## Purchase, Sale or Redemption of the Company's Listed Securities

The Company has not redeemed any of its securities during the period. Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has purchased or sold any of the Company's listed securities during the period.

## **Interim Dividend**

The Board of Directors has resolved to declare an interim dividend of 12 HK cents (2003: 10 HK cents) per Share for the six months ended 30 June 2004 absorbing a total of HK\$350 million (2003: HK\$289 million).

## **Closure of Register of Members**

The Register of Members will be closed from 2 September 2004 to 8 September 2004, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be effected. In order to qualify for the interim dividend, all transfers accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's Hong Kong branch registrars, Abacus Share Registrars Limited at Ground Floor, Bank of East Asia Harbour View Centre, 56 Gloucester Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong not later than 4:00 p.m. on 1 September 2004. Dividend warrants will be despatched on 8 September 2004.