## **Notes to the Financial Statements**

#### 1. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The unaudited interim accounts have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Accounting Standard 34, "Interim Financial Reporting", issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA") and Appendix 16 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules"). The interim accounts should be read in conjunction with the 2005 annual accounts.

The principal accounting policies and methods of computation used in the preparation of the interim accounts are consistent with those used in the annual accounts for the year ended 30 September 2005 except that the Group has changed certain of its accounting policies following its adoption of new and revised Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards, Hong Kong Accounting Standards and interpretations (collectively "HKFRSs").

The following is a summary of the material changes in the principal accounting policies or presentation of accounts as a result of the adoption of those new or revised HKFRSs. Certain comparative figures have been reclassified to conform with the current period's presentation.

(a) HKAS 1 Presentation of financial statements

The adoption of HKAS 1 has affected certain presentation and disclosures in the financial statements.

# (b) HKAS 40 Investment property

The adoption of revised HKAS 40 has resulted in a change in the accounting policy of which the changes in fair value of investment properties are recognised in the profit and loss account. In previous years, increases in valuation of investment properties were credited to the investment properties revaluation reserve; decreases were first set off against earlier revaluation surpluses on a portfolio basis and thereafter charged to the profit and loss account. The Group has applied the relevant transitional provisions under HKAS 40 and elected to apply HKAS 40 prospectively from 1 October 2005 onwards. As a result, investment properties revaluation reserve as at 1 October 2005 has been transferred to the retained profits. Comparative information has not been restated.

(b) HKAS 40 Investment property (Cont'd) The adoption of HKAS 40 has resulted in:

	2006 HK\$'000
At at 31 March 2006 Increase in retained profits Decrease in investment properties revaluation reserve	1,471,255 (1,471,255)
For the six months ended 31 March 2006 Increase in profit before taxation Increase in basic and diluted earnings per share	180,000 HK\$ 7.20

(c) HK(SIC)-Int 21 Income taxes — Recovery of revalued non-depreciable assets The adoption of Hong Kong (SIC) Interpretation 21 has resulted in a change in the accounting policy relating to the measurement of deferred tax liabilities arising from the revaluation of the Group's leasehold investment properties. Such deferred tax liabilities are measured on the basis of tax consequences that would follow from the recovery of the carrying amount of that asset through use. In prior years, the carrying amount of that asset was expected to be recovered through sale. The change has been applied retrospectively.

The adoption of HK (SIC)-Int 21 has resulted in a decrease in opening reserves at 1 October 2004 of HK\$209,082,000.

	2006 HK\$'000	2005 HK\$'000
As at 31 March 2006 and 30 September Increase in deferred tax liabilities	<b>2005</b> 305,402	273,902
Decrease in investment properties revaluation reserve Decrease in retained profits	- ( 305,402)	( 273,902) -
For the six months ended 31 March 200	06 and 2005	
Increase in deferred tax expense Decrease in profit attributable to	31,500	_
shareholders Decrease in basic and diluted	( 31,500)	_
earnings per share	( HK\$ 1.26)	_

# (d) HKAS 32 Financial instruments: Disclosures and presentation HKAS 39 Financial instruments: Recognition and measurement

The adoption of HKAS 32 and 39 has resulted in a reclassification of unlisted investment to available-for-sale investment and advances to an investee company. Unlisted investment was stated at cost less provision prior to 30 September 2005. Available-for-sale investment is stated at fair value with any changes in fair value in subsequent periods being recognised directly in equity, except for impairment losses which are recognised directly in the profit and loss account. The change has been applied prospectively in accordance with the transitional provisions of HKAS 39.

#### 2. PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activities of the Company are investment holding and property investment in Hong Kong. The activity of the subsidiary company is property investment in Hong Kong.

#### 3. SEGMENT INFORMATION

		2006 HK\$'000	2005 HK\$'000
(a)	<b>Turnover</b> Property investment	40,740	35,512
(b)	Contribution to operating profit Property investment	26,604	21,586

Turnover represents gross rental and service income from investment properties.

As the Group's principal business is property investment in Hong Kong, an analysis of the Group's turnover and profit by business and geographical segments has not been presented.

## 4. OPERATING PROFIT

Operating profit is stated after crediting and charging the following:

	2006 HK\$'000	2005 HK\$'000
Crediting:	,	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Interest income	761	44
Charging:		
Depreciation	17	27
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5. TAXATION		
	2006	2005
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Company and subsidiary company		
Hong Kong profits tax	4,450	3,702
Deferred taxation	31,584	87
	36,034	3,789

Hong Kong profits tax has been provided at the rate of 17.5% (2005: 17.5%) on the estimated assessable profits for the period.

The taxation on the Group's profit before taxation differs from the theoretical amount that would arise using the taxation rate of Hong Kong as follows:

	H	2006 K\$'000	Н	2005 K\$'000
Profit before taxation	2	206,599		21,590
Calculated at a tax rate of 17.5%  Tax effect on net income that is not taxable		36,155		3,778
in determining taxable profit	(	132)	(	8)
Others		11		19
Taxation charge		36,034		3,789

#### 6. INTERIM DIVIDEND

	2006	2005
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Interim dividend of HK\$0.70		
(2005: HK\$0.50) per share	<u>17,500</u>	12,500

#### 7. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The calculation of basic earnings per share is based on the profit attributable to shareholders of HK\$170,565,000 (2005: HK\$17,801,000) and the 25,000,000 shares in issue throughout the period.

Diluted earnings per share equals basic earnings per share because there were no potential dilutive shares outstanding during the period.

## 8. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES, PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Net book value at	Investment properties HK\$'000	Property, plant and equipment HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
30 September 2004	1,322,600	173	1,322,773
Additions	_	17	17
Revaluation surplus	220,100	_	220,100
Depreciation		( 27)	( 27)
Net book value at 31 March 2005	1,542,700	163	1,542,863
Net book value at 30 September 2005 Changes in fair value Depreciation	1,693,000 180,000	140 - ( <u>17</u> )	1,693,140 180,000 ( <u>17</u> )
Net book value at 31 March 2006	_1,873,000	123	1,873,123

The investment properties are held under long leases (over 50 years) in Hong Kong and were revalued on 31 March 2006 on an open market value basis by CS Surveyors Limited.

## 9. INVESTMENT IN AND ADVANCES TO AN INVESTEE COMPANY

	31 March 2006 HK\$'000	30 September 2005 HK\$'000
Unlisted shares, at cost	_	143
Advances	_	29,605
Less: Provision	_	( 29,747)
Unlisted investment		1
Reclassified on adoption of HKAS 39	1	( 1)
Available-for-sale investment	1	
Advances to an investee company	29,605	_
Less: Impairment	( 29,605)	_
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The advances to an investee company are unsecured, interest free and have no specific repayment terms.

# 10. DEBTORS, DEPOSITS AND PREPAYMENTS

	31 March 2006	30 September 2005
Trade debtors	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Below 60 days	2,587	2,456
61 to 90 days	342	242
Over 90 days	344	272
	3,273	2,970
Deposits and prepayments	2,582	2,721
	5,855	5,691

Trade debtors represent rental income which is due one month in advance.

### 11. CREDITORS, ACCRUALS AND DEPOSITS

	31 March	30 September
	2006	2005
Trade creditors	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Below 60 days	705	908
Accruals and deposits	17,710	15,745
	18,415	16,653

# Interim Dividend

The Board declares an interim dividend of HK\$0.70 per share (2005: HK\$0.50 per share) for the year ending 30 September 2006. The register of members will be closed from 17 July to 19 July 2006, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be registered. Dividend warrants will be posted to shareholders by 24 July 2006.

# Chairman's Business Review

The Group's investment properties, Melbourne Plaza at 33 Queen's Road Central and Kimley Commercial Building at 142-146 Queen's Road Central, continued to generate steady rental income. Melbourne Plaza attained 87% occupancy while Kimley Commercial Building was 89% leased. Rents have moved upwards compared with last corresponding period. Occupancy rates have surged despite stiff competition in Central's rental market. While stable earnings are maintained, moderate growth can be expected for the whole year.

The project involving property development and golf club operations in Foshan China of which the Group has an equity interest continues to operate without any immediate plan for property development.