## 主席報告

# Chairman's Statement



陳瑞球 YGM貿易有限公司主席 Chan Sui Kau Chairman of YGM Trading Limited

## 集團業績

截至二零零六年三月三十一日止年度,本公司權益股東應佔本集團之溢利上升17.5%至港幣161,913,000元(二零零五年重報:港幣137,813,000元),同時本集團營業額上升7.7%至港幣1,032,188,000元(二零零五年:港幣958,696,000元)。

## 股息

董事會已議決將於二零零六年九月十九日 星期二舉行之應屆股東週年大會上建議派 發截至二零零六年三月三十一日止年度 末期股息每股港幣0.32元(二零零五年:港 幣0.30元)。倘獲股東通過,總金額為港幣 49,499,000元(二零零四年:港幣46,429,000 元)之末期股息預期將於二零零六年九月 二十日星期三或該日期前後派發予於二零 零六年九月十一日星期一名列股東名冊之 股東。

## 業務回顧

#### 成衣零售及市場推廣

本集團之核心業務為零售、批發及營銷時裝,主要市場位於大中華地區。截至二零零六年三月底,本集團之品牌組合包括針對不同階層客戶之五大獨特品牌,即Aquascutum、Ashworth、Guy Laroche、馬獅龍及Charles Jourdan。本集團亦擁有漢登集團控股有限公司(「漢登」) 20%股權。該公司於香港聯合交易所有限公司上市,經營時裝零售及批發,以及商標特許授權。

## **Group Results**

For the year ended 31 March 2006, the Group's profit attributable to equity shareholders of the Company increased by 17.5% to HK\$161,913,000 (2005 restated: HK\$137,813,000), while the Group's turnover increased by 7.7% to HK\$1,032,188,000 (2005: HK\$958,696,000).

### Dividends

The Directors have resolved to recommend the payment of a final dividend of HK\$0.32 (2005: HK\$0.30) per share for the year ended 31 March 2006 at the forthcoming annual general meeting to be held on Tuesday, 19 September 2006. The final dividend amounting to HK\$49,499,000 (2005: HK\$46,429,000), if approved by the shareholders, is expected to be paid on or around, Wednesday, 20 September 2006 to those shareholders whose names appear on the register of members of the Company on Monday, 11 September 2006.

## **Review of Operations**

## Garment retail and marketing

The Group's core business is retail, wholesale and marketing of fashion apparel, mainly in the Greater China region. As of the end of March 2006, the Group's brand portfolio consists of five distinct brands serving a wide spectrum of customer segments, namely Aquascutum, Ashworth, Guy Laroche, Michel Rene and Charles Jourdan. The Group also owns a 20% stake in Hang Ten Group Holdings Limited ("Hang Ten") which is listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited. Hang Ten is engaged in the retail and wholesale of fashion apparel and trademark licensing.

Guy Laroche

YGM於2004年購入著名法國設計品牌Guy Laroche,現時已於大中華地區設立逾20間的銷售點。品牌在其他地方如法國、雅典及莫斯科開設專賣店外,更於巴黎的流行時裝地帶Rue Francois Premier設立旗艦店。Guy Laroche設有多種產品的代理權,品牌總代理遍佈世界各地。

Guy Laroche「晚裝系列」(Paris Collection)華貴瑰麗,徹底詮釋了女士的高雅氣質,並帶出時代女性的個人朝氣及醉人動一。「優雅系列」(Femme Collection)以時尚觸感突顯城市氣息。「優閒系列」(Sport Collection)以簡約設計表現優遊閒適的氣度。Guy Laroche在大中華地區為時髦而飛到的服裝服飾。

Since YGM acquired Guy Laroche, a luxury French designer brand in 2004, over 20 shops have opened in the Greater China region. In other areas of the world, there are also boutiques in France, Athens and Moscow, and the flagship store at the fashionable Rue Francois Premier in Paris. The brand has licensees for several product categories all over the world.

Guy Laroche's Paris Collection is luxurious, elegant and surpassingly beautiful. The Femme Collection highlights urban sophistication while the Sport Collection presents a sense of leisure. Guy Laroche offers all three ladieswear lines in the Greater China region for the tasteful, stylish woman.



## 業務回顧(續)

### 成衣零售及市場推廣(續)

#### Aquascutum

截至二零零六年三月底,本集團於中國內地、香港、澳門及台灣合共經營134間Aquascutum門市。Aquascutum乃英國主要品牌,服裝款式時尚,其優良品質的聲譽可謂名符其實。香港市場依然強勁,但我們注意到國內市場增長放緩。

#### **Ashworth**

截至二零零六年三月底,本集團於香港、中國內地及澳門經營合共59間門市。 Ashworth以銷售高爾夫球運動服而享譽全球,其系列在本公司之所有市場均持續增長。

#### Guy Laroche

此乃本公司擁有該國際馳名品牌之首個完整財政年度。全球特許經營費入局6,384,000歐元。截至二零海临方外。 底,除位於 Rue Francois 之旗艦市上外, 事亦在香港、中國內地及台灣城本集團 門市。於大中華市場之開辦成本損 期為高,導致本集團錄得經營虧。

### 馬獅龍

截至二零零六年三月底,本集團於香港、澳門、中國內地及台灣合共開設 86間門市。馬獅龍乃中檔男女服裝品牌,有超過三十年歷史。

### Charles Jourdan

此乃擁有悠久歷史之法國鞋類品牌。本集團乃大中華地區時裝及配飾之特許經營商。本集團於今年初共有8間門市,為該品牌確立了年輕、優雅及時髦形象。於此初期階段錄得經營虧損。

### 漢登

該聯營公司於本年度關閉於美國之零售業務,其虧損現已悉數撇銷。台灣市場從二零零六年初起陷入低迷,但韓國市場快速擴張,盈利非常可觀。 漢登亦在全球收取特許經營費。

## Review of Operations (continued)

### Garment retail and marketing (continued)

#### Aquascutum

At the end of March 2006, the Group operated a total of 134 Aquascutum outlets in Mainland China, Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan. Aquascutum, a leading British brand, has now a more trendy look but remains true to its reputation for very high quality. The market for Hong Kong remains strong but we have noticed the slowdown of growth in the Mainland China market.

#### Ashworth

At the end of March 2006, the Group operated a total of 59 outlets in Hong Kong, Mainland China and Macau. Ashworth is famous worldwide for its golf wear. This line continues to grow in all our markets.

#### Guy Laroche

This is the first complete financial year of our ownership of this internationally recognised brand. Global royalty and related income from trademark licensing for the year amounted to EUR6,384,000. At the end of March 2006, the Group had 6 franchised shops in Europe in addition to the flagship store at Rue Francois. The Group also operates 22 outlets in Hong Kong, Mainland China and Taiwan. The startup costs for the Greater China market were higher than expected; resulting in a negative contribution to the Group.

### Michel Rene

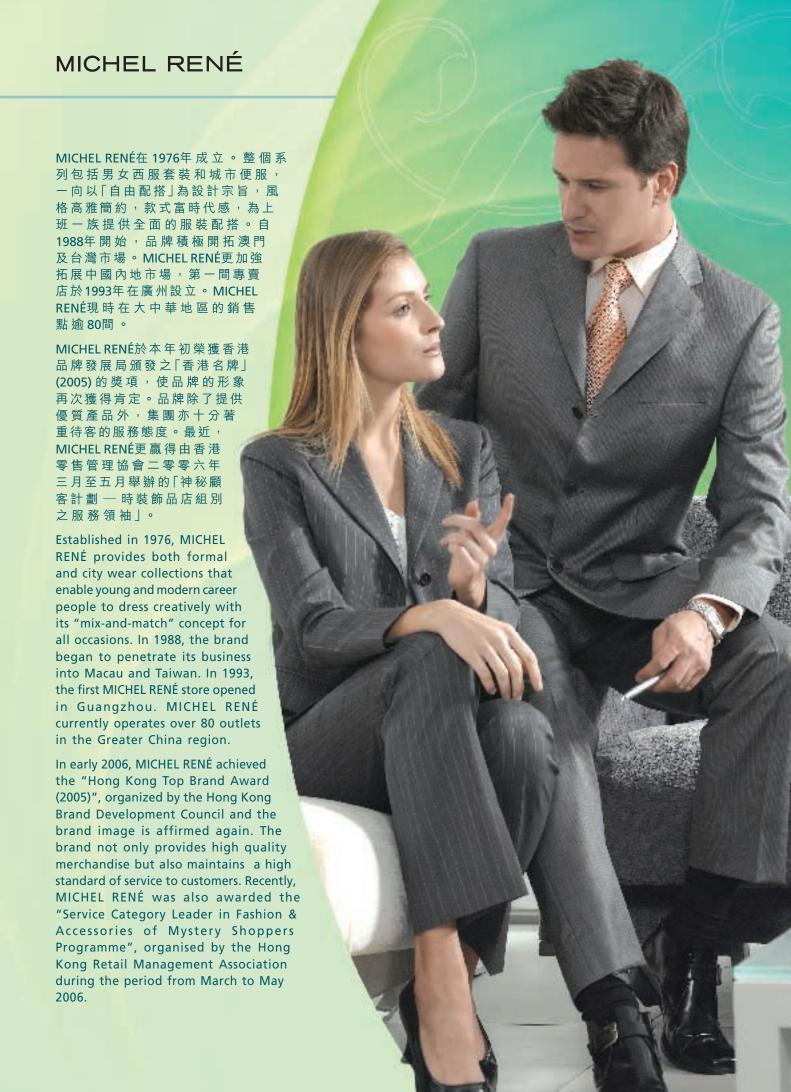
As of end of March 2006, we operated 86 outlets in Hong Kong, Macau, Mainland China and Taiwan. Michel Rene is a middle market men's and ladies' fashion house that has more than 30 years of history.

### Charles Jourdan

This is a French brand with historical roots in shoes. We are the licensee for fashion apparel and accessories in the Greater China region. We started this year with 8 outlets and established the brand with a young, elegant and fashionable image. An operating loss was reported at this early stage.

### Hang Ten

The associate closed its American retail operations during the year, losses from which are now fully written off. The Taiwan market took a downturn from early 2006, but the Korean market is expanding rapidly and very profitable. Hang Ten also receives royalties from around the world.



## 業務回顧(續)

#### 成衣製造

年內,本集團之東莞製造廠以最大產能營運,但溢利受到能源及員工成本上漲之不 利影響。

### 其他項目

受益於香港營商環境改善,香港安全印刷 錄得另一個盈利年。租賃收入隨香港房地 產市場同步增長。年內,本集團出售香港 化妝品業務,錄得輕微虧損。

## 前景及展望

儘管零售市場環境經已改善,但回顧年度 內本集團並未取得令人滿意之經營業績。 主要原因為本集團推出兩個新品牌(即 Guy Laroche 及 Charles Jourdan) 所付出之資集集 過預期,以及台灣市場嚴重低迷。本推廣Guy Laroche及Charles Jourdan,因此成效增量 年見影。本集團預期國內市場將繼續增整立 年見影。本集團預期國內市場將繼續過整 但新加入市場者的數目,可能會超過團 市場之百分比增長。儘管如此,本集團相信兩 現有品牌將繼續擴大影響。本集團相信兩 個新品牌將取得成功。

## 致 謝

本人謹代表董事會,向一直支持本集團之 各位股東、客戶、供應商及員工致謝。同 時,本人亦希望藉此機會衷心感謝本集團 之員工,因為本集團能達致佳績實全賴彼 等之努力。

### 主席

### 陳瑞球

香港,二零零六年七月二十一日

## Review of Operations (continued)

### Garment Manufacturing

The Group's manufacturing plant in Dongguan operated at full capacity during the year but the profit was adversely affected by the higher energy and staff costs.

### Miscellaneous

Hong Kong Security Printing recorded another successful year, benefiting from the improved business environment in the Hong Kong. Rental income increased in line with the growth of the Hong Kong real estate market. During the year, we disposed of the cosmetic business in Hong Kong at a small loss.

## **Prospects and Developments**

Despite improved retail environments in our markets, we had not achieved satisfactory improvements to our bottom line during the year under review. Major reasons being that the startup efforts for our two new brands, namely Guy Laroche and Charles Jourdan, had been heavier than expected and the sharp downturn of the Taiwan market. We try to market Guy Laroche and Charles Jourdan with distinct images from our existing brands and therefore the results will not be immediate. We expect the Mainland China market growth continuing, however the numbers of new entrants to the market might exceed the percentage growth of the whole market. Despite that, the Group's existing brands are holding up and we have confidence for the two new brands to become successful.

## **Appreciation**

On behalf of the Board, I would like to thank all of our shareholders, customers, suppliers and employees for their continued support of the Group. Furthermore, I would like to take this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation to our employees as all the good results could not be achieved without their hard work.

#### Chan Sui Kau

Chairman

Hong Kong, 21 July 2006

**Ashworth**<sub>®</sub>

源 自 美 國 加 州 的 Ashworth , 主 力 提 供 時尚、舒適優閒的男女高爾夫球及 便服系列。在美國 Darrell Survey消費 者報告中,Ashworth高爾夫球恤的 穿著率連續八年佔據第一位,深受 年輕男士愛戴。品牌服裝一向最 能演繹流行時尚、休閒生活概念, 並於中國內地、香港及澳門備受 推崇。現時,Ashworth在中國內 地、香港及澳門的銷售點超過50 間。 Ashworth在 2000年 至 2002年 及 2004年 至 2005年 度 被〈中國哥 爾夫〉雜誌連續評選為「我最喜 愛男士哥爾夫服裝」,而在2001 年至2005年〈高球文摘〉中文版 雜誌的問卷調查中,亦被選為 「最佳男士高爾夫服裝」。

Ashworth一向為顧客提供優良的服務,在2004至2005年的季度中先後三次獲得香港零售管理協會頒發「神秘顧客計劃之時裝飾品店一運動及戶外用品組別之服務領袖」,同時品牌更在2005年奪取上述組別之「最佳服務零售商」。

Based in California, Ashworth markets a full line of quality men's & women's golf apparel and casual merchandise, featuring natural style and relaxed fit. According to the Darrell Survey of U.S.A., Ashworth has ranked No.1 in golf shirt usage 8 years in a row. Ashworth products always reflect the chic look and relaxation concept and are highly recognised in Hong Kong, Macau, and Mainland China. At present, Ashworth has over 50 shops in Hong Kong, Macau and Mainland China. Ashworth was honored "My Favorite Men's Apparel" from 2000 to 2002 and from 2004 to 2005 by <China Golf> magazine, and was selected as "The Best Men's Golf Fashion" by <Golf Digest> Chinese edition from 2001 to 2005.

Ashworth's high standard of service was recognised by achieving the 'Service Category Leader in Fashion & Accessories — Sports & Outdoor Products of Mystery Shoppers Programme', organized by the Hong Kong Retail Management Association three times between 2004 and 2005. In addition, Ashworth was also awarded the 'Service Retailer' for the same category in 2005.

