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MODERN MEDIA HOLDINGS LIMITED

現代傳播控股有限公司

(incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(stock code: 72)

**INTERIM RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT
FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2017**

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

	Six months ended 30 June 2017	Six months ended 30 June 2017	Six months ended 30 June 2016
	<i>HK\$'000*</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Revenue	196,553	170,812	203,368
Loss for the period	(57,533)	(49,998)	(68,938)
Loss per share — basic	HK\$(0.1322)	RMB(0.1149)	RMB(0.1588)

* The above amounts are translated into Hong Kong dollars (“HK\$”) at the rate of HK\$1.1507 to RMB1.

The Board did not recommend the payment of an interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2017.

The board (“Board”) of directors (“Directors”) of Modern Media Holdings Limited (the “Company”) announces the unaudited interim consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively, the “Group”) for the six months ended 30 June 2017 (the “Interim Period”) together with comparative figures for the corresponding period in 2016. The interim results have been reviewed by the Company’s audit committee and the Company’s auditors, Grant Thornton Hong Kong Limited.

Interim condensed consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income
For the six months ended 30 June 2017

		Six months ended 30 June	
		2017	2016
	<i>Notes</i>	RMB’000	RMB’000
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Revenue	5	170,812	203,368
Cost of sales		<u>(109,402)</u>	<u>(133,194)</u>
Gross profit		61,410	70,174
Other income	6	752	3,184
Distribution expenses		(52,424)	(73,316)
Administrative expenses		<u>(56,794)</u>	<u>(66,848)</u>
Operating loss		(47,056)	(66,806)
Finance income	7	150	117
Finance expenses	7	<u>(2,453)</u>	<u>(2,851)</u>
Finance expenses — net		(2,303)	(2,734)
Share of post-tax losses of associates		(573)	(258)
Share of post-tax losses of a joint venture		<u>(17)</u>	<u>(112)</u>
Loss before income tax	7	(49,949)	(69,910)
Income tax (expense)/credit	8	<u>(49)</u>	<u>972</u>
Loss for the period		<u>(49,998)</u>	<u>(68,938)</u>
Other comprehensive (loss)/income for the period			
<i>Items that may be subsequently reclassified to profit or loss</i>			
Exchange differences on translation of financial statements of overseas subsidiaries		<u>(3,488)</u>	<u>3,447</u>
Total comprehensive loss for the period		<u>(53,486)</u>	<u>(65,491)</u>

		Six months ended 30 June	
		2017	2016
	<i>Notes</i>	RMB'000	RMB'000
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Loss attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		(49,840)	(68,866)
Non-controlling interests		(158)	(72)
		<u>(49,998)</u>	<u>(68,938)</u>
Total comprehensive loss attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		(53,328)	(65,419)
Non-controlling interests		(158)	(72)
		<u>(53,486)</u>	<u>(65,491)</u>
Loss per share attributable to owners			
of the Company (expressed in RMB per share)			
Basic loss per share	9	<u>RMB(0.1149)</u>	<u>RMB(0.1588)</u>
Diluted loss per share	9	<u>RMB(0.1149)</u>	<u>RMB(0.1588)</u>

Interim condensed consolidated statement of financial position

As at 30 June 2017

	<i>Notes</i>	As at 30 June 2017 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	As at 31 December 2016 RMB'000 (Audited)
ASSETS AND LIABILITIES			
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	<i>10</i>	172,895	180,266
Intangible assets	<i>10</i>	37,491	33,168
Goodwill		30,032	30,032
Software development in progress	<i>10</i>	4,861	7,863
Interests in associates	<i>11</i>	12,223	10,916
Interest in a joint venture		–	17
Available-for-sale financial assets		5,693	5,710
Prepayment of equity investment	<i>12</i>	6,767	–
Deferred income tax assets		985	1,163
		<u>270,947</u>	<u>269,135</u>
Current assets			
Trade and other receivables	<i>12</i>	248,501	319,584
Available-for-sale financial assets		–	21,150
Inventories		31,830	25,490
Cash and cash equivalents	<i>13</i>	80,442	57,259
		<u>360,773</u>	<u>423,483</u>
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	<i>14</i>	97,780	83,852
Current income tax liabilities		7,917	8,642
Borrowings	<i>15</i>	72,139	100,563
		<u>177,836</u>	<u>193,057</u>
Net current assets		<u>182,937</u>	<u>230,426</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>453,884</u>	<u>499,561</u>

		As at 30 June 2017 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	As at 31 December 2016 RMB'000 (Audited)
Non-current liabilities			
Borrowings	<i>15</i>	38,509	26,642
Deferred income tax liabilities		1,277	1,406
		<u>39,786</u>	<u>28,048</u>
Net assets		<u>414,098</u>	<u>471,513</u>
EQUITY			
Equity attributable to owners of the Company			
Share capital	<i>16</i>	3,853	3,853
Reserves	<i>16</i>	193,326	196,849
Retained earnings		217,481	271,215
		<u>414,660</u>	<u>471,917</u>
Non-controlling interests		<u>(562)</u>	<u>(404)</u>
Total equity		<u>414,098</u>	<u>471,513</u>

Notes to the condensed consolidated interim financial information

For the six months ended 30 June 2017

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Modern Media Holdings Limited (the “Company”) was incorporated in the Cayman Islands on 8 March 2007 and registered as an exempted company with limited liability under the Company Law, Chapter 22 (Law 3 of 1961, as consolidated and revised) of the Cayman Islands. Its principal places of business in the People’s Republic of China (the “PRC”) and Hong Kong are at Units A2, 4/F, Exhibition Centre, No. 1 Software Park Road, Zhuhai City, Guangdong Province, the PRC and 7/F, Global Trade Square, No. 21 Wong Chuk Hang Road, Aberdeen, Hong Kong, respectively; and its registered office is at P.O. Box 10008, Willow House, Cricket Square, Grand Cayman KY1-1001, Cayman Islands.

The shares of the Company have been listed on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited since 9 September 2009.

The Company and its subsidiaries (hereinafter collectively referred to as the “Group”) are principally engaged in the provision of multi-media advertising services, printing and distribution of magazines, provision of advertising-related services, artwork trading and related services.

As mentioned in the Company’s annual report for the year ended 31 December 2016 and in connection with other previous announcements concerning the proposed spin-off (the “Proposed Spin-off”) of the digital and television businesses of the Group, the Company decided to postpone the application of the Proposed Spin-Off to a later stage.

The interim condensed consolidated statement of financial position as at 30 June 2017 and the related interim condensed consolidated statement of comprehensive income, the interim condensed consolidated statement of changes of equity and the interim condensed consolidated statement of cash flows for six-month period then ended, and other explanatory notes (collectively defined as the “Interim Financial Information”) of the Group have been approved by the Board on 25 August 2017.

The Interim Financial Information are presented in Renminbi (“RMB”), unless otherwise stated.

This Interim Financial Information have been reviewed, not audited.

2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The Interim Financial Information have been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standard (“IAS”) 34, “Interim Financial Reporting” and the applicable disclosure provisions of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

The accounting policies and methods of computation used in the preparation of the Interim Financial Information for the six months ended 30 June 2017 are consistent with those used in the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2016 except for the adoption of the new and amended International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRSs”) as disclosed below.

The Interim Financial Information do not include all the information and disclosures required in the annual financial statements, and should be read in conjunction with the Group’s audited annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2016.

The amounts in the Interim Financial Information are presented in RMB which is the Company and the Group’s presentation currency. The Company’s functional currency is Hong Kong dollars (“HK\$”). The translation into HK\$ of the Interim Financial Information as of, and for the six months ended 30 June 2017 is for convenience only and has been made at the rate of HK\$1.1507 to RMB 1. This translation should not be construed as a representation that the RMB amounts actually represented have been, or could be, converted into Hong Kong dollars at this or any other rate.

Going-concern basis

The Group meets its day-to-day working capital requirements through its bank facilities and cash inflows generated from operating activities. The current economic conditions continue to create uncertainty particularly over (a) the trend of advertising market; and (b) the availability of bank finance for the foreseeable future. The Group's forecasts and projections, taking account of reasonably possible changes in business performance, show that the Group should be able to operate within the level of its current facilities and cash flow position. After making enquiries, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the Group has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. The Group therefore continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its Interim Financial Information.

New and amended IFRSs adopted by the Group

The Group has applied all the following amendments to IFRSs which are mandatory for the financial year beginning 1 January 2017 and are relevant to the Group.

Amendments to IAS 7	Statement of Cash Flows: Disclosure Initiative
Amendments to IAS 12	Income Taxes: Recognition of Deferred Tax Assets for Unrealised Losses

The adoption had no material impact on how the results and financial position for the current and prior periods have been prepared and presented.

The Group has not applied any new or amended IFRSs that are not yet effective for the current accounting period.

3. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS

The preparation of the Interim Financial Information requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expense. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

In preparing the Interim Financial Information, the significant judgements made by management in applying the Group's accounting policies and the key sources of estimation uncertainty were the same as those that applied to the consolidated financial statements as at and for the year ended 31 December 2016.

4. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT AND FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

4.1 Financial risk factors

The Group's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: market risk (including currency risk and interest rate risk), credit risk and liquidity risk.

The Interim Financial Information do not include all financial risk management information and disclosures required in the annual financial statements, and should be read in conjunction with the Group's annual financial statements as at and for the year ended 31 December 2016.

There have been no changes in the risk management department since year end.

4.2 Liquidity risk

Compared to the liquidity position as at 31 December 2016, there was no material change in the contractual undiscounted cash outflows for financial liabilities.

4.3 Fair value estimation

The financial instruments that are measured at fair value require disclosure of fair value measurements by level of the following fair value measurements hierarchy:

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

The carrying amounts of the following financial assets and liabilities of the Group approximate to their respective fair values as at 30 June 2017 and 31 December 2016.

- Trade and other receivables
- Available-for-sale financial assets
- Cash and cash equivalents
- Trade and other payables
- Borrowings

5. SEGMENT INFORMATION

The chief operating decision-makers mainly include the senior executive management of the Company. They review the Group's internal reports in order to determine the operating segments, assess performance and allocate resources based on these reports.

Senior executive management considers the business from a business perspective, and assesses the performance of the business segment based on revenue and adjusted EBITDA without allocation of share of profits/losses of investments accounted for using equity method and other unallocated head office and corporate expenses.

The amount provided to senior executive management with respect to total assets is measured in a manner consistent with that of the financial statements. These assets are allocated based on the operations of segment. Investments in associates and a joint venture are not considered to be segment assets but rather are managed by the treasury function.

The Group has two (six months ended 30 June 2016: two) reportable segments as described below, which are the Group's strategic business units. The chief operating decision-makers assess the performance of the operating segments mainly based on segment revenue and profits/losses of each operating segment. Segment information below is presented in a manner consistent with the way in which information is reported internally for the purposes of resource allocation and performance assessment. The following describes the operations in each of the Group's reportable segments:

- Print media and art: this segment engages in the sale of advertising space in the publication of and the distribution of the Group's magazines and periodicals; and artwork trading and auction, art exhibition and education.
- Digital media and television: this segment is a digital media platform in which the Group publishes multiple digital media products and sells advertising spaces; and engages in the production of customised contents for brand advertisers.

(a) Revenue

The revenue by segment for the six months ended 30 June 2017 and 2016 from external customers were set out as follows:

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2017 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2016 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Reportable segment		
— Print media and art	126,730	161,186
— Digital media and television	45,110	45,029
	<u>171,840</u>	<u>206,215</u>
Revenue derived from other operations		
— Exhibition, event arrangement and others (i)	3,374	2,538
Less: sales taxes and other surcharges	(4,402)	(5,385)
	<u>170,812</u>	<u>203,368</u>

(i) This represented the revenue derived from the provision of exhibition and event arrangement services to customers.

(b) Adjusted EBITDA

The adjusted EBITDA of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2017 and 2016 were set out as follows:

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2017 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2016 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Print media and art	(42,312)	(57,133)
Digital media and television	4,807	991
	<u>(37,505)</u>	<u>(56,142)</u>
Revenue derived from other operations (<i>Note 5(a)</i>)	3,374	2,538
Depreciation	(7,983)	(9,195)
Amortisation	(2,953)	(3,639)
Finance expenses — net	(2,303)	(2,734)
Share of losses of investments accounted for using equity method	(590)	(370)
Unallocated head office and corporate expenses	(1,989)	(368)
	<u>(49,949)</u>	<u>(69,910)</u>

Business segment	Six months ended 30 June 2017		
	Depreciation <i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)	Amortisation <i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)	Finance expenses — net <i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)
Print media and art	7,853	324	2,303
Digital media and television	130	2,629	—
	<u>7,983</u>	<u>2,953</u>	<u>2,303</u>

Business segment	Six months ended 30 June 2016		
	Depreciation <i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)	Amortisation <i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)	Finance expenses — net <i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)
Print media and art	8,464	1,045	2,734
Digital media and television	731	2,594	—
	<u>9,195</u>	<u>3,639</u>	<u>2,734</u>

(c) **Total assets**

Business segment	As at 30 June 2017 <i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)	As at 31 December 2016 <i>RMB'000</i> (Audited)
Print media and art	333,592	386,929
Digital media and television	106,158	125,447
	<u>439,750</u>	<u>512,376</u>
Corporate and unallocated assets	2,540	2,693
Interests in associates	12,223	10,916
Interest in a joint venture	—	17
Available-for-sale financial assets	5,693	26,860
Prepayments of equity investments	6,767	—
Deferred income tax assets	985	1,163
Other receivables	83,320	81,334
Cash and cash equivalents	80,442	57,259
Total assets	<u>631,720</u>	<u>692,618</u>

(d) **Geographic information**

The geographic location of the Group's property, plant and equipment, intangible assets, goodwill and interests in associates and a joint venture ("specified non-current assets") were mainly in the PRC, Hong Kong and Taiwan as at 30 June 2017.

6. OTHER INCOME

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2017	2016
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
PRC government subsidy	157	3,138
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	342	–
Others	253	46
	<u>752</u>	<u>3,184</u>

7. LOSS BEFORE INCOME TAX

Loss before income tax is arrived at after charging/(crediting):

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2017	2016
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Finance expenses — net		
Finance income:		
Interest income derived from bank deposits	(150)	(117)
Finance expenses:		
Interest expense on bank loans repayable within 5 years	1,928	2,526
Interest expense on bank loans repayable after 5 years	525	325
	<u>2,453</u>	<u>2,851</u>
Finance expenses — net	<u>2,303</u>	<u>2,734</u>
Other items		
Depreciation of plant, property and equipment	8,435	9,440
Amortisation of intangible assets	2,953	3,645
Impairment losses on trade receivables	97	1,190
Operating lease charges in respect of properties	8,005	13,395
(Gain)/Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(342)	132
Professional fees for the Proposed Spin-off (<i>Note 1</i>)	1,132	5,148

8. INCOME TAX EXPENSE/(CREDIT)

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2017	2016
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Deferred tax	49	(972)
Income tax expense/(credit)	<u>49</u>	<u>(972)</u>

Notes:

- (i) The Company is incorporated in the Cayman Islands as an exempted company with limited liability under the Company Law of Cayman Islands and, accordingly, is exempted from payment of Cayman Islands income tax.
- (ii) Enterprises incorporated in Hong Kong are subjected to income tax rates of 16.5%. No provision for Hong Kong profits tax for the six months ended 30 June 2017 and 2016 have been made on the subsidiaries in Hong Kong as either the tax losses brought forward from previous years exceeds the estimated assessable profits for the period or the subsidiaries had no estimated assessable profits in Hong Kong.
- (iii) The corporate income tax rate applicable to the Group's subsidiaries located in the PRC is 25%. No provision has been made for PRC corporate income tax as the Group sustained a loss for taxation purpose.

Pursuant to the relevant laws and regulations in the PRC, Kashi Yazhimei Culture Media Co. Ltd., a wholly owned subsidiary incorporated in Xinjiang, the PRC, is entitled to an income tax exemption period from 1 January 2015 to 31 December 2019.

9. LOSS PER SHARE

(a) Basic loss per share

Basic loss per share was computed by dividing the loss attributable to ordinary shareholders by the weighted-average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the periods.

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2017 (Unaudited)	2016 (Unaudited)
Loss attributable to owners of the Company (<i>RMB'000</i>)	<u>(49,840)</u>	<u>(68,866)</u>
Issued ordinary shares as at 1 January (<i>thousands</i>)	438,353	438,282
Weighted average number of shares held for Share Award Scheme (<i>thousands</i>) (<i>Note 16(c)</i>)	<u>(4,634)</u>	<u>(4,579)</u>
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue (<i>thousands</i>)	<u>433,719</u>	<u>433,703</u>
Basic loss per share (<i>RMB per share</i>)	<u><u>(0.1149)</u></u>	<u><u>(0.1588)</u></u>

(b) Diluted loss per share

Diluted loss per share were same as the basic loss per share as there was no dilutive event existed during the six months ended 30 June 2017. For the six months ended 30 June 2016, the computation of diluted loss per share did not assume the exercise of the Company's share awards outstanding in respect of the Linkchic acquisition during the period as their exercise is anti-dilutive.

10. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT, INTANGIBLE ASSETS AND SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT IN PROGRESS

	Property, plant and equipment RMB'000 (Unaudited)	Intangible assets RMB'000 (Unaudited)	Software development in progress RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Six months ended 30 June 2017			
Net book amount as at 1 January 2017	180,266	33,168	7,863
Additions	12,205	–	4,324
Disposals	(7,616)	–	–
Transfers	–	7,326	(7,326)
Depreciation and amortisation	(8,435)	(2,953)	–
Currency translation differences	(3,525)	(50)	–
Net book amount as at 30 June 2017	172,895	37,491	4,861
Six months ended 30 June 2016			
Net book amount as at 1 January 2016	186,839	25,596	11,971
Additions	1,733	95	5,782
Disposals	(137)	–	–
Transfers	–	3,688	(3,688)
Depreciation and amortisation	(9,440)	(3,645)	–
Currency translation differences	2,469	23	–
Net book amount as at 30 June 2016	181,464	25,757	14,065

- (i) As at 30 June 2017, certain properties with a carrying amount of approximately RMB117,376,000 (As at 31 December 2016: RMB121,523,000) were pledged as collaterals for the Group's bank and other borrowings of RMB110,648,000 (As at 31 December 2016: RMB88,463,000) (Note 15).

11. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES

	As at 30 June 2017 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	As at 31 December 2016 RMB'000 (Audited)
Investment in associates		
At 1 January	10,027	4,333
Transfer	–	5,480
Share of losses	(573)	(194)
Currency translation differences	(153)	408
At 30 June/31 December	9,301	10,027
Advance to an associate	2,922	889
	12,223	10,916

12. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	As at 30 June 2017 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	As at 31 December 2016 RMB'000 (Audited)
Trade receivables — Due from third parties (a)	166,982	236,766
Less: provision for impairment of receivables	<u>(2,597)</u>	<u>(2,500)</u>
Trade receivables — net	164,385	234,266
Value-added tax recoverable	20,002	19,016
Prepayments	26,232	20,279
Printing deposits	16,921	16,808
Rental, utility and other deposits	9,870	10,780
Advances and loans to employees	10,703	10,583
Amounts due from related parties (b)	2,765	497
Others	<u>4,390</u>	<u>7,355</u>
	<u>255,268</u>	<u>319,584</u>
Less non-current portion: prepayments of equity investment (c)	<u>(6,767)</u>	<u>—</u>
Current portion	<u><u>248,501</u></u>	<u><u>319,584</u></u>

- (a) The aging analysis of trade receivables, before provision for impairment as at 30 June 2017 and 31 December 2016, based on invoice date, was as follows:

	As at 30 June 2017 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	As at 31 December 2016 RMB'000 (Audited)
Trade receivables, gross		
— Within 30 days	46,333	96,861
— Over 31 days and within 90 days	48,138	57,222
— Over 91 days and within 180 days	34,932	52,759
— Over 180 days	<u>37,579</u>	<u>29,924</u>
	<u><u>166,982</u></u>	<u><u>236,766</u></u>

The credit period granted to the Group's advertising and circulation customers is between 30 to 180 days (with a certain limited number of customers granted a credit period of 270 days). No interest is charged on the outstanding trade receivables. All of the trade receivables are expected to be recovered within one year.

- (b) The amounts due from related parties are unsecured, interest-free and recoverable on demand.
- (c) During the six months ended 30 June 2017, the Group made prepayment of RMB6,767,000 as an investment of 65% effective equity interest in Nowness Holding LLC.

13. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	As at 30 June 2017 <i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)	As at 31 December 2016 <i>RMB'000</i> (Audited)
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>80,442</u>	<u>57,259</u>

All cash at bank are deposits with original maturity within 3 months. The Group earns interest on cash at bank at floating bank deposit rates.

14. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	As at 30 June 2017 <i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)	As at 31 December 2016 <i>RMB'000</i> (Audited)
Trade payables — Due to third parties (a)	26,384	37,126
Advances from customers	14,277	20,137
Accrued taxes other than income tax	4,463	6,676
Accrued expenses	4,890	6,333
Advertising and promotion expenses payable	1,831	4,858
Salaries, wages, bonus and benefits payable	638	627
Receipt in advance (b)	42,718	—
Other liabilities	2,579	8,095
	<u>97,780</u>	<u>83,852</u>

(a) An aging analysis of trade payables of the Group was as follows:

	As at 30 June 2017 <i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)	As at 31 December 2016 <i>RMB'000</i> (Audited)
Trade payables		
— Within 30 days	17,816	17,111
— Over 31 days and within 90 days	3,207	11,903
— Over 91 days and within 180 days	1,519	3,907
— Over 180 days	3,842	4,205
	<u>26,384</u>	<u>37,126</u>

(b) As at 30 June 2017, the amount represent the proceeds received in advance from the disposal of partial interest in a subsidiary which was completed on 27 July 2017, details of which are set out in note 19.

15. BORROWINGS

	As at 30 June 2017 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	As at 31 December 2016 RMB'000 (Audited)
Current		
— Unsecured bank borrowings (i)	—	38,742
— Secured bank borrowings (ii)	72,139	47,087
— Other secured borrowing (iii)	—	14,734
	<u>72,139</u>	<u>100,563</u>
Non-current		
— Secured bank borrowings (ii)	<u>38,509</u>	<u>26,642</u>
	<u>110,648</u>	<u>127,205</u>

- (i) As at 31 December 2016, unsecured bank borrowings comprise RMB11,000,000 guaranteed by Mr. Shao Zhong (“Mr. Shao”), a director and the controlling shareholder of the Group, and Modern Media (Zhuhai) Technology Company Limited, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Group; and unsecured bank borrowings of RMB4,000,000 were guaranteed by Mr. Shao, and unsecured banking borrowings of RMB10,305,000 was guaranteed by the Company. The remaining unsecured bank borrowings of RMB13,437,000 were credit loans. The Group settled all the unsecured bank borrowings during the six months ended 30 June 2017.
- (ii) As at 30 June 2017, secured bank borrowings of RMB110,648,000 (As at 31 December 2016: RMB73,729,000) were secured by certain properties of the Group (Note 10) with a carrying amount of RMB31,265,000 and HK\$99,178,000 (As at 31 December 2016: RMB31,655,000 and HK\$100,318,000), among the secured bank borrowings of RMB43,000,000 were guaranteed by Mr. Shao (As at 31 December 2016: RMB4,000,000)
- (iii) As at 31 December 2016, other secured borrowing of RMB14,734,000, borrowed from a developer of a property in Hong Kong, was secured by the certain properties with a carrying amount of RMB89,868,000, equivalent to HK\$100,318,000 (also included as pledged assets for bank borrowings as mentioned in Note 15(ii)) and was also guaranteed by Mr. Shao and Ms. Zhong Yuanhong, a director of a subsidiary of the Group. The Group settled all the other secured borrowing during the six months ended 30 June 2017.
- (iv) As at 30 June 2017, the Group has unused facilities of approximately RMB3,792,000 (As at 31 December 2016: RMB17,271,000).

16. SHARE CAPITAL, DIVIDENDS AND RESERVES

(a) Share capital

Movements in the issued share capital of the Company during the periods were as follows:

	Number of shares (thousands) (Unaudited)	Share capital RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Issued and fully paid ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each:		
As at 1 January 2017 and 30 June 2017	<u>438,353</u>	<u>3,853</u>
As at 1 January 2016 and 30 June 2016	<u>438,282</u>	<u>3,852</u>

(b) Dividends

The directors of the Company do not recommend the payment of any dividend by the Company for the six months ended 30 June 2017 and 2016.

Dividends attributable to the previous financial year, approved and paid during the periods:

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2017	2016
	RMB'000 (Unaudited)	RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Final dividends in respect of the previous financial year of HK1.00 cent, equivalent to RMB0.89 cents (2015: HK2.50 cents, equivalent to RMB2.16 cents) per ordinary share	<u>3,894</u>	<u>9,481</u>

(c) Share award scheme

On 3 December 2009, the Board of Directors of the Company (the "Board") approved the Share Award Scheme (the "Share Award Scheme") under which shares of the Company (the "Awarded Shares") may be awarded to eligible participants in accordance with the provisions of the Share Award Scheme. Details of the terms of the scheme have been set out in the Group's annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2016.

Movements in shares under the Company's Share Award Scheme during the periods were as follows:

	Six months ended 30 June			
	2017		2016	
	Number of shares held (Unaudited)	Value RMB'000 (Unaudited)	Number of shares held (Unaudited)	Value RMB'000 (Unaudited)
At 1 January	4,579,000	5,827	4,579,000	5,925
Shares purchased during the period	82,000	76	–	–
Dividends reinvested to the scheme	–	(41)	–	(98)
At 30 June	<u>4,661,000</u>	<u>5,862</u>	<u>4,579,000</u>	<u>5,827</u>

17. COMMITMENTS

(a) Capital commitments

As at 30 June 2017, the Group had the following capital commitments:

	As at 30 June 2017 <i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)	As at 31 December 2016 <i>RMB'000</i> (Audited)
Capital expenditure contracted but not provided for:		
— investment in joint ventures	10,175	—
— investment in an associate	1,800	1,800
	<u>11,975</u>	<u>1,800</u>

(b) Operating lease commitments

As at 30 June 2017, the future aggregate minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases were as follows:

	As at 30 June 2017 <i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)	As at 31 December 2016 <i>RMB'000</i> (Audited)
Operating leases expiring:		
— Within 1 year	12,214	21,159
— After 1 year but within 5 years	15,065	18,532
	<u>27,279</u>	<u>39,691</u>

(c) Other commitments

The Group entered into licensing agreements with the publishing partners to obtain the exclusive rights for the sale of advertising spaces in and the distribution of the magazines. As at 30 June 2017, the total future minimum payments under non-cancellable licensing agreements for cooperation titles were as follows:

	As at 30 June 2017 <i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)	As at 31 December 2016 <i>RMB'000</i> (Audited)
Licensing agreement expiring:		
— Within 1 year	22,801	22,372
— After 1 year but within 5 years	72,340	75,997
— After 5 years	9,627	7,043
	<u>104,768</u>	<u>105,412</u>

18. SIGNIFICANT RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

(a) Related party transactions

Save as disclosed elsewhere in these Interim Financial Information, the Group entered into the following material related party transactions during the six months ended 30 June 2017 and 2016:

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2017 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2016 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Rental expenses (i)	3,891	6,261
Advertising income (ii)	2,127	2,685

- (i) This represented rental expenses payable to an entity controlled by a close family member of Dr. Cheng Chi Kong (“Dr. Cheng”), a director of the Company, for the lease of office premises in Shanghai. It was charged at a pre-determined rate mutually agreed, which was based on the market rent rates.
- (ii) This represented advertising income received from entities controlled by a close family member of Dr. Cheng for certain advertisement placements on the Group’s media platforms. It was charged at a predetermined rate mutually agreed, which was based on the market rates of the related services rendered.

The Directors of the Company are of the opinion that the above related party transactions were conducted on normal commercial terms and in the ordinary course of business.

(b) Receivables from related parties

	As at 30 June 2017 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	As at 31 December 2016 RMB'000 (Audited)
	Mr. Shao Receivable derived from advertising income (i)	2,000 765

- (i) These represent receivables from entities controlled by a close family member of Dr. Cheng.

(c) **Key management compensation**

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2017	2016
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Basic salaries, allowances, benefits in kind and Share Award Scheme	10,395	10,660
Retirement scheme contributions	398	386
	10,793	11,046

(d) **Investments held by Mr. Shao on behalf of the Group**

As at 30 June 2017 and 31 December 2016, pursuant to the shareholding entrustment agreements entered into between Mr. Shao and the Group in 2015, respectively, Mr. Shao is entrusted as registered shareholder of the investments in certain associates and available-for-sale financial assets on behalf of the Group.

19. EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING DATE

Save as disclosed elsewhere in these Interim Financial Information, the following significant events took place subsequent to 30 June 2017:

On 27 July 2017, Modern Digital Holding Limited (“MDHL”), a subsidiary of the Company, has completed the allotment of (i) 428,570 shares to an independent third party, Hong Kong Septwolves Invest-Holding Limited, at the subscription price of RMB43,050,000 and (ii) 1 share to the Company, at a subscription price of RMB36,600,000 (collectively, the “Subscriptions”). The Group retains 70% of the equity interest in MDHL after the partial disposal. Details of the Subscriptions have been set out in the Company’s announcements dated 10 March 2017, 22 March 2017 and 4 August 2017.

20. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

As at 30 June 2017, the Group had no material contingent liabilities.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

RESULT SUMMARY

In the first half of 2017, Chinese economy was still facing challenges on multiple aspects: declining external demand, overcapacity in individual sectors, and various problems arising from rebalancing of economy from industry to service, etc. Along with the structural transition that China is going through, there were growing doubts on financial stability and increased uncertainties of economic risks. The Chinese government continues to implement anti-corruption policies and advocates economization, especially in luxury goods consumption. This causes the brand advertisers to remain cautious and conservative in their advertising spending. Meanwhile, the increasing presence of technology and digitalization and shift of readers' preference for digital media over print media had caused significant downturn in traditional print media industry, which severely impacted our business; management is looking for ways of implementing transformative measures in order to maintain our market competitiveness.

Under the tough operating environment as mentioned above, the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group") had recorded a decrease in revenue of approximately 16.0% to RMB170.8 million in the first half of 2017 as compared with the corresponding period in 2016 (2016: RMB203.4 million), the decline was mainly due to the substantial decrease in print advertising revenue as a result of the downturn experienced by the print media industry. During the past six months ended 30 June 2017 (the "Interim Period"), the Group reported a loss attributable to equity shareholders of approximately RMB50.0 million (2016: RMB68.9 million) which represented a significant improvement in the financial performance with a loss to be narrowed down by 27.4%.

The Group has successfully implemented a series of cost control measures since the second half of 2016, as a result the loss occasioned during the Interim Period was narrowed as compared to the first half of 2016, despite the decline in revenue. Management will continue to review and maintain the optimal magazine portfolio, and meanwhile look for opportunities in new business areas, so as to turnaround the loss-making situation in future.

During the Interim Period, one of our flagship printed publications, "Modern Lady Weekly", had been rebranded into "INSTYLE 優家畫報" by cooperating with the renowned international female magazine "InStyle" published by Time Inc.. "INSTYLE 優家畫報" has since been upgraded by incorporating the proprietary features of the InStyle brand and editorial materials published in InStyle magazine; moreover, a digital application entitled "INSTYLE iLady" was launched simultaneously along with the rebranding of the magazine. Management believes that the rebranding will have an upgrade of the publication contents and bring in additional advertising revenue stream, which ultimately benefits our shareholders. For further details of the rebranding, please refer to the Company's announcement dated 5 May 2017.

Furthermore, a joint venture formed by the Group and two independent third parties entered into an asset acquisition agreement with a wholly-owned subsidiary of a leading international fashion house in the second quarter of 2017, so as to create and distribute media content on various video and social media channels under the brand name of "Nowness". "Nowness" is a video channel which focuses on global art and culture segments, the Group plans to use

“Nowness” channel to expand its media distribution channels in order to reach a larger number of user on global basis. For further details of the acquisition, please refer to the Company’s announcement dated 2 June 2017.

Since the second half of 2015, the Group had strategically restructured its business into two business segments, namely “print media and art” and “digital media and television”. During the Interim Period, print media remained as the major income contributor of advertising revenue. As at 30 June 2017, the segment results are as follows:

	Print Media and Art	Digital Media and TV	Total
	<i>RMB'000</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>
2017			
Reported segment revenue	126,730	45,110	171,840
Reportable segment profit/(loss)	(52,792)	2,048	(50,744)
Segment EBITDA	(42,312)	4,807	(37,505)
2016			
Reported segment revenue	161,186	45,029	206,215
Reportable segment loss	(69,376)	(2,334)	(71,710)
Segment EBITDA	(57,133)	991	(56,142)

In regard to the segment results, the segment revenue for the print media and art in first half of 2017 suffered a decline of 21.4% when compared with that of 2016, as a result of the significant downturn in traditional print industry as well as tightening spending by those luxury brand advertisers, the segment profit decreased correspondingly along with the sales drop. On the other hand, the digital media and TV segment recorded a slight increase in segment revenue during the Interim Period, segment profit of digital media and TV improved significantly as compared to the same period of last year, this is mainly due to that professional fees of around RMB5.1 million related to the proposed spin-off of the digital media and television business of the Group was charged to the income statement in the interim period of 2016.

(A) BUSINESS REVIEW

Print Media and Art

The Group commenced the year 2017 with six weekly/bi-weekly and seven monthly/bi-monthly magazines in the PRC and Hong Kong.

Along with the severe decline in print media industry, the advertising market of magazine category in China suffered a decrease of 23.4% in the first half of 2017 as compared to the same period last year.

**Remarks:* advertising information from this paragraph is extracted from Advertising Expenditure Report of First Half of 2017 produced by CTR.

During the Interim Period, the Group's portfolio of magazine titles contributed the advertising revenue of approximately RMB127.4 million (2016: RMB155.6 million), recorded a decline of approximately 18.1% as compared to the corresponding period in 2016, which was in line with the downward trend in magazine advertising market.

To cope with the tough condition in the aforesaid advertising market of magazine category, our Group had made every effort to achieve a satisfactory performance in the Interim Period. Despite the drop in advertising revenue, our flagship magazine, "Modern Weekly", still ranked No.2 in terms of revenue in weekly magazine market according to audit report by Admango and continued to maintain an irreplaceable position among most of print media brand advertisers. Moreover, the supplement issue of "The Art Newspaper" has enlarged our readers' base and continues to attract new advertising client portfolio, including some international auction house and art galleries etc., which created extra revenue of RMB2.9 million during the Interim Period.

The revenue of another flagship magazine of the Group, "Modern Lady Weekly", has also suffered under the downward trend of macro environment in magazine market. However, as mentioned in previous section, by cooperating with Time Inc., "Modern Lady Weekly" had been rebranded into "INSTYLE 優家畫報" in May 2017, the magazine had experienced upgrades in terms of contents, design and layout etc, which makes it more attractive to brand advertisers, as a result, "INSTYLE 優家畫報" recorded an increase in advertising revenue of 5.2% from May to June as compared to the same period last year. The reader's club of "INSTYLE 優家畫報", "You Jia Hui" (優家薈), has becoming more and more attractive to those female elites after running a series of events in several cities, the number of members of "You Jia Hui" had kept increasing during the Interim Period, and the club membership fees had created additional income to the Group.

"Bloomberg Businessweek/China" (Simplified Chinese edition) has also recorded a decrease in advertising revenue as compared to the corresponding period in 2016. Nonetheless, according to the market research conducted by Admango, by comparing with 40 other business and financial magazines, it ranked no.5 in terms of the advertising revenue in all categories. Moreover, "Bloomberg Businessweek/China" (Traditional Chinese edition) had organized several finance marketing events and forums in Hong Kong and China and those events enhanced the market recognition among the readers and most of the financial institutions. As such, the advertising performance of this magazine in the first half of 2017 was similar to the same period in 2016, irrespective of the declining magazine advertising industry.

Advertising revenues of other monthly magazines operated by the Group in the PRC and Hong Kong recorded different performances. Some titles such as "Numero" and "IDEAT" recorded rising advertising revenue as compared to the same period of last year, whilst some other monthly titles experienced revenue declines as per the general trend of the Group's print media business. The Group will continue to review such portfolio of monthly magazine and target to attain an optimal operating result in 2017 and onwards.

During the Interim Period, art related revenue had contributed approximately RMB3.9 million to our Group's income, which included the advertising revenue and event income from our art-related magazines — LEAP and the Art Newspaper.

Digital Media & TV

As at the end of Interim Period, the “iWeekly” users on smartphone and tablet had accumulated to 14.4 million, growing 7.5% from the same period of last year. “iWeekly” continuously upgraded its content by incorporating the selected contents from some famous international media brands, which enriched its globalized contents and further enlarge the readers’ base and increase their adherence. It continued to be recognized as one of the most successful Chinese media applications on the Apple’s and Android’s platforms. “iWeekly” was also incorporated a daily news radio broadcast function, the improvement in function capability is also expected to enhance user frequency and develop reader loyalty to the App.

“Bloomberg Businessweek 商業周刊中文版” has also broadened its user base on smartphone and tablet PC by reaching 8.2 million users accumulatively, growing 15.5% from the same period of last year. Moreover, “Bloomberg Businessweek 商業周刊中文版” iPhone version had maintained Top 2 in Newsstand Top Crossing List in App Store. “Bloomberg Businessweek 商業周刊中文版” is expected to follow the successful footprint of “iWeekly” and is likely to become another main income generator in our digital media business.

“INSTYLE iLady”, which was upgraded along with the rebranding of “Modern Lady Weekly”, continued to be a comprehensive informative platform for elite women, has already accumulated more than 6.0 million users as at the end of Interim Period as compared to approximately 4.8 million users as at the end of the Interim period in 2016, which represented a 25.0% rise. By offering the “Ready-to-Buy” digital media experience to users, “INSTYLE iLady” was well-accepted by both the users and brand advertisers. Moreover, “INSTYLE iLady” has successfully integrated Metroer.com into its platform, where comprehensive solutions are provided for targeted customers on behalf of brand clients. As the App could effectively bring traffic to some advertiser’s shopping platform or their official websites, “INSTYLE iLady” has increased its popularity amongst the brand advertisers and is becoming one of the main revenue streams of our digital business.

The TV media team created add-value by focusing on the customized productions for its brand advertisers. TV media had achieved a revenue of RMB1.7 million (2016: RMB3.6 million) during the Interim Period. Our TV team is looking for new opportunities to enlarge its client portfolio and endeavors for better performance in the second half of the year.

We are confident that with the enlargement of the user base of our App products, our digital business will further generate considerable revenue and achieve remarkable business growth in the future.

(B) BUSINESS OUTLOOK

In view of the slowdown in economic growth in China, as well as the rapid transformation of the media industry, the Group will continue to face challenges in the second half of this year. As mentioned in the previous section, the management will impose a series of cost control measures to rationalize and streamline our operation so as to cope with the ever-changing circumstances of the media industry; on the other hand, the Group will continue to explore business opportunities in digital media and diversify our business scope.

The Group has realized its corporate re-branding and expanded the business strategy into the “M-cube” direction, i.e. “Modern Media”, “Modern Digital” and “Modern Momentum”.

“Modern Media” includes our printed magazines portfolio, which is still the leading core media in the PRC market for the brand advertisers of high-end luxury goods and lifestyle products. We believe that the advertising markets as regards the brand advertisers will rebound along with the economic growth of the PRC in future. The Group will strive to develop and maintain its renowned content quality for the needs of the significantly growth of elites’ population. In addition, the Group will continue to review its magazines portfolio or launch new magazines with different contents so as to cater for the needs of customers and readers from specific segments.

“Modern Digital” has been the driving force of our business growth in the past few years. The Group perceives that being innovative is the key to maintain competitiveness in the digital media industry; therefore, apart from upgrading and adding new functions to our existing Apps, we also keep developing new Apps. Furthermore, during the interim period, the Group has acquired an international video website “Nowness”, which is an influential media in the fashion industry. The website won several international video awards in the past few years. By actively producing videos with refined and distinctive contents, the Group aims at attracting and raising the number of downloads in Greater China and South East Asia, so as to increase revenue from advertising expenditure. Moreover, the Group will utilize the brand of “Nowness” to develop a series of extended businesses, including opening brand experience stores, launching derived products, opening theme bars and opening brand academies, in order to expand the sources of incomes; the Group will also investigate on adding a function in the website so that customers can immediately purchase after preview, and will gradually develop assisted purchase on e-commerce.

Although we temporarily suspend the spin-off of our digital business owing to the volatility of the capital market, we still keep track on the market situation and may resume the project in due course in future.

“Modern Momentum” becomes the new driving force of the Group by means of our existing ample resources in well-experienced marketing experts and our networks with models, celebrities and artists, etc. Taking “Photo Shanghai” as an example, the Group together with Montgomery, an international leading art exhibition organiser, have conducted a very successful photo exhibition in Shanghai since 2014. The exhibition has caught extensive attention and has been highly recognized by both visitors and commercial sponsors. With the successful case of “Photo Shanghai”, the Group will organize a series of trade fairs with different themes regarding art, LOHAS, creativity, culture, business and design and believes that we will benefit from the fairs.

Looking forward, the management believes that the further development of the “M-cube” direction together with stringent cost control measures would help the Group materialize a turnaround from loss in the foreseeable future.

DIVIDEND

To preserve more financial resources in response to the market stagnancy, the Directors do not recommend the payment of any interim dividend (2016: Nil). The Directors will consider the final dividend after evaluating the full-year financial performance of 2017.

LIQUIDITY AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES

Net cash flows for the Group’s operating and unsecured banking facilities

The Group finances its operations principally with cash flow generating by its operating activities and, to a lesser extent, bank facilities provided by its principal bankers.

During the Interim Period, the Group recorded a net cash outflow in operating activities of RMB2.6 million (2016: net cash outflow: RMB0.7 million). The increase in net cash outflow in operating activities was largely due to the decline in sales proceeds received as a result of drop in revenue. The Group recorded a net cash inflow in investing activities of RMB3.9 million for the Interim Period which mainly comprised of redemption of commercial bank financing products and receipts of proceeds from disposal of property in Hangzhou, set off by payment for leasehold improvement on new offices in Shanghai and purchase of office furniture and equipment. The Group recorded a net cash inflow in financing activities of RMB21.9 million, which mainly consisted of proceeds received in advance from the disposal of partial interest in a subsidiary of RMB43.0 million, net repayment of borrowings of RMB14.4 million and dividend payment of RMB3.9 million.

As of 30 June 2017, the Group had available banking facilities approximately RMB114.4 million and of which RMB110.6 million had been utilized. All its bank borrowings bear interest at floating rates. There is no seasonality for its borrowing requirements. The Group’s bank borrowings are denominated in Hong Kong Dollars (HK\$) and Renminbi (RMB).

Net cash and gearing

As at 30 June 2017, the Group’s net borrowing was approximately RMB30.2 million which was made up of bank borrowings of approximately RMB110.6 million and bank deposits and cash of approximately RMB80.4 million. The gearing ratio as at 30 June 2017 was 17.5% (31 December 2016: 18.4%), which was calculated based on the total debts divided by total assets.

As at 30 June 2017, the total borrowings of the Group were repayable as follows:

	At 30 June 2017 RMB'000	At 31 December 2016 RMB'000
Within 1 year or on demand	<u>72,139</u>	<u>100,563</u>
After 1 year but within 2 years	2,435	2,242
After 2 years but within 5 years	7,639	6,710
After 5 years	<u>28,435</u>	<u>17,690</u>
	<u>38,509</u>	<u>26,642</u>
	<u>110,648</u>	<u>127,205</u>

Capital expenditure and commitment

Capital expenditures of the Group for the Interim Period include expenditures on leasehold improvement, software development in progress and prepayment of an equity investment of approximately RMB23.3 million (corresponding period of 2016: RMB 7.6 million).

At 30 June 2017, the Group had capital commitment of RMB12.0 million contracted but not provided for an equity investment.

CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND PLEDGE OF ASSETS

As at 30 June 2017, the Group did not have any material contingent liabilities or guarantees other than disclosed below.

As at 30 June 2017, the Group's bank loans of RMB43.0 million was secured by the Group's office properties in Beijing, which were guaranteed by Mr. Shao, the controlling shareholder of the Group; the Group's bank loan of RMB67.6 million were secured by the office apartment in Hong Kong.

As at 30 June 2017, the Group's printing credit line in an amount of approximately RMB6.6 million was secured by corporate guarantee given by the Company.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RISKS

As most of the Group's monetary assets and liabilities are denominated in Renminbi and the Group conducts its business transactions principally in Renminbi and Hong Kong dollars, the exchange rate risk of the Group is not significant. The Group did not enter into any foreign exchange hedging instruments during the Interim Period.

EMPLOYEES

As at 30 June 2017, the Group had a total of 673 staff (as at 31 December 2016: 703 staff), whose remunerations and benefits are determined based on market rates, State policies and individual performance. The decrease in the number of employees was mainly due to the rationalization of the organization structure of the Group.

SHARE AWARD SCHEME

Details of the Share Award Scheme adopted by the Company and the Awards made up to 30 June 2017 are set out in note 16(c) of condensed consolidated interim financial information as stated in this interim announcement.

SHARE OPTIONS

A share option scheme (“Scheme”) was conditionally adopted by a resolution in writing passed by the then sole shareholder of the Company on 24 August 2009. Under the Scheme, the Directors may grant options to subscribe for shares of the Company to eligible participants, including without limitation employees of the Group, directors of the Company and its subsidiaries.

No share option was granted, exercised, cancelled or had lapsed under the Scheme during the Interim Period. No share option was outstanding under the Scheme as at 30 June 2017.

PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF THE COMPANY’S SHARES

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company’s listed securities during the Interim Period.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The Company is committed to maintaining high standards of corporate governance. As corporate governance requirements change from time to time, the Board periodically reviews its corporate governance practices to meet the rising expectations of shareholders and to comply with increasingly stringent regulatory requirements. In the opinion of the Directors, the Company applied the principles and complied with the relevant code provisions in the Corporate Governance Code as set out in Appendix 14 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (“Listing Rules”) during the Interim Period.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

As at the date of this interim results announcement, the Audit Committee comprises four independent non-executive Directors. The Chairman of the Audit Committee possesses appropriate professional qualification and experience in financial matters.

The Audit Committee has reviewed the unaudited interim financial report for the six months period ended 30 June 2017 with no disagreement with the accounting treatment adopted by the Company.

REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

The Remuneration Committee currently comprises one executive Director and two independent non-executive Directors. They are responsible for making recommendations to the Board on setting policy on the remuneration of the Directors and determine on behalf of the Board specific remuneration packages and conditions of employment for the Directors.

NOMINATION COMMITTEE

The Nomination Committee currently comprises three independent non-executive Directors. They are responsible for reviewing the structure, size and composition of the Board at least annually, making recommendation on any proposed changes to the Board and the appointment or re-appointment of Directors.

COMPLIANCE WITH THE MODEL CODE FOR DIRECTORS' SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS

The Company has adopted the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (as set out in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules) (the "Model Code") as its own code of conducts regarding directors' securities transaction. In response to a specific enquiry by the Company, all the Directors confirmed that they had complied with the required standard of dealings as set out in the Model Code throughout the Interim Period.

PUBLICATION

The interim results announcement of the Company for the Interim Period is published on the websites of the Stock Exchange (www.hkexnews.hk) and the Group (www.modernmedia.com.cn) respectively. The 2017 interim report will be dispatched to the shareholders of the Company and published on the respective websites of the Stock Exchange and the Company in due course.

By the order of the Board
Modern Media Holdings Limited
Shao Zhong
Chairman

Hong Kong, 25 August 2017

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises the following members: (a) as executive directors, Mr. SHAO Zhong, Mr. WONG Shing Fat, Mr. MOK Chun Ho, Neil, Ms. YANG Ying, Mr. LI Jian and Mr. DEROCHE Alain; (b) as non-executive director, Dr. Cheng Chi Kong; (c) as independent non-executive directors, Mr. JIANG Nanchun, Mr. WANG Shi and Mr. AU-YEUNG Kwong Wah and Dr. GAO Hao.