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# TO THE MEMBERS OF SINO-I.COM LIMITED

(中國數碼信息有限公司)

(incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability)

We have audited the financial statements on pages 21 to 77 which have been prepared in the accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in Hong Kong.

#### RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORS AND AUDITORS

The Companies Ordinance requires the directors to prepare financial statements which give a true and fair view. In preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view it is fundamental that appropriate accounting policies are selected and applied consistently.

It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements and to report our opinion to you.

### **BASIS OF OPINION**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Statements of Auditing Standards issued by the Hong Kong Society of Accountants. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Company's and the Group's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance as to whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

### FUNDAMENTAL UNCERTAINTY RELATING TO THE GOING CONCERN BASIS

In forming our opinion, we have considered the adequacy of the disclosures made in the financial statements concerning the adoption of the going concern basis for the preparation of the financial statements. As set out in note 2 to the financial statements, the financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, the validity of which depends upon the successful implementation of certain proposed financial plans and operational measures and the continuing support of the Group's principal bankers and creditors. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that would result from a failure of the Group to implement the proposed financial plans and operational measures and to obtain continuing support of its principal bankers and creditors. Had the going concern basis not been used, adjustments would have to be made to reduce the value of the Group's assets to their recoverable amounts, to provide for any future liabilities which might arise and to reclassify non-current assets and liabilities as current assets and liabilities, respectively. We consider that the fundamental uncertainty has been properly accounted for and disclosed in the financial statements and our opinion is not qualified in this respect.

## **Report of the Auditors**

### **OPINION**

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the Group as at 31 March 2001 and of the profit and cash flows of the Group for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Ordinance.

### **Grant Thornton**

Certified Public Accountants

Hong Kong 27 August 2001