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# **GOLDIN PROPERTIES HOLDINGS LIMITED**

高銀地產控股有限公司

(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 00283)

# ANNOUNCEMENT OF UNAUDITED INTERIM RESULTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2014

The board of directors (the "**Board**" or the "**Directors**") of Goldin Properties Holdings Limited ("**Goldin Properties**" or the "**Company**") is pleased to present the unaudited interim results of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "**Group**") for the six months ended 30 September 2014 (the "**Period**").

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the six months ended 30 September 2014

		Six months ended 30 September	
	Notes	2014 <i>HK\$'000</i> (unaudited)	2013 <i>HK\$`000</i> (unaudited)
Revenue Cost of sales	3	488,747 (148,440)	1,877,965 (1,000,453)
Gross profit Other income Marketing costs Hotel and polo club other operating expenses Administrative expenses Foreign exchange (losses) gains, net Finance costs Increase in fair value of investment properties Gain on derivatives	4 5 6	340,307 480 (14,570) (126,238) (146,595) (3,334) (11,209) 729,826	877,512 4,322 (46,289) (136,482) (163,025) 14,576 (12,905) 565,614 19,533
Profit before tax Income tax expense	7 8	768,667 (244,350)	1,122,856 (393,003)
Profit for the period attributable to owners of the Company		524,317	729,853
<b>Other comprehensive income</b> <i>Item that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:</i> Exchange difference arising on translation		198,657	227,290
Total comprehensive income for the period attributable to owners of the Company		722,974	957,143
Earnings per share Basic Diluted	10	14.70 HK cents 14.58 HK cents	20.46 HK cents 19.42 HK cents
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# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

At 30 September 2014

	Notes	30.9.2014 <i>HK\$'000</i> (unaudited)	31.3.2014 <i>HK\$'000</i> (audited)
Non-current assets Property, plant and equipment Ponies Investment properties Other assets Prepaid lease payments Intangible assets Deposits paid for acquisition of property, plant and equipment	11	2,526,642 36,789 17,361,948 361,326 244,456 90 21,934	2,479,908 40,938 14,823,132 357,632 245,151 90 11,289
<b>Current assets</b> Inventories Properties for sale Prepaid lease payments Trade and other receivables, prepayments and deposits Amounts due from related companies Cash and cash equivalents	12	20,553,185 74,044 9,134,535 6,454 522,366 1,573 639,384 10,378,356	17,958,140 75,582 8,038,911 6,388 481,334 1,453,579 10,055,794
<b>Current liabilities</b> Trade and other payables Amounts due to related companies Tax payable Bank borrowing Obligations under finance leases – amount due within one year	13 14	5,585,596 49,955 459,222 56,786 83 6,151,642	4,971,872 44,978 396,949 56,205 80 5,470,084
Net current assets Total assets less current liabilities		4,226,714 24,779,899	4,585,710 22,543,850
Non-current liabilities Bank borrowing Obligations under finance leases – amount due after one year Loan from a related company Deferred tax liabilities	14 15	212,946 208 6,334,414 1,516,580	238,871 250 5,019,123 1,320,485
Capital and reserves		8,064,148 16,715,751	<u>6,578,729</u> <u>15,965,121</u>
Share capital Reserves Total equity	16	10,925,194 5,790,557 16,715,751	10,923,728 5,041,393 15,965,121

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the six months ended 30 September 2014

	Attributable to owners of the Company							
	Share capital HK\$'000	Share premium HK\$'000		Translation reserve HK\$'000	Equity participant reserve HK\$'000	Capital redemption reserve HK\$'000	Retained profits HK\$'000	<b>Total</b> HK\$'000
At 1 April 2014 (audited)	10,923,728	-	191,561	929,436	15,942	-	3,904,454	15,965,121
Profit for the period	-	-	-	-	-	-	524,317	524,317
Exchange difference arising on translation				198,657				198,657
Total comprehensive income								
for the period				198,657			524,317	722,974
Recognition of equity-settled								
share-based payments	-	-	26,706	-	-	-	-	26,706
Exercise of share options	1,466	-	(516)	-	-	-	-	950
Lapse of share options			(1,024)				1,024	
At 30 September 2014								
(unaudited)	10,925,194	_	216,727	1,128,093	15,942		4,429,795	16,715,751
At 1 April 2013 (audited) Profit for the period	178,304	10,738,752	172,564	1,009,408	15,942	173	3,045,971 729,853	15,161,114 729,853
Exchange difference arising on	-	_	-	_	_	-	129,033	129,033
translation				227,290				227,290
Total comprehensive income								
for the period				227,290			729,853	957,143
Recognition of equity-settled								
share-based payments	-	-	14,982	-	-	-	-	14,982
Exercise of share options	65	6,435	(2,578)	-	-	-	-	3,922
Lapse of share options			(1,869)				1,869	
At 30 September 2013								
(unaudited)	178,369	10,745,187	183,099	1,236,698	15,942	173	3,777,693	16,137,161

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the six months ended 30 September 2014

	Six months ended		
	<b>30 September</b>		
	2014	2013	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	
Net cash used in operating activities	(7,908)	(392,726)	
Net cash used in investing activities	(1,913,392)	(172,007)	
Net cash generated from financing activities	1,102,316	789,761	
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents	(818,984)	225,028	
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period	1,453,579	1,341,536	
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes	4,789	212	
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	639,384	1,566,776	

#### NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the six months ended 30 September 2014

#### 1. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Accounting Standard 34 ("**HKAS**") "Interim Financial Reporting" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (the "**HKICPA**") as well as with the applicable disclosure requirements of Appendix 16 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities (the "**Listing Rules**") on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "**Stock Exchange**"). The interim results have been reviewed by the audit committee of the Company (the "**Audit Committee**") and was authorised to issue by the Board on 27 November 2014.

# 2. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for certain properties and financial instruments, which are measured at fair values, as appropriate.

Except as described below, the accounting policies and methods of computation used in the condensed consolidated financial statements for the six months ended 30 September 2014 are the same as those followed in the preparation of the Group's annual audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2014.

During the Period, the Group has applied, for the first time, the following new Interpretation and amendments to Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("**HKFRSs**") issued by the HKICPA that are relevant for the preparation of the Group's condensed consolidated financial statements:

Amendments to HKFRS 10, HKFRS 12 and HKAS 27	Investment Entities
Amendments to HKAS 32	Offsetting Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities
Amendments to HKAS 36	Recoverable Amount Disclosures for Non-Financial Assets
Amendments to HKAS 39	Novation of Derivatives and Continuation of Hedge Accounting
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The application of the above new Interpretation and amendments to HKFRSs in the current interim period has had no material effect on the amounts reported in these condensed consolidated financial statements and/or disclosures set out in these condensed consolidated financial statements.

	Six months ended 30 September	
	2014	2013
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Sales of properties	479,270	1,862,510
Hotel operation	5,713	10,431
Advertising, VIP Box and ticketing income from polo tournaments		
and income from other polo related activities	903	1,229
Polo club membership income	1,545	1,404
Project management fee	1,316	2,391
	488,747	1,877,965

The following is an analysis of the Group's revenue and results by reportable and operating segments:

	Six months ended 30 September							
					Hotel and	polo club		
	Property d	evelopment	Property i	nvestment	opera	ation	Total	
	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Revenue	480,587	1,864,901		_	8,160	13,064	488,747	1,877,965
Segment profit (loss)	314,876	820,234	715,348	555,898	(156,132)	(183,506)	874,092	1,192,626
Interest income							405	4,145
Unallocated corporate expenses							(94,621)	(80,543)
Finance costs							(11,209)	(12,905)
Gain on derivatives								19,533
Profit before tax						!	768,667	1,122,856

The following is an analysis of the Group's assets by reportable and operating segments:

	30.9.2014 <i>HK\$'000</i> (unaudited)	31.3.2014 <i>HK\$'000</i> (audited)
Property development Property investment Hotel and polo club operation	9,352,411 17,996,931 2,913,429	8,314,906 15,339,027 2,871,404
Total segment assets Total unallocated assets	<u> </u>	26,525,337 1,488,597
Group's total assets	30,931,541	28,013,934

#### 4. OTHER INCOME

		ths ended tember
	2014 <i>HK\$'000</i> (unaudited)	2013 <i>HK\$</i> '000 (unaudited)
Interest received on bank deposits Others	405	4,145
	480	4,322

# 5. FINANCE COSTS

	Six months ended 30 September		
	2014	2013	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	
Interest on:			
– Finance leases	14	17	
– Bank borrowing	11,195	12,888	
- Shareholder's loan wholly repayable within five years	_	92,409	
– Loan from a related company wholly repayable within five years	178,822	2,201	
Effective interest expense on convertible bonds		19,483	
	190,031	126,998	
Less: Amount capitalised in investment properties under construction	(175,245)	(63,892)	
Amount capitalised in properties for sale	(3,577)	(50,201)	
	11,209	12,905	

Note: All capitalised finance costs are related to specific borrowings.

# 6. GAIN ON DERIVATIVES

	Six months ended 30 September		
	2014	2013	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	
Fair value change on conversion option			
derivative of convertible bonds		19,533	

On 21 January 2011, convertible bonds with an aggregate principal value of approximately HK\$4,911,339,000 (the "**Convertible Bonds due 2014**") were issued by the Company to its shareholders. A principal amount of HK\$226,736,000 in outstanding Convertible Bonds due 2014 was redeemed by the Company at 100% on the maturity date at approximately HK\$226,736,000 during the year ended 31 March 2014.

#### 7. PROFIT BEFORE TAX

	Six months ended 30 September	
	2014	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Profit before tax has been arrived at after charging:		
Amortisation of prepaid lease payments	3,227	3,245
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	53,385	62,248
Depreciation of ponies	4,550	4,648

#### 8. INCOME TAX EXPENSE

	Six months ended 30 September	
	2014	2013
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
The income tax expense comprises:		
Current tax		
– PRC Enterprise Income Tax	33,549	146,299
- PRC Land Appreciation Tax	28,345	117,694
	61,894	263,993
Overprovision in respect of prior periods		-
– Hong Kong Profits Tax		(12,394)
	61,894	251,599
Deferred tax	182,456	141,404
	244,350	393,003

No provision for Hong Kong Profits Tax has been made as the group companies operating in Hong Kong do not have any assessable profits for both periods.

For the six months ended 30 September 2014, the relevant tax rate for the Company's subsidiaries in the PRC is 25% (30 September 2013: 25%).

The provision of the PRC Land Appreciation Tax is calculated according to the requirements set forth in the relevant PRC tax laws and regulations. The PRC Land Appreciation Tax has been provided at ranges of progressive rates of the appreciation value, with certain allowable deductions.

#### 9. **DIVIDENDS**

The Board does not recommend the payment of an interim dividend for the six months ended 30 September 2014 (30 September 2013: Nil).

#### 10. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The calculation of the basic and diluted earnings per share attributable to the owners of the Company is based on the following data:

	Six months ended 30 September	
	2014 <i>HK\$'000</i> (unaudited)	2013 <i>HK\$'000</i> (unaudited)
Earnings	()	(
<ul> <li>Earnings for the purpose of basic earnings per share (profit for the period attributable to owners of the Company)</li> <li>Effect of dilutive potential ordinary shares:</li> <li>– Fair value change on convertible option derivative</li> </ul>	524,317	729,853
of convertible bonds	_	(19,533)
<ul> <li>Exchange gain in relation to liability component of convertible bonds recognised in profit or loss</li> </ul>		(3,033)
Earnings for the purpose of diluted earnings per share	524,317	707,287
Number of shares	2014 Number of shares	2013 Number of shares
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of basic earnings per share Effect of dilutive potential ordinary shares:	3,567,407,445	3,566,549,532
<ul> <li>Share options</li> <li>Convertible bonds</li> </ul>	29,554,613	28,935,788 47,236,624
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of diluted earnings per share	3,596,962,058	3,642,721,944

The computation of diluted earnings per share does not assume the exercise of certain of the Company's share options as the exercise price was higher than the average market price per share for both periods.

# 11. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

	HK\$'000
At 1 April 2013 (audited)	10,690,129
Exchange realignment	(13,314)
Construction cost incurred and capitalised expenditure	3,438,005
Increase in fair value recognised in profit or loss	708,312
At 31 March 2014 and 1 April 2014 (audited)	14,823,132
Exchange realignment	148,207
Construction cost incurred and capitalised expenditure	1,660,783
Increase in fair value recognised in profit or loss	729,826
At 30 September 2014 (unaudited)	17,361,948

#### 11. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES (continued)

The fair values of the Group's investment properties at 30 September 2014 and 31 March 2014 have been arrived at on the basis of valuation carried out on these dates by Savills Valuation and Professional Services Limited, an independent qualified professional valuer not connected with the Group, who has appropriate qualifications and recent experiences in the valuation of similar properties in the relevant locations.

In estimating the fair values of the Group's investment properties, the highest and best use of the properties is their current use.

The valuation of the Group's investment properties under construction is determined with reference to the fair value of the bare land plus construction costs incurred. The fair value of the bare land has been arrived at by adopting the comparison approach and making reference to the market transactions as available in the markets, with adjustments made to account for various factors including geographical location of the properties, availability of transportation system and public facilities and the estimated development period of the Group's investment properties under construction. The valuer has also determined on the basis that the Group's investment properties under construction will be developed and completed in accordance with the latest development proposals and taken into account the construction costs that will be expended to complete the development as well as developer's profit margin to reflect the quality of the completed development.

There were no changes to the valuation techniques during the Period.

All of the Group's property interests held under operating leases to earn rentals purpose are measured using the fair value model and are classified and accounted for as investment properties.

All of the Group's investment properties are under construction and located on leasehold lands in the PRC under medium-term leases.

# 12. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES, PREPAYMENTS AND DEPOSITS

	30.9.2014 <i>HK\$'000</i> (unaudited)	31.3.2014 <i>HK\$'000</i> (audited)
Trade receivables	69,198	135,944
Other receivables and prepayments	439,480	333,605
Deposits	13,688	11,785
Total trade and other receivables, prepayments and deposits	522,366	481,334

As at 30 September 2014, included in trade and other receivables, prepayments and deposits of the Group are trade receivables (net of allowance for doubtful debts) of HK\$69,198,000 (31 March 2014: HK\$135,944,000), of which HK\$68,861,000 (31 March 2014: HK\$132,702,000) were based on the terms of sales and purchase agreements of completed properties for sale for the settlement. The Group allows an average credit period of 30 days to its customers for certain services rendered by the Group and was within the age of 30 days.

The amounts of trade receivables have been fully settled subsequently after the period ended date. All the trade receivables are not impaired and the Group has assessed the creditworthiness and historical default rates of these customers.

#### 13. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

An aged analysis of trade payables, presented based on the invoice date, at the end of the reporting period is set out as follows:

	30.9.2014 <i>HK\$'000</i> (unaudited)	31.3.2014 <i>HK\$'000</i> (audited)
0-90 days	68,161	437,862
Total trade payables	68,161	437,862
Construction cost payables	3,277,053	2,101,495
Retention payables	1,396,326	1,079,627
Total trade and construction cost payables	4,741,540	3,618,984
Dividend payable	1,102	1,102
Other payables	407,160	381,523
Deposit received in advance	354,545	839,328
Polo club membership fees received in advance	70,564	71,193
Others	10,685	59,742
	5,585,596	4,971,872

#### 14. BANK BORROWING

At 30 September 2014, the Group has an unsecured bank loan in the amount of RMB213,750,000 (equivalent to HK\$269,732,000) (31 March 2014: RMB236,250,000 (equivalent to HK\$295,076,000)). Such bank loan carries interest at market rate of 7.53% (31 March 2014: 7.53%) per annum and is repayable in instalments over a period of 7 years to 2019. The proceed was used to finance the daily operation of hotel and polo club.

During the Period, the Group repaid RMB22,500,000 (equivalent to HK\$28,393,000) (31 March 2014: RMB33,750,000 (equivalent to HK\$42,154,000)) based on the scheduled repayment dates.

#### 15. LOAN FROM A RELATED COMPANY

The Group obtained an unsecured loan facility from a related company, Goldin Special Situations Limited ("**Goldin Special Situations**"), in which Mr. Pan has a beneficial interest, at the principal amount of not more than US\$2 billion (equivalent to HK\$15,527,000,000 (31 March 2014: HK\$15,513,000,000)) which is unsecured, carries interests at a rate of 8% per annum and is repayable on or before 26 August 2014. During the Period, the expiry date was extended to 31 December 2016, which was classified as non-current.

#### 16. SHARE CAPITAL

	Number of shares	Share capital HK\$'000
Authorised:		
At 1 April 2013		
- Ordinary shares of HK\$0.05 each	10,000,000,000	500,000
At 31 March 2014 and 30 September 2014 (Note)	N/A	N/A
Issued and fully paid:		
At 1 April 2013 (audited)	3,566,082,188	178,304
Issue of new shares upon exercise of share options	1,298,238	65
Transfer upon abolition of par value under the new		
Companies Ordinance (Note)		10,745,359
At 31 March 2014 and 1 April 2014 (audited)	3,567,380,426	10,923,728
Issue of new shares upon exercise of share options	312,109	1,466
At 30 September 2014 (unaudited)	3,567,692,535	10,925,194

#### Note:

The Company has no authorised share capital and its shares have no par value since the commencement date of the new Companies Ordinance (i.e. 3 March 2014). As of 3 March 2014, share premium and capital redemption reserve amounted to approximately HK\$10,745,186,000 and HK\$173,000, respectively were transferred to share capital upon abolition of par value under the new Companies Ordinance.

# 17. SHARE-BASED PAYMENT TRANSACTIONS

312,109 (31 March 2014: 1,298,238) and 2,026,254 (31 March 2014: 5,888,648) share options were exercised and lapsed respectively during the Period.

During the Period, share-based payments in respect of the 2002 Share Option Scheme and the 2012 Share Option Scheme with total amount of HK\$26,706,000 (30 September 2013: HK\$14,982,000) was recognised as an expense.

# 18. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND COMMITMENTS

As of 30 September 2014, the Group had contingent liabilities and commitments of approximately HK\$2,000,000 and HK\$19,663,000,000 respectively (31 March 2014: HK\$2,000,000 and HK\$17,914,000,000 respectively).

For the commitments, the future committed capital expenditures which are to be incurred mainly for properties for sale and investment properties under construction up to 2015 and 2016 will be HK\$4,539,000,000 (31 March 2014: HK\$4,435,000,000) and HK\$15,038,000,000 (31 March 2014: HK\$13,454,000,000) respectively.

#### **19. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

The Group's transactions with related parties are as follows:

	Six months ended 30 September	
	2014	2013
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Companies in which the ultimate		
controlling shareholder		
has beneficial interests		
Goldin Group (Investment) Limited		
<ul> <li>Interest expenses on loan from a shareholder*</li> </ul>	_	92,409
Goldin Special Situations		
<ul> <li>Interest expenses on loan from a related company*</li> </ul>	178,822	2,201
Matsunichi Goldbase Global (Management) Limited		
<ul> <li>Interest expenses on Convertible Bonds due 2014*</li> </ul>	_	3,610
Smart Edge Limited		
<ul> <li>Project management fee income*</li> </ul>	1,316	1,316
Dynasty Select Limited		
- Purchase of wine products*	324	2,425
松日數碼發展(深圳)有限公司		
<ul> <li>– Purchase of smart phone products*</li> </ul>	152	6,232

\* These transactions constituted connected transactions or continuing connected transactions as defined in Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules.

Compensation of key management personnel amounted to approximately HK\$21,240,000 (30 September 2013: HK\$16,448,000) for the six months ended 30 September 2014.

#### CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

It was a fruitful period for the Company as it received recognition from the capital market, property sector and media for its satisfactory performance and its strengths and capability for long-term development.

Our mega-integrated property development flagship project, Tianjin Goldin Metropolitan ("**Goldin Metropolitan**" or the "**Project**") is now the yardstick of architectural design and quality of buildings in Tianjin and even across China. During the Period, we have made remarkable progress in the construction of the central business district ("**CBD**") of Goldin Metropolitan, notably the grade-A office building Goldin Finance 117. Over 450 metres in height of Goldin Finance 117 have been constructed. We are pleased that Fortune Heights, as the signature residential project of the Group, carried off the "China Property Awards – Annual City Award (Tianjin)" for the second consecutive year in September 2014 from China Business News, which is a reputable financial media group in the country. This accolade demonstrated the recognition for the high quality and unique design of the Company's property project.

With its prestigious property project, the Company also achieved another impressive accomplishment in the capital market – it has become a constituent of the Hang Seng Composite MidCap Index (HSMI) since 8 September 2014 and has been covered by Hong Kong Stock Link, and thus tradable under the pilot scheme of Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect. Launched on 17 November 2014, Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect is a ground-breaking new programme to connect China's financial markets with the world. The mutual market access scheme allows mainland investors to directly invest in eligible shares listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, and gives eligible Hong Kong and international investors direct access to shares listed in Shanghai. Such a scheme will help lift investor sentiment and enhance the liquidity in the capital markets of both China and Hong Kong.

Moreover, on 30 May 2014, the Company was included in the list of the Morgan Stanley Capital International (MSCI) China Small Cap Index in recognition of its significant growth and achievements. The inclusion in such index will positively enhance the Company's reputation in the global capital market and further increase investors' interest in Goldin Properties.

Goldin Properties has also earned wide recognition in the property sector for its overall exceptional performance. In November, I was selected by the editors of Property Report magazine as Real Estate Personality of the Year at the China Property Awards 2014. This award was given to Chinese property developers to celebrate their excellent performance in China, Hong Kong and Macau. It affirms the high quality, leadership and insights of our management team.

# **BUSINESS REVIEW**

# **Market Overview**

According to China's National Bureau of Statistics ("**NBS**"), sales of new homes were down 10.8% year on year from January to September in 2014. China's property developers were losing appetite for new project as evidenced by the deceleration in the growth rate of investment in real estate development to 12.5% according to NBS's data. In an attempt to revive the flagging property market, the People's Bank of China ("**PBOC**") has announced measures to loosen the control on mortgage loans recently. It is expected that these policies will definitely help to release the pent-up demand for housing in the PRC and restore the confidence of the home buyers and investors.

Moreover, more and more provincial and municipal governments tentatively eased or removed restrictive policies on home purchases. Tianjin Municipal Bureau of Land Resources and Housing Administration and five other government departments have announced a joint statement that potential home buyers from outside Tianjin are no longer required to provide any tax fulfillment certificate and social insurance certificate. Such relaxation should bode well for the property market.

In Tianjin, the gross domestic product grew by 10.3% year on year in the first half of 2014, still above the national average. The city's strategic importance in the Bohai Economic Rim makes it a magnet for investments from both international and sizeable domestic enterprises, which help enhance Tianjin's economic development. Moreover, the central government's pending Beijing-Tianjin-Hebei Coordinated Development Program will probably trigger off the migration and thus stimulate the demand for high-end properties. The three places have recently reached agreements over cooperation in environmental protection, which can be a prelude to their proposed coordinated development.

Tianjin Binhai Hi-tech Industrial Development Area ("**Tianjin Hi-tech Area**"), which was approved by the State Council as the first national high-tech industrial development zone, is an important part of the Binhai New Area of Tianjin. The Binhai New Area, which is a prime location to benefit from the trend, has a convenient transportation network and a high degree of economic openness. Goldin Metropolitan, which is strategically located in that area and consists of an international CBD, luxury residential properties and prestigious leisure facilities, will remain the highlight of Tianjin's property market. With its competitive advantages, Goldin Properties is well-positioned to benefit from the above-mentioned government policies of easing the control on the property market, the regional economic development and Tianjin's positive property market outlook.

# Goldin Metropolitan

Goldin Metropolitan has been meticulously designed to accommodate the three main elements of a balanced living: family, work and leisure. All the needs in these three elements are catered for by the major facilities of the Project, namely the CBD that features advanced design, the low-density residential estate Fortune Heights that embodies the concept of a new luxurious living and the Tianjin Goldin Metropolitan Polo Club ("Goldin Metropolitan Polo Club") that houses unique, world-class leisure facilities for the time-honoured and elegant sport.

Positioned as a mega-integrated property development flagship project, Goldin Metropolitan targets the high-end property market and is designed to meet the needs of leading domestic and foreign high-end buyers, the locals and corporations. Total investment in the Project is estimated to be US\$10 billion and will be completed by 2016 in phases. Just a 20 minutes' drive from Tianjin's downtown area, the Project consists of an international CBD, a luxury residential zone called Fortune Heights and Goldin Metropolitan Polo Club which is complemented by Tianjin Goldin Metropolitan Polo Club Hotel (the "Goldin Metropolitan Polo Club Hotel"). The Goldin Metropolitan Polo Club helps promote Goldin Metropolitan as a prestigious property project by hosting international polo tournaments regularly each year.

An architectural masterpiece of unprecedented scale undertaken by internationally acclaimed architectural consultancies, construction companies and the Group's professional team, Goldin Metropolitan will have gross floor areas ("**GFA**") of approximately 1,890,000 square metres. Its CBD will feature an iconic skyscraper Goldin Finance 117, a grade-A office building which will probably become the world's fifth tallest building when it is completed by 2016. In addition, both Goldin Metropolitan Polo Club and its ancillary facilities Goldin Metropolitan Polo Club Hotel have been in full operation. Construction of the remaining parts of the Project is well on schedule. Overall, the Project will be a new metropolis-like zone offering comprehensive residential and business facilities for its residents and tenants. By executing the Project with high standards, the Company aspires to be a world-class metropolitan property developer.

# Central Business District

Showcasing Goldin Metropolitan's state-of-the-art architecture, the CBD will consist of the 597 metre-high grade-A office building Goldin Finance 117, high-rise twin towers, a luxury shopping mall, cultural and recreational facilities, an international convention and exhibition center, a distinctive boutique hotel and deluxe serviced apartments. For its grand construction scale and uniqueness, Goldin Finance 117 was rated as one of China's new iconic buildings in the "2013-2014 China New Landmark Constructions in 100 Cities", an annual study of new landmarks under construction in the country which was jointly organized by China Index Academy and China Real Estate Index System.

By the end of the Period, we made significant progress in the construction of the CBD, which is poised to become a new commercial hub of Tianjin. The construction of Goldin Finance 117 has been on schedule with core wall constructed to the 93<sup>rd</sup> floor (460 metres). The entire grade-A office building, which will become the home of the regional headquarters of international and sizeable domestic enterprises, is scheduled to be finished by 2016. Meanwhile, the piling works and construction of the diaphragm wall of the basement of the second phase of CBD (including the twin towers, concert hall, boutique hotel and international convention and exhibition centre) were well underway.

The target clientele includes a broad spectrum of residents featuring multinational corporations and first-tier global brands. The Company will solicit multinational corporations for tenancy in the CBD by 2016 once all the buildings there are available for lease or sale.

# Fortune Heights

Fortune Heights, as one of the signature projects of the Group, consists of about 700 residential units in the form of villas, townhouses and high-rise apartment buildings with combined GFA of approximately 208,800 square metres in Phase One of Fortune Heights. The encouraging sales of the properties in Phase One bodes well for Phase Two of Fortune Heights, which will have GFA of about 501,000 square metres and is scheduled to be completed by 2015. This high-end residential property project will be built in a low-density layout, and the home owners or tenants there will be able to enjoy a wide range of community facilities. Notably, the Maple Leaf International School-Tianjin Huayuan has opened there. Fortune Heights, as the luxury residential zone of the Project, will embody the Group's idea that "Elite Community Counts". This also reaffirms Fortune Heights as Tianjin's most desirable residence.

Fortune Heights was named as one of the most promising property projects in 2013 by "The Sixth Jinghua Property Annual Ranking 2012" for its luxurious artistic design and excellent craftsmanship. The award demonstrated the market's acclaim for the high quality of Fortune Heights and the premium brand of the Group.

#### Goldin Metropolitan Polo Club

Embodying the elegance and nobility of the aristocracy from the past, polo aptly reflects Goldin Metropolitan's positioning as a prestigious property project. The Group has brought a classical touch to contemporary urban lifestyle by hosting international tournaments of the time-honoured sport regularly at Goldin Metropolitan Polo Club since its opening in November 2010. The 890,000-square metre world-class polo club, which is an important part of the Project, comprises an international polo clubhouse, a 167-room luxury hotel, specialty restaurants, two polo fields of international standards, stables and other ancillary facilities. It has become one of the best polo clubs in the world, thus enhancing the Project's status.

Goldin Metropolitan Polo Club, with its high reputation, has built a strong global network by forming ties with 11 reciprocal clubs over the world, including those in the United Kingdom, France, Italy, the United States, Argentina, New Zealand, Singapore, Indonesia, and India.

With the strong international connection and its strategic location in Tianjin Hi-tech Area, Goldin Metropolitan Polo Club Hotel was selected to be the venue of Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation ("**APEC**") Emerging Industry Forum on 7 and 8 November 2014. This forum is part of the APEC China Day 2014, from which a series of activities were organized in Beijing and Tianjin. It is believed that more international conferences will be held in the hotel and more investors will explore development opportunities in Tianjin Hi-tech Area, which will benefit the Company's project.

#### PROSPECTS

To leverage the unique advantages that the pending integration of Beijing and Tianjin offers, one will require a vision founded on extraordinary ambition. That vision for innovation can be found at the Goldin Group. Our pioneering spirit has already helped to create the most iconic landmark in the Bohai Economic Rim: the Goldin Metropolitan.

Tianjin's strategic role in the Bohai Economic Rim and the pending Beijing-Tianjin-Hebei Coordinated Development Program will attract much interest from the international and domestic investors. To pave the way for the region's further economic development, Tianjin Binhai International Airport ("**Tianjin Airport**") Terminal 2 was opened in August 2014 as part of the strategic plan for the Beijing-Tianjin-Hebei integration. Tianjin Airport plans to introduce more international flights that will further enhance its status as an important international transportation hub. In November 2014, the PBOC cut interest rates for the first time since 2012 in an attempt to stimulate the slowing economy. All these policies and developments will favour Tianjin's property market, and Goldin Metropolitan, as a grand project in the city, will stand to benefit from them.

Goldin Metropolitan, which is grand in scale and visionary in design, is intended to be a mega-integrated property development flagship project in China. Close to the downtown area, the premium integrated project of residential and commercial properties is geared towards the needs of buyers in the high-end market and those of the leading domestic and international enterprises.

The successful sale of the apartments in Phase One of Fortune Heights suggested a bright prospect for the upcoming residential and commercial property projects in Goldin Metropolitan. Construction of Phase Two of Fortune Heights and other parts of the Project is progressing on schedule, and we look forward to a greater success when the entire flagship project is completed. We aspire to become a world-class metropolitan integrated property developer, and will do our best to realize the visionary project with the highest standard.

The Group will also seek new opportunities to replenish new land banks in prime locations elsewhere with an aim of sustaining its long-term business development.

# MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

# RESULTS

For the Period, net profit of the Group dropped by 28% year on year to approximately HK\$524 million (30 September 2013: approximately HK\$730 million). Its revenue decreased by 74% year on year to approximately HK\$489 million (30 September 2013: approximately HK\$1,878 million). The decrease was mainly attributable to the decline in recognized revenue to approximately HK\$479 million (30 September 2013: HK\$1,863 million) from the sales of residential properties of the Group during the Period. The Group is adopting a moderate approach in releasing the residential units, with the anticipation for the completion and maturity of the whole Goldin Metropolitan project in the near future. But still, the current sales of the residential units remains in a fair pace. The property sales accounted for 98% of the total revenue for the Period (30 September 2013: 99%). However, as the Chinese government has made an about-turn over its monetary policy by cutting the interest rates to boost the slowing economy and has adopted a number of measures to revive the flagging property market, the Board, in view of the amounts of subscribed and contracted property sales, is confident about the success of the superb, high-end integrated flagship project Goldin Metropolitan which is also noted for its prime location in the years ahead.

# LIQUIDITY AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES

# Working capital and debts

The Group's working capital as of 30 September 2014 was approximately HK\$4,226,714,000, representing a decrease of 7.8% when compared with the approximately HK\$4,585,710,000 as of 31 March 2014. The current ratio of the Group changed from 1.84 times as of 31 March 2014 to 1.69 times as of 30 September 2014.

The loan advanced from Goldin Special Situations Limited, in which Mr. Pan Sutong has a beneficial interest, was approximately HK\$6,334,414,000 as at 30 September 2014 (31 March 2014: HK\$5,019,123,000). During the Period, expiry date of the loan was extended to 31 December 2016.

Gearing ratio (total debt to total assets) of the Group was maintained at a healthy level of 21.4% (31 March 2014: 19.0%). On the other hand, as at 30 September 2014, the ratio of total liabilities (including total trade and construction cost payables, bank borrowing, obligations under finance leases and loan from a related company) to total equity was 67.9% (31 March 2014: 56.0%).

# FOREIGN EXCHANGE RISK

The Group's transactions and assets are primarily denominated in Renminbi. The Group does not expect any materially adverse effects of the exchange rate fluctuation. Nevertheless, the Group continues to monitor closely its exposure to the exchange rate risk, and is prepared to manage against its exchange rate risk, if necessary. The Group continues to exercise a strict control policy and did not engage in any speculative trading in debt securities or financial derivatives during the Period.

# CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND COMMITMENTS

As of 30 September 2014, the Group had contingent liabilities of approximately HK\$2,000,000 and commitments of approximately HK\$19,663,000,000 (31 March 2014: HK\$2,000,000 and HK\$17,914,000,000 respectively).

For the commitments, the future committed capital expenditures which are to be incurred mainly for properties for sale and investment properties under construction up to 2015 and 2016 are HK\$4,539,000,000 (31 March 2014: HK\$4,435,000,000) and HK\$15,038,000,000 (31 March 2014: HK\$13,454,000,000), respectively.

# DIVIDEND

The Board does not recommend the payment of an interim dividend for the six months ended 30 September 2014 (30 September 2013: Nil).

# **EMPLOYMENT AND REMUNERATION POLICY**

As of 30 September 2014, the Group had 1,030 employees (30 September 2013: 1,112 employees). Staff costs for the Period (including directors' emoluments) amounted to approximately HK\$168,600,000 (30 September 2013: approximately HK\$143,929,000). The Group offers competitive remuneration to its employees. Subject to the performance of the employees, the Group may provide discretionary bonuses and/or grant share options to the employees as an incentive for their continued contribution. In addition to using an industry average as reference for setting remuneration, other benchmarks which are used include prevailing market conditions within the general framework of the Group's remuneration system.

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

During the Period, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities.

# CODE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES

Throughout the Period, the Company has applied the principles and complied with all code provisions and, where applicable, the recommended best practices of Corporate Governance Code and Corporate Governance Report (the "CG Code") as set out in Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules on the Stock Exchange, except for the following deviations:

#### (a) Code Provision A.2.1 of the CG Code

Under this code provision, the roles of chairman and chief executive should be separate and should not be performed by the same individual for a balance of power and authority.

Currently, Mr. Pan Sutong is serving both as the Company's chairman and chief executive officer. However, the Board considers that this situation will not impair the balance of power and authority between the Board and the management of the Company. This is because the balance of power and authority is ensured by the operations of the Board which comprises experienced and high caliber individuals with demonstrated integrity. Further, decisions of the Board are made by way of majority voting. The Board believes that this structure is conductive to strong, prompt response and efficient management and implementation.

# (b) Code Provision A.4.1 of the CG Code

Under this code provision, non-executive directors should be appointed for a specific term, subject to re-election.

Currently, the independent non-executive directors of the Company ("**INEDs**") are not appointed for a specific term but are subject to retirement by rotation and re-election at least once every three years at the Company's annual general meeting in accordance with the articles of association of the Company. The Board believes that such practice will offer stability at the Board level while at the same time, independence is safeguarded by the necessary rotation, retirement and re-election procedures which involves shareholders' approval.

# AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Audit Committee comprises three INEDs, namely Mr. Lai Chi Kin (Chairman of the Audit Committee), Dr. Ng Lai Man, Carmen and Dr. Cheng Kwan Wai.

The Audit Committee has reviewed with the management of the Company the accounting principles and practices adopted by the Group and discussed internal control and financial reporting matters including the review of the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements of the Group for the Period.

# PUBLICATION OF INTERIM REPORT

The 2014 interim report of the Company containing all the applicable information required by the Listing Rules will be dispatched to our shareholders and published on the websites of the Stock Exchange at www.hkexnews.hk and the Company at www.goldinppt.com in due course.

By order of the Board Goldin Properties Holdings Limited Pan Sutong Chairman

Hong Kong, 27 November 2014

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises six executive Directors, being Mr. Pan Sutong (Chairman & Chief Executive Officer), Mr. Zhou Xiaojun, Mr. Ting Kwang Yuan, Edmond, Mr. Li Huamao, Mr. Wong Hau Yan, Helvin and Ms. Chan Sau Yin, Anita, and three independent non-executive Directors, being Mr. Lai Chi Kin, Dr. Ng Lai Man, Carmen and Dr. Cheng Kwan Wai.