



The Directors of Oriental Press Group Limited (the “Company”) announce that the unaudited consolidated results for the six months ended 30 September 2004 of the Company and its subsidiaries (the “Group”), together with the comparative figures for the corresponding period of the previous year, were as follows:

**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT**  
FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2004

		<b>Six months ended</b>	
		<b>30.9.2004</b>	<b>30.9.2003</b>
		<b>(Unaudited)</b>	<b>(Unaudited)</b>
	<i>NOTES</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
<b>Turnover</b>		<b>1,023,972</b>	997,353
Other operating income		<b>16,159</b>	14,022
Raw materials and consumables used		<b>(301,172)</b>	(272,765)
Staff costs		<b>(335,085)</b>	(349,864)
Depreciation		<b>(36,963)</b>	(43,551)
Other operating expenses		<b>(104,381)</b>	(99,151)
Net (loss)/gain on disposal of plant and equipment		<b>(4,902)</b>	450
<b>Profit from operations</b>		<b>257,628</b>	246,494
Finance costs		<b>(246)</b>	(348)
<b>Profit before taxation</b>		<b>257,382</b>	246,146
Taxation	4	<b>(47,352)</b>	(40,574)
<b>Profit after taxation</b>		<b>210,030</b>	205,572
Minority interests		<b>(17)</b>	—
<b>Profit attributable to shareholders</b>		<b>210,013</b>	205,572
<b>Dividends</b>	5	<b>263,771</b>	215,813
<b>Basic earnings per share</b>	6	<b>HK8.76 cents</b>	HK8.57 cents