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## **FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS**

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- the amount and nature of, and potential for, future development of the Group’s business;
- the Company’s dividend distribution plans;
- the regulatory environment as well as the general industry outlook for the industry in which the Group operates;
- future developments in the industry in which the Group operates; and
- the trend of the economy of Hong Kong, the United States, the PRC and the world in general.

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