



RESULTS

The turnover of the Group was HK\$28,082,000 (2000:HK\$11,355,000) for the six months ended 30th June, 2001, which was greatly increased by 147% compared with the interim result of last year. It was attributable to the expansion and commencement of its trading business and a trading sales amounting to HK\$15,427,000 (2000: Nil).

For the six months ended 30th June, 2001, the gross profit was HK\$8,380,000 (2000: HK\$5,723,000), which was increased by 46% compared with same period last year. Nevertheless, the profit margin of the newly commenced trading business was relatively low and although the profit margin rate of the other segments remained steady, the overall gross profit ratio decreased to 30% (2000: 50%).

The total outgoings for the six months was HK\$10,877,000 (2000: HK\$12,360,000), which was decreased by 12%. The reason was that the Group successfully cut the administrative expenses to HK\$8,768,000 (2000: HK\$9,609,000). In addition, following the repayment of long term bank borrowings and the continuous reduction of bank loan interest, the financial cost was decreased to HK\$1,757,000 (2000: HK\$2,258,000).

In conclusion, the loss for the period was HK\$2,339,000 (2000: HK\$6,057,000), which was decreased by 61% compared with last year.