

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

(Financial figures are expressed in Hong Kong Dollar)

	Nine months ended 30 Sept 2006	Nine months ended 30 Sept 2005	Change
KEY MARKET STATISTICS			
Average daily turnover value on the Stock Exchange	\$30.4 billion	\$18.2 billion	67%
Average daily number of derivatives contracts traded on the Futures Exchange	96,926	66,393	46%
Average daily number of stock options contracts traded on the Stock Exchange	64,608	33,732	92%

	Unaudited Nine months ended 30 Sept 2006 \$'000	Unaudited Nine months ended 30 Sept 2005 \$'000	
RESULTS			
Income	2,843,683	1,971,300	44%
Operating expenses	893,651	852,912	5%
Operating profit	1,950,032	1,118,388	74%
Share of profits less losses of associates	15,986	12,992	23%
Profit before taxation	1,966,018	1,131,380	74%
Taxation	(291,989)	(171,464)	70%
Profit attributable to shareholders	1,674,029	959,916	74%
Basic earnings per share	\$1.57	\$0.91	73%
Diluted earnings per share	\$1.56	\$0.90	73%

	Unaudited at 30 Sept 2006 \$'000	As restated Audited at 31 Dec 2005 \$'000	
KEY BALANCE SHEET ITEMS			
Shareholders' funds	4,413,003	4,337,471 [◊]	2%
Total assets *	30,408,417	22,930,916 [◊]	33%
Net assets per share #	\$4.15	\$4.09 [◊]	1%

[◊] Audited and restated (shareholders' funds down by \$30 million, total assets down by \$30 million and net assets per share down by \$0.02) due to the adoption of a revised Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standard

* The Group's total assets include the Margin Funds received from Participants on futures and options contracts.

Based on 1,064,145,346 shares as at 30 September 2006, being 1,065,130,846 shares issued and fully paid less 985,500 shares held for the Share Award Scheme (31 December 2005: 1,061,796,846 shares, being 1,062,754,846 shares issued and fully paid less 958,000 shares held for the Share Award Scheme)