# GARRON INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

嘉禹國際有限公司\*

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 1226)



## CORPORATE INFORMATION

#### STOCK CODE

1226

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**Executive Directors:** 

Dr. POON Ho-man Mr. Jerry CHIOU

## **Independent Non-executive Directors:**

Mr. HA Tak-kong Mr. PENG Feng Mr. TONG, I Tony

## REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

Dr. POON Ho-man Mr. HA Tak-kong Mr. PENG Feng

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Certified Public Accountants

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## PRINCIPAL BANKER

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#### GROUP SECRETARY

Mr. TSUI Wing Tak

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The board of directors (the "Board") of Garron International Limited (the "Company") hereby presents the unaudited interim report and condensed consolidated financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively the "Group") for the six months ended 30 September 2009. The unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements have not been reviewed by the Company's auditors but have been reviewed by the audit committee of the Company.

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the six months ended 30 September 2009

	Notes	2009 <i>HK\$</i> Unaudited	2008 <i>HK\$</i> Unaudited
Revenue	4	81,745	152,670
Net realised gain on disposal of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	5	-	168,663
Net unrealised gain/(loss) on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss Administrative expenses	5	2,983,182 (3,605,960)	(1,801,060) (5,189,691)
Loss before taxation Taxation	5 7	(541,033)	(6,669,418)
Loss attributable to shareholders		(541,033)	(6,669,418)
Dividends	8		
Other comprehensive income			
Total comprehensive loss attributable to shareholders		(541,033)	(6,669,418)
Loss per share - Basic	9	(0.008)	(0.094)
– Diluted		N/A	N/A

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

At 30 September 2009

	Notes	30 September 2009 <i>HK\$</i> Unaudited	31 March 2009 <i>HK\$</i> Audited
Non-current assets Property, plant and equipment Available-for-sale financial assets	10 11	36,306 4,000,000	131,176 4,000,000
		4,036,306	4,131,176
Current assets Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss Accounts receivable, prepayments	12	7,078,922	4,122,468
and deposits Bank and cash balances		967,164 379,220	1,186,808 1,029,815
		8,425,306	6,339,091
Current liability Other payables		1,895,720	1,353,306
Net current assets		6,529,586	4,985,785
Non-current liability Amount due to a director		9,950,492	7,960,528
Net assets		615,400	1,156,433
Capital and reserves Share capital Reserves	13	14,130,000 (13,514,600)	14,130,000 (12,973,567)
Shareholders' funds		615,400	1,156,433
Net assets value per share	16	0.01	0.02

# **CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY** For the six months ended 30 September 2009

	Share capital HK\$	Share premium HK\$	Share option reserve <i>HK</i> \$	Warrant reserve HK\$	Investment revaluation reserve HK\$	Accumulated losses HK\$	Total HK\$
At 31 March 2008 (Audited)	14,130,000	25,759,973	1,384,719	430,000	78,143,880	(30,268,591)	89,579,981
Issue of unlisted warrants	-	-	-	840,000	-	-	840,000
Loss for the six months ended 30 September 2008 (Unaudited)						(6,669,418)	(6,669,418)
At 30 September 2008 (Unaudited)	14,130,000	25,759,973	1,384,719	1,270,000	78,143,880	(36,938,009)	83,750,563
Changes in fair value of available-for-sale financial assets	-	-	-	-	(78,143,880)	) -	(78,143,880)
Loss for the six months ended 31 March 2009						(4,450,250)	(4,450,250)
At 31 March 2009 (Audited)	14,130,000	25,759,973	1,384,719	1,270,000	-	(41,388,259)	1,156,433
Loss for the six months ended 30 September 2009 (Unaudited)						(541,033)	(541,033)
At 30 September 2009 (Unaudited)	14,130,000	25,759,973	1,384,719	1,270,000		<u>(41,929,292</u> )	615,400

# **CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**For the six months ended 30 September 2009

	2009 <i>HK\$</i> Unaudited	2008 <i>HK\$</i> Unaudited
Net cash used in operating activities	(732,340)	(341,078)
Net cash generated from investing activities	81,745	152,670
Net cash generated from financing activities		840,000
NET (DECREASE)/INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(650,595)	651,592
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT 1 APRIL	1,029,815	454,731
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT 30 SEPTEMBER	379,220	1,106,323
ANALYSIS OF THE BALANCES OF CASH		
Bank and cash balances	379,220	1,106,323

#### NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Six months ended 30 September 2009

#### 1. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the applicable disclosure requirements of Appendix 16 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules"), the Hong Kong Accounting Standard ("HKAS") 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" and other applicable HKASs and Interpretations and the Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA").

The condensed consolidated interim financial statements should be read in conjunction with the 2009 audited consolidated financial statements. The accounting policies and basis of preparation used in the preparation of condensed consolidated interim financial statements are consistent with those applied in the Group's audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2009. The condensed consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for financial instruments, which are measured at fair values or revalued amounts, as appropriate.

#### 2. APPLICATION OF NEW AND REVISED HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS ("HKFRSs")

The condensed consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared on the historical costs basis, except for certain financial instruments, which are measured at fair values.

The accounting policies used in the condensed consolidated financial statements are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the Group's financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2009.

In the current interim period, the Group has applied, for the first time, the following new and revised standards, amendments to HKAS and new Hong Kong (IFRIC) Interpretations ("HK(IFRIC) - Int") (collectively referred to as "new and revised HKFRSs") issued by the HKICPA, which are effective for the Group's financial year beginning on 1 April 2009.

HKAS 1 (Revised	1)	Presentation of	Financial	Statements

HKAS 23 (Revised) Borrowing Costs

HKAS 32 & 1 (Amendments) Puttable Financial Instruments and Obligations Arising on Liquidation

HKFRS 1 & HKAS 27 Cost of an Investment in a Subsidiary, Jointly Controlled Entity or

(Amendments) Associate

HKFRS 2 (Amendment) Vesting Conditions and Cancellations

HKFRS 7 (Amendment) Improving Disclosures about Financial Instruments

HKFRS 8 Operating Segments Embedded Derivatives

HK(IFRIC)-Int 9 & HKAS 39

(Amendments)

HK(IFRIC)-Int 13 Customer Loyalty Programmes

HK(IFRIC)-Int 15 Agreements for the Construction of Real Estate HK(IFRIC)-Int 16 Hedges of a Net Investment in a Foreign Operation

HK(IFRIC)-Int 18 Transfers of Assets from Customers

HKFRSs (Amendments) Improvements to HKFRSs issued in 2008, except for the amendment

to HKFRS 5 that is effective for annual periods beginning on

or after 1st July 2009

HKFRSs (Amendments) Improvements to HKFRSs 2009 in relation to the amendment to

paragraph 80 of HKAS 39

Except as described below, the adoption of those new and revised HKFRSs had no material effect on the condensed consolidated financial statements of the Group for the current or prior accounting periods.

HKAS 1 (Revised 2007) has introduced a number of terminology changes, including revised titles for the condensed consolidated financial statements, and has resulted in a number of changes in presentation and disclosure. HKFRS 8 is a disclosure Standard that requires the identification of operating segments to be performed on the same basis as financial information that is reported internally for the purpose of allocating resources between segments and assessing their performance.

The Group has not early adopted the following new and revised standards, amendments or interpretations that have been issued but are not yet effective.

HKFRSs (Amendments) Amendment to HKFRS 5 as part of Improvements to HKFRSs issued

in 20081

HKFRSs (Amendments) Improvements to HKFRSs 2009<sup>2</sup> HKAS 24 (Revised) Related Party Disclosures<sup>3</sup>

HKAS 27 (Revised in 2008) Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements<sup>1</sup>

HKAS32 (Amendment) Classification of Rights Issues<sup>4</sup>

HKAS 39 (Amendment) Eligible Hedged Items<sup>1</sup>

HKFRS 1 (Amendment) Additional Exemptions for First-time Adopters<sup>3</sup>

HKFRS 2 (Amendment) Group Cash-settled Share-based Payment Transactions<sup>3</sup>

HKFRS 3 (Revised in 2008)

HKFRS 9

Business Combinations<sup>1</sup>

Financial Instruments<sup>5</sup>

HK(IFRIC)-Int 17 Distributions of Non-cash Assets to Owners<sup>1</sup>

Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 July 2009

- Amendments that are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 July 2009 or 1 January 2010, as appropriate
- Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2010
- Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 February 2010
- <sup>5</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 February 2013

The adoption of HKFRS 3 (Revised) may affect the accounting treatment for business combination for which the acquisition date is on or after the beginning of the first annual reporting period beginning on or after 1 April 2010. HKAS 27 (Revised) will affect the accounting treatment for changes in the Group's ownership interest in a subsidiary that do not result in a loss of control, which will be accounted for as equity transactions. The directors of the Company anticipate that the application of the other new or revised standards, amendments or interpretations will have no material impact on the results or financial position of the Group.

#### 3. SEGMENT INFORMATION

During the six months ended 30 September 2009 and year ended 31 March 2009, the Group's turnover and operating results were mainly derived from the interest income and dividend income from investment holding. The Directors consider that these activities constitute one business segment since these transactions are subject to common risks and returns. Given the nature of the Group's operation is investment holding, it is not considered meaningful to provide a business segment analysis of operating results.

The Group's segment assets and liabilities, analysed by geographical market, are as follows:

	PRC (except )	PRC (except Hong Kong)		Kong	Total		
	30 September	31 March	30 September	31 March	30 September	31 March	
	2009	2009	2009	2009	2009	2009	
	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	
	Unaudited	Audited	Unaudited	Audited	Unaudited	Audited	
Segment assets	4,000,000	4,000,000	8,461,611	6,470,267	12,461,611	10,470,267	
Segment liabilities			11,846,212	9,313,834	11,846,212	9,313,834	

#### 4. REVENUE

An analysis of revenue is as follows:

	2009	2008
	HK\$	HK\$
	Unaudited	Unaudited
Interest income	3	1,343
Dividend income from financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	81,742	151,327
	81,745	152,670

## 5. LOSS BEFORE TAX

Loss before taxation is arrived at after charging/(crediting) the followings:

	2009 <i>HK\$</i> Unaudited	2008 <i>HK</i> \$ Unaudited
Directors' remunerations		
- Fees	-	-
- Other remunerations	1,320,000	1,320,000
- Provident fund contributions	6,000	6,000
Total directors' remunerations	1,326,000	1,326,000
Staff costs		
Salaries	655,333	653,484
Provident fund contributions	15,300	15,083
Total staff costs (excluding directors' remunerations)	670,633	666,567
Depreciation	85,249	123,735
Investment manager fee	14,411	494,895
Rent and rates	1,051,698	1,237,407
Net unrealised loss on financial assets		
at fair value through profit or loss	-	1,801,060
and after crediting:		
Net realised gain on disposal of financial assets		
at fair value through profit or loss	-	(168,663)
Net unrealised gain on financial assets at fair		
value through profit or loss	2,983,182	
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## 6. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION

The summary of directors' remuneration is as follows:

## For the six months ended 30 September 2009

	Directors' fee <i>HK\$</i> Unaudited	Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind <i>HK\$</i> Unaudited	Retirement scheme contributions <i>HK\$</i> Unaudited	Share-based payments <i>HK\$</i> Unaudited	Total <i>HK\$</i> Unaudited
Executive directors	-	1,320,000	6,000	-	1,326,000
Independent non-executive directors	<u>-</u>	1,320,000	6,000	<u>-</u>	1,326,000
For the six months ended 30 Septe	ember 2008				
	Directors' fee HK\$ Unaudited	Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind <i>HK\$</i> Unaudited	Retirement scheme contributions <i>HK\$</i> Unaudited	Share-based payments <i>HK\$</i> Unaudited	Total <i>HK\$</i> Unaudited
Executive directors	-	1,320,000	6,000	_	1,326,000
Independent non-executive directors					
		1,320,000	6,000		1,326,000

#### 7. TAXATION

No provision for Hong Kong profits tax has been made as the companies comprising the Group have no estimated assessable profits arising in Hong Kong for the six months ended 30 September 2009 (2008: Nil).

	2009 <i>HK\$</i> Unaudited	2008 HK\$ Unaudited
Loss before taxation	(541,033)	(6,669,418)
Tax at the domestic income tax rate of 16.5% (2008: 16.5%) Tax effect of expenses that are not	(89,270)	(1,100,454)
deductible in determining taxable profit, net	15,654	271,984
Tax losses not recognized	73,616	828,470
Taxation charge		

At the end of reporting period, the Group has unused tax losses of approximately HK\$40.9 million (31 March 2009: HK\$40.4 million) available for offset against future profits. Tax losses, which are subject to agreement with the Hong Kong Inland Revenue Department, will be carried forward indefinitely.

#### 8. DIVIDENDS

The Board does not recommend the payment of any interim dividends for the six months ended 30 September 2009 (2008: Nil).

#### 9. LOSS PER SHARE

The calculation of basic loss per share is based on the Group's loss attributable to ordinary equity holders of the Company for the period under review of HK\$541,033 (2008: HK\$6,669,418) and the weighted average of 70,650,000 (2008: 70,650,000) ordinary shares in issue during the period under review.

Diluted loss per share for the six months ended 30 September 2009 was not disclosed as there was no dilutive potential shares.

## 10. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	Leasehold improvement <i>HK</i> \$	Office equipment <i>HK</i> \$	Motor vehicle HK\$	Total HK\$
COST At 31 March 2009 and 1 April 2009 Additions	247,685	40,840	384,864	673,389
At 30 September 2009	247,685	40,840	384,864	673,389
DEPRECIATION AND IMPAIRMENT At 1 April 2008 Depreciation for the year	51,601 123,843	2,602 8,168	240,540 115,459	294,743 247,470
At 31 March 2009 and 1 April 2009	175,444	10,770	355,999	542,213
Depreciation for the period	61,921	4,084	28,865	94,870
At 30 September 2009	237,365	14,854	384,864	637,083
NET BOOK VALUE At 30 September 2009	10,320	25,986		36,306
At 31 March 2009	72,241	30,070	28,865	131,176

#### 11. AVAILABLE-FOR-SALE FINANCIAL ASSETS

Particulars of available-for-sale financial assets are as follows:

		Unlisted equity						
Name of investee company	Note	Place of incorporation	Percentage of interest held	securities, at cost HK\$	Fair value adjustment HK\$	Carrying value HK\$		
Southwest Mining Investments Limited ("Southwest Mining)	<i>(i)</i>	The British Virgin Islands	30%	4,000,000	-	4,000,000		

#### Note:

(i) On 24 December 2007, the Company acquired 30% equity interest of Southwest Mining with consideration of HK\$4,000,000, it's principal activities is investment holding. In the opinion of the directors, the Group has not been in a position to exercise any significant influence over the financial and operating policies of Southwest Mining as the Group has no representative in the board of directors of Southwest Mining. Accordingly, Southwest Mining has been accounted for as an available-for-sale financial asset.

Southwest Mining holds 100% equity interest of a wholly owned foreign enterprise 貴州恒昌順 投資管理有限公司 ("恒昌順"), which principal activities is investment holding and provision of consultancy and management services. 恒昌順 holds 51% equity interest of 興仁縣昱樟煤業有限公司 ("昱樟煤業"), which principal activities is coal mine exploration and selling. The main assets of 昱樟煤業 is 興仁縣四聯鄉昱樟煤礦 ("昱樟煤礦"). The fair value of 昱樟煤業 were valued by Grant Sherman Appraisal Limited, an independent firm of professional valuers, at approximately RMB469,200,000 through the application of the income approach technique known as discounted cash flow method. No dividend was received or receivable during the six months ended 30 September 2009. The directors considered there was no material changes in the fair value of the investment as at 30 September 2009.

On 16 June 2009, a letter of intent was received from 恒昌順, which stated that the 51% equity interest of 昱樟煤業 will be disposed to another shareholder of 昱樟煤業, and the original investment cost HK\$4,000,000 of the Company will be fully refunded upon completion of this transaction.

## 12. FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS

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	30 September 2009 <i>HK\$</i> Unaudited	31 March 2009 <i>HK</i> \$ Audited
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss:		
Listed in Hong Kong	7,078,922	4,122,468
Market value of listed financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	7,078,922	4,122,468
. SHARE CAPITAL		
	Number of ordinary shares of HK\$0.20 each	HK\$
Authorised:		
At 31 March 2009 and 30 September 2009	100,000,000	20,000,000
Issued and fully paid:		
At 31 March 2009 and 30 September 2009	70,650,000	14,130,000

#### 14. SHARE OPTIONS SCHEME

The Company's share option scheme ("Share Option Scheme") was adopted by an ordinary resolution of the Company on 31 August 2002 for the primary purpose of providing incentives to directors, eligible employees, advisers, consultants and business affiliates.

At 30 September 2009, the number of shares in respect of which options had been granted and remained outstanding under the Share Option Scheme was 9,000,000 (31 March 2009: 9,000,000) representing 12.74% (31 March 2009: 12.74%) of the shares of the Company in issue at that date. The total number of shares in respect of which options may be granted under both scheme is not permitted to exceed 30% of the shares of the Company in issue at the time of listing.

The exercise price is determined by the Directors, and will not be less than the highest of (i) the closing price of the shares on the date of grant; (ii) the average closing price of the shares for the five business days immediately preceding the date of grant; and (iii) the nominal value of the shares.

Details of the Company's Share Option Scheme are summarized as follow:

Date of grant	Outstanding at 1/4/2009	Granted during the period	Exercised during the period	Lapsed during the period	Outstanding at 30/9/2009	Exercise period	Exercise price per share
Category I: Directors							
5/11/2007	210,000	<b>-</b> .	-		210,000	6/11/2007- 5/11/2010	HK\$1.24
22/11/2007	7,000,000	-	-	-	7,000,000	22/11/2007- 21/11/2017	HK\$1.082
Category II: Employees 5/11/2007	1,490,000	-	-	-	1,490,000	6/11/2007- 5/11/2010	HK\$1.24
Category III: Consultant 5/11/2007	300,000		_		300,000	6/11/2007- 5/11/2010	HK\$1.24
	9,000,000				9,000,000		

#### 15. WARRANTS

The Company has a total of 9,900,000 warrants outstanding at 30 September 2009 and its movements are as follows:

Date of grant	Note	Outstanding at 1/4/2009	Issued during the period	Exercised/ Lapsed during the period	Outstanding at 30/9/2009	Exercise period	Exercise price per share
27 September 2007	a	4,300,000	-	-	4,300,000	27/9/2007- 26/9/2010	HK\$0.70
30 April 2008	b	5,600,000			5,600,000	30/4/2008- 29/4/2010	HK\$0.60
		9,900,000			9,900,000		

#### Note:

- (a) On 27 September 2007, the Company placed a total of 4,800,000 unlisted warrants ("Warrants") to certain independent third parties at an issue price of HK\$0.1 each of which 500,000 Warrants had been exercised and 500,000 new shares of the Company had been issued and allotted on 3 December 2007.
- (b) On 30 April 2008, the Company placed a total of 5,600,000 unlisted warrants ("Warrants") to certain independent third parties at an issue price of HK\$0.15 each. No Warrants has been exercised during the six months ended 30 September 2009.

#### 16. NET ASSETS VALUE PER SHARE

The calculation of net asset values per share is based on the net assets value of the Group as at 30 September 2009 of HK\$0.01 (31 March 2009: HK\$0.02) and 70,650,000 (31 March 2009: 70,650,000) ordinary shares in issue at that date.

#### 17. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the six months ended 30 September 2009, the Group had entered into the following significant related party transactions which, in the opinion of the directors, were carried out on normal commercial terms and in the ordinary course of the Group's business:

2009	2008
HK\$	HK\$
Unaudited	Unaudited

2000

2000

Friedmann Pacific Asset Management Limited (*note a*) to which the following expenses were paid:

Investment management fee (*note b*)

**14,411** 494,895

#### Notes:

(a) During the six months ended 30 September 2009, Mr. CHIOU Jerry and Dr. POON Ho-man are common directors of Friedmann Pacific Asset Management Limited ("FPAML") and the Company.

An executive director of the Company, Dr. POON Ho-man, has beneficial interests in FPAML at the end of reporting period.

(b) The Company entered into an investment management agreement with FPAML on 14 June 2005 for a period of one year with effect from 16 June 2005 and shall continue for successive periods of one year each unless terminated at any time by serving on the other party not less than three months prior notice in writing. FPAML was entitled to receive an investment management fee on a quarterly basis at a rate of 2% per annum of the net asset value of the Company as at the valuation date as defined in the agreement. FPAML was also entitled to receive an incentive fee at a rate of 10% of the surplus net asset of the Company as at the last valuation date in a financial year as defined in the agreement but the maximum aggregate annual value of the fee shall not be more than HK\$390,000.

Remuneration for key management personnel, amounts paid to the directors of the Company is as follows:

	2009 <i>HK\$</i> Unaudited	2008 <i>HK</i> \$ Unaudited
Directors' fee Salaries, allowance and benefits in kind	- 1,320,000	1,320,000
Mandatory Provident Fund Contribution	6,000	6,000
	1,326,000	1,326,000

#### 18. COMMITMENTS

At the end of reporting period, the Group had outstanding minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases in respect of rented premises which fall due as follows:

	30 September	31 March
	2009	2009
	HK\$	HK\$
	Unaudited	Audited
Within one year	_	1,238,680
In the second to fifth year inclusive		
		1,238,680

Operating leases are negotiated and payments are fixed for an average of 2 years.

#### 19. COMPARATIVE AMOUNTS

Certain gains or losses from financial assets previously classified as turnover are reclassified and separately disclosed in the statement of comprehensive income in order to better reflect their nature and conform with current period's presentation.

#### MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

#### **Business and Financial Review**

The investment portfolio of the Group mainly comprises of listed securities in Hong Kong and unlisted equity securities in the PRC during the year. As a whole, the portfolio was carefully managed and being fully diversified to minimize commercial risk resulting from over concentration of the investment of the Group in any single industry. The Group reported a net loss of HK\$541,033 for the period under review, comparing to the net loss of HK\$6,669,418 recorded for the corresponding period last year. The substantial decrease in loss during the period was mainly due to the recovery of the Hong Kong securities market since 2009.

With regard to the 30% equity interest in the unlisted equity securities of Southwest Mining Investments Limited ("Southwest Mining") acquired on 24 December 2007, the original investment cost HK\$4,000,000 of the Company will be fully refunded upon completion of disposal of equity interest to another shareholder.

## **Future developments**

The Group expects that the global financial market will continue to be volatile in the second half of the year. In view this financial turmoil, the Group will prudently manage its investment portfolio for the long-term benefit of its shareholders and capitalize on any arising investment opportunities.

## Liquidity and Financial Resources

As at 30 September 2009, the Group had total assets of HK\$12,461,612 (31 March 2009: HK\$10,470,267), of which the non-current portion and the current portion were HK\$4,036,306 (31 March 2009: HK\$4,131,176) and HK\$8,425,306 (31 March 2009: HK\$6,339,091) respectively which was financed by current liabilities of HK\$1,895,720 (31 March 2009: HK\$1,353,306), non-current liabilities of HK\$9,950,492 (31 March 2009: HK\$7,960,528) and shareholders' funds of HK\$615,400 (31 March 2009: HK\$1,156,433).

The Group's current ratio, calculated on the basis of the total current assets over total current liabilities was approximately 0.71 (31 March 2009: 4.68) and the gearing ratio, calculated on the basis of the total liabilities over total shareholders' fund, was approximately 19.25 (31 March 2009: 8.05) as at 30 September 2009. The Company recorded a decrease in current ratio and increase in gearing for the period ended 30 September 2009 as the Company continued to experience a net operating loss throughout the period.

## **Capital Structure**

There has been no change in the share capital structure during the six months ended 30 September 2009.

## **Significant Investments**

The investment portfolio of the Group mainly comprises of listed securities in Hong Kong and unlisted equity securities in the PRC during the period. As a whole, the portfolio was carefully managed and being fully diversified to minimize commercial risk resulting from over concentration of the investment of the Group in any single industry.

During the period under review, the listed investment portfolio of the Group is focused in Hong Kong listed securities and covered various industry sectors.

With regard to the investment in unlisted equity securities in the PRC, the Group acquired 30% equity interest of Southwest Mining on 24 December 2007 with the consideration of HK\$4,000,000. The principal activities of Southwest Mining is investment holding.

On 16 June 2009, a letter of intent was received from 恒昌順, which stated that the 51% equity interest of 昱樟煤業 will be disposed to another shareholder of 昱樟煤業 who already owned 49% of 昱樟煤業, and the original investment cost HK\$4,000,000 of the Company will be fully refunded upon completion of this transaction.

## Foreign Currency Risk

The Group is exposed to foreign exchange risk arising from various currency exposures, primarily with respect to Renminbi ("RMB"). Foreign exchange risk arises from future commercial transactions, recognized assets and liabilities and net investments in foreign operations. The Group is mainly exposed to fluctuation in exchange rate of Renminbi ("RMB") against HK\$. As the exposure to fluctuations in exchange rate of HK\$ is considered to be minimal, no hedging against foreign currency exposure is necessary.

## Material Acquisition and Disposal of Subsidiary

No material acquisition or disposal of subsidiary during the current period.

#### **Employees**

As at 30 September 2009, the Company had retained four employees (2008: four employees). Total staff costs of the Company, including directors' remuneration, for the six months ended 30 September 2009 amounted to approximately HK\$1,997,000 (2008: HK\$1,993,000). Staff remuneration packages were in line with the prevailing market practice and were determined on the basis of the performance and experience of individual employee.

#### **Charges on Assets and Contingent Liabilities**

Throughout the six months period ended 30 September 2009, assets of the Company were free from any form of legal charge. In addition, the Company did not have any significant contingent liabilities.

## DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVES' INTERESTS IN EQUITY OR DEBT SECURITIES

As at 30 September 2009, the interests and short positions of the directors and chief executives in the ordinary shares and underlying shares of the Company and its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (the "SFO") (including interest which they are deemed or taken to have under such provisions of the SFO)), as recorded in the register required to be kept under Section 352 of the SFO, or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transaction by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code") were as follows:

Name of Directors	Number of shares the Company	Number of underlying of shares of the Company	Total	Approximate percentage of shareholding
Dr. Poon Ho-man	12,940,000	7,070,000	20,010,000	28.32%
	(Note 1)	( <i>Note</i> 2)		
Ha Tak-kong	_	70,000	70,000	0.10%
_		( <i>Note 3</i> )		
Tong, I Tony	_	70,000	70,000	0.10%
		(Note 3)	,	
Peng Feng	_	70,000	70,000	0.10%
		(Note 3)	,	

#### Notes:

- Dr. Poon Ho-man, an executive director of the Company, is deemed to be interested in these shares by virtue of his 100% interest in Planters Universal Limited, a company incorporated in the British Virgin Islands.
- 2. Dr. Poon Ho-man is interested in 7,000,000 share options conferring rights to subscribe for 7,000,000 shares of the Company. Save for which, Dr. Poon Ho-man is deemed to be interested in 70,000 share options held by his spouse, conferring rights to subscribe for 70,000 shares of the Company.
- 3. Each of Ha Tak-kong, Tong, I Tony and Peng Feng is interested in 70,000 share options conferring rights to subscribe for 70,000 shares of the Company.

Save as disclosed above, none of the directors and chief executives had any interests in equity or debt securities of the Company or of any of its associated corporations which were required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange as recorded in the register required to be kept under Section 352 of the SFO, or as otherwise notifiable to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code.

## ARRANGEMENTS TO ACQUIRE SHARES OR DEBENTURES

At no time during the period was the Company, or any of its subsidiaries, a party to any arrangements to enable the Directors to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in, or debentures of the Company or any other body corporate and neither the Directors nor any of their spouses or children under 18 years of age, had any right to subscribe for shares or debt securities of the Company, or had exercised any such rights during the period under review.

#### SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS

As at 30 September 2009, to the best knowledge of the Board and the chief executives of the Company, the following persons, other than being directors or chief executives of the Company, had an interest or short position in 5% or more in the shares and underlying shares of the Company have notified the Company and being recorded in the register of substantial shareholders' interests in shares and short positions required to be kept under Section 336 of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance.

Name of shareholders	Capacity	Number of shares held	Approximate percentage of shareholdings
Planters Universal Limited (Note 1)	Beneficial owner	12,940,000	18.45%
CHEN Jui-yang (Note 2)	Beneficial owner	7,000,000	9.91%
Linkasia Investment Limited (Note 3)	Beneficial owner	5,528,000	7.82%
BUDIMAN Leo (Note 3)	Interest in controlled corporation	5,528,000	7.82%

#### Notes:

- Planters Universal Limited is beneficially interested in 12,940,000 shares of the Company as at 30
  September 2009. The entire shares in Planters Universal Limited are beneficially owned by Dr. Poon Ho
  Man. The interests of Dr. Poon Ho Man in the Company are stated under the section headed "Directors' and
  Chief Executives' Interests in Equity or Debt Securities".
- 2. Mr. Chen Yui Yang, is interested in 7,000,000 shares as at 30 September 2009. To the best of the Directors' knowledge, information and belief having made all reasonable enquiries, Mr. Chen Yui Yang has no relationship with any Directors, senior management or other substantial or controlling Shareholders.
- 3. To the best of Directors' knowledge, information and belief, having made all reasonable enquiries, the 5,528,000 Shares are beneficially owned by Linkasia Investment Limited as at 30 September 2009. The entire shares in Linkasia Investment Limited are beneficially owned by Mr. Budiman Leo, an independent third party, and Mr. Budiman Leo is therefore deemed to be interested in 5,528,000 Shares.

Save as disclosed above, the Company had not been notified of any other person, not being a director or chief executive of the Company, who has interest or short positions in the shares of the Company representing 5% or more of the Company's issued share capital.

## PURCHASE, SALE AND REDEMPTION OF SHARES

During the period under review, neither the Company nor its subsidiary had purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's shares.

#### CODE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES

The Company has complied with the Code of Corporate Governance Practices (the "Code") as set out in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules throughout the Period, with deviations from code provisions A.2.1 to A.2.3, A.4.1 and A.4.2 of the Code in respect of the service term and rotation of directors.

Code Provision A.2.1 stipulates that the roles of chairman and chief executive officers should be separate and should not be performed by the same individual.

No chairman or chief executive officer had been appointed by the Company during the year. This constitutes a deviation from the code provision A.2.1 to A.2.3 of the Code. In view of the simple structure of the Company, all significant decision making is carried out by all executive directors of the Company while the day-to-day investment decision is based on the professional recommendation of the investment manager. The Board considers that this structure will not impair the balance of power and authority between the management of the Board and the management of its business.

Under the code provisions A.4.1 and A.4.2 of the Code, (a) non-executive directors should be appointed for a specific term and subject to re-election; and (b) all directors appointed to fill a casual vacancy should be subject to election by shareholders at the first general meeting after their appointment, and every director, including those appointed for a specific term, should be subject to retirement by rotation at least once every three years.

None of the existing non-existing directors of the Company is appointed for a specific term. This constitutes a deviation from the code provision A.4.1 of the Code. However, one-third of the directors of the Company (both executive and non-executive) are subject to the retirement by rotation at each annual general meeting under the articles of association of the Company. As such, the Company considers that sufficient measures have been taken to ensure that the Company's corporate governance practices are similar to those in the Code.

Under the articles of association of the Company, the chairman of the Board and/or the managing director and/or the deputy managing director of the Company are not subject to retirement by rotation or be taken into account on determining the number of directors to retire in each year. This constitutes a deviation from the code provision A.4.2 of the Code.

#### MODEL CODE ON SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS BY DIRECTORS

The Company has adopted the model code on securities transactions by directors set out in Appendix 10 of the Listing Rules (the "Model Code") as its own code of conducting regarding director's securities transactions. The Company confirms that, having made specific enquiry of all Directors, the Board has complied with the required standard set out in the Model Code.

#### AUDIT COMMITTEE

The audit committee, which comprises of three independent non-executive directors of the Company, has reviewed with the management the accounting principles and practices adopted by the Group and discussed the internal control and financial reporting matters including the review of the Group's unaudited financial statements for the six months ended 30 September 2009.

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

As at the date of this report, the Board comprises of Dr. POON Ho-man and Mr. Jerry CHIOU as executive directors, and Mr. HA Tak-kong, Mr. PENG Feng and Mr. TONG I, Tony as independent non-executive directors.

By Order of the Board of
GARRON INTERNATIONAL LIMITED
Dr. POON Ho-man
Executive Director

Hong Kong, 18 December 2009