# **NOTES TO THE CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

## 1. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The condensed financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified for the revaluation of land use rights and buildings.

The condensed financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Statement of Standard Accounting Practice 25 (SSAP 25) Interim Financial Reporting issued by the Hong Kong Society of Accountants and the applicable disclosure requirements of Appendix 16 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited. In the current period, the Group has adopted, for the first time, SSAP 15 (Revised) Cash Flow Statements and SSAP 1 (Revised) Presentation of Financial Statements issued by the Hong Kong Society of Accountants. The adoption of these SSAPs has resulted in a change in the format of presentation of the statement of changes in equity, but has had no material effect on the results for the current or prior accounting periods. Accordingly, no prior period adjustment has been required.

Other than the above, the accounting policies adopted are consistent with those followed in the Group's annual financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2001.

#### 2. GEOGRAPHICAL AND BUSINESS SEGMENTS

#### **Geographical segments**

For management purposes, the Group is currently organised into three major geographical segments based on the location of its customers. These segments are the basis on which the Group reports its primary segment information.

The following is an analysis of the Group's sales by geographical market, irrespective of the origin of the goods:

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2002	North America US\$'000	Europe US\$'000	Asia US\$′000	Others US\$'000	Consolidated US\$'000
<b>Revenue</b> Turnover	32,578	5,899	9,721	2,670	50,868
<b>Results</b> Segment results	3,681	667	1,098	302	5,748
Unallocated corporate expenses					(1,985)
Profit from operations Interest on bank borrow repayable within five Interest income Share of results of an a Share of results of a join Taxation	years	entity			3,763 (462) 83 (45) (96) (71)
Net profit attributable	o shareholders				3,172

# 2. GEOGRAPHICAL AND BUSINESS SEGMENTS (Continued)

2001	North				
	America US\$'000	Europe <i>US\$'000</i>	Asia US\$'000	Others <i>US\$'000</i>	Consolidated US\$'000
<b>Revenue</b> Turnover	39,863	12,169	11,830	2,433	66,295
<b>Results</b> Segment results	4,650	1,420	1,380	284	7,734
Unallocated corporate expenses					(2,087)
Profit from operations Interest on bank borrow	winas wholly				5,647
repayable within five	5 ,				(746) 123
Share of results of an a Taxation	ssociate				(26)
Net profit attributable	to shareholders				4,843

No analysis of financial information by business segment is presented as all the Group's turnover and trading results are generated from the manufacture and sale of footwear products.

# 3. PROFIT FROM OPERATIONS

	Six months ended 30th June,	
	2002 US\$'000	2001 US\$'000
Profit from operations has been arrived at after charging:		
Directors' emoluments	512	716
Other staff costs	9,334	11,156
Retirement benefits contribution	580	424
Total staff costs	10,426	12,296
Auditors' remuneration	43	47
Depreciation and amortisation	5,449	5,359

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# 4. TAXATION

	Six months ended 30th June,	
	2002 US\$'000	2001 <i>US\$'000</i>
The charge comprises:		
Hong Kong Profits Tax Taxation in other jurisdictions	1	2
<ul> <li>People's Republic of China (the "PRC")</li> </ul>	63	150
– Republic of China ("Taiwan")	7	3
	71	155

Hong Kong Profits Tax is calculated at 16% of the estimated assessable profits for both periods.

Taxation in other jurisdictions is calculated at the rates prevailing in the respective jurisdictions.

# 5. DIVIDENDS

	Six months ended 30th June,	
	2002	2001
	US\$'000	US\$'000
Interim dividend of 1 Hong Kong cent per ordinary share		
(2001: 1 Hong Kong cent per ordinary share)	931	931
Dividend paid for convertible non-voting preference shares		302
	931	1,233

# 6. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The calculation of the basic and diluted earnings per share is based on the following data:

	Six months ended 30th June,	
	2002 US\$'000	2001 US\$'000
<b>Earnings</b> Profit attributable to shareholders Dividend for convertible non-voting preference shares	3,172	4,843 (302)
Earnings for the purpose of basic earnings per share Effect of dilutive potential ordinary shares: – Dividend for convertible non-voting preference shares	3,172	4,541
Earnings for the purpose of diluted earnings per share	3,172	4,843
Number of shares Number of ordinary shares for the purpose of basic earnings per share Effect of dilutive potential ordinary shares: – Share options – Convertible non-voting preference shares	721,300,000 3,785,185	721,298,895 3,785,185 63,701,269
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of diluted earnings per share	725,085,185	788,785,349

#### 7. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

The Group spent approximately US\$985,000 (six months ended 30th June, 2001: US\$2,003,000) on additions to property, plant and equipment.

## 8. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

The Group grants an average credit period of approximately 30 days to its trade customers.

The following is an aged analysis of trade receivables at the balance sheet date:

	30th June, 2002 <i>US\$'000</i>	31st December, 2001 <i>US\$'000</i>
0-30 days	6,912	8,844
31-60 days	669	420
>60 days	906	1,437
Total trade receivables	8,487	10,701
Other receivables	3,392	2,919
	11,879	13,620

## 9. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

The following is an aged analysis of trade payables at the balance sheet date:

	30th June, 2002 <i>US\$*000</i>	31st December, 2001 <i>US\$'000</i>
0-30 days	6,107	3,683
31-60 days	1,642	1,396
>60 days	7,396	6,549
Total trade payables	15,145	11,628
Other payables	6,938	7,552
	22,083	19,180

#### **10. SHARE CAPITAL**

	30th June, 2002 Number		31st December, 2001 Number		
	of shares	Amount <i>US\$'000</i>	of shares	Amount <i>US\$'000</i>	
Ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each					
Authorised	1,500,000,000	19,355	1,500,000,000	19,355	
lssued and fully paid	721,300,000	9,307	721,300,000	9,307	

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#### 11. COMMITMENTS

	30th June, 2002 <i>US\$'000</i>	31st December, 2001 <i>US\$'000</i>
Capital expenditure contracted for but not provided in the financial statements in respect of the purchase of property, plant and equipment	81	178

# INTERIM DIVIDEND

The Directors are pleased to declare an interim dividend of 1 Hong Kong cent per ordinary share for the six months ended 30th June, 2002 to shareholders whose names appear on the register of members on 11th October, 2002. The dividend warrants will be sent to shareholders on or before 18th October, 2002.

#### **CLOSURE OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS**

The register of members of the Company will be closed from Tuesday, 8th October, 2002 to Friday, 11th October, 2002, both days inclusive, during which no transfer of shares will be registered.

In order to qualify for the interim dividend, all transfer documents accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's Hong Kong Branch Share Registrars, Secretaries Limited at 5th Floor, Wing On Centre, 111 Connaught Road Central, Hong Kong not later than 4:00 p.m. on Monday, 7th October, 2002.

# BUSINESS REVIEW AND PROSPECTS

For the six months ended 30th June, 2002, the Group's turnover was US\$50,868,000, and the Group's net profit attributable to shareholders was US\$3,172,000.

Stepping into 2002, US consumers were still in soft confidence and the overall market sentiment was downcast. On the other hand, the footwear market was still dampened by the European quota system as importers without import quota having difficulty in sourcing footwear products from the PRC. Hence, export of the Group's product to Europe was significantly affected. In the whole, the global economy continued to be sluggish, momentum of recovery was draggy, all attributing to the downturn of the Group's turnover.

Although the turnover decreased and the net profit margin lowered from 7% in 2001 to 6% in 2002, the ratio of operating profits (EBITDA) to turnover increased from 17% in 2001 to 18% in 2002, the management is still strict in cost control.

The Directors remain cautious to results for the second half of 2002. The Directors considers that turnover in 2002 would be the lowest for the years. With the growth of its business and the addition of the Japan market, the Directors expect that turnover will record a positive growth by 2003. With the recovery of the US ecomomy next year and the lifting of the European import quota in early 2005, the Group expects that turnover will have continuous growth in 2004 and 2005.