

六福集團(國際)有限公司 LUK FOOK HOLDINGS (INTERNATIONAL) LIMITED

(Incorporated in Bermuda with Limited Liability) (於百慕達註冊成立之有限公司) Stock Code 股份代號:590



Interim Report 中期報告 2007/2008



原子 (電子) Atom Electron 套裝組:冠軍

Jewelry Set : Gold Prize

第八屆最受買家歡迎首飾設計比賽

The 8th Buyers' Favorite Jewelry Design Competition

INTERIM RESULTS

The Board of Directors (the "Board") of Luk Fook Holdings (International) Limited (the "Company" or "Luk Fook") is pleased to announce the unaudited consolidated interim results of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group") for the six months ended 30th September 2007 together with comparative figures for the corresponding period in 2006 as follows:

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2007

		Un	audited
			months ended
			September
		2007	2006
	Note	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Turnover	4	1,360,565	1,403,982
Cost of sales	10	(1,038,952)	(1,140,882)
Gross profit		321,613	263,100
Other income	4	43,751	20,869
Selling and distribution costs	10	(207,838)	(163,957)
Administrative expenses	10	(20,090)	(18,101)
Other gains	5	3,614	2,688
Operating profit		141,050	104,599
Finance costs		(158)	(110)
Profit before taxation		140,892	104,489
Taxation	11	(20,014)	(18,969)
Profit for the period		120,878	85,520
Profit attributable to:			
Equity holders of the Company		118,496	84,776
Minority interests		2,382	744
		120,878	85,520
Earnings per share for profit attributable to	,		
equity holders of the Company, expressed in			
Hong Kong cents per share	12		
– Basic		24.06 cents	17.29 cents
– Diluted		24.06 cents	17.29 cents
Dividends	13	49,251	34,476
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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 30TH SEPTEMBER 2007			
	Note	Unaudited As at 30th September 2007 HK\$'000	Audited As at 31st March 2007 HK\$'000
ASSETS			
Non-current assets Property, plant and equipment Leasehold land and land use rights Trading licence Rental deposits Deferred income tax assets	6	112,839 8,246 1,080 21,557 9,727	103,130 8,169 1,080 21,915 7,468
		153,449	141,762
Current assets Inventories Trade receivables Deposits, prepayments and other receivables Bank balances and cash	7	930,268 36,314 44,159 136,311	751,854 19,318 32,561 174,534
		1,147,052	978,267
Total assets		1,300,501	1,120,029
EQUITY Capital and reserves attributable to the Company's equity holders Share capital Share premium Reserves Proposed dividends	9	49,250 58,884 761,863 49,251	49,250 58,884 687,786 54,176
Minority interests		919,248 15,292	850,096 12,789
Total equity		934,540	862,885
LIABILITIES Non-current liabilities Deferred income tax liabilities		105	129
Current liabilities Trade and other payables Taxation payable Short-term bank loans, unsecured	8	241,744 51,112 73,000	227,304 29,711
		365,856	257,015
Total liabilities		365,961	257,144
Total equity and liabilities		1,300,501	1,120,029
Net current assets		781,196	721,252
Total assets less current liabilities		934,645	863,014
		 	

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2007

			Unau	ıdited		
	Share	Share			Minority	Total
	capital	premium	Reserves	Subtotal	interests	equity
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
For the period ended						
30th September 2007						
As at 1st April 2007	49,250	58,884	741,962	850,096	12,789	862,885
Exchange differences	_	_	4,820	4,820	121	4,941
Profit for the period	_	_	118,496	118,496	2,382	120,878
Dividends paid	_	_	(54,176)	(54,176)	_	(54,176)
Surplus on revaluation						
of other properties	_	_	12	12	_	12
As at 30th September 2007	49,250	58,884	811,114	919,248	15,292	934,540
For the period ended						
30th September 2006						
As at 1st April 2006	48,794	57,789	608,581	715,164	13,028	728,192
Exchange differences	_	_	1,247	1,247	_	1,247
Issue of shares	456	1,095	_	1,551	_	1,551
Profit for the period	_	_	84,776	84,776	744	85,520
Dividends paid	_	_	(34,476)	(34,476)	_	(34,476)
Repayment of advance from						
minority interests	_	_	_	_	(980)	(980)
Advance to minority interests in proportion to their interests						
in subsidiary	_	_	_	_	(1,470)	(1,470)
As at 30th September 2006	49,250	58,884	660,128	768,262	11,322	779,584

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2007

	Unaudited		
	For the six months ended		
	30th Se	eptember	
	2007 2006		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Net cash (used in)/generated from operating activities	(37,462)	58,166	
Net cash used in investing activities	(22,129)	(20,727)	
Net cash generated from financing activities	18,666	6,096	
(Decrease)/increase in bank balances and cash	(40,925)	43,535	
Bank balances and cash at 1st April	174,534	108,738	
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes	2,702	1,155	
Bank balances and cash at 30th September	136,311	153,428	

NOTES:

1 General Information

Luk Fook Holdings (International) Limited (the "Company") was incorporated in Bermuda on 3rd September 1996 as a company with limited liability under the Companies Act of Bermuda. The address of its registered office is Canon's Court, 22 Victoria Street Hamilton HM 12 Bermuda.

The Company and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the "Group") are principally engaged in the retailing and wholesaling of gold jewellery and gold ornaments, gem-set jewellery and gemstones and other accessory items.

This condensed consolidated interim financial information ("Interim Financial Information") is presented in Hong Kong dollars ("HK\$"), unless otherwise stated.

This Interim Financial Information for the six months ended 30th September 2007 is unaudited and has been reviewed by external auditors and the audit committee of the Company and approved for issue by the board of directors on 17th December 2007.

2 Basis of preparation

The Company has a financial year end date of 31st March. The Interim Financial Information for the six months ended 30th September 2007 has been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Accounting Standard 34 "Interim financial reporting". The Interim Financial Information should be read in conjunction with the annual financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2007.

3 Accounting policies

The accounting policies and method of computation used in the preparation of this Interim Financial Information are consistent with those used in the annual financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2007, except as mentioned below.

The following new standards, amendments to standards and interpretations are mandatory for financial year ending 31st March 2008:

HKAS 1 (Amendment) Presentation of Financial Statements: Capital Disclosures

HKFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures

HK(IFRIC)-Int 8 Scope of HKFRS 2

HK(IFRIC)-Int 9 Reassessment of Embedded Derivatives HK(IFRIC)-Int 10 Interim Financial Reporting and Impairment

HK(IFRIC)-Int 11 HKFRS 2 – Group and Treasury Share Transactions

The adoption of the above standards and interpretations has no material financial impact to the Interim Financial Information.

The following new standard and interpretation, which are relevant to the Group, have been issued but are not effective for 2007/2008 and have not been early adopted by the Group:

HKFRS 8 Operating Segments

HK(IFRIC)-Int 12 Service Concession Arrangements

The adoption of these new standard or interpretation has no material impact to the Interim Financial Information.

4 Turnover, other income and segment information

	For the six	For the six months ended 30th September			
	30th 5				
	2007	2007 2006			
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000			
Turnover					
Sales of goods	1,360,565	1,403,982			
Other income					
Quality control service income	26,136	11,164			
Consultancy service income	5,845	6,196			
Others	11,770	3,509			
	43,751	20,869			
Turnover and other income	1,404,316	1,424,851			

Turnover represents invoiced sales of goods and includes an amount of HK\$222,827,000 (2006: HK\$381,013,000) which was settled by gold bullion and the gold bullion was in turn used for settlement of trade payables.

Primary reporting format – business segments

The Group is mainly organised into two major business segments:

- Retailing of jewellery
- Manufacturing and wholesaling of jewellery, including the provision of technical support and consultancy services, and quality control of jewellery products to certain licensees.

Other operations of the Group mainly represent investments and services relating to internet and software development.

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	Retailing wholesaling 2007 2006 2007 200		esaling 2006	Other operations 2007 2006		Eliminations 2007 2006		G1 2007	oup 2006	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Turnover from external customers										
Sales of merchandisesSales of scrap gold and	1,025,429	751,111	110,668	90,963	-	_	-	-	1,136,097	842,074
platinum	_	_	222,827	561,558	_	_	_	_	222,827	561,558
– Others	_	_	-	_	1,641	350	-	-	1,641	350
	1,025,429	751,111	333,495	652,521	1,641	350	-	-	1,360,565	1,403,982
Inter-segment sales Other income from	34,069	24,534	362,605	247,698	-	-	(396,674)	(272,232)	-	_
external customers	221	67	41,482	17,693	2,048	3,105	_	_	43,751	20,865
Inter-segment other income	_	_	_	_	298	287	(298)	(287)	_	_
Total	1,059,719	775,712	737,582	917,912	3,987	3,742	(396,972)	(272,519)	1,404,316	1,424,847
Segment results	81,934	61,664	83,374	58,380	1,755	2,651	(10,943)	(4,264)	156,120	118,431
Interest income Unallocated costs									1,233 (16,303)	893 (14,725)
Operating profit Finance costs								_	141,050 (158)	104,599 (110)
Profit before taxation Taxation								_	140,892 (20,014)	104,489 (18,969)
Profit for the period									120,878	85,520

Other segment items included in the condensed consolidated income statement are as follows:

For the six months ended 30th September

	Manufacturing and									
	R	etailing	whol	esaling	Other	operations	Elir	ninations	Gr	oup
	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Depreciation										
allocated	8,981	5,838	4,222	2,848	7	94	_	-	13,210	8,780
unallocated									2,081	1,945
									15,291	10,725
Amortisation										
allocated	8	_	69	61	4	11	_	_	81	72
unallocated									6	6
								_	87	78

The segment assets and liabilities as at 30th September 2007 and 31st March 2007, and capital expenditure for each of the six months ended 30th September 2007 and 2006 are as follows:

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		etailing		esaling		operations		ninations		oup
							As at 30th			
	September	March	September	March	September	March	September	March	September	March
	2007	2007	2007	2007	2007	2007	2007	2007	2007	2007
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Segment assets	824,357	722,486	802,212	830,096	8,617	12,621	(404,971)	(518,920)	1,230,215	1,046,283
Unallocated assets									70,286	73,746
Total assets								-	1,300,501	1,120,029
Segment liabilities	(549,392)	(640,282)	(112,526)	(99,811)	(1,890)	(1,651)	404,971	518,922	(258,837)	(222,822)
Unallocated liabilities									(107,124)	(34,322)
Total liabilities								_	(365,961)	(257,144)
				For th	e six months	ended 30th	September			
				turing and						
		etailing		esaling		operations		ninations		oup
	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Capital expenditure										
allocated	19,412	11,915	2,456	9,568	-	-	-	-	21,868	21,483
unallocated									1,625	1,071
									23,493	22,554

Secondary reporting format – geographical segments

The geographical analysis is divided into three regions:

- Hong Kong
- The People's Republic of China ("PRC")
- Other countries

	Turnover		Tota	l assets	Capital expenditure		
	F	or the	As at		For the six months ended		
	six mo	onths ended	30th	As at			
	30th	September	September	31st March	30th 3	September	
	2007	2006	2007	2007	2007	2006	
_	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Hong Kong	1,187,934	1,344,188	915,576	809,032	18,151	9,899	
PRC	113,722	7,911	319,513	252,396	4,029	10,453	
Other countries	58,909	51,883	65,412	58,601	1,313	2,202	
_	1,360,565	1,403,982	1,300,501	1,120,029	23,493	22,554	

5 Other gains

	For the six m	For the six months ended		
	30th September			
	2007 HK\$'000	2006 HK\$'000		
Interest income	1,233	893		
Net exchange gain	1,948	513		
Write back of provision for slow-moving inventories	433	1,282		
	3,614	2,688		

6 Capital expenditure

	Property,	Leasehold	
	plant and	land and land	
	equipment	use rights	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Net book value, at 1st April 2006	105,107	12,835	117,942
Exchange adjustment	92	_	92
Additions	22,554	_	22,554
Disposals	(426)	_	(426)
Transferred to property held for sale	(2,290)	(5,100)	(7,390)
Depreciation/amortisation for the period	(10,725)	(78)	(10,803)
Net book value, at 30th September 2006	114,312	7,657	121,969
Exchange adjustment	3,545	603	4,148
Revaluation adjustment	(3,692)	_	(3,692)
Additions	5,709	_	5,709
Disposals	(1,976)	_	(1,976)
Depreciation/amortisation for the period	(14,768)	(91)	(14,859)
Net book value, at 31st March 2007	103,130	8,169	111,299
Exchange adjustment	2,075	164	2,239
Revaluation adjustment	(176)	_	(176)
Additions	23,493	_	23,493
Disposals	(392)	_	(392)
Depreciation/amortisation for the period	(15,291)	(87)	(15,378)
Net book value, at 30th September 2007	112,839	8,246	121,085

7 Trade receivables

The majority of the Group's sales are on cash basis. Credit sales are mainly for the Group's wholesale customers with terms of 0 to 90 days.

The ageing analysis of trade receivables is as follows:

	As at	As at
	30th September	31st March
	2007	2007
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
0 – 30 days	36,027	17,951
31 – 60 days	143	933
61 – 90 days	6	55
91 – 120 days	69	168
Over 120 days	69	211
	36,314	19,318

The carrying amounts of trade receivables approximate their fair values.

8 Trade and other payables

Included in trade and other payables are trade payables of HK\$135,469,000 and their ageing analysis is as follows:

	As at	As at
	30th September	31st March
	2007	2007
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
0 – 30 days	97,239	80,352
31 – 60 days	26,668	33,702
61 – 90 days	5,927	5,591
91 – 120 days	3,165	3,360
Over 120 days	2,470	397
	135,469	123,402

The carrying amounts of trade and other payables approximate their fair values.

9 Share capital

	As at 30th September 2007 HK\$'000	As at 31st March 2007 HK\$'000
Authorised: 800,000,000 (As at 31st March 2007: 800,000,000) ordinary shares of HK\$0.1 each	80,000	80,000
Issued and fully paid: 492,507,850 (As at 31st March 2007: 492,507,850) ordinary shares of HK\$0.1 each	49,250	49,250

The Company has a share option scheme under which the directors, may, at their discretion, grant employees, including any executive directors, of the Company and/or any of its subsidiaries, options to subscribe for shares in the Company, subject to the terms and conditions stipulated in the share option scheme. The share option scheme expired on 16th April 2007.

There were no options exercised during the period. Options to subscribe for 4,564,000 ordinary shares in the Company were exercised at a price of HK\$0.34 per share during the six months ended 30th September 2006. The premium on the issue of the shares of HK\$1,095,360 was credited to the share premium account.

There were no share options granted or lapsed during the period (For the six months ended 30th September 2006: Nil).

There were no share options outstanding as at 30th September 2007 (As at 31st March 2007: Nil).

10 Expenses by nature

	For the six n	nonths ended
	30th Se	eptember
	2007	2006
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Cost of inventories sold	1,038,952	1,140,882
Operating lease rentals in respect of land and buildings	58,490	49,514
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	15,291	10,725
Amortisation of leasehold land and land use rights	87	78
Others	154,060	121,741
Total cost of sales, selling and distribution costs and		
administrative expenses	1,266,880	1,322,940

		For the six months ended 30th September	
	2007 HK\$'000	2006 HK\$'000	
Representing:			
Cost of sales	1,038,952	1,140,882	
Selling and distribution costs	207,838	163,957	
Administrative expenses	20,090	18,101	
	1,266,880	1,322,940	

11 Taxation

Hong Kong profits tax has been provided at the rate of 17.5% (For the six months ended 30th September 2006: 17.5%) on the estimated assessable profit for the period.

Taxation on overseas profits has been calculated on the estimated assessable profit for the period at the rate of taxation prevailing in the countries in which the Group operates.

The amount of taxation charged to the condensed consolidated income statement represents:

	For the six months ended		
	30th September		
	2007 20		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Hong Kong profits tax			
– current	19,134	15,306	
under/(over) provision in prior year	866	(872)	
Overseas taxation	2,297	5,497	
Deferred taxation	(2,283)	(962)	
	20,014	18,969	

12 Earnings per share

The calculation of basic earnings per share is based on the Group's profit attributable to equity holders of the Company of HK\$118,496,000 (2006: HK\$84,776,000) and the weighted average number of 492,507,850 (2006: 490,238,320) ordinary shares in issue during the period.

The calculation of diluted earnings per share is based on the Group's profit attributable to equity holders of the Company of HK\$118,496,000 (2006: HK\$84,776,000) and the weighted average number of 492,507,850 (2006: 490,238,320) ordinary shares in issue during the period after adjusting for the effects of all potential dilutive ordinary shares deemed to be issued at no consideration if all outstanding share options granted under the share option scheme of the Company had been exercised.

13 Dividends

	For the six months ended 30th September	
	2007 HK\$'000	2006 HK\$'000
2006/2007 final, paid, of HK\$0.11 (2005/2006 final, paid, of HK\$0.07) per ordinary share (note (i))	54,176	34,476
2007/2008 interim, proposed, of HK\$0.10 (2006/2007 interim, paid: HK\$0.07) per ordinary share (note (ii))	49,251	34,476

Note (i): At a meeting held on 24th July 2007, the directors declared a final dividend of HK\$0.11 per ordinary share for the year ended 31st March 2007, which was paid during the period and has been reflected as an appropriation of retained earnings for the six months ended 30th September 2007.

Note (ii): At a meeting held on 17th December 2007, the directors proposed an interim dividend of HK\$0.10 per ordinary share for the year ending 31st March 2008. This proposed dividend is not reflected as a dividend payable in this Interim Financial Information, but will be reflected as an appropriation of retained earnings for the year ending 31st March 2008.

14 Commitments

(a) Capital commitments

	As at 30th	As at 31st
	September	March
	2007	2007
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Contracted but not provided for		
-property, plant and equipment	3,679	7,257

(b) Commitments under operating leases

At 30th September 2007, the Group had future aggregate minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases in respect of land and buildings as follows:

	As at 30th	As at 31st
	September	March
	2007	2007
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Not later than one year	122,142	94,071
Later than one year and not later than five years	122,006	75,802
Later than five years	1,078	_
	245,226	169,873

The actual payments in respect of certain operating leases are calculated at the higher of the minimum commitments as noted above and the amounts determined based on a percentage of the sales of the related outlets.

15 Related party transactions

The Group is controlled by Luk Fook (Control) Limited, the ultimate parent of the Group, incorporated in the British Virgin Islands, which owns 47.08% of the Company's shares. The remaining shares of the Company are widely held.

Mr. WONG Wai Sheung and his family are discretionary beneficiaries of the WONG's Family Trust (the "Trust"). The Trust is the beneficiary owner of the entire issued share capital of Kwai Kee Cheung Jewellery & Goldsmith Company Limited which is the beneficial owner of 36.72% of issued shares of Luk Fook (Control) Limited. The remaining shares of Luk Fook (Control) Limited are widely held.

Set out below are the significant related party transactions during the period.

- (a) A subsidiary of the Company entered into a tenancy agreement with Mr. WONG Kwai Sang, Mr. WONG Wai Sheung's father, for the lease of a retail shop of the Group for a period of three years expiring on 31st December 2009 (2006: one year expired on 31st December 2006). During the period, rental payable to Mr. WONG Kwai Sang amounted to HK\$1,020,000 (2006: HK\$900,000).
- (b) A subsidiary of the Company entered into a service contract ("Service Contract") with Ms. YEUNG Po Ling, Pauline and Topone Investments Limited ("Topone") for a period of one year expiring on 31st March 2008 (2006: one year expired on 31st March 2007). Pursuant to the Service Contract, Topone agreed to make available Ms. YEUNG's exclusive services for the promotion of the products and services of the Group during the period at a consideration of HK\$167,490 (2006: HK\$201,498).

Both Mr. WONG Wai Sheung and Ms. YEUNG Po Ling, Pauline are directors of the Company.

(c) Key management compensation

	For the six months ended		
	30th September		
	2007 2000		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Directors' fees	480	453	
Salaries, allowances and benefits-in-kind	10,297	6,750	
Performance and discretionary bonuses	40	28	
Contributions to pension plan	152	148	
Total payable and expensed in the Interim Financial Information	10,969	7,379	
Benefit from exercise of share options	_	3,286	
	10,969	10,665	

16 Seasonality

The retail sales for gold jewellery and gold ornaments, gem-set jewellery and gemstones and other accessory items are subject to seasonal fluctuations, with peak demand in the third and fourth quarters of the financial year. This is due to more public holidays in these periods.

INTERIM DIVIDEND

The Board has resolved to declare an interim dividend of 10.0 HK cents (2006: 7.0 HK cents) per share for the six months ended 30th September 2007. The interim dividend will be payable on 15th January 2008 to shareholders whose names appear on the Registrar of Members of the Company on 4th January 2008.

INTERIM RESULTS

The total turnover of the Group for the six months ended 30th September 2007 decreased by HK\$43,417,000 to HK\$1,360,565,000 (2006: HK\$1,403,982,000), representing a decrease of 3.1% from the corresponding period of last year. Profit attributable to shareholders was approximately HK\$118,496,000 (2006: HK\$84,776,000) representing a growth of 39.8% from last year. Basic earnings per share were 24.06 HK cents (2006: 17.29 HK cents).

Our retail business contributed HK\$1,025,429,000 to our total turnover, registering an increase of 36.5% from the same period of last year. The impressive performance was largely attributed to the robust retail market resulted from a pick up in local spending as well as the increased spending from the PRC consumers. However, as gold prices experienced relatively mild fluctuations in the six months ended 30th September 2007, the amount of the gold items disposal from customers and the profits arisen from the trade-in to gold merchants was substantially reduced as compared to the same period of last year. Accordingly, turnover from the wholesale business recorded a drop of 48.9% from HK\$652,521,000 to HK\$333,495,000.

INDUSTRY REVIEW

With the fast growing economy of the PRC as well as its rising number of affluent population, the PRC consumers have contributed significantly to Hong Kong's retail market since the Individual Visit Scheme was implemented in 2003. In particular, with the surging gold price and the PRC's climbing inflation rate during the period, the PRC consumers were inclined towards buying gold as a kind of investment and as a hedge against inflation. The rise in gold price generally favors local jewelers.

For the first nine months in 2007, tourist arrivals from the PRC accumulated to 11.3 million, representing a growth of 10.9% from the same period of last year. The Group continued to benefit from the growing PRC tourists who spent a great deal of money on purchasing jewellery items in Hong Kong.

BUSINESS REVIEW

Hong Kong Market

For the period ended 30th September 2007, the Group operates a total of 27 shops in Hong Kong. During the period, the Group opened 3 new shops: 2 in Mongkok and 1 in Causeway Bay. The 3 shops are ideally situated at the heart of Mongkok and Causeway Bay, which are major shopping districts for both local residents and tourists. From the sale performance of our shops in these two districts, we are positive that the new shops will be able to drive further growth and bring satisfactory profit contributions to the Group.

During the period, the Group has refurbished the outlets in Mongkok, North Point, Tsuen Wan and Macau. The renovated shops adopted the same modern design as the rest of other new shops, aiming to give customers a more pleasant environment to shop at Luk Fook.

The Group continued its efforts to market and promote Luk Fook through a range of sponsorship and exhibitions. We sponsored jewellery items in a range of gaming shows, assorted beauty contests in Hong Kong, the PRC and overseas. The Group also placed series of TV advertisements on the main TV channels of Hong Kong and the PRC.

PRC Market

We see enormous potentials for further development in the PRC and are devoted to broadening our retail network in this vast market. During the period, the Group quickened the pace of setting up self-operated shops. 3 self-operated shops were set up in Gansu, Shangdong and Zhejiang provinces.

The Group's popularity and high brand recognition among PRC consumers proved our strategies to adopt licensing model in the PRC effective and successful. According to our list of approved brand shops, as at 30th September 2007, the Group had a total of more than 310 brand shops in the PRC.

Macau Market

Macau has become one of the top travel destinations for tourists worldwide. During the period, revenue derived from our two shops in Macau was significantly increased thanks to the flourishing retail industry stimulated by the rapid expanding gaming and tourism sectors.

A new shop was opened in December 2007 in the Grand Canal Shoppes at the Venetian Resort. We believe the new shop is situated at a superb location that would easily reach tourists and shoppers. The new shop will definitely make shopping at Luk Fook an enjoyable shopping experience for customers.

OVERSEAS DEVELOPMENT

Apart from the shops established in Canada and the United States, the Group also sought to explore other potential markets to extend our global reach. After the opening of Luvina Jewelers in California, we have decided to further set our foothold in another US city, New York. Up till the recent months, we have successfully spot out an appropriate location and signed the leasehold contract. The new shop is scheduled to commence operation before 2008.

AWARDS

We endeavor to strengthen our brand management and strive to become the most trusted brand among customers. In recognition of the Group's outstanding sales performance, the Group was ranked one of the top 10 retailers in Hong Kong and received "The 4th Retail Asia Pacific Top 500 Awards (2007)". Organized by Retail Asia in collaboration with Euromonitor International and KPMG, the award was seen as a leading honour as it shows the Group's top performance over other retail companies from 14 economies in the Asia Pacific region.

During the period, the Group gained "The Best Brand Enterprise Award 2007 (Greater China)" organized by Hong Kong Productivity Council for 2 consecutive years, revealing the Group's success in the pursuit of brand excellence. With wide recognition among the PRC consumers, the Group also won "The PRC Consumers' Most Favorable Hong Kong Brands 2007 – Gold Prize" and "The Most Favorable Brands of the Nation 2007" in a poll organized by JUST Events Limited and the China Enterprise Reputation and Credibility Association (Overseas) Limited.

PROSPECTS

We believe the retail market in Hong Kong and the PRC will continue to be robust. With the huge development potential in the PRC market, broadening our sales network remains our key focus in the following years. We will capitalize on the golden opportunity that Beijing Olympics will bring and proactively search for new spots to expand our network and capture business opportunities.

To maintain our competitive edge in the market and foster Luk Fook's position as a leading jewellery retailer in Hong Kong, we will continue to explore growth opportunities and step up our efforts in providing high quality designs and enriching our product portfolio. We hope to further achieve higher brand recognition among consumers through participating in a wide array of marketing and promotion activities, as we believe it is one of the key factors that helps build a solid customer base for the Group. We also look forward to bringing our presence to new overseas locations and taking a further step to realize our long-term goal to become a renowned jeweler around the world.

EMPLOYEES

As at 30th September 2007, the Group had approximately 2,345 employees (including staff and workers) (31st March 2007: 2,124). Remuneration policies are reviewed and approved by management on a regular basis. Remuneration packages are structured taking into account factors of comparable markets. Bonus and others merit payments are linked to performance of the Group and individual employees.

LIQUIDITY AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES

The Group's core business is gold and jewellery retailing and wholesaling. As at 30th September 2007, the Group's cash and bank balances reached approximately HK\$136 million (31st March 2007: HK\$175 million). The Group's debt to-equity ratio at the period-end, being the proportion of total debts of approximately HK\$366 million (31st March 2007: HK\$257 million) against total equity of approximately HK\$919 million (31st March 2007: HK\$850 million), was 39.8% (31st March 2007: 30.2%). During the period, the capital expenditure of the Group was approximately HK\$23.5 million (2006: HK\$22.6 million).

As at 30th September 2007, the Group had banking facilities amounted to approximately HK\$120 million (31st March 2007: HK\$120 million) out of which HK\$73 million (31st March 2007: Nil) was utilised. The Group's income and expenditure streams are mainly denominated in Hong Kong dollars.

CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The Group did not have any significant contingent liabilities at 30th September 2007 and 31st March 2007.

CLOSURE OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS

The Register of members of the Company will be closed from 4th January 2008 to 7th January 2008, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be registered. In order to qualify for the interim dividend, all transfers accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's Share Registrars in Hong Kong, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited Rooms 1806-07, 18th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong for registration not later than 4:30 p.m. on 3rd January 2008.

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SECURITIES

As at 30th September 2007, save as disclosed below, none of the director and chief executive of the Company had interests and short positions in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the issuer or any associated corporation (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance ("SFO")) which (a) were required, pursuant to section 352 of the SFO, to be entered in the register referred to therein; or (b) were required, pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Companies to be notified to the Company and the Exchange:

I. Long positions in shares and underlying shares of the Company:

Name of Director	Beneficial Owner	Child under 18 or Spouse	Controlled Corporation	Beneficiary of Trust	Share Option	Total Interest	% of Shares
Mr. WONG Wai Sheung	3,744,878	-	245,144,176 note (a) & (b)	1,511,050 note (c)	-	250,400,104	50.84%
Mr. TSE Moon Chuen	339,344	-	245,144,176 note (a) & (b)	-	-	245,483,520	49.84%
Mr. WONG Koon Cheung	2,678,090	-	245,144,176 note (a) & (b)	-	-	247,822,266	50.32%
Mr. CHAN Wai	3,799,022	-	245,144,176 note (a) & (b)	-	-	248,943,198	50.55%
Mr. LEE Shu Kuan	5,634,579	735,650 note (f)	247,730,800 note (a), (b), (d) &(e)	-	-	254,101,029	51.59%

- Note (a) Mr. WONG Wai Sheung, Mr. TSE Moon Chuen, Mr. CHAN Wai, Mr. LEE Shu Kuan and Mr. WONG Koon Cheung were also directors, and together with their associates collectively controlled over one-half of the voting power, of Luk Fook (Control) Limited which held 231,858,000 shares in the Company. These directors were deemed to be interested in the same shares, relevant disclosures were therefore duplicated for the purpose of SFO.
- Note (b) Mr. WONG Wai Sheung, Mr. TSE Moon Chuen, Mr. CHAN Wai, Mr. LEE Shu Kuan and Mr. WONG Koon Cheung were also directors, and together with their associates collectively controlled over one-third of the voting power, of Dragon King Investment Ltd. which held 13,286,176 shares in the Company. These directors were deemed to be interested in the same shares, relevant disclosures were therefore duplicated for the purpose of SFO.
- Note (c) Mr. WONG Wai Sheung and his family were discretionary beneficiaries of the WONG's family Trust (the 'Trust'). The Trust was the beneficial owner of the entire issued share capital of Kwai Kee Cheung Jewellery & Goldsmith Company Limited which was the beneficial owner of 1,511,050 shares of the Company.
- Note (d) Mr. LEE Shu Kuan held 33.3% of the entire issued share capital of Wah Hang Kimon Investments Limited which in turn held 630,624 shares of the Company.

- Note (e) Mr. LEE Shu Kuan held 51% of the entire issued share capital of Wah Hang Kimon Holdings Limited which in turn held 1,956,000 shares of the Company.
- Note (f) The estate of Ms. FONG Chi Ling (deceased) held 735,650 shares of the Company. Ms. FONG was the spouse of Mr. LEE Shu Kuan.

II. Long positions in shares and underlying shares of Luk Fook (Control) Limited, the ultimate holding company

Name of Director	Beneficial Owner	Child under 18 or Spouse	Controlled Corporation	Beneficiary of Trust	Total Interest	% of Shares
Mr. WONG Wai Sheung	3,281,551	-	-	36,724,007 note (a)	40,005,558	40.01%
Mr. TSE Moon Chuen	406,556	82,853 note(b)	-	-	489,409	0.49%
Mr. LAU Kwok Sum	1,600	-	-	-	1,600	0.002%
Mr. WONG Koon Cheung	-	-	4,553,433 note(c)	-	4,553,433	4.55%
Mr. CHAN Wai	6,606,643	-	-	-	6,606,643	6.61%
Mr. LEE Shu Kuan	6,613,544	645,307 note (d)	1,093,575 note (e)	-	8,352,426	8.35%
Ms. YEUNG Po Ling, Pauline	60,000	-	-	-	60,000	0.06%

- Note (a) Mr. WONG Wai Sheung and his family were discretionary beneficiaries of the WONG's family Trust (the 'Trust'). The Trust was the beneficial owner of the entire issued share capital of Kwai Kee Cheung Jewellery & Goldsmith Company Limited which was the beneficial owner of 36,724,007 shares of Luk Fook (Control) Limited.
- Note (b) Mr. TSE Moon Chuen's spouse, Ms. FONG Anissa King, held 82,853 shares of Luk Fook (Control) Limited.
- Note (c) Mr. WONG Koon Cheung together his spouse, Ms. SO Lai Sheung, controlled the entire issued share capital of WKC Investments Limited which in turn held 4,553,433 shares of Luk Fook (Control) Limited.
- Note (d) The estate of Ms. FONG Chi Ling (deceased) held 645,307 shares of Luk Fook (Control) Limited. Ms. FONG was the spouse of Mr. LEE Shu Kuan.
- Note (e) Mr. LEE Shu Kuan held 33.3% of the entire issued share capital of Wah Hang Kimon Investments Limited which in turn held 1,093,575 shares of Luk Fook (Control) Limited.

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS

As at 30th September 2007, save as disclosed below, so far as is known to any director or chief executive of the Company, no person, other than a director or chief executive of the Company, had an interest or short position in the shares and underlying shares of the Company which would fall to be disclosed to the Company under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO.

Name of Shareholder	Beneficial Owner	Controlled Corporation	Total Interest	% of Shares
Luk Fook (Control) Limited	231,858,000	_	231,858,000	47.08%
First State Investments (Hong Kong) Limited	31,464,000 Note (a)	-	31,464,000	6.39%
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	-	31,464,000 Note (a)	31,464,000	6.39%

Note (a) Commonwealth Bank of Australia was a 100% indirect controlling shareholder of First State Investments (Hong Kong) Limited ("FSHK"). In turn, FSHK held 31,464,000 shares of the Company in the capacity as investment manager. By virtue of the SFO, Commonwealth Bank of Australia was deemed to be interested in those shares of the Company and relevant disclosures were therefore duplicated.

DIRECTORS' BENEFITS FROM RIGHTS TO ACQUIRE SHARES OR DEBENTURES

Details of the directors' benefits from rights to acquire shares or debentures are set out in the following section regarding the Company's Share Option Scheme.

Apart from the above, at no time during the period was the Company, its subsidiaries or its holding company a party to any arrangement to enable the directors of the Company to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in, or debentures of, the Company or any other body corporate.

SHARE OPTION SCHEME

On 17th April 1997, a share option scheme ("the Scheme") was approved at a Special General Meeting of the Company under which the directors may, at their discretion, grant employees, including any executive directors, of the Company and any of its subsidiaries options to subscribe for shares in the Company subject to the terms and conditions stipulated therein. A summary of the Scheme is as follows:

(1) Purpose

The purpose of the Scheme is to provide an employee incentive compensation plan that is based on corporate performance and is tied to the Company's share value with the goal of increasing shareholders' wealth.

(2) Eligible persons

Any employees, including any executive directors, of the Company and any of its subsidiaries.

(3) Number of shares available for issue

At 30th September 2007, the maximum number of shares available for issue is 9,093,000, representing approximately 1.8% of the issued share capital of the Company as at 30th September 2007.

(4) Maximum entitlement of each eligible person

No option shall be granted to an eligible person which would cause, at the date of grant, the aggregate number of shares over which that options is granted, together with the aggregate number of shares the subject of any other options granted to that eligible person under the scheme (whether such options have or have not been exercised at the date of grant) to exceed 25% of the aggregate number of shares already issued and issuable under the scheme.

(5) Time of exercise of option

An option may be exercised in accordance with the terms of the Scheme at any time during a period commencing on the date of grant of an option and expiring at 5:01 p.m. on the business day preceding the 10th anniversary of the date of grant.

(6) Exercise price

The option price per share payable on the exercise of an option:

- (a) granted before 1st September 2001 was determined by the directors as being in no event less than the higher of:
 - (i) the nominal value of the shares; and
 - (ii) 80% of the average of the closing price of the shares as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotation sheets for the 5 business days immediately preceding the date of offer of an option.
- (b) granted on or after 1st September 2001 is determined by the directors, in compliance with the requirements of Chapter 17 of the Listing Rules, as being at least the higher of:
 - (i) the closing price of the shares as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotations sheet on the date of grant, which must be a business day; and
 - (ii) the average closing price of the shares as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotations sheets for the 5 business days immediately preceding the date of grant.

(7) Remaining life of the Scheme

The Scheme remained in force until 16th April 2007.

The following table discloses movements in the Company's share options during the period:

	Options held at 1st April	Options exercised during	Options held at 30th September	
Eligible persons	2007	the period	2007	Exercise date
Executive director	-	-	_	-
Employees under Continuous Contracts	_	_	_	_

During the period, no options were granted, cancelled or lapsed. The share options granted are not recognised in the financial statements until they are exercised.

Apart from the share option scheme mentioned above, none of the directors or chief executives (including their spouses and children under 18 years of age) had been granted, or exercised, any rights to subscribe for shares in the Company or any other body corporate.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

In compliance with the Code of Best Practice applicable before 1st January 2005, the Board has established an audit committee, comprising all independent non-executive directors, to monitor the accounting and financial reporting practices and internal control systems of the Company. Since 1st April 2007, the audit committee has held several meetings to consider matters including the 2006/07 annual report of the Company, internal controls and the implications of the new accounting standards to the Group's financial reporting, the unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial information for the six months ended 30th September 2007, and the Group's IT control environment.

The interim results have been reviewed by external auditors and the audit committee of the Group.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES

The Board of Directors and the management of the Company are committed to the maintenance of good corporate governance practices and procedures. The corporate governance principles of the Company emphasise a quality Board, sound internal controls, and transparency and accountability to all shareholders. The Company has applied the principles and complied with all code provisions and, where applicable, the recommended best practices of the Code on Corporate Governance Practices as set out in Appendix 14 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited throughout the six months ended 30th September 2007.

REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

In compliance with the Code, the Board on 7th April 2005 established a remuneration committee comprising three independent non-executive directors and two executive directors. The remuneration committee is to make recommendations to the Board on the Company's policy and structure for all remuneration of directors and senior management; to determine the specific remuneration packages; to review and approve performance based remuneration; to review and approve the compensation payable in connection with any loss or termination of office or appointment of directors and senior management; to oversee any major changes in employee benefits structures throughout the Company or the Group; and to review the ongoing appropriateness and relevance of the remuneration policy.

MODEL CODE ON SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS

The Company has adopted the Model Code set out in Appendix 10 of the Listing Rules as a code of conduct regarding directors' securities transactions. Having made specific enquiry of all directors, it is confirmed that they have complied with the required standard set out in the Model Code and its code of conduct regarding directors' securities transactions in relation to the six months ended 30th September 2007.

PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF SECURITIES

The Company has not redeemed any of its shares during the period. Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has purchased or sold any of the Company's share during the period.

By Order of the Board WONG Wai Sheung Chief Executive

17th December 2007

As at the date of this report, the Company's executive directors are Mr. WONG Wai Sheung (Chief Executive), Mr. TSE Moon Chuen, Mr. LAW Tim Fuk, Paul and Mr. LAU Kwok Sum; the non-executive directors are Mr. WONG Koon Cheung, Mr. CHAN Wai, Mr. LEE Shu Kuan, Ms. YEUNG Po Ling, Pauline and Mr. HUI King Wai; the independent non-executive directors are Mr. CHIU Wai Mo, Mr. HUI Chiu Chung and Mr. LO Mun Lam, Raymond (Chairman).



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