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# Chairman's Statement

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To most business operators, Year 2001 was indeed a challenging year. Based on the principle of prudence while at the same time grasping favourable opportunities for further business development, the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively the "Group") has participated fully in the rights issue of China Everbright Bank Company Limited ("Everbright Bank"), commenced leveraged foreign exchange trading business in Hong Kong and established a wholly foreign owned enterprise in Shenzhen known as CEL Venture Capital (Shenzhen) Limited. Against the unfavourable economic environment, the Group has implemented effective risk control mechanisms, reinforced its corporate governance and established effective and efficient management model.

The Group recorded a profit after tax of approximately HK\$371 million. Profits contributed by International Bank of Asia Limited and the Group's investment banking business in Hong Kong have shown satisfactory growth. The assets quality of Everbright Bank and Everbright Securities Company Limited ("Everbright Securities") have been improved and their respective market share have also increased. On the other hand, due to policy changes in mainland China banking sector and substantial consolidation of the stock market in mainland China, the profits of the two principal profit contributors in year 2000, namely, Everbright Bank and Everbright Securities, have shown substantial decrease. Further, there was a significant decrease in the number of China Mobile shares disposed of during the year.



二零零一年對大多數經營者來說，是極具挑戰性的一年。在此情況下，本公司及其附屬公司（「本集團」）在穩健經營的前提下，抓住時機努力推動業務發展，順利成功完成了中國光大銀行股份有限公司（「光大銀行」）的增資擴股，新開展了槓桿外匯交易業務，並在深圳獨資成立了光大控股創業投資（深圳）有限公司。在市場不景氣的情況下，實現了有效的風險控制；通過加強公司治理，建立了行之有效的管理模式。

本集團二零零一年的稅後盈利為3.71億港元。來自港基國際銀行有限公司和香港業務的盈利貢獻都較上年有了一定的增長。光大銀行和光大証券有限責任公司（「光大証券」）的資產質素繼續改善，市場佔有率保持增長。但是，由於受國內對銀行業有關政策變化和國內股市大幅度調整的影響，二零零零年為本集團帶來重要盈利貢獻的聯營公司光大銀行和光大証券盈利大幅下降；此外，本集團出售中國移動股票也減少。

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Looking ahead, with improvement of the global economy and China's entry into the World Trade Organisation, the economic development in both mainland China and Hong Kong will reach a new horizon. The Group will focus on development and expansion of its self-operating business in Hong Kong, and further expansion into the capital market in mainland China in order to support and enhance the financial services business of the Everbright Group in mainland China. Apart from consolidating and reinforcing its existing business foundation, the Group will also direct itself towards exploration of new business horizons and maximising the synergy effects with its counterparts in mainland China with a view to establishing itself as a cross border diversified international financial conglomerate.

In Year 2001, efforts made by the Group in investors relations have received affirmative recognition from the financial market. Apart from being admitted into the MSCI China Free Index, the Company has also been admitted into the Hang Seng 200 Index. The Group will make further efforts to enhance its investors relations, transparency and disclosure of corporate information in order to establish a positive market reputation for the Group.

I take this opportunity to express my sincere gratitude for the support of our shareholders, my co-directors, the Management and staff of the Group in Year 2001. I believe, with our continued efforts, the Group will achieve successful business development.

**Wang Mingquan**

*Chairman*

Hong Kong, 27th March, 2002

展望二零零二年，全球經濟形勢的好轉，特別是中國加入世界貿易組織，為中、港兩地經濟發展注入了新的動力。本集團將立足於發展和擴大香港公司直接經營業務，進一步介入中國資本市場，積極支援內地的金融業務。在鞏固和加強現有業務的基礎上，將拓展新的業務增長點，發揮和內地企業的聯動優勢和協同效應，力爭成為業務多元化、依托中港兩地、具有國際視野的金融集團。

二零零一年，本集團的投資者關係得到了市場的肯定，正式進入摩根士丹利MSCI中國自由市場指數和進入恒生200指數（HS200 Index）。在此基礎上，我們將繼續推進投資者關係計劃，提高公司透明度，建立起良好的資訊披露制度，進一步樹立本集團良好的市場形象。

本人謹此向本公司股東、董事會成員、本集團管理層及所有員工過去一年對本集團的貢獻表示感謝。本人相信，通過我們的繼續努力，本集團將持續發展、再展宏圖。

**王明權**

*主席*

香港，二零零二年三月二十七日