

Tai Cheung Holdings Limited

(INCORPORATED IN BERMUDA WITH LIMITED LIABILITY) (Stock Code: 88)

2016-2017 INTERIM REPORT

大昌集團有限公司

(於百慕達註冊成立之有限公司)

(股份代號:88)

2016-2017 年度中期報告



Corporate Information

Board of Directors

David Pun CHAN Chairman and Managing Director Ivy Sau Ching CHAN

- * Joseph Wing Siu CHEUNG
- * Karl Chi Leung KWOK
- * Man Sing KWONG William Wai Lim LAM Wing Sau LI
 - * Independent non-executive directors

Audit Committee

Karl Chi Leung KWOK Committee Chairman Ivy Sau Ching CHAN Joseph Wing Siu CHEUNG Man Sing KWONG

Remuneration Committee

Karl Chi Leung KWOK *Committee Chairman*Ivy Sau Ching CHAN
Man Sing KWONG

Nomination Committee

David Pun CHAN Committee Chairman Karl Chi Leung KWOK Man Sing KWONG

Company Secretary

Kit Yan LUK

Bankers

Bank of Communications Co., Ltd.
The Bank of East Asia, Limited
The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking
Corporation Limited

Auditor

PricewaterhouseCoopers
Certified Public Accountants

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I am pleased to report the unaudited results of the Group for the six months ended 30th September 2016.

Consolidated Income Statement

For the six months ended 30th September 2016

	(Unaudii	ted)
Six	Months	Ended

	Note	30/9/2016 HK\$Million	30/9/2015 HK\$Million
Revenue Cost of sales	2	76.4 (70.1)	540.3 (467.0)
Gross profit Other income Administrative expenses		6.3 11.7 (27.1)	73.3 10.1 (29.0)
Operating (loss)/profit Finance costs Share of results of associates, net of tax	3	(9.1) - 62.9	54.4 (2.0) 67.0
Profit before income tax Income tax (expense)/credit	4	53.8 (0.6)	119.4 31.2
Profit attributable to equity holders of the Company		53.2	150.6
Dividends Interim, proposed, of HK 11 cents (2015: HK 11 cents) per ordinary share		67.9	67.9
Earnings per share (Basic and Diluted)	5	8.6¢	24.4¢



Consolidated **S**tatement of **C**omprehensive **I**ncome For the six months ended 30th September 2016

(Unaudited) Six Months Ended

	30/9/2016 HK\$Million	30/9/2015 HK\$Million
Profit for the period	53.2	150.6
Other comprehensive income:		
Items that have been reclassified or may be		
reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:		
Change in fair value on		
available-for-sale financial assets	(8.9)	(9.6)
Exchange differences	-	(0.1)
Total comprehensive income for the period and		
attributable to equity holders of the Company	44.3	140.9



Consolidated Balance Sheet

As at 30th September 2016

	Note	(Unaudited) 30/9/2016 HK\$Million	(Audited) 31/3/2016 HK\$Million
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment		11.9	11.4
Associates		115.8	113.1
Amount due from an associate		24.6	_
Available-for-sale financial assets		73.8	82.7
Deferred income tax assets		40.0	40.0
Mortgage loans receivable		0.4	0.4
		266.5	247.6
Current assets			
Properties for sale		2,264.7	2,323.6
Properties under development		2,139.6	2,042.4
Debtors and other receivables	6	38.3	15.6
Amounts due from associates		0.7	25.3
Bank balances and cash		2,685.5	2,754.9
		7,128.8	7,161.8
Current liabilities			
Creditors, deposits and accruals	7	129.2	105.5
Borrowings	8	162.5	_
Current income tax liabilities		58.8	52.7
		350.5	158.2
Net current assets		6,778.3	7,003.6
Total assets less current liabilities		7,044.8	7,251.2
Non-current liabilities			
Borrowings	8	_	127.5
Deferred income tax liabilities	O	172.3	178.2
		172.3	305.7
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Net assets		6,872.5	6,945.5
Equity			
Share capital		61.7	61.7
Retained profits		6,343.1	6,357.8
Other reserves		399.8	408.7
Proposed dividend		67.9	117.3
Total equity		6,872.5	6,945.5



Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity For the six months ended 30th September 2016

(Unaudited) Six Months Ended

	om months Ended		
	30/9/2016	30/9/2015	
	HK\$Million	HK\$Million	
Total equity at 1st April	,	6,921.4	
Profit for the period	53.2	150.6	
Other comprehensive income: Items that have been reclassified or may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss: Change in fair value on			
available-for-sale financial assets	(8.9)	(9.6)	
Exchange differences	-	(0.1)	
Total comprehensive income for the period	44.3	140.9	
Transaction with equity holders: Dividends	(117.3)	(117.3)	
Total equity at 30th September	6,872.5	6,945.0	



Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

For the six months ended 30th September 2016

(Unaudited) Six Months Ended

	30/9/2016 HK\$Million	30/9/2015 HK\$Million
Cash flows from operating activities		
Cash (used in)/generated from operations	(53.8)	362.4
Interest paid	_	(2.0)
Hong Kong profits tax paid	(0.4)	(0.3)
Net cash (used in)/from operating activities	(54.2)	360.1
Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchase of property, plant and		
equipment	(0.9)	(0.6)
Interest received	7.8	7.6
Dividends received from associates	60.2	60.0
Additions to available-for-sale financial		
assets	-	(3.9)
Distributions from available-for-sale		
financial assets	_	11.3
Net cash from investing activities	67.1	74.4
Cash flows from financing activities		
Drawdowns of borrowings	35.0	6.5
Repayments of borrowings	_	(0.9)
Dividends paid	(117.3)	(117.3)
Net cash used in financing activities	(82.3)	(111.7)
Net (decrease)/increase in bank balances		
and cash	(69.4)	322.8
Bank balances and cash at 1st April	2,754.9	2,320.6
Bank balances and cash at 30th September	2,685.5	2,643.4



Notes:

1. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND ACCOUNTING POLICIES

These unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Accounting Standard ("HKAS") 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants and Appendix 16 to the Listing Rules of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange").

The condensed financial statements should be read in conjunction with the 2016 annual financial statements.

The accounting policies and methods of computation used in the preparation of these condensed interim financial statements are consistent with those used in the annual financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2016 except for the adoption of certain revised standards, improvements and amendments of Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs") issued and are mandatory for accounting periods beginning on or after 1st April 2016. The Group has assessed the impact of the adoption of these revised standards, improvements and amendments, and concluded that there has been no significant impact on the Group's results and financial position nor any substantial changes in the Group's accounting policies.

2. REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION

The Group is principally engaged in property investment and development, investment holding and property management.

Segment information is presented on the same basis as that used by the Directors to assess the performance of each reporting segment.

(a) Revenue and Profit attributable to equity holders of the Company For the six months ended 30/9/2016

	development and leasing HK\$Million	Property management HK\$Million	Hotel operation HK\$Million	Investment holding HK\$Million	Total HK\$Million
Revenue	71.1	5.3	-	-	76.4
Segment results and operating (loss)/profit	(19.3)	2.3	-	7.9	(9.1)
Share of results of associates, net of tax	0.5	-	62.4	-	62.9
Profit before income tax Income tax expense	(0.2)	(0.4)	-	-	53.8 (0.6)
Profit attributable to equity holders of the Company					53.2



REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

Revenue and Profit attributable to equity holders of the Company (a) (continued)

For the six months ended 30/9/2015

	Property development and leasing HK\$Million	Property management HK\$Million	Hotel operation HK\$Million	Investment holding HK\$Million	Total HK\$Million
Revenue	535.1	5.2	-	-	540.3
Segment results and operating profit	42.9	2.1	-	9.4	54.4
Finance costs	(2.0)	-	-	-	(2.0)
Share of results of associates, net of tax	1.6	-	65.4	-	67.0
Profit before income tax					119.4
Income tax credit/(expense)	31.5	(0.3)	-	-	31.2
Profit attributable to equity holders of the Company					150.6



REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

(b) Total Assets and Liabilities As at 30/9/2016

	Property development and leasing HK\$Million	Property management HK\$Million	Hotel operation HK\$Million	Investment holding HK\$Million	Total HK\$Million
Segment assets Associates	4,495.7 27.5	64.5	- 121.4	2,694.0 (7.8)	7,254.2 141.1
Total assets					7,395.3
Segment liabilities	437.5	64.5	-	20.8	522.8
Net assets					6,872.5

As at 31/3/2016

	Property development and leasing HK\$Million	Property management HK\$Million	Hotel operation HK\$Million	Investment holding HK\$Million	Total HK\$Million
Segment assets Associates	4,433.0 27.0	61.7	119.2	2,776.3 (7.8)	7,271.0 138.4
Total assets					7,409.4
Segment liabilities	393.0	61.5	_	9.4	463.9
Net assets					6,945.5

3. OPERATING (LOSS)/PROFIT

Six Months Ended

	30/9/2016 HK\$Million	30/9/2015 HK\$Million
Operating (loss)/profit is stated after charging the following:		
Cost of property sales Depreciation	58.9 0.4	449.7 0.3



4. INCOME TAX EXPENSE/(CREDIT)

Hong Kong profits tax has been provided at the rate of 16.5% (2015: 16.5%) on the estimated assessable profits for the period. Taxation on overseas profits has been calculated on the estimated assessable profits for the period at the rates prevailing in the countries in which the Group operates.

	Six Months E	Ended
	30/9/2016	30/9/2015
	HK\$Million	HK\$Million
Current income tax		
Hong Kong profits tax	6.5	53.2
Deferred income tax	(5.9)	(84.4)
	0.6	(31.2)

The Group's share of income tax expense attributable to associates for the six months ended 30th September 2016 of HK\$12.4 million (2015: HK\$13.0 million) is included in the consolidated income statement as share of results of associates.

5. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The calculation of earnings per share is based on the profit attributable to equity holders of the Company of HK\$53.2 million (2015: HK\$150.6 million) and ordinary shares in issue of 617,531,425 (2015: 617,531,425). There were no potential dilutive ordinary shares outstanding during the period (2015: Nil).

6. DEBTORS AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	30/9/2016 HK\$Million	31/3/2016 HK\$Million
Trade debtors, aged 0–3 months Other receivables, deposits and	27.7	5.6
prepayments	10.6	10.0
	38.3	15.6

Debtors, other receivables, deposits and prepayments are mainly denominated in Hong Kong dollars.

Credit terms given to customers vary and generally range from 3 to 6 months.

As at 30th September 2016, trade debtors of HK\$27.7 million (31st March 2016: HK\$5.6 million) were fully performing.

As at 30th September 2016, no trade debtor was impaired (31st March 2016: Nil).



7. CREDITORS, DEPOSITS AND ACCRUALS

	30/9/2016 HK\$Million	31/3/2016 HK\$Million
Creditors, aged 0–3 months Deposits and accruals	26.3 102.9	6.4 99.1
	129.2	105.5

Creditors and deposits are mainly denominated in Hong Kong dollars.

8. BORROWINGS

	30/9/2016 HK\$Million	31/3/2016 HK\$Million
Non-current		
Bank loans		
- unsecured	_	28.7
- secured	-	98.8
	-	127.5
Current		
Bank loans		
- unsecured	28.7	_
– secured	133.8	_
	162.5	_
Total borrowings	162.5	127.5

The Group's borrowings are repayable within one year as at 30th September 2016 (31st March 2016: repayable between 1 and 2 years).

The Group's borrowings are all subject to interest-rate changes and contractual repricing within 6 months from the balance sheet date (31st March 2016: 6 months).

The carrying amounts of borrowings approximate their fair values.

The borrowings of HK\$162.5 million (31st March 2016: HK\$127.5 million) are denominated in US dollars and the effective interest rate of borrowings at the balance sheet date was 4.0% (31st March 2016: 3.9%) per annum.



9. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT AND FAIR VALUE ESTIMATION

(i) Financial instruments

The disclosure of fair value measurements of the financial instruments is based on the following fair value measurement hierarchy:

- Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1).
- Inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (that is, as prices) or indirectly (that is, derived from prices) (level 2).
- Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (that is, unobservable inputs) (level 3).

The following table presents the Group's assets that are measured at fair value at 30th September 2016 and 31st March 2016.

	30/9/2016 Level 3 HK\$Million	31/3/2016 Level 3 <i>HK\$Million</i>
Assets Available-for-sale financial assets	73.8	82.7

If one or more of the significant inputs is not based on observable market data, the assets are included in level 3.

The Group has determined that the reported net assets value represents their fair values at the balance sheet date. These valuations fall within level 3 of the fair value measurement hierarchy.

There were no changes in valuation techniques during the period.

	Six Months Ended	
	30/9/2016	30/9/2015
	HK\$Million	HK\$Million
At the beginning of the period	82.7	119.6
Additions	_	3.9
Distributions	_	(11.3)
Change in fair value	(8.9)	(9.6)
At the end of the period	73.8	102.6

(ii) Debtors and creditors

The nominal values less impairment provisions of debtors and creditors are assumed to approximate their fair values. The fair values of financial liabilities for disclosure purposes are estimated by discounting the future contractual cash flows at the current market interest rate that is available to the Group for similar financial instruments.



Interim Dividend

The Directors declared an interim dividend of HK 11 cents per share, same as last year. The said interim dividend is payable on 5th January 2017.

Register of Members

The Register of Members will be closed from 19th December 2016 to 21st December 2016, both days inclusive. Shareholders should ensure that all transfers accompanied by the relevant share certificates are lodged with the Company's branch share registrar in Hong Kong, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited at Shops 1712–16, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong for registration not later than 4:30 p.m. on 16th December 2016 in order that they may receive their dividend entitlement.

Management Discussion and Analysis

Interim Results

The Group's unaudited profit attributable to equity holders of the Company for the six months ended 30th September 2016 (the "Period") amounted to HK\$53.2 million, as compared with the profit of HK\$150.6 million for the same period in 2015. The substantial decline in profit is mainly attributable to significant decrease in property sales during the Period. Despite the aforesaid, the Group's unaudited consolidated financial statements for the Period indicate that the Group has a strong cash position. The Board considers that the overall financial position of the Group remains sound and solid.

The Group has equity accounted for its interest in Sheraton-Hong Kong Hotel, which has adopted the cost model for its hotel land and buildings which are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation, in accordance with the current accounting standards.

In order to fully reflect the underlying economic value of the Group's hotel properties, the Group considers it appropriate also to present to shareholders, as set out below, supplementary information on the Group's statement of net assets on the basis that the Group were to state these hotel properties at their open market valuations as at 31st March 2016.



	(Unaudited) 30/9/2016 HK\$Million	(Unaudited) 31/3/2016 HK\$Million
Non-current assets, including interests in associates Add: Attributable revaluation surplus	266.5	247.6
relating to hotel properties*	3,234.5	3,227.8
	3,501.0	3,475.4
Current assets Current liabilities	7,128.8 (350.5)	7,161.8 (158.2)
Net current assets	6,778.3	7,003.6
Total assets less current liabilities Non-current liabilities	10,279.3 (172.3)	10,479.0 (305.7)
Net assets as if the hotel properties were stated at open market value	10,107.0	10,173.3
Net assets per ordinary share as if the hotel properties were stated at open market value	нк\$16.37	НК\$16.47

^{*} Based on open market valuations as at 31st March 2016.

Property Development

Superstructure work of our Repulse Bay site is currently underway. Building plans have been approved by various government authorities. The site commands spectacular sea views over the Repulse Bay against a backdrop of mountain greenery. This project has been earmarked for a super luxurious residential development in the vicinity and is scheduled for completion in the second half of 2017.

Metropole Square, our development in Sha Tin, had been converted from industrial use into office and shop uses with the Government's Special Waiver for Conversion. Alteration and addition works for upgrading the building was completed in late 2014. Upgrading of the building can achieve higher return and enhance occupancy. Conveniently located adjacent to Shek Mun MTR station with views towards Shing Mun River, Metropole Square attracts buyers and tenants looking for premium office space in the district. In view of the recent improving market sentiment, the Group will continue to strengthen its promotion campaign to boost sales.

It is expected that infrastructure construction of French Valley Airport Center, an industrial and commercial project in California, will be completed by the end of 2016.



Hotel

Sheraton-Hong Kong Hotel, in which the Group has 35% interest, enjoys a reputation as one of the most well-respected 5-star hotel in Hong Kong. It managed to achieve satisfactory performance during the Period amid the challenges including slowdown in tourist arrivals and a relatively strong local currency. The whole hotel shopping mall, which has been leased by Sogo since 2014, continued to generate high steady rental income for the hotel.

Prospects

There are signs indicating further economic slowdown globally. However, it is expected that the pace of future interest rate hikes in the U.S. would be gradual. The local property market has shown improvement recently with an increase in overall transaction volume and a rebound in prices.

The high class residential market in Hong Kong is well supported by limited new supply, particularly in prime locations and traditional luxury districts. We are confident that our Repulse Bay project will achieve high return for our shareholders.

The Group has a strong balance sheet with ample cash on hand. As the government has increased its land sales program, we will continue to pursue opportunities to replenish our land bank with development potential.

Liquidity and Financial Resources

At 30th September 2016, the Group's cash net of borrowings was HK\$2,523.0 million as compared with HK\$2,627.4 million at 31st March 2016. The Group's borrowings were payable within one year. All the Group's borrowings were denominated in United States dollars. The US dollar loans are directly tied in with the business of the Group's US operations, and therefore these loans are substantially hedged by assets in the same currency.

Committed bank borrowing facilities available to the Group at 30th September 2016 bear interest at floating rates generally and are subject to periodic review. The gearing ratio was 2.4% at 30th September 2016, compared to 1.8% at 31st March 2016.

Certain properties under development of the Group with carrying values of HK\$277.4 million (31st March 2016: HK\$240.0 million) have been pledged to banks as security for facilities granted to the extent of HK\$222.0 million (31st March 2016: HK\$220.0 million) against which HK\$133.8 million (31st March 2016: HK\$98.8 million) has been utilised at the balance sheet date.



Employees and Emolument Policy

The Group, excluding associates, employs a total of 209 people in Hong Kong and the United States. Employees' costs, excluding directors' emoluments, amounted to HK\$30.5 million for the Period. The Group understands that employees are valuable assets. Remuneration packages are reviewed annually with other employee benefits including medical subsidies, a non-contributory provident fund scheme and a mandatory provident fund scheme. The Group also provides education subsidies to eligible employees.

The emolument policy for the general staff of the Group is set up by the management of the Group on the basis of their merits, qualifications and competence.

The emolument of the Directors and senior management of the Company are reviewed by the Remuneration Committee, having regard to individual duties and market practices.

Directors' Interests

At 30th September 2016, the interests of the Directors and Chief Executive in the shares of the Company as recorded in the register maintained under section 352 of the Securities and Futures Ordinance ("SFO") were as follows:

Number of Shares

Name	Personal interests	Family interests	Corporate interests	Other interests	Total
David Pun Chan	118,713,971	_	*61,335,074	_	180,049,045
Ivy Sau Ching Chan	20,132,706	-	_	-	20,132,706
Karl Chi Leung Kwok	282,462	_	_	_	282,462
Wing Sau Li	73,000	_	_	-	73,000

*Note: Such shares were held through a corporation which is wholly owned by Mr. David Pun Chan.

All the interests disclosed above represent long positions in the shares of the Company.

Save as disclosed above, no directors, chief executive or their associates had any interest or short position in the shares of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV 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 Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code").

During the Period under review, the Company did not grant to the Directors or Chief Executive any right to subscribe for shares of the Company.



Substantial Shareholders

At 30th September 2016, the register of substantial shareholders maintained under section 336 of the SFO showed that the Company has been notified of the following interest, being 5% or more of the Company's issued voting shares. This interest is in addition to those disclosed above in respect of the Directors and Chief Executive:

Name Number of Shares

*Chan Poon Wai Kuen

96,185,380

*Note: Madam Chan Poon Wai Kuen is the mother of Mr. David Pun Chan, a director of the Company.

The interest disclosed above represents a long position in the shares of the Company.

Save as disclosed above, the Company has not been notified by any other person (other than a director of the Company disclosed above) who has an interest or short position in the shares of the Company which are required to be recorded in the register kept by the Company pursuant to section 336 of the SFO.

Purchase, Sale or Redemption of Shares

The Company did not redeem any of its shares during the Period. Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries purchased or sold any of the Company's shares during the Period.

Audit Committee

The Audit Committee has reviewed with management the accounting principles and practices adopted by the Group and discussed internal control, risk management and financial reporting matters including the review of these unaudited interim consolidated financial statements.

Compliance with the Corporate Governance Code

During the Period, the Company has complied with the Corporate Governance Code (the "CG Code") as set out in Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules of the Stock Exchange except in relation to the followings:

(1) Under code provision A.2.1 of the CG Code, the roles of chairman and chief executive officer should be separate and should not be performed by the same individual.

The Company does not have a separate Chairman and Chief Executive Officer and Mr. David Pun Chan currently holds both positions. The Board considers that the combination of the roles of Chairman and Chief Executive Officer can promote the efficient formulation and implementation of the Company's strategies to grasp business opportunities efficiently and promptly. Such arrangement, which has been adopted by many local and international corporations, enables the Company to meet the rapidly changing business environment which needs quicker decision making to achieve business efficiency.



(2) Under code provision A.4.1 of the CG Code, non-executive directors should be appointed for a specific term, subject to re-election.

Non-executive Directors of the Company are not appointed for a specific term. However, they are subject to retirement by rotation and re-election at an annual general meeting of the Company in accordance with the Company's Bye-laws.

(3) Under the second part of code provision A.4.2 of the CG Code, every director, including those appointed for a specific term, should be subject to retirement by rotation at least once every three years.

Every Director of the Company, including those appointed for a specific term (save for any chairman or managing director under the Company's Private Act which was enacted in Bermuda in 1990), shall be subject to retirement by rotation at least once every three years. Pursuant to section 4(g) of the Private Act of the Company, any chairman or any managing director of the Company shall not be subject to retirement by rotation under the Bye-laws.

Compliance with the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors

The Company has adopted the Model Code as set out in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules of the Stock Exchange. All Directors have confirmed, following enquiry by the Company, that they have complied with the required standard set out in the Model Code throughout the Period.

Finally, I would like to thank all staff for their loyal support and hard work.

By Order of the Board **David Pun Chan**Chairman

Hong Kong, 30th November 2016