 - 17/09/2017	2.00
	6,000,000	-	-	-	-	6,000,000	18/09/2007	18/09/2010 - 17/09/2017	2.00
Mr. Gorges	6,000,000	_	_	_	_	6,000,000	18/09/2007	18/09/2008 - 17/09/2017	2.00
	6,000,000	-	-	-	-	6,000,000	18/09/2007	18/09/2009 - 17/09/2017	2.00
	6,000,000	-	-	-	-	6,000,000	18/09/2007	18/09/2010 - 17/09/2017	2.00
Ms. Ng Yuk Mui, Jessica	6,000,000	_	_	_	_	6,000,000	18/09/2007	18/09/2008 - 17/09/2017	2.00
	6,000,000	-	-	-	-	6,000,000	18/09/2007	18/09/2009 - 17/09/2017	2.00
	6,000,000	-	-	-	-	6,000,000	18/09/2007	18/09/2010 - 17/09/2017	2.00
Mr. Ng Yuk Fung, Peter	6,000,000	_	_	_	_	6,000,000	18/09/2007	18/09/2008 - 17/09/2017	2.00
	6,000,000	-	-	-	-	6,000,000	18/09/2007	18/09/2009 - 17/09/2017	2.00
	6,000,000					6,000,000	18/09/2007	18/09/2010 - 17/09/2017	2.00
Sub-total:	72,000,000					72,000,000			
Others									
In aggregate	6,733,333	-	_	_	-	6,733,333	18/09/2007	18/09/2008 - 17/09/2017	2.00
	6,733,333	-	-	-	-	6,733,333	18/09/2007	18/09/2009 - 17/09/2017	2.00
	6,733,334					6,733,334	18/09/2007	18/09/2010 - 17/09/2017	2.00
Sub-total:	20,200,000					20,200,000			
Total	92,200,000					92,200,000			

#### Notes:

(a) All share options granted are subject to a vesting period and exercisable in the following manner:

From the date of grant of share options

# Within 12 months $Nil \\ 13th month - 24th month \\ 25th month - 36th month \\ 37th month - 120th month \\ 100$

Exercisable percentage

<sup>(</sup>b) The subscription price of the share options is subject to adjustment in the case of rights or bonus issues, or other alteration in the capital structure of the Company.

No share option had been granted, exercised or cancelled during the six months ended 30 June 2012. No equity-settled share option expense was recognised by the Company during the six months ended 30 June 2012 (six months ended 30 June 2011: Nil).

#### (ii) 2012 Share Option Scheme

The Company adopted a new share option scheme on 5 June 2012 (the "2012 Share Option Scheme") and it became effective on 11 June 2012. Subject to the early termination of the 2012 Share Option Scheme pursuant to the terms thereof, the 2012 Share Option Scheme will be valid and effective for a period of 10 years commencing on the date on which it became effective. No share option has been granted under the 2012 Share Option Scheme since its adoption.

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

During the six months ended 30 June 2012, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries had purchased, sold or redeemed any of the listed securities of the Company.

#### **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

The Company had complied with all the code provisions as set out in the Code on Corporate Governance Practices (effective until 31 March 2012) and the Corporate Governance Code (effective from 1 April 2012) contained in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules throughout the six months ended 30 June 2012.

#### MODEL CODE FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS

The Company has adopted the Model Code as the code of conduct regarding directors' securities transactions. All directors of the Company have confirmed, following specific enquiry by the Company, their compliance with the required standards of dealings and the code of conduct regarding securities transactions by directors adopted by the Company throughout the six months ended 30 June 2012.

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The Company has established an audit committee with written terms of reference in compliance with the Listing Rules. The audit committee comprises three independent non-executive directors, namely Mr. Cheng Hong Kei (Committee Chairman), Mr. David John Blackett and Mrs. Tse Wong Siu Yin, Elizabeth and one non-executive director, namely Mr. David Michael Norman.

The Group's unaudited consolidated results for the six months ended 30 June 2012 have been reviewed by the audit committee.

By order of the Board

South China Holdings Limited

Ng Hung Sang

Chairman

Hong Kong, 28 August 2012

As at the date of this report, the directors of the Company are (1) Mr. Ng Hung Sang, Mr. Richard Howard Gorges, Ms. Cheung Choi Ngor and Mr. Ng Yuk Fung, Peter as executive directors; (2) Ms. Ng Yuk Mui, Jessica and Mr. David Michael Norman as non-executive directors; and (3) Mr. David John Blackett, Mrs. Tse Wong Siu Yin, Elizabeth and Mr. Cheng Hong Kei as independent non-executive directors.