## **REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS**

The directors present their annual report and the audited financial statements of the Company and of the Group for the year ended 30 September 2005.

#### **PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES**

The principal activity of the Company is investment holding. The principal activities of the subsidiaries comprise the design, development, manufacture and sale of a wide range of (1) electronics and related components and parts (including principally quartz crystals, liquid crystal displays, printed circuit boards and watch movements); and (2) consumer electronic products (including principally electronic calculators, telecommunication phones, electronic watches and clocks and personal data assistants). They are also engaged in the trading of electronics and related components and parts and computer components and accessories.

There were no significant changes in the nature of the principal activities of the Company and of the Group during the year.

#### **RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS**

The Group's profit for the year ended 30 September 2005 and the state of affairs of the Company and of the Group at that date are set out in the financial statements on pages 18 to 58.

The directors recommend the payment of a final dividend of one cent per ordinary share in respect of the year, to shareholders on the register of members on 9 February 2006. This recommendation has been incorporated in the financial statements as an allocation of retained profits within the capital and reserves section of the balance sheet.

#### SUMMARY FINANCIAL INFORMATION

A summary of the results and of the assets and liabilities of the Group for the last five financial years, as extracted from the published audited consolidated financial statements, is set out below. This summary does not form part of the audited financial statements.

	Year ended 30 September				
	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001
RESULTS	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Turnover	956,134	899,173	691,337	693,260	661,622
Profit before tax	34,624	43,651	21,937	33,789	8,044
Tax	(6,959)	(8,575)	(4,634)	(3,048)	(2,574)
Net profit from ordinary activities attributable to shareholders	27,665	35,076	17,303	30,741	5,470

#### **SUMMARY FINANCIAL INFORMATION** (Continued)

	As at 30 September				
	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001
ASSETS AND LIABILITIES	HK\$′000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Non-current assets	466,646	468,910	465,481	490,773	479,716
Current assets	656,696	598,570	614,352	622,379	620,766
TOTAL ASSETS	1,123,342	1,067,480	1,079,833	1,113,152	1,100,482
Current liabilities	206,141	176,039	212,884	241,135	293,069
Non-current liabilities	6,285	6,668	7,094	18,619	1,438
TOTAL LIABILITIES	212,426	182,707	219,978	259,754	294,507
NET ASSETS	910,916	884,773	859,855	853,398	805,975

#### FIXED ASSETS AND INVESTMENT PROPERTY

Details of movements in the fixed assets and investment property of the Group during the year are set out in note 13 to the financial statements.

#### SHARE CAPITAL AND SHARE OPTIONS

There were no movements in either the Company's authorised or issued share capital during the year. Details of the share capital and share options of the Company are set out in notes 26 and 27 to the financial statements, respectively.

#### **PRE-EMPTIVE RIGHTS**

There are no provisions for pre-emptive rights under the Company's bye-laws or the laws of Bermuda which would oblige the Company to offer new shares on a pro rata basis to existing shareholders.

#### PURCHASE, REDEMPTION OR SALE OF LISTED SECURITIES OF THE COMPANY

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, redeemed or sold any of the Company's listed securities during the year.

#### RESERVES

Details of movements in the reserves of the Company and the Group during the year are set out in note 28 to the financial statements and in the consolidated summary statement of changes in equity, respectively.

#### **DISTRIBUTABLE RESERVES**

As at 30 September 2005, the Company's reserves available for distribution, comprising the contributed surplus and retained profits, amounted to HK\$299,361,000. In accordance with the Bermuda Companies Act 1981, the contributed surplus may be distributed in certain circumstances. In addition, the Company's share premium account of HK\$177,325,000 as at 30 September 2005 may be distributed in the form of fully paid bonus shares.

#### **MAJOR CUSTOMERS AND SUPPLIERS**

In the year under review, sales to the Group's five largest customers accounted for 25% of the Group's total sales for the year and sales to the Group's largest customer accounted for 7% of the Group's total sales for the year. Purchases from the Group's five largest suppliers accounted for 16% of the Group's total purchases for the year and purchases from the Group's largest supplier accounted for 4% of the Group's total purchases for the year.

None of the directors of the Company or any of their associates (as defined in the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules")), or any shareholders (which, to the best knowledge of the directors, own more than 5% of the Company's issued share capital) had any beneficial interest in the Group's five largest customers or suppliers.

#### DIRECTORS

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The directors of the Company during the year and up to the date of this report were:

#### **Executive directors:**

Ms. Wong King Ching, Helen (*Chairman*) Mr. Leung Chi Fai Ms. Wong King Man (*Deputy chairman*)

#### Non-executive directors:

Mr. So Day Wing\* Mr. Wong Kim Seong Mr. Wong Kun Kim\* Mr. Kuo Yen Ting\* Ms. Wong Chun Ying Ms. Wong Choi Kam

\* Independent non-executive directors

In accordance with clause 111 of the Company's bye-laws, Mr. So Day Wing and Mr. Wong Kun Kim will retire by rotation and, being eligible, will offer themselves for re-election at the forthcoming annual general meeting.

#### DIRECTORS' AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT'S BIOGRAPHIES

Biographical details of the directors of the Company and the senior management of the Group are set out on pages 8 to 9 of the annual report.

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#### **DIRECTORS' SERVICE CONTRACTS**

Ms. Wong King Ching, Helen, and Mr. Leung Chi Fai entered into service contracts with the Company for an initial term of three years commencing from 1 August 1999 which continues thereafter until terminated by not less than three months' notice in writing served by either party on the other. The Company has extended the service contracts with these directors until 31 July 2006.

Apart from the foregoing, no director proposed for re-election at the forthcoming annual general meeting has a service contract with the Company which is not determinable by the Company within one year without payment of compensation, other than statutory compensation.

The non-executive directors are subject to retirement by rotation in accordance with the Company's bye-laws.

#### **DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN CONTRACTS**

No director had a material interest, either directly or indirectly, in any contract of significance to the business of the Group to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries was a party during the year.

#### DIRECTORS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES

At 30 September 2005, the interests of the directors in the share capital of the Company or its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (the "SFO")), as recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO, or as otherwise notified to the Company and The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Hong Kong Stock Exchange") pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Companies ("Model Code"), were as follows:

#### Long positions in ordinary shares of the Company:

	Number of sh				
	Directly	Through		Percentage of the	
	beneficially	controlled		Company's issued	
	owned	corporation	Total	share capital	
Executive directors:					
Ms. Wong King Ching, Helen					
and Ms. Wong King Man	200,000	400,000,000 (Note 1)	400,200,000	39.4	
Non-executive directors:					
Mr. Wong Kim Seong	50,000,000	_	50,000,000	4.9	
Ms. Wong Choi Kam	_	100,000,000 (Note 2)	100,000,000	9.8	
Mr. Kuo Yen Ting	4,452,000	_	4,452,000	0.4	
	54,652,000	500,000,000	554,652,000	54.5	

#### **DIRECTORS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES** (Continued) Notes:

- 400,000,000 shares are beneficially owned by Farnell Profits Limited, the entire issued share capital of which was previously held by the late Mr. Wong Choi Fung ("Mr. Wong") and currently forms part of the estate of the late Mr. Wong. Ms. Wong King Ching, Helen and Ms. Wong King Man, directors of the Company, are beneficiaries of the said estate, whose interests in the shares of Farnell Profits Limited will not be ascertained until completion of the administration of estate of the late Mr. Wong. 200,000 shares are directly held and owned by Ms. Wong King Ching, Helen.
- 2. These shares are held by Atworth Profits Limited, a company beneficially owned by Ms. Wong Choi Kam.

The interests of the directors in the share options of the Company are separately disclosed in note 27 to the financial statements.

Save as disclosed above, none of the directors had registered an interest or short position in the shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations that was required to be recorded pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO, or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Hong Kong Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code.

#### DIRECTORS' RIGHTS TO ACQUIRE SHARES OR DEBENTURES

Save as disclosed under the heading "Directors' interests and short positions in shares and underlying shares" above and in the share option scheme disclosures in note 27 to the financial statements, at no time during the year were rights to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in or debentures of the Company granted to any directors or their respective spouse or minor children, or were any such rights exercised by them; or was the Company or any of its subsidiaries a party to any arrangement to enable the directors to acquire such rights in any other body corporate.

# SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' AND OTHER PERSONS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES

Save as disclosed under the heading "Directors' interests and short positions in shares and underlying shares" above, no person had registered an interest or short position in the shares or underlying shares of the Company that was required to be recorded pursuant to Section 336 of the SFO.

#### **CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS**

The directors have reviewed the connected transactions as defined under the Listing Rules, as set out in note 33 to the financial statements, and confirmed that such transactions were entered into in compliance with the following conditions:

- (i) The audit committee had reviewed the transactions and confirmed that:
  - (a) the transactions were entered into in the ordinary and usual course of business of the Group;
  - (b) the transactions were entered into on normal commercial terms (to the extent that there were comparable transactions), and (where applicable) in accordance with the terms of the agreements governing such transactions or (where there was no agreement) on terms no less favourable than those available to or from independent third parties;
  - (c) the transactions were entered into on terms that are fair and reasonable so far as the shareholders of the Company are concerned; and
  - (d) the transactions do not exceed the limit set out in (iii)(d) below.
- (ii) Details of the transactions were set out in the Company's annual report and financial statements as set out in Rule 14A. 45(1) to (5) of the Listing Rules;
- (iii) The auditors of the Company have reviewed the transactions and confirmed that:
  - (a) the transactions were approved by the board of directors;
  - (b) the transactions were entered into in accordance with the terms of the agreements relating to the transactions in question;
  - (c) the transactions were entered into in accordance with the pricing policies of the Group; and
  - (d) the aggregate consideration paid or received in respect of the transactions in the financial year reported on did not exceed 3% of the consolidated turnover of the Group as shown in its audited financial statements.

### CODE OF BEST PRACTICE AND MODEL CODE

In the opinion of the directors, the Company complied with the Code of Best Practice (the "Code") as set out in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules throughout the accounting period covered by the annual report, except that the independent non-executive directors of the Company are not appointed for specific terms as required by paragraph 7 of the Code, but are subject to retirement by rotation in accordance with the Company's bye-laws.

The Company has adopted the Model Code as the Company's code of conduct for dealings in securities of the Company by the directors. Based on specific enquiry of the Company's directors, the directors have complied with the required standard set out in the Model Code throughout the accounting period covered by the annual report.

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

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The Company's audit committee was established on 6 August 1999 in accordance with the requirements of the Code for the purposes of reviewing and providing supervision over the financial reporting process and internal controls of the Group. Members of the audit committee at the date of this report comprised Mr. Wong Kun Kim, Mr. So Day Wing and Mr. Kuo Yen Ting, the three independent non-executive directors of the Company. The Group's financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2005 have been reviewed by the audit committee, who are of the opinion that such statements comply with the applicable accounting standards, the Listing Rules and legal requirements, and that adequate disclosures have been made.

#### **AUDITORS**

Ernst & Young retire and a resolution for their reappointment as auditors of the Company will be proposed at the forthcoming annual general meeting.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

**Wong King Ching, Helen** *Chairman* 

Hong Kong 20 January 2006