# **Independent Review Report**

# TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CHINA DEVELOPMENT COPRORATION LIMITED

#### Introduction

We have been instructed by the company to review the interim financial report set out on pages 3 to 12.

### Directors' responsibilities

The Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("the Listing Rules") require the preparation of an interim financial report to be in compliance with Statements of Standard Accounting Practice No.25 "Interim financial reporting" ("SSAP 25") issued by the Hong Kong society of Accountants. However, the Listing Rules permit departure from SSAP 25 in that comparative figures are not required either for the statement of recognised gains and losses or for the first cash flow statement to be included in the interim financial report relating to accounting periods ended on or after 1 July 2000. The interim financial report is the responsibility of, and has been approved by, the directors.

## Review work performed

We conducted our review in accordance with SAS 700 "Engagements to review interim financial reports" issued by the Hong Kong Society of Accountants. A review consists principally of making enquiries of group management and applying analytical procedures to the interim financial report and based thereon, assessing whether the accounting policies and presentation have been consistently applied unless otherwise disclosed. A review excludes audit procedures such as tests of controls and verification of assets, liabilities and transactions. It is substantially less in scope than an audit and therefore provides a lower level of assurance than an audit. Accordingly we do not express an audit opinion on the interim financial report.

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#### **Review conclusion**

On the basis of our review which does not constitute an audit, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the interim financial report for the six months ended 31 December 2000.

Without modifying our review conclusion, we draw to your attention that comparative condensed consolidated income statement for the six months ended 31 December 1999 disclosed in the interim financial report has not been reviewed in accordance with SAS 700.

#### John K.H.Lo & Co.

Certified Pubic Accountants Hong Kong Date 29 March 2001