

FRANSHION PROPERTIES (CHINA) LIMITED (Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability) Stock code : 00817

## Interim Report 2008



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#### Six months ended 30 June

	2008 (Unaudited)	2007 (Restated) (Unaudited)	Percentage change
	HK\$ million	HK\$ million	(%)
Revenue Profit attributable to equity holders of the Company Profit attributable to equity holders of the Company (excluded fair value gains on investment properties	870.3 937.0	97.0 119.8	797% 682%
net of deferred tax)	302.2	106.2	185%
Earnings per share – basic (HK cents)	19.06	16.49	16%

	As at	As at	
	30 June 2008	31 December 2007	Percentage
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)	change
	HK\$ million	HK\$ million	(%)
Total assets	21,515.6	17,619.1	22%
Equity attributable to equity holders of the Company	9,863.0	8,613.8	15%

## Revenue (HK\$ million)



## Profit attributable to equity holders of the Company (HK\$ million)



1st half of 2007 1st half of 2008

## Dear Shareholders,

On behalf of the board of directors of Franshion Properties (China) Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (the "Group"), I am pleased to present the interim results of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2008 for your review.

During the period under review, profit attributable to equity holders of the Company amounted to HK\$937.0 million, representing an increase of 682% over the same period of last year. Basic earnings per share was HK19.06 cents, representing an increase of 16% over the same period of last year. Profit attributable to equity holders of the Company excluding fair value gains on investment properties, net of deferred tax, amounted to HK\$302.2 million, representing an increase of 185% over the same period of last year. The board of directors of the Company did not recommend the payment of any interim dividend.

In the first half of 2008, the turmoil of the global financial market, increasing inflation pressure and the slacken global economy growth exposed China's economy to difficult challenges. Nevertheless, the Group considered that the fundamental factors for the economic growth of China did not change. The PRC economy, including the property sector, is still expected to experience a rapid growth for quite a long time. On the contrary, the consolidation of the industry and appropriate adjustment will promote the maturity and rationality of the PRC property market, which is beneficial to the healthy growth of the industry in a long term.

During the short term difficult times faced by the PRC real estate industry, especially the residential property sector due to the implementation of austerity measures, the emergence of the commercial property sector, particularly the high-end commercial property, showed a good prospect of the market. The healthy regional economy of China's first-tier cities, in particular Beijing and Shanghai which established a good foundation for the development of commercial property. The continual robust demand for offices, especially high-end offices from tenants supported the upward trend of the rents of high-end offices. In addition, with less projects that can be acquired in the commercial area of first-tier cities, market value of high-end offices still have much room for appreciation.

During the period under review, all business sectors of the Group attained good results. With respect to property development, sales of Beijing Chemsunny World Trade Centre achieved remarkable performance. The Zhuhai Every Garden project also recorded satisfactory pre-sales amount. The six riverfront office buildings of the Shanghai Gaoyang International Passenger Transport Centre project have capped the roofs and the construction of other buildings progressed smoothly. The Group also acquired the land use right for a central parcel of land situated in Huishan Dock on the North Bund of Hongkou District along the Huangpu river of Shanghai, and it planned to integrate the development of the land with the Eastern Site of Huishan Dock Project which is currently under preparation for construction work. For property operation, the occupancy rate of Beijing Chemsunny World Trade Centre grew significantly and that of Sinochem Tower maintained at a relatively high level. With respect to hotel operation, Wangfujing Grand Hotel grasped the opportunities brought by the meetings of the NPC and CPPCC and the Olympic Games to boost occupancy rate and rental income.

In the coming half year, the Group will complete as soon as possible the acquisition of equity interests in China Jin Mao (Group) Company Limited ("Jin Mao Group") and Shanghai Yin Hui Property Development Company Limited ("Shanghai Yin Hui"). With the completion of acquisitions in high grade projects, the existing real properties development, property management and hotel businesses will undergo further consolidation effectively to achieve better synergies in resources sharing, cost control and quality assurance. This will not only enhance the overall competitiveness but also greatly improve the operating and financial performance of the Group.

Looking ahead, I have every confidence in the prospects of the commercial property market in the PRC and that of the Group. The Group will leverage on the advantage of various financing methods in the PRC and Hong Kong to ensure sufficient funds for the development of the property business of the Group. The Group will also continue to pursue the strategic objective of "developing and holding quality commercial properties in first-tier cities and prime locations" to strengthen the Group's leading position in the PRC commercial property market.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to take this opportunity to express our sincere gratitude to all our shareholders, customers, management and employees. I wish we will continue to receive steadfast support from all our shareholders and customers, and that our management and employees will continue to strive for even more outstanding results.

**PAN Zhengyi** Chairman

Hong Kong, 8 September 2008

#### **OVERVIEW**

The Group is a developer and investor of large-scale and quality real estate projects in the PRC, with an emphasis on commercial real estate. For the six months ended 30 June 2008, profit attributable to equity holders of the Company amounted to HK\$937.0 million, an increase of 682% compared with HK\$119.8 million in the same period of 2007. Profit attributable to equity holders excluding fair value gains on investment properties, net of deferred tax, amounted to HK\$302.2 million, an increase of 185% compared with HK\$106.2 million in the same period of 2007.

## **BUSINESS REVIEW**

#### Market Review

In the first half of 2008, although China faced difficulties and challenges from the domestic and global markets, the general PRC economy maintained a stable and rapid growth. The central government continued to implement a sound fiscal policy and a tight monetary policy, which included regulation on rural collective constructional land, introduction of housing security system, and austerity measures and related tax policies on real estate industry such as regulating loans of housing accumulation fund. At the same time, the People's Bank of China also applied its tight monetary policy by continually raising the deposit reserve ratio. According to the statistics published by the National Bureau of Statistics of China, the GDP of China was RMB13 trillion in the first half of 2008, representing an increase of 10.4% over the same period of last year but a decrease of 1.8% in growth rate. The consumer price index dropped from the highest of 8.5% in the first half to 7.1% in June 2008. The slow down of the rapid growth rate of China's economy and the decline of consumer price index from high level showed the success of the austerity measures of the central government and that the economy of China is developing as targeted.

The above statistics also indicated that the per capita disposable income of urban residents in the first half of 2008 increased 14.4% over the same period of 2007. According to the information published by the People's Bank of China, Renminbi deposit balance of domestic financial institutions amounted to RMB44 trillion, representing an 18.8% rise compared with the corresponding period of last year, of which RMB2.2 trillion deposits was from individuals.

Although the transaction volume of urban housing in the first half of 2008 was lower than the same period of 2007, the sale price increased significantly. According to the statistics published by the National Bureau of Statistics of China, in the first half of 2008, the sale price of urban housing in 70 medium and large cities in China rose 10.2% over the same period of last year, representing an increase of 4.2% in growth rate. The healthy overall economy and the higher income of people drove the demand for housing and supported the stability of the real estate market. Among the entire market, high-end commercial properties in first-tier cities of China were less affected by the austerity measures of the state which showed a robust demand and supply with prices going up and became the focus of the capital market. In the long term, high-end commercial property market will still have enormous appreciation potential as it enjoys the advantage of regional economic development and limited supply. Meanwhile, the good momentum of the overall domestic economy motivated the travel industry and maintained the steady growth of the hotel sector in the PRC, which fuelled up local economic growth.

#### **Corporate Business Review**

During the reporting period, the three principal business sectors, property development, property operation and hotel operation of the Group made smooth progress.

#### Property Development

#### Site B of the Shanghai Gaoyang International Passenger Transport Centre Project

Located along the 880-meter stretch of the western bank of the Huangpu river, the complex is adjacent to the Bund, in close proximity to two Shanghai Metro lines and directly across the river from the Oriental Pearl TV Tower. The Shanghai Gaoyang International Passenger Transport Centre is a major project for the Shanghai Municipal Government and is designed to be an integrated commercial area comprising a cruise terminal and business offices in the heart of Shanghai city.

The project will be divided into two parts: one on Site A, and the other on Site B. The Group holds a 50% economic interest in the Site B developments. Developments on Site B will include nine office buildings (the two original serviced apartment buildings have been converted into office buildings), a music and cultural centre and an art gallery. Site B of the Shanghai Gaoyang International Passenger Transport Centre project occupies a total area of approximately 85,089 square metres. Upon completion, Site B will comprise a total gross floor area of approximately 302,080 square metres. Construction on this site began in May 2004 and progress has met the expected target.

As at 30 June 2008, the six riverfront office buildings have capped the roofs and were installing external curtain walls. The main structure of the art gallery was completed and bridge trestle was being installed. Other buildings have completed concrete placing and construction was progressing smoothly.

Currently, the Company's interest in Site B of the Shanghai Gaoyang International Passenger Transport Centre project is held through its 50%-owned subsidiary Shanghai Pudong Jinxin Real Estate Development Co., Ltd. ("Shanghai Pudong Jinxin"). Pursuant to our contractual arrangements, the Group owns a 50% economic interest in Site B of the Shanghai Gaoyang International Passenger Transport Centre project.

#### Sites of Huishan Dock Project

The project is located in the North Bund of Hongkou District, Shanghai, directly across the river from the area of Lujiazui, Pudong. The west side of the site is adjacent to Shanghai Gaoyang International Passenger Transport Centre, together they form a coastal area that doubled the length of the bund. The project is designed to realize the core functions and the economies of scale of the shipping service industry, and to achieve synergies of international shipping enterprises. The zone will be used for offices, commercial purposes, conventions, hotels and apartment hotels, with all the facilities including the yacht harbour. The entire project comprises the Eastern Site, the Western Site, and the Central Site.

The Group acquired the land use right of the Eastern Site of the project in 2007, with an area of 35,210 square metres. Upon completion, the development is expected to have a total gross floor area of approximately 200,000 square metres. In March 2008, the Group acquired the land use rights of the Central Site of the project, with an area of 19,039 square metres. Pursuant to the non-competition undertaking signed by the Company and Sinochem Corporation on 6 July 2007 (the "Non-competition Undertaking"), Sinochem Corporation has granted to the Group an option to acquire its 50% interests in Shanghai Yin Hui. Upon the completion of acquisition of 50% interests in Shanghai Yin Hui, the Group will obtain the land use right of the Western Site of the project, with an area of 43,172 square metres held by Shanghai Yin Hui.

The Group planned to consolidate the development of the Eastern, Western and Central Sites and is optimizing various comprehensive design proposals of the project. Upon completion, the project will comprise a total gross floor area of approximately 584,000 square metres. The preparation work of the Eastern Site of Huishan Dock Project is doing well currently and a sunshine survey has been completed. Clearing up of the construction site of the Eastern Site of Huishan Dock Project is in progress.

Currently, the Company's 50% economic interest in the Eastern and Central Sites of the Huishan Dock project is held through its 50%-owned subsidiary, Shanghai Huigang Real Estate Development Co., Ltd ("Huigang Real Estate").

## Zhuhai Every Garden Project

The Zhuhai Every Garden project is located on the eastern side of Zhuhai's harbour, on the coast of the South China Sea, with beautiful views of the ocean on one side and mountains on the other. It comprises of a complex of thirteen 8 to 31-storey residential apartment buildings. The project has a land area of approximately 43,499 square metres and a total gross floor area of approximately 136,339 square metres. The Group expects to construct approximately 728 apartment units, 80% of which will have floor areas ranging between 80 and 150 square metres each. The remaining units are expected to have floor areas of more than 150 square metres each. The Group also expects to develop approximately 713 car parking spaces.

Construction of the Zhuhai Every Garden project began in June 2006, and is expected to be completed in the second half of 2008. Zhuhai Every Garden was open for pre-sale in July 2007 and received good market response. As at 30 June 2008, the Group has altogether pre-sold 574 units, which comprised a gross floor area of approximately 79,574 square metres and represented 77% of the total saleable area.

In the first half of 2008, the second phase of the Zhuhai Every Garden project was offered for pre-sale. As at 30 June 2008, 110 units were offered and 68 units were pre-sold, which represented 62% of the units offered for pre-sale.

Currently, the Company's 100% interest in Zhuhai Every Garden project is held through its 100%-owned subsidiary, Sinochem Franshion Real Estate (Zhuhai) Co., Ltd. ("Franshion Zhuhai").

#### **Beijing Chemsunny World Trade Centre Project**

The development project is located on Fuxingmen Nei Street in Beijing, adjacent to the Financial Street - which is just less than ten minutes walk from two subway lines and one block to the west of the Second Ring Road. Beijing Chemsunny World Trade Centre was named as one of the Beijing Municipal Government's key construction projects, consisting of three parallel and interconnected 14-storey office buildings, divided into the East, Central and West Towers. The project occupies a land area of approximately 21,659 square meters and a total gross floor area of approximately 193,936 square meters. Construction of the Beijing Chemsunny World Trade Centre commenced in April 2004 and the major construction was completed in December 2006. The Central and West Towers of the Beijing Chemsunny World Trade Centre are intended to be held as the Group's long-term investment available for lease, while the East Tower is available for sale by floor.

Pre-sale of the East Tower commenced in October 2006. As at 30 June 2008, out of the total gross floor area of 44,939 square metres of the offices at the Eastern Tower, 36,917 square metres and 59 parking spaces had been sold. Among which, approximately 12,436 square metres were sold in the first half of 2008.

Currently, the Company's 100% interest in Beijing Chemsunny World Trade Centre is held through its 100%-owned subsidiary, Beijing Chemsunny Property Company Limited ("Beijing Chemsunny").

## Leasing of Properties and Property Services

The Group consolidated the property operation business in the reporting period and divided and reorganized the property leasing and services business of the subsidiaries of the Group to enhance professionalism and achieve optimization on resources sharing.

As at 30 June 2008, the carrying value of investment properties held by the Group was approximately HK\$6,156.1 million, which is stated at fair value according to the Group's accounting policy. Investment properties of the Group mainly comprise Beijing Chemsunny World Trade Centre and Sinochem Tower.

#### Leasing business of Beijing Chemsunny World Trade Centre

According to the Group's strategy of achieving a balanced revenue profile, the Group will hold the Central and West Towers of Beijing Chemsunny World Trade Centre for long-term investment. The total leaseable area of the Central and West Towers is approximately 102,739 square metres.

As at 30 June 2008, occupancy rate of the Central and West Towers of Beijing Chemsunny World Trade Centre was 94.2% (30 June 2007: not applicable). The principal tenants were Sinochem Corporation and its related companies, and other eminent enterprises in the finance, real estate and consultancy industries.

#### Leasing business of Sinochem Tower

Situated in the heart of Beijing on Fuxingmen Wai Street, in the Xicheng District and within Beijing's financial district, Sinochem Tower is a 26-storey office building in the neighbourhood of well-known landmarks such as the Forbidden City, Tiananmen Square and Zhongnanhai. Sinochem Tower was constructed on a site area of approximately 5,833 square metres. The office building contains a gross floor area of approximately 49,066 square metres. Approximately 30,365 square metres of gross floor area are designated as office space and approximately 15,005 square metres of gross floor area are designated as retail space.

As at 30 June 2008, occupancy rate of Sinochem Tower was 95.1% (30 June 2007: 99.8%). The principal tenants are eminent enterprises in the finance, software, and consultancy industries and the related companies of the Group.

Currently, the Company's 100% interest in Sinochem Tower is held through its 100%-owned subsidiary, Sinochem International Property & Hotels Management Co., Ltd. ("Sinochem Property Management").

#### **Property Services Business**

The Company currently provides property management services through its 100%-owned subsidiaries Sinochem Property Management and Beijing Century Chemsunny Property Management Co., Ltd. for not less than six properties with more than 1.1 million square metres of gross floor area, including Sinochem Tower and Beijing Chemsunny World Trade Centre.

The Group's property service business had a smooth and steady performance throughout the reporting period. The consolidated property service business of the Group further strengthened the operation of our integrated value chain of real estate development, and improved the brand advantage and asset value of the Group. Looking ahead, the Group expects that the property management business will bring more direct and indirect gains for the Group.

#### Hotel Operations

Wangfujing Grand Hotel is located at the north of Wangfujing Street, Beijing's main commercial and shopping area. It is also within walking distance of the Forbidden City, Tiananmen Square and Beihai Park. The Wangfujing Grand Hotel attracts both leisure and business travellers due to its convenient location. In particular, it has established business relationships with a number of multinational companies which form a substantial base of its business.

Wangfujing Grand Hotel was opened in 1995. This 14-storey building has 405 rooms as well as a number of conference rooms, food and beverage outlets and other facilities. The hotel is constructed on a site area of 9,858 square metres, and has a total gross floor area of approximately 41,349 square metres.

The average occupancy rate of Wangfujing Grand Hotel as at 30 June 2008 was 70.1% (30 June 2007: 72.6%).

Currently, the Company's 100% interest in the Wangfujing Grand Hotel is held through its 100%-owned subsidiary, Wangfujing Hotel Management Company Limited ("Wangfujing Hotel Management").

#### Land Bank

On 31 March 2008, the Group entered into a land use right grant contract with Shanghai Municipal Housing, Land And Resource Administration Bureau to acquire a central parcel of land situated in Huishan Dock on the North Bund of Hongkou District, Shanghai. The site has an area of 19,039 square metres, and the planned above-ground gross floor area of the site is 73,790 square metres.

#### **Acquisition options**

Pursuant to the Non-competition Undertaking, Sinochem Corporation has granted to the Group options to acquire its 54.87% interests in Jin Mao Group, its 15% interests in China Shimao Investment Company Limited ("Shimao Investment") and the 55% interests in Shanghai Yin Hui held by Sinochem Hong Kong (Group) Company Limited ("Sinochem Hong Kong").

On 22 April 2008, the Independent Board Committee of the Company unanimously resolved to exercise the options to acquire Sinochem Corporation's 54.87% interest in Jin Mao Group and 50% indirect interest in Shanghai Yin Hui, but not to exercise the option to acquire Sinochem Corporation's 15% interest in Shimao Investment.

On 5 June 2008, the Company, Sinochem Corporation and Sinochem Hong Kong entered into an acquisition agreement pursuant to which the Company has agreed to acquire, and Sinochem Hong Kong has agreed to sell, its entire interest in Wise Pine Limited (which represents a 54.87% attributable interest in Jin Mao Group) for a total consideration of RMB6,035.8 million (equivalent to approximately HK\$6,791.2 million). On the same day, the Company entered into seven other acquisition agreements with each of the seven other shareholders ("Other Shareholder ") of Wise Pine Limited to acquire such Other Shareholder's entire interest in Wise Pine Limited, which in aggregate represents a 45.13% attributable interest in Jin Mao Group, for a total consideration of RMB4,964.2 million (equivalent to approximately HK\$5,585.5 million). Pursuant to the agreements, the Company will acquire the 100% interests in Jin Mao Group for an aggregate consideration of RMB1,000 million (equivalent to approximately HK\$12,376.7 million), which will be satisfied by the Company in cash and the allotment and issue of consideration shares, to Sinochem Hong Kong and each Other Shareholder. Among which, RMB4,421.3 million (equivalent to approximately HK\$4,974.6 million), representing approximately 40% of the aggregate consideration, will be paid by cash and RMB6,578.7 million (equivalent to approximately HK\$7,402.1 million), representing approximately 60% of the aggregate consideration, will be paid by allotting and issuing consideration shares at a price of HK\$3.43 per share (a total of approximately 2,158 million consideration shares).

During the extraordinary shareholders' general meeting of the Company held on 18 July 2008, the resolution regarding the acquisition of 100% interests in Jin Mao Group was passed. The acquisition has not yet been completed.

The Company is undergoing negotiations with Sinochem Corporation in relation to the acquisition of the 50% interests in Shanghai Yin Hui held by Sinochem Corporation to complete the acquisition of the interests in Shanghai Yin Hui held by Sinochem Hong Kong, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Sinochem Corporation, as soon as possible.

(Note: In December 2007, the directors of Shanghai Yin Hui unanimously resolved to increase the registered share capital of Shanghai Yin Hui from RMB20 million to RMB500 million. Both Sinochem Hong Kong and Shanghai International Port (Group) Co., Ltd. increased their respective contributions, of which RMB251 million was provided by Shanghai International Port (Group) Co., Ltd. and RMB239 million by Sinochem Hong Kong. After the capital contribution, the shareholding in Shanghai Yin Hui held by Sinochem Hong Kong decreased from 55% to 50%.)

## **FUTURE OUTLOOK**

Looking forward to the second half of 2008, we have every confidence in the high-end commercial property market in the PRC and in the prospects of the Group. The Group will continue to develop steadily and strive to develop and expand its business, with a view to becoming a quality property developer, investor and high-end hotel operator in the major cities and economic zones across the nation.

The Group will also further increase the proportion of its hotel operation and investment properties to achieve a balanced revenue stream in the future. With the completion of the acquisition of Jin Mao Group, the overall competitiveness of the Group will be greatly enhanced. The Group will make full use of the comprehensive hotel management platform possessed by Jin Mao Group and its excellent brand image to provide a solid support for expanding the luxury hotel business of the Group.

The Group will continue to carry out its core strategy of "developing and holding quality commercial properties in first-tier cities and prime locations", and actively increase our land bank in the cities of Beijing, Tianjin, Shanghai and Zhuhai, etc. to further enhance our capability of ongoing operation. We will also consider developing mid-range and high-end residential projects with high return and short cycle. With the confirmation and completion of the acquisition of Shanghai Yin Hui, the Group will fully capitalize the land use right of the Western Site of Huishan Dock Project in Shanghai and further integrate the development of the entire Huishan Dock Project with the existing land use rights of the Eastern Site and Central Site of the project.

The Group will continue to strive to create higher value and return for its shareholders and create more wealth for the society.

## **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

#### Revenue

For the six months ended 30 June 2008, revenue of the Group amounted to HK\$870.3 million (six months ended 30 June 2007: HK\$97.0 million (restated)), increased by 797% compared with the same period of 2007, which was mainly attributable to the increased sale of properties.

Revenue by business segments

	20	800	200	07	
			(Resta	ated)	
	(Unau	ıdited)	(Unau	dited)	
		Percentage		Percentage	
	HK\$	of the total	HK\$	of the total	
	million	revenue	million	revenue	Change
		(%)		(%)	(%)
Property Sales	603.9	69%	-	0%	N/A
Property Operations	208.8	24%	44.4	46%	370%
Hotel Operations	57.6	7%	52.6	54%	10%
Total	870.3	100%	97.0	100%	797%

#### For the six months ended 30 June

In the first half of 2008, property sales revenue of the Group was approximately HK\$603.9 million, representing 69% of the total revenue, which was mainly derived from sales of some floors of the Beijing Chemsunny World Trade Centre. Property operations revenue increased by 370% over the corresponding period of 2007, which was mainly attributable to the growth of leasing business of Beijing Chemsunny World Trade Centre. Hotel operation revenue rose slightly by 10% from the first half of 2007.

#### Cost of sales and gross profit margin

Cost of sales of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2008 was approximately HK\$275.3 million (six months ended 30 June 2007: HK\$31.8 million (restated)). Overall gross profit margin of the Group in the first half of 2008 was 68%, increased from 67% of the corresponding period of 2007.

#### Other income and gains

Other income and gains of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2008 amounted to HK\$954.2 million, representing an increase of 593% from HK\$137.7 million in the same period in 2007, which was mainly attributable to: (i) in April 2007, the Group disposed of its interests in two subsidiaries in Zhuhai, namely Zhong Yi Hua Hai and Zhuhai Hong Hua, resulting in a gain of HK\$108.7 million, and there was no gain on disposal of subsidiaries in the first half of 2008; (ii) the fair value gain on the investment properties held by the Group amounted to HK\$846.4 million in the first half of 2008, increased by 4,551% from HK\$18.2 million in the same period of 2007; (iii) interest income received from bank deposits by the Group in the first half of 2008 was far higher than that in the same period of 2007. The combined outcome of the above factors resulted in the substantial increase of other income and gains over the two periods.

#### Selling and marketing expenses

Selling and marketing expenses of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2008 amounted to HK\$13.8 million, representing a decrease of 35% from HK\$21.2 million in the same period in 2007. This decrease was mainly attributable to a drop of advertising and marketing expenses incurred for the sale of our Beijing Chemsunny World Trade Centre in the first half of 2008 from the same period of 2007.

#### Administrative expenses

Administrative expenses of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2008 amounted to HK\$98.3 million, representing an increase of 27% from HK\$77.6 million in the same period in 2007. The increase was mainly attributable to increase in staff salary and wages as a result of expansion of the Group, and increase in consultancy fees and administrative expenses.

#### Finance cost

Finance cost of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2008 was HK\$55.2 million, representing a decrease of 21% from HK\$70.0 million in the same period of 2007. The decrease was mainly due to the capitalization of the finance cost incurred from the borrowings of main development projects of the Group.

#### Share of profit of an associate

For the six months ended 30 June 2008, the Group did not have any share of profits of an associate. The share of profit of an associate of HK\$69,000 in the same period of 2007 was derived from the profit contribution of Beijing Century Chemsunny Property Management Co., Ltd..

#### Tax

The Group had a tax charge of HK\$422.1 million in the six months ended 30 June 2008, compared with a tax credit of HK\$56.5 million in the same period of 2007. The tax charge in the first half of 2008 was primarily attributable to the deferred tax charge arising from the fair value gains on the Group's investment properties and the profit from the sales and lease of Beijing Chemsunny World Trade Centre and the tax credit in the same period of 2007 was mainly due to the tax losses of Beijing Chemsunny World Trade Centre project available to offset future taxable profit.

#### Profit attributable to equity holders of the Company

Profit attributable to equity holders of the Company increased by 682% to HK\$937.0 million in the six months ended 30 June 2008 from HK\$119.8 million in the corresponding period of 2007. Excluding fair value gains on investment properties, net of deferred tax, profit attributable to equity holders increased by 185% to HK\$302.2 million (six months ended 30 June 2007: HK\$106.2 million) over the same period of last year.

#### Properties under development

As at 30 June 2008, the non-current portion of properties under development comprised property development costs of Site B of Shanghai Gaoyang International Passenger Transport Centre and Eastern Site and Central Site of Huishan Dock project, whereas the current portion of properties under development comprised property development costs for Zhuhai Every Garden projects.

The increase in properties under development (current and non-current) from HK\$4,174.6 million as at 31 December 2007 to HK\$6,419.0 million as at 30 June 2008 was mainly attributable to the additional costs incurred for Site B of Shanghai Gaoyang International Passenger Transport Centre, Eastern Site and Central Site of Huishan Dock and Zhuhai Every Garden projects.

#### **Properties held for sale**

As at 30 June 2008, properties held for sale included East Tower of the Beijing Chemsunny World Trade Centre. The decrease in properties held for sale from HK\$598.4 million as at 31 December 2007 to HK\$422.4 million as at 30 June 2008 was mainly attributable to sale of some floors of East Tower of the Beijing Chemsunny World Trade Centre.

#### **Investment properties**

As at 30 June 2008, investment properties included Sinochem Tower, and the Central and West Towers of Beijing Chemsunny World Trade Centre. Investment properties increased from HK\$4,964.6 million as at 31 December 2007 to HK\$6,156.1 million as at 30 June 2008. The increase was mainly due to the valuation gains of investment properties.

#### Trade receivables

As at 30 June 2008, the trade receivables were HK\$68.8 million, decreased by 54% from that of HK\$148.4 million as at 31 December 2007. The decrease in trade receivables was primarily due to the receipt of receivables in the first half year incurred by the sales of some floors of the East Tower of Beijing Chemsunny World Trade Centre in 2007.

#### Trade and bills payables

As at 30 June 2008, the trade and bills payables were HK\$998.2 million, increased by 11% from that of HK\$898.0 million as at 31 December 2007. The increase in trade and bills payables was primarily due to the rise in accounts payable incurred from the development of Site B of Shanghai Gaoyang International Passenger Transport Centre and Eastern Site and Central Site of Huishan Dock project.

#### Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings

As at 30 June 2008, the interest-bearing bank and other borrowings were HK\$4,844.3 million, increased by 25% over that of HK\$3,863.7 million as at 31 December 2007. The increase in the interest-bearing bank and other borrowings was primarily due to the rise in entrustment loans provided to subsidiaries of the Group by the Group and minority shareholders of its subsidiaries through financial institutions.

Analysis of interest-bearing bank and other borrowings

	For the	For the
	six months	year ended
	ended 30	31 December
	June 2008	2007
	(HK\$ million)	(HK\$ million)
Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings	4,844.3	3,863.7
Less: entrustment loans	(2,580.3)	(1,565.8)
	2,264.0	2,297.9
Less: loans pledged by bank deposits of the Group	(555.6)	_
Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings, net of entrustment loans and loans pledged by		
bank deposits	1,708.4	2,297.9

## **Gearing ratio**

The Group monitors its capital on the basis of the debt-to-adjusted capital ratio. This ratio is calculated as net debt divided by adjusted capital. Net debt is calculated as total interest-bearing bank and other borrowings less pledged deposits and cash and cash equivalents. Adjusted capital comprises all components of equity, and includes the amount due to related parties. The Group aims to maintain the debt-to-adjusted capital ratio at a reasonable level. The debt-to-adjusted capital ratios at 30 June 2008 and 31 December 2007 were as follows:

	For the	For the
	six months	year ended
	ended 30	31 December
	June 2008	2007
	(HK\$ million)	(HK\$ million)
Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings	4,844.3	3,863.7
Less: cash and cash equivalents	(5,633.7)	(6,294.5)
pledged deposits	(1,965.2)	(694.7)
Net debt	(2,754.6)	(3,125.5)
Equity	10,692.7	8,997.8
Add: amount due to related parties	266.4	268.4
Adjusted capital	10,959.1	9,266.2
Debt-to-adjusted capital ratio	- 25%	- 34%

#### Liquidity and capital resources

The Group's primary uses of cash are to pay for capital expenditure, construction costs, land costs (principally the payment of land grant fees and relocation costs), infrastructure costs, consulting fees paid to architects and designers and finance costs, as well as to service our indebtedness, repay amounts due to and loans from related parties, and fund working capital and normal recurring expenses. The Group has financed its liquidity requirements through a combination of internal resources, bank borrowings and issue of new shares.

As of 30 June 2008, the Group had cash and cash equivalents of HK\$5,633.7 million, which was mainly denominated in RMB, HK dollar and US dollar.

As at 30 June 2008, the Group had total interest-bearing bank and other borrowings of HK\$4,844.3 million (as at 31 December 2007: HK\$3,863.7 million). Set out below is an analysis of interest-bearing bank and other borrowings of the Group:

	For the	For the
	six months	year ended
	ended 30	31 December
	June 2008	2007
	(HK\$ million)	(HK\$ million)
Within one year	2,819.2	3,083.5
In the second year	659.9	32.1
In the third to fifth years, inclusive	1,365.2	748.1
Total	4,844.3	3,863.7

Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings of approximately HK\$2,819.2 million repayable within one year shown under current liabilities include entrustment loans totalling approximately HK\$2,011.5 million provided by the Group and minority shareholders of its subsidiaries to subsidiaries of the Group through financial institutions, of which HK\$1,722.5 million will be renewed upon their maturity dates.

Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings of approximately HK\$659.9 million repayable in the second year include entrustment loans totalling approximately HK\$568.8 million provided by the Group and minority shareholders of its subsidiaries to subsidiaries of the Group through financial institutions.

All of the Group's borrowings are denominated in RMB and bear interest at floating rates. There is no material effect of seasonality on the Group's borrowing requirements.

As at 30 June 2008, the Group had banking facilities of HK\$8,086.8 million, all were denominated in RMB. The amount of banking facilities utilised was HK\$4,844.3 million, the amount of unutilised banking facilities was HK\$3,242.5 million.

On 31 December 2007, members of the Group entered into an entrustment loan framework agreement, pursuant to which separate entrustment loan agreements can be made between members of the Group in accordance with the terms and conditions set out in the framework agreement. This agreement has come into effect on 1 January 2008.

The Group's net cash outflow of HK\$978.7 million for the six months ended 30 June 2008 consists of:

- 1. A net cash outflow of HK\$819.9 million from operating activities, which was mainly attributable to the payment of construction costs, selling expenses and administrative expenses of the Group partially offset by the receipt of payment of sale of Beijing Chemsunny World Trade Centre and pre-sale of Zhuhai Every Garden.
- 2. A net cash outflow of HK\$1,259.6 million from investing activities, which was mainly attributable to the purchase of fixed assets and addition of pledged deposits of the Group.
- 3. A net cash inflow of HK\$1,100.8 million from financing activities, which was mainly attributable to the capital contribution from minority shareholders of the Group and addition of bank and other borrowings, partially offset by repayments of bank and other borrowings.

## Pledge of assets

As at 30 June 2008, certain of the Group's bank borrowings were secured by the Group's investment properties with fair value of HK\$6,156.1 million and bank deposits of HK\$1,965.2 million.

## **Contingent liabilities**

The Group did not have any significant contingent liabilities as at 30 June 2008.

#### **Capital Commitments**

The Group had the following capital commitments at the balance sheet date:

	For the	For the
	six months	year ended
	ended 30	31 December
	June 2008	2007
	(HK\$ million)	(HK\$ million)
Contracted, but not provided for capital expenditure in		
respect of properties under development in the PRC	193.2	740.1
Total	193.2	740.1

## Market risk

The Group's assets are predominantly in the form of land use rights, properties under development, properties held for sale and investment properties. In the event of a severe downturn in the domestic property market, these assets may not be readily realized.

#### Interest rate risk

The Group is exposed to interest rate risk resulting from fluctuations in interest rates. The Group's exposure to the risk of changes in market interest rates relates primarily to the Group's long term debt obligations. Increases in interest rates would increase interest expenses relating to the Group's outstanding variable rate borrowings and increase the cost of new debt. Fluctuations in interest rates can also lead to significant fluctuations in the fair value of our debt obligations. The Group does not currently use any derivative instruments to manage the Group's interest rate risk.

#### Foreign exchange risk

Substantially all of the Group's turnover and costs are denominated in Renminbi. The Group reports its financial results in Hong Kong dollars. As a result, the Group is exposed to fluctuations in foreign exchange rates. The Group is not currently engaged in hedging to manage currency risk. To the extent the Group decides to do so in the future, the Group cannot assure that any future hedging activities will protect the Group from fluctuations in exchange rates.

## **EMPLOYEES AND REMUNERATION POLICIES**

As at 30 June 2008, the Group employed 1,254 staff in total. The Group provides competitive salaries and bonuses for its employees, as well as other benefits, including retirement schemes, medical insurances schemes, accident insurance schemes, unemployment insurance schemes, maternity insurance schemes and housing benefits. The Group's salary levels are regularly reviewed against market standards.

## **UNAUDITED INTERIM RESULTS**

The board of directors of the Company is pleased to present the unaudited condensed consolidated interim results of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2008 together with comparative figures as follows.

## **CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT**

For the six months ended 30 June 2008

		Six months e	nded 30 June	
		2008	2007	
			(Restated)	
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
	Notes	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
REVENUE	4	870,274	97,005	
Cost of sales		(275,308)	(31,844)	
Gross profit		594,966	65,161	
Other income and gains	4	954,230	137,725	
Selling and marketing expenses		(13,846)	(21,158)	
Administrative expenses		(98,347)	(77,592)	
Other expenses		(525)	(138)	
Finance costs	6	(55,243)	(70,005)	
Share of profit of an associate		-	69	
PROFIT BEFORE TAX	5	1,381,235	34,062	
Тах	7	(422,067)	56,464	
PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD		959,168	90,526	
Attributable to:				
Equity holders of the Company		936,971	119,821	
Minority interests		22,197	(29,295)	
			(20,200)	
		959,168	90,526	
		HK cents	HK cents	
		in cons	in cents	
EARNINGS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE				
TO ORDINARY EQUITY HOLDERS OF				
THE COMPANY				
– Basic	9	19.06	16.49	

## **CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET**

As at 30 June 2008

	Notes	30 June 2008 (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>	31 December 2007 (Audited) <i>HK\$'000</i>
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	10	315,901	303,706
Properties under development		5,833,139	3,744,701
Investment properties		6,156,095	4,964,576
Prepaid land lease payment		110,124	104,843
Available-for-sale investment		319	299
Pledged deposits		284,425	267,200
Deferred tax assets		46,473	14,000
Total non-current assets		12,746,476	9,399,325
CURRENT ASSETS			
Properties under development		585,903	429,870
Properties held for sale		422,360	598,377
Inventories		3,220	2,583
Trade receivables	11	68,785	148,394
Prepayments, deposits and other receivables		106,663	69,684
Due from related parties	18(b)	233,832	220,169
Tax recoverable		33,952	28,706
Pledged deposits		1,680,732	427,520
Cash and cash equivalents		5,633,664	6,294,489
Total current assets		8,769,111	8,219,792
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and bills payables	12	998,223	897,953
Other payables and accruals		3,129,275	2,539,527
Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings	13	2,819,221	3,083,488
Due to related parties	18(b)	266,389	268,355
Tax payables		85,897	54,638
Provision for land appreciation tax		410,012	278,782
Dividend payables		98,305	-
Total current liabilities		7,807,322	7,122,743
NET CURRENT ASSETS		961,789	1,097,049
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		13,708,265	10,496,374

As at 30 June 2008

		30 June	31 December
		2008	2007
		(Unaudited)	(Audited)
	Notes	HK\$′000	HK\$′000
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
	13	2 025 106	700 224
Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings	15	2,025,106	780,224
Deferred tax liabilities		990,465	718,399
Total non-current liabilities		3,015,571	1,498,623
Net assets		10,692,694	8,997,751
EQUITY			
Equity attributable to equity holders of the Company			
Issued capital	14	4,915,264	4,915,264
Reserves		4,947,690	3,600,248
Proposed final dividend		-	98,305
		9,862,954	8,613,817
Minority interests		829,740	383,934
Total equity		10,692,694	8,997,751

## **CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY**

For the six months ended 30 June 2008

	Attributable to equity holders of the Company										
	Issued capital (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Share premium (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Capital reserve (Unaudited) HK\$'000	PRC statutory surplus reserves (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Share option reserve (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Exchange fluctuation reserve (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Retained profits (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Proposed final dividend (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Total (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Minority interests (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Total equity (Unaudited) HK\$'000
At 1 January 2008 Exchange realignment	4,915,264 -	2,022,833 -	(944,925) –	18,501 -	-	297,141 410,218	2,206,698 -	98,305 -	8,613,817 410,218	383,934 33,291	8,997,751 443,509
Total income recognised directly in equity Profit for the period	-	-	-	-	-	410,218	- 936,971	-	410,218 936,971	33,291 22,197	443,509 959,168
Total income and expense for the period Equity-settled share option expenses	-	-	-	-	_ 253	410,218	936,971	-	1,347,189 253	55,488 -	1,402,677 253
Transfer to reserve Final 2007 dividend declared Capital contribution from minority	-	-	-	21,867 _	-	-	(21,867) _	(98,305)	(98,305)	-	(98,305)
shareholders At 30 June 2008	4,915,264	- 2,022,833*	- (944,925)*	- 40,368*	- 253*	- 707,359*	- 3,121,802*	-	9,862,954	390,318 829,740	390,318 10,692,694

\* These reserve accounts comprise the consolidated reserves of HK\$4,947,690,000 (31 December 2007: HK\$3,600,248,000) in the condensed consolidated balance sheet.

For the six months ended 30 June 2008

	Attributable to equity holders of the Company								
	lssued capital (Restated) (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Capital reserve (Restated) (Unaudited) HK\$'000	PRC statutory surplus reserves (Restated) (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Merger reserve (Restated) (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Exchange fluctuation reserve (Restated) (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Retained profits (Restated) (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Total (Restated) (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Minority interests (Restated) (Unaudited) HK\$'000	Total equity (Restated) (Unaudited) HK\$'000
At 1 January 2007 Exchange realignment	472,500	3,512 -	27,759 -	321,674 -	39,102 40,458	371,842 -	1,236,389 40,458	278,784 10,786	1,515,173 51,244
Total expense recognised directly in equity Profit for the period	-	-	-	-	40,458 -	- 119,821	40,458 119,821	10,786 (29,295)	51,244 90,526
Total income and expense for the period Release of reserve	-	-	-	-	40,458	119,821	160,279	(18,509)	141,770
upon deregistration of a subsidiary Acquisition of minority interest by Sinochem	-	-	(22,918)	-	-	22,918	-	-	-
Hong Kong Acquisition of minority	-	(944,023)	-	964,414	-	-	20,391	(20,391)	-
interest Disposal of subsidiaries Capital contribution from	-	(4,414)	- -	- -	369 –	-	(4,045) _	(2,955) (15,189)	(7,000) (15,189)
minority shareholders Capital contribution from	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	80,368	80,368
shareholders Issues of shares	- 1,020,000	-	-	714,044 –	-	-	714,044 1,020,000	-	714,044 1,020,000
At 30 June 2007	1,492,500	(944,925)	4,841	2,000,132	79,929	514,581	3,147,058	302,108	3,449,166

## **CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT**

For the six months ended 30 June 2008

	Six months ended 30 June	
	<b>2008</b> 20	
		(Restated)
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
NET CASH OUTFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	(819,862)	(614,631)
NET CASH (OUTFLOW)/ INFLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(1,259,626)	525,077
NET CASH INFLOW FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES	1,100,768	1,397,258
NET (DECREASE)/INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(978,720)	1,307,704
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	6,294,489	385,395
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes, net	317,895	238,308
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF PERIOD	5,633,664	1,931,407
ANALYSIS OF BALANCES OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		
Cash and bank balances	2,930,959	889,920
Non-pledged time deposits with original maturity of		
less than three months when acquired	2,702,705	1,041,487
	5,633,664	1,931,407

## 1. CORPORATE INFORMATION

Franshion Properties (China) Limited (the "Company") is a limited liability company incorporated in Hong Kong on 2 June 2004 under the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance. The registered office of the Company is located at Rooms 4702-03, 47/F, Office Tower, Convention Plaza, Harbour Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong.

In the opinion of the directors, the immediate holding company of the Company is Sinochem Hong Kong (Group) Company Limited ("Sinochem Hong Kong"), a company incorporated in Hong Kong, and the Company's ultimate holding company is Sinochem Corporation, a company established in the People's Republic of China (the "PRC") and is a state-owned enterprise under the supervision of the State-owned Assets Supervision and Administration Commission in the PRC.

The Company's shares were listed on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") on 17 August 2007.

The principal activities of the Group are described in note 3 to the interim financial statements.

## 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Basis of preparation**

The unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2008 are prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Accounting Standard ("HKAS") 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

These interim financial statements does not include all the information and disclosures required in the financial statements, and should be read in conjunction with the Group's audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2007.

In December 2007, the Company acquired a 100% equity interest in Glory First Enterprises Limited ("GFEL") and Shing Wing International Investment Limited ("SWIL"). Since the Company, GFEL and SWIL were ultimately controlled by Sinochem Corporation both before and after the completion of the acquisition, the acquisition is considered as a business combination under common control and was accounted for using the principles of merger accounting according to Hong Kong Accounting Guideline 5 "Merger Accounting for Common Control Combinations" ("AG 5") issued by the HKICPA. These interim financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2007 have been restated and prepared as if current group structure had been in existence throughout the six months ended 30 June 2007 or since their respective dates of incorporation/establishment, whichever is the shorter period.

## 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### **Accounting policies**

The Group has adopted a number of new and revised Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards (the "HKFRSs") for the first time for the condensed consolidated financial statements. Except for in certain cases, giving rise to new and revised accounting policies and additional disclosures, the adoption of these new revised standards and interpretation has had no material effect on these financial statements.

HK(IFRIC) 11	-	HKFRS 2 – Group and Treasury Share Transactions
HK(IFRIC) 12	-	Service Concession Arrangements
HK(IFRIC) 14	_	HKAS 19 – The Limit on a Defined Benefit Asset, Minimum Funding Requirements and
		their Interaction

The Group has assessed the impact of the adoption of these new standards and interpretations and considered that there was no significant impact on the Group's results and financial position.

## 3. SEGMENT INFORMATION

Segment information is presented by way of the Group's primary segment reporting basis, by business segment. In determining the Group's geographical segments, revenues are attributed to the segments based on the location of the customers, and assets are attributed to the segments based on the location of the assets. No further geographical segment information is presented as the Group's customers and operations are located in Mainland China.

The Group's operating businesses are structured and managed separately according to the nature of their operations and the products and services they provide. Each of the Group's business segments represents a strategic business unit that offers products and services which are subject to risks and returns that are different from those of the other business segments. Summary details of the business segments are as follows:

- (a) the property development segment engages in the development and sale of properties;
- (b) the property investment and management segment comprises the leasing of office and commercial premises, and the provision of property management services; and
- (c) the hotel operations segment engages in the provision of hotel accommodation services.

Intersegment sales and transfers are transacted with reference to the selling prices used for sales made to third parties at the then prevailing market prices.

## 3. SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

The following tables present revenue and results information for the Group's business segment for periods ended 30 June 2008 and 2007:

## Period ended 30 June 2008

	Property development (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>	Property investment and management (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>	Hotel operations (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>	Eliminations (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>	Consolidated (Unaudited) <i>HK\$'000</i>
Segment revenue: Sales to external customers Intersegment sales	603,875 _	208,815 4,674	57,584	- (4,674)	870,274 _
Total	603,875	213,489	57,584	(4,674)	870,274
Segment results	317,723	998,907	12,250	_	1,328,880
Interest and dividend income and unallocated gains Finance costs					107,598 (55,243)
Profit before tax Tax					1,381,235 (422,067)
Profit for the period					959,168

## 3. SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

Period ended 30 June 2007

		Property			
		investment			
	Property	and	Hotel		
	development	management	operations	Eliminations	Consolidated
	(Restated)	(Restated)	(Restated)	(Restated)	(Restated)
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
	HK\$′000	HK\$′000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$′000
Segment revenue:					
Sales to external customers	-	44,351	52,654	_	97,005
Total	_	44,351	52,654	_	97,005
Segment results	50,418	34,584	9,814	_	94,816
Interest and dividend income					
and unallocated gains					9,182
Share of profit of an associate	_	69	_	_	69
Finance costs					(70,005)
Profit before tax					34,062
Тах					56,464
Profit for the period					90,526

## 4. **REVENUE, OTHER INCOME AND GAINS**

Revenue, which is also the Group's turnover, represents the aggregate of gross proceeds, net of business tax, from the sale of properties; gross rental income received and receivable from investment properties; and the income from hotel operations, property management and related services.

An analysis of the Group's revenue, other income and gains is as follows:

	Six months	Six months ended 30 June	
	2008	2007	
		(Restated)	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Revenue			
Sale of properties	603,875	_	
Hotel operation	57,584	52,654	
Rental income	166,375	25,168	
Income from property management	42,440	19,183	
	42,440	19,105	
	870,274	97,005	
Other income and gains			
Bank interest income	107,598	9,182	
Gain on disposal of subsidiaries	-	108,720	
Fair value gains on investment properties	846,353	18,220	
Foreign exchange differences, net	-	752	
Others	279	851	
	954,230	137,725	

## 5. **PROFIT BEFORE TAX**

The Group's profit before tax is arrived at after charging/(crediting):

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2008	2007
		(Restated)
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Cost of properties sold	208,404	-
Depreciation	12,139	10,147
Less: Amount capitalised in properties under development	(120)	(596)
	12,019	9,551
Recognition of prepaid land lease payments	1,478	1,404
Loss on disposal/write-off of items of property, plant and equipment*	525	138

\* These items are included in "Other expenses" on the face of the condensed consolidated income statements of the Group during the period.

## 6. FINANCE COSTS

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2008	2007
		(Restated)
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
	HK\$′000	HK\$'000
Group:		
Interest on bank loans wholly repayable within five years	145,140	23,674
Interest on other loans from the immediate holding company		
and a fellow subsidiary	-	72,852
Total interest	145,140	96,526
Less: Interest capitalised in properties under development	(89,897)	(26,521)
	55,243	70,005

## 7. TAX

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2008	2007
		(Restated)
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Group:		
Current		
PRC corporate income tax	121,219	4,956
Land appreciation tax ("LAT") in the PRC	112,262	_
	233,481	4,956
		(64,422)
Deferred	188,586	(61,420)
Total tax charge/(credit) for the period	422,067	(56,464)

No provision for Hong Kong profits tax has been made as the Group did not generate any assessable profits arising in Hong Kong during the period (six months ended 30 June 2007: Nil). The income tax provision of the Group in respect of operations in the PRC has been calculated at the applicable tax rate on the estimated assessable profits for the six months ended 30 June 2007 and 2008, based on the existing legislation, interpretations and practices in respect thereof.

Under the relevant PRC income tax law, except for certain preferential treatment available to the Group, the PRC subsidiaries of the Group are subject to income tax at a rate of 25% (six months ended 30 June 2007: 33%) on their respective taxable income. Currently, the Company's subsidiaries, namely, Shanghai Ke Yi Franshion Business Consultancy Company Limited and Shanghai Pudong Jinxin Real Estate Development Co., Ltd, which were established and located in Shanghai Pudong New Area, are subject to income tax at a preferential rate of 18%. Sinochem Franshion Real Estates (Zhuhai) Co., Ltd., which was established and located in Zhuhai is subject to income tax at a preferential rate of 18% and is entitled to full exemption from such tax for the first year and 50% reduction in the next two years, commencing from the first profitable year.

In the prior period, share of tax charge attributable to an associate amounting to HK\$21,000 is included in "Share of profit of an associate" on the face of the unaudited condensed consolidated income statements.

Under the Provisional Regulations on LAT implemented upon the issuance of the Provisional Regulations of the PRC on 27 January 1995, all gains arising from transfer of real estate property in Mainland China effective from 1 January 1994 are subject to LAT at progressive rates ranging from 30% to 60% on the appreciation of land value, being the proceeds from sales from properties less deductible expenditures including borrowing costs and all property development expenditures.

## 8. INTERIM DIVIDEND

The Board does not recommend the payment of any interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2008 (six months ended 30 June 2007: Nil).

## 9. EARNINGS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINARY EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE COMPANY

#### Basic

The calculation of the basic earnings per share amounts is based on the profit for the period attributable to ordinary equity holders of the Company, and the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the period.

The calculation of basic earnings per share is based on:

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2008	2007
		(Restated)
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Profit attributable to ordinary equity holders of the Company,		
used in basic earnings per share calculation	936,971	119,821
	Number	of shares
	30 June	30 June
	2008	2007
		(Restated)
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during		
the period used in the basic earnings per share calculation	4,915,264,000	726,489,000

#### **Diluted**

As the adjusted exercise price of the share options outstanding during the period ended 30 June 2008 is higher than the respective average market price of the Company's shares during the period, there is no dilution effect on the basic earnings per share.

## 10. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

During the six months ended 30 June 2008, the Group acquired property, plant and equipment with cost of HK\$3,949,000 (six months ended 30 June 2007: HK\$15,155,000 (restated)) and disposed/write-off of property, plant and equipment with net carrying amount of HK\$5,957,000 (six months ended 30 June 2007: HK\$2,043,000 (restated)).
# **11. TRADE RECEIVABLES**

The Group's trade receivable arise mainly from the sale of properties, leasing of investment properties and provision of hotel and property management services. Considerations in respect of properties sold are payable in accordance with the terms of the related sales and purchase agreements. The Group's trading terms with its customers in relation to the leasing of investment properties and provision of hotel and property management services are mainly on credit, except for new customers, where payment in advance is normally required. The credit period is generally one month, extending up to three months for major customers. Each customer has a maximum credit limited.

An aged analysis of the trade receivables as at the balance sheet date is as follows:

	30 June	31 December
	2008	2007
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
	HK\$′000	HK\$′000
Within 1 month	24,648	14,531
1 to 3 months	33,678	16,503
4 to 6 months	452	109
Over 6 months	10,007	117,251
	68,785	148,394

# 12. TRADE AND BILLS PAYABLES

An aged analysis of the trade and bills payables as at the balance sheet date is as follows:

	2008 (Unaudited)	2007 (Audited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Due within 1 year or on demand	998,223	897,953

# 13. INTEREST-BEARING BANK AND OTHER BORROWINGS

During the six months ended 30 June 2008, the Group had new interest-bearing bank and other borrowings of HK\$4,041,724,000 (six months ended 30 June 2007: HK\$6,355,000 (restated)), and repaid HK\$3,331,275,000 of its interest-bearing bank and other borrowings (six months ended 30 June 2007: HK\$5,253,000 (restated)).

# 14. SHARE CAPITAL

	30 June	31 December
	2008	2007
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
	HK\$'000	HK\$′000
Authorised:		
8,000,000,000 (31 December 2007: 8,000,000,000)		
ordinary shares of HK\$1 each	8,000,000	8,000,000
Issued and fully paid:		
4,915,264,000 (31 December 2007: 4,915,264,000)		
ordinary shares of HK\$1 each	4,915,264	4,915,264

Pursuant to an extraordinary ordinary resolution passed on 18 July 2008, the authorised share capital of the Company was increased from HK\$8,000,000,000 divided into 8,000,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$1.00 each to HK\$20,000,000 divided into 20,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$1.00 each, by the creation of 12,000,000,000 new ordinary shares of HK\$1.00 each.

# **15. SHARE OPTION SCHEME**

On 22 November 2007, the Company adopted a share option scheme (the "Scheme"), the purpose of which is to increase the commitment of the participants to the Company and encourage them to fulfil the objectives of the Company.

According to term of the share option scheme of the Company, the Board shall at its absolute discretion be entitled to grant to any participant certain number of options at a subscription price at any time within 10 years after the adoption date of the Scheme. Participants, i.e. recipients of the options granted, include any existing executive or non-executive Directors of any member of the Group and any senior management, key technical and professional personnel, managers and employees of any member of the Group but does not include any independent non-executive Director.

# 15. SHARE OPTION SCHEME (Continued)

On 5 May 2008, 5,550,000 share options were granted to eligible participants at the exercise price of HK\$3.37 for each share of the Company to be issued. During the period, no share options were exercised under the Scheme. The following share options were outstanding under the Scheme during the six months ended 30 June 2008:

						Exercise	Exercise
			Cancelled/		Date of	period of	price of
			•		-	•	share
•	-	-	-			•	options
2008	period	period	period	2008	options	inclusive)	HK\$
-	488,000	-	-	488,000	05.05.2008	05.05.2010 to	3.37
						04.05.2015	
-	488,000	-	-	488,000	05.05.2008	05.05.2010 to	3.37
						04.05.2015	
-	416,000	-	-	416,000	05.05.2008	05.05.2010 to	3.37
						04.05.2015	
-	488,000	-	-	488,000	05.05.2008	05.05.2010 to	3.37
						04.05.2015	
-	488,000	-	-	488,000	05.05.2008	05.05.2010 to	3.37
						04.05.2015	
_	422,000	_	-	422,000	05.05.2008	05.05.2010 to	3.37
						04.05.2015	
_	2,790,000	-	_	2,790,000			
	2 700 000			2 700 000			2.27
-	2,760,000	-	-	2,760,000	05.05.2008		3.37
						04.05.2015	
_	5,550,000	_	_	5,550,000			
	-	January         during the period           2008         period           -         488,000           -         488,000           -         488,000           -         416,000           -         488,000           -         488,000           -         488,000           -         488,000           -         488,000           -         422,000           -         2,790,000           -         2,760,000	January         during the period         during the period           2008         period         period           -         488,000         -           -         488,000         -           -         416,000         -           -         488,000         -           -         416,000         -           -         488,000         -           -         488,000         -           -         422,000         -           -         2,790,000         -	As at January January January January January during the period         Exercised during the period         Iapsed during the period           2008         period         period         during the period         during the period           -         488,000         -         -         -           -         488,000         -         -         -           -         416,000         -         -         -           -         488,000         -         -         -           -         488,000         -         -         -           -         488,000         -         -         -           -         422,000         -         -         -           -         2,790,000         -         -         -	As at January         Granted during the period         Exercised during the period         lapsed during the period         As at 30 June 2008           -         488,000         -         -         488,000           -         488,000         -         -         488,000           -         416,000         -         -         416,000           -         488,000         -         -         488,000           -         488,000         -         -         488,000           -         488,000         -         -         488,000           -         488,000         -         -         488,000           -         422,000         -         -         422,000           -         2,790,000         -         -         2,790,000           -         2,760,000         -         -         2,760,000	As at January 2008         Granted uring the period         Exercised during the during the	As at January 2008         Granted uring the period         Exercised during the period         lapsed during the period         As at 30 June 2008         grant of share options         share options (both dates inclusive)           -         488,000

Number of share options

The share options will vest in three batches with 40%, 30% and 30% of the share options granted vesting on the second, third and forth anniversary of the date and accordingly, grantees have to remain in service of the Group for at least a period of four years from the date of grant in order to exercise in the share options granted to them in full. In addition, the share options will only be vested if when the pre-set performance targets of the Group, the division of the grantee and the grantee are achieved. Unless all of these targets are met, the share options will lapse.

# **16. COMMITMENTS**

The Group had the following capital commitments at the balance sheet date:

	30 June	31 December
	2008	2007
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
	HK\$′000	HK\$′000
Contracted, but not provided for capital expenditure		
in respect of properties under development in the PRC	193,152	740,115

# **17. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

The Group did not have any significant contingent liabilities as at 30 June 2008 (31 December 2007: Nil).

# **18. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

# (a) The Group had the following material transaction with related parties during the period:

		Six months ended 30 June		
		2008	2007	
			(Restated)	
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
	Notes	HK\$'000	НК\$′000	
Fellow subsidiaries:				
Interest expense charged on other loans	<i>(i)</i>	-	69,631	
Rental income	<i>(ii)</i>	41,830	8,816	
Property management fee income	<i>(ii)</i>	5,206	1,995	
Income from hotel operations	(iv)	247	-	
Other service income	(v)	30	909	
The immediate holding company:				
Interest expense charged on other loans	<i>(i)</i>	-	3,221	
Rental expenses	(iii)	-	791	
The ultimate holding company:				
Rental income	<i>(ii)</i>	30,554	5,621	
Property management fee income	<i>(ii)</i>	3,226	1,613	
Income from hotel operations	(iv)	377	-	
Other service income	(V)	580	1,121	

# 18. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (Continued)

#### (a) The Group had the following material transaction with related parties during the period: (Continued)

Notes:

- (i) The interest expense on other loans for the six months ended 30 June 2007 where charged at interest rates of bank loans with similar terms.
- (ii) The rental income and property management fee income were charged at terms pursuant to the relevant agreements entered into by the Group with the relevant fellow subsidiaries of the Company and the ultimate holding company.
- (iii) The rental expense for the six months ended 30 June 2007 was charged at terms pursuant to the agreement entered into by the Company and the immediate holding company.
- (iv) The income from hotel operations was charged at term similar to those offered to third parties.
- (v) The other service income has charged by the Group at the terms similar to those offered to third parties.

In the opinion of the directors of the Company, the above related party transactions were carried out in the ordinary course of business and at terms mutually negotiated between the Group and related parties.

#### (b) Outstanding balances with related parties

		30 June	31 December
		2008	2007
		(Unaudited)	(Audited)
	Note	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Due from related parties:			
– Ultimate holding company	<i>(i)</i>	183	73
– Fellow subsidiaries	(i)	233,649	220,096
		233,832	220,169
Due to related parties:			
<ul> <li>– Ultimate holding company</li> </ul>	<i>(i)</i>	244,583	243,894
– Fellow subsidiaries	<i>(i)</i>	21,806	24,461
		266,389	268,355

Note:

(i)

The balances are non-trade in nature, unsecured, interest-free and are repayable on demand. The carrying amounts of the amounts due from/to related parties approximate to their fair value.

# 18. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (Continued)

#### (c) Compensation of key management personnel of the Group

	Six months ended 30 June		
	<b>2008</b> 20		
	(Res		
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Short-term employee benefits	5,353	2708	
Post-employment benefits	114	72	
Share-based payments	122	-	
Total compensation paid to key management personnel	5,589	2,780	

#### (d) Transaction with other state-owned enterprises

The Group is part of a larger group of companies under Sinochem Corporation, which itself is owned by the PRC government. The Group also operates in an economic environment predominated by enterprises directly or indirectly owned or controlled by the PRC government through its numerous authorities, affiliates or other organizations (collectively refer to as the "state-owned enterprises"). During the six months ended 30 June 2007 and 2008, the Group had transactions with the state-owned enterprises including, but not limited to, borrowing and placing deposits, selling of properties developed and sub-contracting services. The related party transactions as disclosed above only refer to transactions with Sinochem Corporation and enterprises which are under common control of Sinochem Corporation. The transactions with other state-owned enterprises are conducted in the ordinary course of business and under normal commercial terms and as such the Group believes that adequate disclosure of related party transactions has been provided in the above.

# **19. POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS**

(a) In June 2008, the Company, Sinochem Corporation and Sinochem Hong Kong entered into the Sinochem Hong Kong Acquisition Agreement pursuant to which the Company has agreed to acquire, and Sinochem Hong Kong has agreed to sell, its entire interest in Wise Pine Limited (which represents a 54.87% attributable interest in Jin Mao Group) for a total consideration of RMB6,035.8 million (equivalent to approximately HK\$6,791.2 million). On the same day, the Company entered into seven Other Shareholders Acquisition Agreements with each other shareholder ("Other Shareholder") of Wise Pine Limited to acquire such Other Shareholder's entire interest in Wise Pine Limited, which in aggregate represents a 45.13% attributable interest in Jin Mao Group, for a total consideration of RMB4,964.2 million (equivalent to approximately HK\$5,585.5 million). The acquisition of 100% interests in Jin Mao Group was approved by shareholders at the extraordinary general meeting held at 18 July 2008. Completion of the acquisition is conditional upon fulfillment of a number of conditions precedent in the agreements and subject to the approval of the relevant PRC government authorities.

# **19. POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS (Continued)**

(b) Pursuant to an extraordinary ordinary resolution passed on 18 July 2008, the authorised share capital of the Company was increased from HK\$8,000,000 divided into 8,000,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$1.00 each to HK\$20,000,000,000 divided into 20,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$1.00 each, by the creation of HK\$12,000,000,000 divided into 12,000,000 new ordinary shares of HK\$1.00 each.

#### 20. COMPARATIVE FIGURES

As further explained in note 2 to the interim financial statements, due to the adoption of the principles of merger accounting according to AG 5 issued by the HKICPA, these interim financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2007 have been restated and prepared as if the current Group structure had been in existence throughout the six months ended 30 June 2007 or since their respective dates of incorporation/establishment, whichever is the shorter period.

# 21. APPROVAL OF THE INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The unaudited interim financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board of directors on 8 September 2008.

## **SHARE CAPITAL**

As at 30 June 2008, the authorized capital of the Company was 8,000,000,000 ordinary shares and the total issued share capital was 4,915,264,000 ordinary shares.

Upon the completion of the acquisition of the entire interests in Wise Pine Limited (representing 100% interest in Jin Mao Group) and the allotment and issue of new shares as part of the consideration, the total issued share capital of the Company will increase to 7,073,292,268 ordinary shares.

# **DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS**

#### Substantial Shareholders

So far as is known to the Directors of the Company, as at 30 June 2008, the following persons (other than the Directors or chief executive of the Company) had interests or short positions in the shares or underlying shares of the Company which were required to be notified to the Company pursuant to Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance ("SFO"), or which were required, pursuant to section 336 of the SFO, to be recorded in the register referred to therein, or which had already been notified to the Company and The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Hong Kong Stock Exchange"):

Name of the substantial		Number of	Number of underlying	Percentage in total issued
shareholder	Capacity	ordinary shares	shares	share capital
Sinochem Hong Kong	Beneficial owner	4,489,031,900 (L) <i>(Note 1)</i>	-	91.33% (L)
Sinochem Corporation	Interest of controlled corporation	4,489,031,900 (L) <i>(Note 2)</i>	_	91.33% (L)
COFCO Limited	Interest of controlled corporation	433,002,519 (L) <i>(Note 3)</i>	_	8.81% (L)
COFCO (BVI) Limited	Interest of controlled corporation	363,163,543 (L)	-	7.39% (L)
Charm Glory Holdings Limited	Beneficial owner	363,163,543 (L)	-	7.39% (L)

(L) Denotes long positions.

*Note 1:* The interests include (a) 3,301,070,000 shares of the Company directly held by Sinochem Hong Kong, representing approximately 67.16% of the total issued share capital; and (b) 1,187,961,900 new shares deemed to be held by Sinochem Hong Kong upon the signing of the acquisition agreement entered between the Company, Sinochem Corporation and Sinochem Hong Kong on 5 June 2008, pursuant to which the Company agreed to acquire the entire interests in Wise Pine Limited (representing 54.8709% attributable interests in Jin Mao Group) held by Sinochem Hong Kong, and to allot and issue 1,187,961,900 new shares to Sinochem Hong Kong as consideration. The 1,187,961,900 new shares represent approximately 24.17% of the total issued share capital of the Company. Upon the completion of the allotment and issue of new shares to Sinochem Hong Kong and other investors and the acquisition of the entire interests in Wise Pine Limited held by Sinochem Hong Kong, Sinochem Hong Kong will hold approximately 63.47% of the enlarged issued share capital of the Company.

Note 2: Sinochem Hong Kong is wholly-owned by Sinochem Corporation and therefore Sinochem Corporation is deemed to be interested in all of the shares which are owned by Sinochem Hong Kong.

#### Note 3: 433,002,519 shares represent:

- (a) 363,163,543 new shares deemed to be held by Charm Glory Holdings Limited upon the signing of the acquisition agreement entered between the Company, Sinochem Corporation and Charm Glory Holdings Limited, pursuant to which the Company agreed to acquire the entire interests in Wise Pine Limited held by Charm Glory Holdings Limited (representing 16.7742% attributable interests in Jin Mao Group), and to allot and issue 363,163,543 new shares, which represent 7.39% of the total issued share capital (unenlarged) of the Company, to Charm Glory Holdings Limited as consideration. Upon the completion of the acquisition of the entire interests in Wise Pine Limited and allotment and issue of new shares as part of the consideration, Charm Glory Holdings Limited will hold approximately 5.13% of the enlarged issued share capital of the Company. Charm Glory Holdings Limited is a wholly-owned subsidiary of COFCO (BVI) Limited which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of COFCO Limited. Therefore, COFCO Limited and COFCO (BVI) Limited are deemed to have interests in the 363,163,543 shares pursuant to the SFO;
- (b) 69,838,976 new shares deemed to be held by Grand Neway Limited upon the signing of the acquisition agreement entered between the Company, Sinochem Corporation and Grand Neway Limited, pursuant to which the Company agreed to acquire the entire interests in Wise Pine Limited held by Grand Neway Limited (representing 3.2258% attributable interests in Jin Mao Group), and to allot and issue 69,838,976 new shares, which represent 1.42% of the total issued share capital (unenlarged) of the Company, to Grand Neway Limited as consideration. Upon the completion of the acquisition of the entire interests in Wise Pine Limited and allotment and issue of new shares as part of the consideration, Grand Neway Limited will hold approximately 0.99% of the enlarged issued share capital of the Company. Grand Neway Limited is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Sunry (Holdings) Hong Kong Limited which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of China National Native Produce & Animal By-Products Imp. & Exp. Corp. China National Native Produce & Animal By-Products Imp. & Exp. Corp. Limited is deemed to have interests in the 69,838,976 shares pursuant to the SFO.

Save as disclosed above, as at 30 June 2008, the Directors of the Company were not aware of any person (other than the Directors or chief executive of the Company) had interest or short position in the shares or underlying shares of the Company which were required to be notified to the Company pursuant to Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, or which were required, pursuant to section 336 of the SFO, to be recorded in the register referred to therein, or which had already been notified to the Company and the Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

#### Directors and Chief Executives' Interests in Shares of the Company

Save as disclosed below, as at 30 June 2008, none of the Directors and chief executives of the Company or their respective associates had any interests or short positions in the shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) which were required to be notified to the Company and the Hong Kong Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO; or which were required, pursuant to section 352 of the SFO, to be recorded in the register kept by the Company; or which were required, pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code"), to be notified to the Company and the Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

Name	Capacity	Position	Number of shares held	Number of underlying shares held (Note 1)	Percentage in total issued share capital
PAN Zhengyi	Beneficial owner	Chairman and Non-executive Director	356,000 (L)	488,000 (L)	0.02%
LI Lun	Beneficial owner	Vice Chairman and Non-executive Director	_	488,000 (L)	0.01%
WANG Hongjun	Beneficial owner	Non-executive Director	_	416,000 (L)	0.01%
LI Xuehua	Beneficial owner	Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer	_	488,000 (L)	0.01%
HE Binwu	Beneficial owner	Executive Director and Vice President	400,000 (L)	488,000 (L)	0.02%
JIANG Nan	Beneficial owner	Executive Director and Chief Financial Officer	_	422,000 (L)	0.01%

(L) Denotes long positions.

Note 1: Represents the underlying shares subject to share options which are unlisted physically settled equity derivatives.

#### **REPURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF THE COMPANY'S SECURITIES**

Save as the new shares agreed to be allotted and issued by the Company as part of the consideration for the acquisition of the entire interests in Wise Pine Limited, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries had repurchased, sold or redeemed any securities of the Company for the six months ended 30 June 2008.

# **REVIEW BY AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The audit committee under the Board of the Company has reviewed the unaudited condensed interim consolidated financial statements of the Company for the six months ended 30 June 2008 and also discussed with the Company's senior management matters such as the accounting policies and practices adopted by the Company.

#### **INTERIM DIVIDEND**

The board of directors of the Company did not recommend distributing any interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2008.

#### MATERIAL ACQUISITIONS AND DISPOSALS

On 5 June 2008, the Company, Sinochem Corporation and Sinochem Hong Kong entered into an acquisition agreement pursuant to which the Company has agreed to acquire, and Sinochem Hong Kong has agreed to sell, its entire interest in Wise Pine Limited (which represents a 54.87% attributable interest in Jin Mao Group) for a total consideration of RMB6,035.8 million (equivalent to approximately HK\$6,791.2 million). On the same day, the Company entered into seven other acquisition agreements with each of the seven other shareholders ("Other Shareholder ") of Wise Pine Limited to acquire such Other Shareholder's entire interest in Wise Pine Limited, which in aggregate represents a 45.13% attributable interest in Jin Mao Group, for a total consideration of RMB4,964.2 million (equivalent to approximately HK\$5,585.5 million). Pursuant to the agreements, the Company will acquire the 100% interests in Jin Mao Group for an aggregate consideration of RMB11,000 million (equivalent to approximately HK\$12,376.7 million), which will be satisfied by the Company in cash and the allotment and issue of consideration shares, to Sinochem Hong Kong and each Other Shareholder. Among which, RMB4,421.3 million (equivalent to approximately HK\$4,974.6 million), representing approximately 40% of the aggregate consideration, will be paid by cash and RMB6,578.7 million (equivalent to approximately 60% of the aggregate consideration, will be paid by allotting and issuing consideration shares at a price of HK\$3.43 per share (a total of approximately 2,158 million consideration shares).

During the extraordinary shareholders' general meeting of the Company held on 18 July 2008, the resolution regarding the acquisition of 100% interests in Jin Mao Group was passed. The acquisition has not yet been completed.

Save as disclosed above, the Company did not engage in any material acquisitions or disposals subsequent to 30 June 2008 and up to the date of this report.

# **MATERIAL LITIGATION**

For the six months ended 30 June 2008, the Group was not subject to any material litigation that could have a material adverse impact on the Group.

## **COMPLIANCE WITH THE MODEL CODE**

The Company has adopted the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code") set out in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules to govern securities transactions by the Directors. Having made specific enquiries of all the Directors, the Company confirmed that they had complied with the required standard set out in the Model Code during the six months ended 30 June 2008.

All the employees of the Group shall comply with "Rules for Securities Transactions by the Employees of Franshion Properties" formulated by the Company with reference to the Model Code in their dealings in the Company's securities. For the six months ended 30 June 2008, the Directors of the Company were not aware of any non-compliance with the rules by any employee.

# COMPLIANCE WITH THE CODE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES

The Company has complied with the code provisions of the Code on Corporate Governance Practices set out in Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules for the six months ended 30 June 2008.

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