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CHINA INVESTMENT AND FINANCE GROUP LIMITED

中國投融資集團有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability) (Stock code: 1226)

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ANNUAL RESULTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2018

The board (the "Board") of directors (the "Directors") of China Investment and Finance Group Limited (the "Company") hereby present the audited consolidated annual results of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively the "Group") for the year ended 31 March 2018.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS

For the year ended 31 March 2018

		2018	2017
	Notes	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Gross proceeds from disposal of listed securities			
held for trading	=	295,087	358,933
Revenue	3	907	633
Net realised loss on disposal of financial assets			
held for trading		(182,729)	(84,657)
Net unrealised (loss)/gain on financial assets			
held for trading		(923,480)	560,758
Impairment of available-for-sale investments		(10,050)	(24,000)
Other income	3	-	55
Administrative expenses	-	(10,708)	(13,467)
(Loss)/Profit from operations	5	(1,126,060)	439,322
Finance costs	6	(2,154)	(2,882)
(Loss)/Profit before tax		(1,128,214)	436,440
Income tax credit/(expense)	7	86,506	(80,676)
(Loss)/Profit for the year attributable to owners of			
the Company	=	(1,041,708)	355,764
(Loss)/Earnings per share			
– Basic, HK cents	9 =	(46.14)	17.15
– Diluted, HK cents	9	(46.14)	17.12
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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the year ended 31 March 2018

	2018 HK\$'000	2017 <i>HK\$'000</i>
(Loss)/Profit for the year	(1,041,708)	355,764
Other comprehensive income: <i>Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:</i>		
Available-for-sale investments		
Net (loss)/gain arising on revaluation of available-for-sale investments during the year Reclassification adjustment relating to impairments of	(703)	1,942
available-for-sale investment during the year	10,050	24,000
	9,347	25,942
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax	9,347	25,942
Total comprehensive (expense)/income for the year and attributable to the owners of the Company	(1,032,361)	381,706

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

For the year ended 31 March 2018

	Notes	2018 HK\$'000	2017 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment		-	-
Deposit paid for acquisition of investments Available-for-sale investments	10	- 101,012	4,000 131,715
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	_	101,012	135,715
Current assets Financial assets held for trading	11	180,487	1,305,365
Other receivables, prepayments and deposits	11	103,926	135,952
Current tax assets		38	47
Cash and cash equivalents	_	35,408	23,789
	_	319,859	1,465,153
Current liabilities	10	< 0.00	55 100
Margin payables Other payables and accruals	12	6,988 2,450	55,190 17,358
Current tax liabilities	_	2,430	23
	_	11,732	72,571
Net current assets	_	308,127	1,392,582
Total assets less current liabilities	_	409,139	1,528,297
Non-current liability			
Deferred tax liability	_		88,800
Net assets	=	409,139	1,439,497
Capital and reserves			
Share capital		112,883	112,883
Reserves	_	296,256	1,326,614
Total equity	=	409,139	1,439,497
Net asset value per share (in HK\$)	13 _	0.18	0.64

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 March 2018

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

The Company was incorporated in the Cayman Islands as an exempted company with limited liability on 26 April 2002. The Company's shares have been listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") with effect from 19 September 2002. The registered office of the Company is at Cricket Square, Hutchins Drive, P.O. Box 2681, Grand Cayman, KY1-1111, Cayman Islands and its principal office in Hong Kong is at Room 1104, Crawford House, 70 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong.

The principal activities of the Group are investment holding and trading of securities.

The consolidated financial statements are prepared in Hong Kong dollars (HK\$), which is the same as the functional currency of the Company.

2. APPLICATION OF NEW AND AMENDMENTS TO HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS ("HKFRSs")

(a) Amendments to HKFRSs that are mandatorily effective for the current year

The Group has applied for the first time in the current year the following amendments to HKFRSs issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (the "HKICPA") for the first time in the current year.

Amendments to HKAS 7	Disclosure Initiative
Amendments to HKAS 12	Recognition of Deferred Tax Assets for Unrealised
	Losses
Amendments to HKFRS 12 included in Annual	Disclosure of Interests in Other Entities:
Improvements to HKFRSs 2014-2016 Cycle	Clarification of the Scope of HKFRS 12

The application of the amendments to HKFRSs in the current year has had no material impact on the Group's financial performance and positions for the current and prior years and/or on the disclosures set out in these consolidated financial statements.

(b) New and amendments to HKFRSs in issued but not yet effective

The Group has not early applied the following new and revised HKFRSs that have been issued but are not yet effective.

Amendments to HKFRS 2	Classification and Measurement of Share-based Payment Transactions ¹
Amendments to HKFRS 4	Applying HKFRS 9 Financial Instruments with HKFRS 4 Insurance Contracts ¹
Amendments to HKFRS 9	Prepayment Features with Negative Compensation ²
Amendments to HKFRS 10 and	Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its
HKAS 28 (2011)	Associate or Joint Venture ⁴
Amendments to HKFRS 15	Clarifications to HKFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers ¹
HKFRS 9	Financial Instruments ¹
HKFRS 15	Revenue from Contracts with Customers ¹
HKFRS 16	Leases ²
HKFRS 17	Insurance Contracts ³
Amendments to HKAS 28	Long-term Interests in Associates and Joint Ventures ²
Amendments to HKAS 40	Transfers of Investment Property ¹
HK(IFRIC)-Int 22	Foreign Currency Transactions and Advance Consideration ¹
HK(IFRIC)-Int 23	Uncertainty over Income Tax Treatments ²
Annual Improvements 2014-2016 Cycle	Amendments to HKFRS 1 and HKAS 281
Annual Improvements 2015-2017 Cycle	Amendments to HKFRS 3, HKFRS 11, HKAS 12 and HKAS 23 ²

- ¹ Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018
- ² Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019
- ³ Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2021
- ⁴ No mandatory effective date yet determined but available for adoption

HKFRS 9 Financial Instruments

HKFRS 9 issued in 2009 introduces new requirements for the classification and measurement of financial assets. HKFRS 9 was subsequently amended in 2010 to include the requirements for the classification and measurement of financial liabilities and for derecognition, and further amended in 2013 to include the new requirements for hedge accounting. Another revision version of HKFRS 9 was issued in 2014 mainly to include (a) impairment requirements for financial assets and (b) limited amendments to the classification and measurement requirements by introducing a "fair value through other comprehensive income" measurement category for certain simple debt instruments.

Key requirements of HKFRS 9 are described below:

• All recognised financial assets that are within the scope of HKAS 39 "Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement" are subsequently measured at amortised cost or fair value. Under HKFRS 9, debt investments that are held within a business model whose objective is to collect the contractual cash flows, and that have contractual cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal outstanding are generally measured at amortised cost at the end of subsequent accounting periods. All other debt investments and equity investments are measured at their fair values at the end of subsequent reporting periods. In addition, under HKFRS 9, entities may take an irrevocable election to present subsequent changes in the fair value of an equity investment (that is not held for trading) in other comprehensive income, with only dividend income generally recognised in profit or loss.

- With regard to the measurement of financial liabilities designated as at fair value through profit or loss, HKFRS 9 requires that the amount of change in the fair value of the financial liability that is attributable to changes in the credit risk of that liability is presented in other comprehensive income, unless the recognition of the effects of changes in the liability's credit risk in other comprehensive income would create or enlarge an accounting mismatch in profit or loss. Changes in fair value of financial liabilities attributable to changes in the financial liabilities' credit risk are not subsequently reclassified to profit or loss. Under HKAS 39, the entire amount of the change in fair value of the financial liabilities designated as at fair value through profit or loss was presented in profit or loss.
- In relation to the impairment of financial assets, HKFRS 9 requires an expected credit loss model, as opposed to an incurred credit loss model under HKAS 39. The expected credit loss model requires an entity to account for expected credit losses and changes in those expected credit losses at each reporting date to reflect changes in credit risk since initial recognition. In other words, it is no longer necessary for a credit event to have occurred before credit losses are recognised.
- The new general hedge accounting requirements retain the three types on hedge accounting mechanisms currently available in HKAS 39. Under HKFRS 9, greater flexibility has been introduced to the types of transactions eligible for hedge accounting, specifically broadening the types of instruments that qualify for hedge accounting. In additions, the effectiveness test has been overhauled and replaced with the principle of an "economic relationship". Retrospective assessment of hedge effectiveness is also no longer required. Enhanced disclosure requirements about an entity's risk management activities have also been introduced.

Based on the Group's financial instruments policies, the directors of the Company anticipate that, the equity securities classified as available-for-sale investments as disclosed in note 10 qualified for designation as measured at financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income under HKFRS 9, however, the Group plans not to elect the option for designating these securities to be measured at financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income and will measure these securities at fair value with subsequent fair value gains or losses to be recognised in profit or loss. Upon initial application of HKFRS 9, investments revaluation reserve related to these available-for-sale investments currently accumulated in equity will be transferred to accumulated loss at 1 April 2018.

3. **REVENUE AND OTHER INCOME**

An analysis of the Group's revenue and other income are as follows:

	2018 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2017 <i>HK\$'000</i>
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Revenue:		
Dividend income from financial assets held for trading	-	630
Dividend income from available-for-sale investment	900	_
Interest income from brokers	7	2
Interest income from bank accounts		1
	907	633
Other income:		
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment		55
	907	688

4. SEGMENT INFORMATION

For the year ended 31 March 2018 and 2017, the Group's revenue and results were mainly derived from the interest income and dividend income from investment holding. The directors consider that these activities constitute one and the only business segment since these transactions are subject to common risks and returns. The management monitors the operating results of its investment business as a whole for the purpose of making decision about resource allocation and performance assessment. Given the nature of the Group's business was operated as a single segment, it is not considered meaningful to provide an operating segment analysis of financial performance.

Geographical information

During the year ended 31 March 2018 and 2017, all activities of the Group are based in Hong Kong and all of the Group's revenue was derived from Hong Kong. Accordingly, no geographical analysis of revenue and assets is presented.

Given that the nature of the Group's operation is investment holding, there was no information regarding major customers as determined by the Group.

5. (LOSS)/PROFIT FROM OPERATIONS

	2018 HK\$'000	2017 <i>HK\$'000</i>
(Loss)/Profit from operations has been arrived at after charging:		
Directors' remunerations		
– Fees	1,170	1,354
– Other remunerations	277	290
Total directors' remunerations	1,447	1,644
Staff costs		
– Salaries	1,327	2,609
– Provident fund contributions	40	62
Total staff costs (excluding directors' remunerations)	1,367	2,671
Auditors' remuneration	420	400
Equity-settled share-based payments	2,003	395
Investment manager fee	960	960
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	-	(55)
Operating lease payments in respect of office premise	60	_

6. FINANCE COSTS

		2018 HK\$'000	2017 <i>HK\$'000</i>
	Interest on margin financing wholly repayable on demand	2,154	2,882
7.	INCOME TAX CREDIT/(EXPENSE)		
		2018 HK\$'000	2017 HK\$'000
	Current tax:		
	Hong Kong Profits Tax:		
	(Under)/Over-provision in respect of prior years	(2,294)	20
	Deferred tax:		
	Credit/(Charges) for the year	88,800	(80,696)
	Income tax credit/(expense)	86,506	(80,676)

8. DIVIDENDS

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend for the year ended 31 March 2018 and 2017.

9. (LOSS)/EARNINGS PER SHARE

The calculation of basic and diluted (loss)/earnings per share was based on the loss attributable to owners of the Company of HK\$1,041,708,000 (2017: profit of HK\$355,764,000).

	Number of shares	
	2018	2017
	'000	'000'
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of		
basic (loss)/earnings per share	2,257,666	2,074,302
Effect of dilutive potential ordinary shares		
Share options		4,221
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of		
diluted (loss)/earnings per share	2,257,666	2,078,523

The computation of diluted loss per share does not assume the exercise of the Company's share options since their assumed exercise would result in a decrease in loss per share for the year ended 31 March 2018.

10. AVAILABLE-FOR-SALE INVESTMENTS

Available-for-sale investments comprise:

	2018 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2017 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Unlisted equity securities, at cost Less: fair value adjustment	119,023 (18,011)	149,023 (17,308)
	101,012	131,715

The above available-for-sale investments were measured at fair values at the end of each reporting period.

For unlisted equity instruments, there was no objective evidence of impairment (including whether there was a significant or prolonged decline in fair value of the securities below their costs).

11. FINANCIAL ASSETS HELD FOR TRADING

	2018 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2017 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Listed equity securities in Hong Kong, at fair value	180,487	1,305,365

The fair values of these listed securities are determined based on the quoted market bid prices at the end of each reporting period. The Group has pledged certain financial assets held for trading with carrying amount of approximately HK\$37,513,000 (2017: HK\$271,921,000) to secure margin payables.

12. MARGIN PAYABLES

Margin payables represents margin loans arising from the trading of listed investments which are repayable on demand. No ageing analysis is disclosed in respect of margin payables. In opinion of the Directors, an ageing analysis does not give additional value in view of the Group's business nature.

13. NET ASSET VALUE PER SHARE

Net asset value per share is calculated by dividing the net assets included in the consolidated statement of financial position of approximately HK\$409,139,000 (2017: HK\$1,439,497,000) by the number of shares in issue at 31 March 2018, being 2,257,666,000 (2017: 2,257,666,000).

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Financial Results

For the year ended 31 March 2018 (the "Year"), the Group recorded gross proceeds from disposal of securities of approximately HK\$295.1 million, representing a decrease of approximately 17.8%, as compared to the amount of approximately HK\$358.9 million for the last year. The Group recorded in revenue of approximately HK\$0.9 million, representing an increase of approximately 50.0% as compared to the amount of approximately HK\$0.6 million for the last year. The Company recorded a loss attributable to the owners of the Company for the year amounted to approximately HK\$1,041.7 million (2017: profit of approximately HK\$355.8 million). The audited consolidated net assets of the Group as at 31 March 2018 amounted to approximately HK\$409.1 million (2017: approximately HK\$1,439.5 million). The net asset per share of the Group was amounted to approximately HK\$0.18 (2017: approximately HK\$0.64). The decrease in net asset value per share of the Company over the Year was principally resulted from the total comprehensive expense attributable to owners of the Company for the Year of approximately HK\$1,032.3 million.

The Group's performance changed from net profit approximately HK\$355.8 million for the year ended 31 March 2017 to net loss approximately HK\$1,041.7 million for the Year mainly attributable to the net effect of the change in the performance of listed investments from profit of approximately HK\$476.1 million for the year ended 31 March 2017 to loss of approximately HK\$1,106.2 million, the decrease in impairment loss of available-for-sale investments from HK\$24.0 million for the year ended 31 March 2017 to HK\$10.0 million, and the change of income tax from income tax expense of approximately HK\$80.7 million for the year ended 31 March 2017 to income tax credit of approximately HK\$86.5 million for the Year.

Investment Review

As at 31 March 2018, the Group's major investments were as follows:

Investments	Description
Listed equities	HK\$180.5 million of a portfolio of listed shares in 30 companies
Direct investment in unlisted equities	HK\$101.0 million in 4 direct investments in unlisted equities securities
Total	HK\$281.5 million

Included in the direct investment in unlisted equities as at 31 March 2018 was the Group's investment in 15% equity of Amuse Group Holding Limited ("Amuse Group") at cost of HK\$9.0 million. Subsequently in May 2018, the shares of Amuse Group were listed on GEM of the Stock Exchange and its stock code is 8545. Upon listing, the Group holds 112,500,000 shares or 11.25% equity of Amuse Group.

The investment portfolio as at 31 March 2018 of the Group mainly comprises of unlisted securities and listed securities in Hong Kong and China. The investment portfolio of the Company is of approximately HK\$281.5 million. As a whole, the portfolio was carefully managed and being fully diversified to minimise commercial risk resulting from over concentration of the investment of the Group in any single industry.

Price Risk

The Group is exposed to financial assets price risks as investments held by the Group are classified on the consolidated statement of financial position as financial assets held for trading and available-for-sale ("AFS") financial assets. To manage its price risk arising from investments in financial assets, the Group diversifies its portfolio. If the financial assets price of the respective investments held by the Group as financial assets held for trading were higher or lower by 5% as at 31 March 2018, the Group's loss for the year would decrease or increase by approximately HK\$7.5 million (2017: HK\$54.5 million) respectively. If the price of the investments held by the Group as AFS financial assets were higher or lower by 5% as at 31 March 2018 (2017: 5%), the Group's equity as at 31 March 2018 would decrease or increase by approximately HK\$5.1 million (2017: HK\$6.6 million) respectively.

Prospects

We expect the global market will continue to face greater challenges and full of uncertainty, developed economies are beginning to have signs of recovery, but the developing economies also have trends of adjustment. Meanwhile, China is also facing a slowdown in economic growth, economic structure has undergone significant changes during the transition from medium to long term, crisis and opportunities coexist.

The Directors will continue to take a prudent approach in managing the Group's investment portfolio and develop the investment strategies. Given the increasing influence of China against the global economy, the Group will still be based mainly on Chinese economy, the Group will continue to look for investment opportunities which offer outstanding returns under the acceptable risk in the portfolio of the Group.

The Company would consider investing in certain unlisted securities and listed securities with high potential in order to diversify further market risk.

Liquidity and Financial Resources

As at 31 March 2018, the Group had margin payables to financial institutions of approximately HK\$7.0 million (2017: HK\$55.2 million). The Group had bank balances and cash on hand of approximately HK\$35.4 million (2017: HK\$23.8 million), which was mainly placed in bank and other financial institutions as deposits. As the Group held listed securities of approximately HK\$180.5 million as at 31 March 2018 (2017: HK\$1,305.4 million), which is around 25.8 times (2017: 23.6 times) of the margin payable value, the Board consider the Company's liquidity position is still healthy as at 31 March 2018.

Gearing Ratio

The gearing ratio (defined as total interest-bearing liabilities/total equity) was 1.7% (2017: 3.8%).

Capital Structure

The Group did not run any capital exercise and no share option was exercised during the Year. The total number of issued share capital maintain at 2,257,666,000 shares during the Year.

Charges on Assets and Contingent Liabilities

As at 31 March 2018, the Group has pledged listed securities of approximately HK\$37.5 million (2017: HK\$271.9 million) to secure the margin payables of approximately HK\$7.0 million (2017: HK\$55.2 million). The Group did not have significant contingent liabilities as at 31 March 2018 and 2017.

Foreign Currency Fluctuation

The Group's exposures to foreign currencies mainly arises from its investments in companies located in the PRC, which are financed internally. In order to mitigate the potential impact of currency fluctuations, the Group closely monitors its foreign currency exposures and will use suitable hedging instruments against significant foreign currency exposures, where necessary. No foreign currency hedge contract was entered into by the Group during the Year. As at 31 March 2018, the Group had no outstanding foreign currency hedge contracts (2017: Nil).

PURCHASE, SALE AND REDEMPTION OF SHARES

For the year ended 31 March 2018, neither the Company nor its subsidiaries had purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's shares.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The Company has complied with the Corporate Governance Code ("Code") as set out in Appendix 14 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange ("Listing Rules") throughout the year ended 31 March 2018, with deviations from Provisions A.2.1, A.4.1 and A.6.7 of the Code.

Pursuant to Provision A.2.1 of the Code, the roles of the Chairman and the Chief Executive Officer should be separated and should not be performed by the same individual. The division of responsibilities between the Chairman and the Chief Executive Officer should be clearly established and set out in writing. The Board is in the process of locating an appropriate person to fill the vacancy of the Chief Executive Officer of the Company as soon as practicable.

Pursuant to Provision A.4.1 of the Code, non-executive directors should be appointed for a specific term, subject to re-election. None of the non-executive Directors was appointed for a specific term. Since all the Directors are subject to retirement by rotation according to the provisions under article 88 of the Articles of Association of the Company, the Company considers that sufficient measures have been taken to ensure that the Company's corporate governance practices are no less exacting than those in the Code.

Pursuant to Provision A.6.7 of the Code, independent non-executive directors and other non-executive directors should attend general meetings. Certain independent non-executive Directors and non-executive Directors could not attend the annual general meeting held in the year ended 31 March 2018 due to other business commitments.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Audit Committee of the Company had reviewed the consolidated results of the Group for the year ended 31 March 2018, including the accounting principles and accounting practices adopted by the Company, and discussed matters relating to auditing, risk management, internal controls, financial reporting, the adequacy of resources, qualification and experience of staff. The figures in respect of the preliminary announcement of the Group's results for the year ended 31 March 2018 have been agreed by the Group's auditors, Elite Partners CPA Limited, to the amounts set out in the Group's audited consolidated financial statements for the Year.

SCOPE OF WORK OF ELITE PARTNERS CPA LIMITED

The figures in respect of the preliminary announcement of the Group's results for the year ended 31 March 2018 have been agreed by the Group's auditors, Elite Partners CPA Limited ("the Auditors"), to the amounts set out in the Group's audited consolidated financial statements for the Year. The work performed by the Auditors in this respect did not constitute an assurance engagement in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing, Hong Kong Standards on Review Engagements or Hong Kong Standards on Assurance Engagements issued by the HKICPA and consequently no assurance has been expressed by the Auditors on the preliminary announcement.

PUBLICATION OF THE FINAL RESULTS AND ANNUAL REPORT

This results announcement is published on the Stock Exchange's website (http://www.hkexnews.hk) and the Company's website (http://www.chnif.com). The 2017/18 annual report will be dispatched to the shareholders and available on websites of the Stock Exchange and the Company in due course.

By order of the Board China Investment and Finance Group Limited Chan Cheong Yee Executive Director

Hong Kong, 22 June 2018

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises Mr. CHAN Cheong Yee as executive Director; Mr. LIAO Jintian, Mr. WU Qi and Mr. FONG On Shek as non-executive Directors; and Mr. LUK Simon, Ms. LIU Xiaoyin and Mr. HON Leung as independent non-executive Directors.

The English text of this announcement shall prevail over its Chinese text in case of inconsistency.