

## Notes:

### 1. Accounting Policies

The condensed financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified for revaluation of land and building, investment properties and investments in securities.

The interim financial report has been prepared in accordance with Statement of Standard Accounting Practice No.25 “Interim financial reporting” (“SSAP25”) issued by the Hong Kong Society of Accountants, except that comparative figures are not presented for the cash flow statement and statement of recognised gains and losses, being the first cash flow statement and statement of recognised gains and losses to be included in the interim financial report relating to accounting period ended on or after 1 July 2000. Such departure from SSAP25 are permitted under The Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange.

Save as disclosed above, the condensed financial statements have been prepared in accordance with SSAP25. The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those followed in the Group’s annual financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2000.

## 2. Principal Activities And Geographical Analysis Of Operations

An analysis of the Group's turnover and contribution to operating profit by principal activity and geographical market is as follows:

	Turnover		Operating Profit	
	30.9.2000 HK\$'000	30.9.1999 HK\$'000	30.9.2000 HK\$'000	30.9.1999 HK\$'000
BY PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY				
Seafood products	<b>1,095,507</b>	1,007,056	<b>140,306</b>	101,973
Non-seafood related income	<b>11,597</b>	29,996	<b>990</b>	1,657
	<b><u>1,107,104</u></b>	<u>1,037,052</u>	<b><u>141,296</u></b>	<u>103,630</u>
BY GEOGRAPHICAL MARKET				
The PRC	<b>478,634</b>	452,357	<b>55,454</b>	41,023
North America	<b>251,106</b>	324,289	<b>33,092</b>	36,012
Western Europe	<b>221,490</b>	140,292	<b>31,256</b>	14,918
Japan	<b>139,583</b>	80,269	<b>20,013</b>	9,235
Others	<b>16,291</b>	39,845	<b>1,481</b>	2,442
	<b><u>1,107,104</u></b>	<u>1,037,052</u>	<b><u>141,296</u></b>	<u>103,630</u>

## 3. Operating Profit

Operating profit is arrived at after charging the following:

	30.9.2000 HK\$000	30.9.1999 HK\$000
Depreciation	<b><u>15,558</u></b>	<u>14,750</u>

#### 4. Taxation

	30.9.2000	30.9.1999
	HK\$000	HK\$000

The charge comprises:

Net profit for the period

Hong Kong	1,424	372
Overseas	—	300
	<u>1,424</u>	<u>672</u>

Hong Kong profits tax is calculated at 16% of the estimated assessable profit for the period. Overseas taxation is calculated at the rate prevailing in the respective jurisdiction.

#### 5. Dividend

The Directors do not declare any interim dividend for the six months ended 30 September 2000 (six months ended 30 September 1999: HK\$Nil).

#### 6. Earnings Per Share

##### (a) Basic earnings per share

The calculation of basic earnings per share is based on the unaudited profit attributable to shareholders of HK\$30,238,000 (six months ended 30 September 1999: HK\$13,044,000) and on the weighted average number of 657,577,000 (six months ended 30 September 1999: 657,591,000) shares in issue throughout the period.

##### (b) Diluted earnings per share

The outstanding share option granted under the Company's Employee Share Option Scheme will have an anti-dilutionary effect for the period.

## 7. Debtors And Prepayments

The total debtors and prepayments of HK\$770 million (31.3.00: HK\$793 million) includes the trade debtors of HK\$567 million (31.3.00: HK\$747 million). An aging analysis of trade debtors is as follows:

	<b>0-30 days</b>	<b>31 -60 days</b>	<b>61-90 days</b>	<b>&gt; 90 days</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Balance at					
<b>30 September 2000</b>	<b>265,697</b>	<b>122,288</b>	<b>150,495</b>	<b>28,138*</b>	<b>566,618</b>
Balance at					
31March 2000	326,805	158,944	241,355	19,916	747,020

The majority of the Group's sales are on letter of credit and on open credit with varying credit terms of 30 days to 90 days. Certain open credit sales are covered by credit insurance.

\* *For additional information, as at announcement date, HK\$26 million out of HK\$28 million has been settled.*

## 8. Creditors And Accrued Charges

The total creditors and accrued charges of HK\$172 million (31.3.00: HK\$310 million) includes the trade creditors of HK\$136 million (31.3.00: HK\$270 million). An aging analysis of trade creditors is as follows:

	<b>0-30 days</b>	<b>31 -60 days</b>	<b>61-90 days</b>	<b>&gt; 90 days</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
<b>Balance at</b>					
<b>30 September 2000</b>	<b>43,856</b>	<b>89,509</b>	<b>2,311</b>	<b>525</b>	<b>136,201</b>
Balance at					
31March 2000	71,318	152,753	45,463	—	269,534

## 9. Share Premium And Reserves

	<b>30.9.2000</b>	31.3.2000
	<b>HK\$000</b>	HK\$000
	<b>(unaudited)</b>	(audited)
Share premium	<b>281,366</b>	281,444
Asset revaluation reserve	<b>33,844</b>	33,844
Investment revaluation reserve	<b>(12,800)</b>	(9,934)
Special reserve	<b>9,800</b>	9,800
Goodwill reserve	<b>(133,803)</b>	(133,803)
Retained earnings	<b>337,942</b>	307,704
	<b><u>516,349</u></b>	<b><u>489,055</u></b>

## 10. Capital Commitments

At 30 September 2000, the Group had capital expenditure in respect of the acquisition of property, plant and equipment contracted for but not provided in the unaudited condensed financial statements which, net of deposit of approximately HK\$80,000 (31.3.00: HK\$1,920,000), amounted to HK\$1,835,000 (31.3.00: HK\$380,000).

## 11. Contingent Liabilities

At 30 September 2000, the Group had contingent liabilities in respect of bills discounted with recourse of approximately HK\$104 million (31.3.00: HK\$171 million).

## 12. Pledge Of Assets

At 30 September 2000, the Group has pledged land and buildings and investment properties with an aggregate net carrying value of approximately HK\$201 million (31.3.00: HK\$204 million) and HK\$22 million (31.3.00: HK\$22 million), respectively, as collateral for credit facilities granted to the Group by certain banks.

## 13. Related Party Transactions

During the period, the Group made sales of frozen seafood of HK\$281,033,000 (30.9.1999: HK\$Nil) to its associate. The sales were carried out of cost or cost plus as percentage mark up.