

The directors submit their report together with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2006.



#### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES AND ANALYSIS OF OPERATIONS

The Company is engaged in investment holding as well as the operation and management of restaurants. Its subsidiaries are engaged in the operation of restaurants and bakeries.



An analysis of the Group's performance for the year by business segments is set out in note 5 to the financial statements.

#### **RESULTS AND APPROPRIATIONS**

The results of the Group for the year are set out in the consolidated profit and loss account on page 26.

The directors recommend a final dividend of HK8 cents (2005: HK5 cents) per ordinary share, which together with the interim dividend of HK1 cent (2005: HK1 cent) plus a special dividend of HK2 cents (2005: HK4 cents) per ordinary share paid on 25 January 2006 makes a total dividend of HK11 cents (2005: HK10 cents) per ordinary share for the financial year ended 31 March 2006. Subject to approval by the shareholders at the Annual General Meeting on 21 September 2006, the final dividend will be payable on or about 27 October 2006 to shareholders whose names appear in the register of members on 21 September 2006.

#### **RESERVES**

Movements in the reserves of the Company and the Group during the year are set out in note 27 to the financial statements.

Distributable reserves of the Company at 31 March 2006, calculated under section 79B of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance, amounted to HK\$191,173,563 (2005: HK\$201,281,063).

#### **DONATIONS**

Donations made for charitable purposes by the Group during the year amounted to HK\$258,000 (2005: HK\$187,888).

### PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Details of the movements in property, plant and equipment of the Company and of the Group are set out in note 13 to the financial statements.

### **SUBSIDIARIES**

Details of the Company's principal subsidiaries as at 31 March 2006 are set out in note 33 to the financial statements.

### **SHARE CAPITAL**

Details of the share capital of the Company are set out in note 24 to the financial statements.





# **SHARE OPTIONS**

(1) Share option scheme of Hong Kong Catering Management Limited ("HKCM Scheme")

The requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules") on share option scheme invalidated HKCM Scheme on 1 September 2001 and no further share option has since been granted. Further details of HKCM Scheme as required to be disclosed under Rule 17.09 of the Listing Rules have not been included as, in the opinion of the Board, the information is obsolete and of no more value.

During the year, there was no movement of share options previously granted under HKCM Scheme ("HKCM Options") and the details of HKCM Options that remained unexercised are summarized below:

					Number of HKCM Options At 1 April 2005 and 31 March 2006			
		Everei	se period					
Participants	Grant date	Exercise period		EXEIGISE			Exercise price	
- articipants	Grant date	110111	10	HK\$				
A director of the Com	pany							
Chan Ka Lai, Joseph	30 August 2001	1 October 2001	30 September 2011	0.48	1,000,000			
	30 August 2001	1 March 2002	30 September 2011	0.48	1,000,000			
	30 August 2001	1 September 2002	30 September 2011	0.48	1,000,000			
				Total	3,000,000			
Continuous contract	30 August 2001	1 March 2002	30 September 2011	0.48	175,000			
employees	30 August 2001	1 September 2002	30 September 2011	0.48	175,000			
				Total	350,000			
				Grand total	3,350,000			



#### **SHARE OPTIONS** (continued)

# (2) Share option scheme of Saint Honore Holdings Limited ("SHHL Scheme")

As SHHL Scheme no longer fulfils certain requirements of the Listing Rules on share option scheme, it was invalidated on 1 September 2001 and no further share option has since been granted under SHHL Scheme. Further details of SHHL Scheme as required under Rule 17.09 of the Listing Rules have not been included as, in the opinion of the Board, the information is obsolete and of no more value.



During the year, the details of movements of share options previously granted under SHHL Scheme ("SHHL Options") are summarized below:

					Numb	er of SHHL Opt	ions
	Grant date	Exercise period		Exercise	At 1 April	Exercised during	At 31 March
Participant		From	То	price HK\$	2005	2005 the year (Note)	2006
A director of SHHL	15 January 2001	1 May 2001	31 May 2010	0.50	1,000,000	(1,000,000)	_
	15 January 2001	1 May 2002	31 May 2010	0.50	1,000,000	(800,000)	200,000
	31 August 2001	1 March 2002	30 September 2011	0.55	300,000	-	300,000
	31 August 2001	1 September 2002	30 September 2011	0.55	300,000		300,000
				Total	2,600,000	(1,800,000)	800,000

#### Note:

There were 1,800,000 SHHL Options exercised on 5 August 2005 and the closing price of the shares of SHHL immediately before the date of exercise was HK\$2.60 per share.

### BANK LOANS, OVERDRAFTS AND OTHER BORROWINGS

Neither the Company nor the Group had any outstanding bank loans, overdrafts or other borrowings subsisted at 31 March 2006 and 31 March 2005.

# **FIVE-YEAR FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

A summary of the results and of the assets and liabilities of the Group for the last 5 financial years is set out on page 70.

## **PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF SHARES**

The Company had not redeemed any of its shares during the year and neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries had purchased or sold any of the Company's shares during the year.





### **DIRECTORS**

The directors during the year were:



#### **Executive directors**

Mr. Chan Wai Cheung, Glenn, Chairman

Mr. Chan Ka Lai, Joseph, Managing Director

Mrs. Chan King Catherine

Mr. Chiu Wai

Mr. Shum Wing Hon

Ms. Wong Tsui Yue, Lucy

# Independent non-executive directors

Mr. Cassam Soliman Gooljarry

Mrs. Fung Yeh Yi Hao, Yvette

Mr. Chan Ip Sing, Evans

(alternate to Mrs. Fung Yeh Yi Hao, Yvette)

Dr. Kwok Lok Wai, William

In accordance with Articles 77 to 79 of the Company's Articles of Association, Mr. Chan Ka Lai, Joseph, Mrs. Chan King Catherine and Mr. Chiu Wai shall retire at the forthcoming annual general meeting but, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

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

The service contracts entered into between the Company and the independent non-executive directors ("INEDs") continue annually unless they are terminated by either party with at least one month written notice in advance.

No director has a service contract with the Company or any of its subsidiaries which is not determinable by the employing company within one year without payment of compensation (other than statutory compensation).

Separate annual confirmations of independence pursuant to Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules have been received from all the INEDs.

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

Save as disclosed in section headed "Connected Transactions" below, no contracts of significance in relation to the Group's business to which the Company, its subsidiaries or its fellow subsidiaries was a party and in which a director of the Company had a material interest, whether directly or indirectly, subsisted at the end of the year or at any time during the year.

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

At 31 March 2006, the following directors and chief executives of the Company had interests or short positions in the shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company and its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (the "SFO")) which were required (a) to be notified to the Company and The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests or short positions which each of them has taken or deemed to have taken under the provisions of the SFO); or (b) pursuant to section 352 of the SFO, to be entered into the register referred to therein; or (c) pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code") to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange:



# DIRECTORS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURES (continued)

Number of



	Name of director	Number of ordinary shares held			underlying ordinary shares held under	Total number of shares interested or deemed to	
Name of company		Personal interest (Note a)	Family interest	Trust interest	equity derivatives	be interested (long position)	Percentage of shareholding %
The Company	Chan Wai Cheung, Glenn	-	-	186,224,609 (Note b)	-	186,224,609	56.61
	Chan King Catherine	-	186,224,609 (Note b)	-	-	186,224,609	56.61
	Chan Ka Lai, Joseph	1,200,000	-	186,224,609 (Note c)	3,000,000 (Note d)	190,424,609	57.89
	Chiu Wai	112,000	-	-	-	112,000	0.03
	Wong Tsui Yue, Lucy	100,000	-	-	-	100,000	0.03
SHHL	Chan Wai Cheung, Glenn	-	-	155,223,250 (Note e)	-	155,223,250	72.75
	Chan King Catherine	-	155,223,250 (Note f)	-	-	155,223,250	72.75
	Chan Ka Lai, Joseph	182,000	-	155,223,250 (Note c)	-	155,405,250	72.84
	Chiu Wai	28,000	-	-	-	28,000	0.01

#### Notes:

- a. These shares are held by the directors as beneficial owners.
- b. These shares are directly held by Well-Positioned Corporation ("Well-Positioned"), a company beneficially owned by a trust established for the benefit of the family members of Mr. Chan Wai Cheung, Glenn and Mrs. Chan King Catherine. Mr. Chan Wai Cheung, Glenn and Mrs. Chan King Catherine are interested in these shares in the capacity of the founder of the trust and the spouse of founder respectively.
- c. Mr. Chan Ka Lai, Joseph, being the eligible beneficiary of the family trust established by Mr. Chan Wai Cheung, Glenn, is also deemed to be interested in these shares held by Well-Positioned.
- d. These are underlying shares in respect of the share options granted by the Company, the details of which are stated in the section "Share Options". The aforesaid interest is held by Mr. Chan Ka Lai, Joseph as beneficial owner.





# DIRECTORS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND **DEBENTURES** (continued)

Notes: (continued)

Being the founder of the trust, Mr. Chan Wai Cheung, Glenn has trust interest in SHHL shares held by the following means:

	Number of SHHL shares held
SHHL shares directly held by Well-Positioned as beneficial owner	37,195,152
SHHL shares held by Well-Positioned through its wholly owned subsidiary, Albion Agents Limited	118,028,098
	155,223,250

Mrs. Chan King Catherine, being the spouse of Mr. Chan Wai Cheung, Glenn, is also deemed to be interested in SHHL shares held by Well-Positioned.

Save as disclosed above, at 31 March 2006, none of the directors or chief executives of the Company had interests or short positions in the shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company and its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) which were required (a) to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests or short positions which each of them has taken or deemed to have taken under the provisions of the SFO); or (b) pursuant to section 352 of the SFO, to be entered into the register referred to therein; or (c) pursuant to the Model Code to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange.

# SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES AND **UNDERLYING SHARES**

At 31 March 2006, according to the register of interests kept by the Company under section 336 of the SFO, and so far as was known to the directors or chief executives of the Company, the following persons, other than directors or chief executives of the Company, had an interest or short position in the shares or underlying shares which would require to be disclosed by the Company under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, or who was directly or indirectly interested in 5% or more of the nominal value of any class of share capital carrying rights to vote in all circumstances at general meeting of the Company.

Name of substantial shareholders	Number of ordinary shares held	Capacity	Percentage of shareholding %
Well-Positioned (Note a) DJE Investment S.A. (Note b)	186,224,609	Beneficial owner	56.61
	19,984,000	Beneficial owner	6.07

#### Notes:

- Well-Positioned is a wholly owned subsidiary held by a trust established by Mr. Chan Wai Cheung, Glenn for the benefit of the family members of Mr. Chan Wai Cheung, Glenn and Mrs. Chan King Catherine.
- b. DJE Investment S.A. is 81% controlled by Dr. Jens Ehrhardt Kapital AG which in turn is 83.5% controlled by Dr. Jens Alfred Karl Ehrhardt.

Save as disclosed above, at 31 March 2006, the directors and the chief executives of the Company are not aware of any other person who had an interest or short position in the shares or underlying shares which would require to be disclosed under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, or who was directly or indirectly interested in 5% or more of the nominal value of any class of share capital carrying rights to vote in all circumstances at general meeting of the Company.





# SUFFICIENCY OF PUBLIC FLOAT

To the best knowledge of the Board, there are 25% or more of the listed issued share capital of the Company being held in public hands at 21 July 2006, being the latest practicable date prior to printing of this report.

#### **CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS**

- (1) On 9 June 2004, the Company entered into a supply agreement, sub-leasing agreement, distribution agreement and administration agreement with SHHL and its subsidiaries (the "SHHL Group") to formalize the continuing connected transactions between the Group other than SHHL Group (the "HKCM Group") and the SHHL group in compliance with the requirements of Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules. All the agreements carry a fixed term of 3 years and are deemed to have commenced on 1 April 2004. The continuing connected transactions under the distribution agreement and the administration agreement are exempted from further reporting requirements under the Listing Rules.
- (2) Details of the continuing connected transactions conducted during the fiscal year under the supply agreement and sub-leasing agreement (the "Transactions") are as follows:

	2006 <i>HK</i> \$	2005 <i>HK</i> \$
Purchases of bakery and related products (Note a) Rental income in respect of land and buildings (Note b)	8,269,762 1,504,419	5,920,984 1,597,979

#### Notes:

- a. Purchases of bakery and related products were charged at prices and terms determined by reference to those charged to independent customers of the SHHL Group.
- b. Rental income was reimbursed at costs in respect of certain leased premises on the basis of area occupied and the relevant rent.
- (3) The INEDs of the Company have reviewed the Transactions and have confirmed that the Transactions have been entered into:
  - (i) in the ordinary and usual course of its business;
  - (ii) on normal commercial terms; and
  - (iii) in accordance with the relevant agreements governing such transactions on terms that are fair and reasonable and in the interests of the shareholders of the Company as a whole.
- (4) We have received a letter from the Company's auditors confirming that the Transactions:
  - (i) have received the approval of the Board;
  - (ii) are in accordance with the pricing policies of the Group;
  - (iii) have been entered into in accordance with the relevant agreements governing the Transactions; and
  - (iv) have not exceeded the cap of HK\$10 million as disclosed in the announcement previously made on 16 June 2004.





# **MANAGEMENT CONTRACTS**

No contracts concerning the management and administration of the whole or any substantial part of the business of the Company were entered into or existed during the year.

## **MAJOR CUSTOMERS AND SUPPLIERS**

During the year, the Group purchased less than 30% of its goods and services from its 5 largest suppliers and sold less than 30% of its goods and services to its 5 largest customers.

#### **AUDITORS**

The financial statements have been audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers who retire and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-appointment.

On behalf of the Board

# Chan Wai Cheung, Glenn

Chairman

Hong Kong, 17 July 2006