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CL GROUP (HOLDINGS) LIMITED

昌利（控股）有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock code: 8098)

INTERIM RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2020

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE GEM OF THE STOCK EXCHANGE OF HONG KONG LIMITED (THE “STOCK EXCHANGE”)

GEM has been positioned as a market designed to accommodate companies to which a high investment risk may be attached than other companies listed on the Stock Exchange. Prospective investors should be aware of the potential risks of investing in such companies and should make the decision to invest only after due and careful consideration. The greater risk profile and other characteristics of GEM mean that it is a market more suited to professional and other sophisticated investors.

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This announcement, for which the directors (the “Directors”) of CL Group (Holdings) Limited (the “Company”) collectively and individually accept full responsibility, includes particulars given in compliance with the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on GEM of the Stock Exchange (the “GEM Listing Rules”) for the purpose of giving information with regard to the Company. The Directors, having made all reasonable enquiries, confirm that to the best of their knowledge and belief the information contained in this announcement is accurate and complete in all material respects and not misleading or deceptive, and there are no other matters the omission of which would make any statement herein or this announcement misleading.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHT

- Recorded an unaudited revenue of approximately HK\$21.4 million for the six months ended 30 September 2020, representing a decrease of approximately 13.0% over the same period of the previous year.
- Recorded an unaudited profit for the period attributable to owners of the Company of approximately HK\$22.1 million for the six months ended 30 September 2020. The increase in profit for the period attributable to the owners of the Company as compared with the corresponding period in 2019, which was mainly attributed to the increase in net changes in fair value of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss.
- Basic and diluted earnings per share for the six months ended 30 September 2020 were HK1.00 cent (2019: basic earnings per share of HK0.59 cent) and HK1.00 cent (2019: diluted earnings per share of HK0.59 cent) respectively.
- The Directors do not recommend the payment of an interim dividend for the six months ended 30 September 2020 (six months ended 30 September 2019: Nil).

The board of directors (the “Board”) of the Company is pleased to present the unaudited condensed consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively the “Group”) for the three months and six months ended 30 September 2020 together with comparative unaudited figures for the corresponding period in 2019, as follows:

UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the three months and six months ended 30 September 2020

		Three months ended 30 September		Six months ended 30 September	
		2020	2019	2020	2019
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
	Notes	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Revenue	3	10,954,292	12,817,766	21,356,586	24,552,270
Net gain on trading of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		1,204,590	354,060	1,638,041	354,060
Net changes in fair value of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		7,074,076	(3,219,707)	9,820,055	(1,579,982)
Net other income, gains and losses	4	393,875	43,743	677,307	34,740
Administrative expenses		(3,658,141)	(3,924,105)	(7,333,534)	(8,553,789)
Finance costs		(64,131)	(276,017)	(102,903)	(328,981)
Profit before tax		15,904,561	5,795,740	26,055,552	14,478,318
Income tax expenses	6	(2,579,428)	(846,965)	(3,946,436)	(1,573,696)
Profit for the period attributable to owners		<u>13,325,133</u>	<u>4,948,775</u>	<u>22,109,116</u>	<u>12,904,622</u>
Other comprehensive income for the period, net of income tax					
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:					
Fair value change in financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income		<u>294,075</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>2,952,585</u>	<u>—</u>
Total comprehensive income for the period attributable to owners		<u>13,619,208</u>	<u>4,948,775</u>	<u>25,061,701</u>	<u>12,904,622</u>
Earnings per share					
— Basic	8	<u>0.60 cent</u>	<u>0.23 cent</u>	<u>1.00 cent</u>	<u>0.59 cent</u>
— Diluted	8	<u>0.60 cent</u>	<u>0.23 cent</u>	<u>1.00 cent</u>	<u>0.59 cent</u>

UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

At 30 September 2020

		30 September 2020 (Unaudited) HK\$	31 March 2020 (Audited) HK\$
	Notes		
Non-current assets			
Plant and equipment	9	308,665	417,024
Right-of-use assets		2,897,818	4,056,946
Other assets		1,730,000	1,730,000
Loans receivables	11	38,286,553	50,143,052
Rental and utility deposits		698,875	698,875
Financial asset at fair value through other comprehensive income		20,085,851	17,688,534
		64,007,762	74,734,431
Current assets			
Trade receivables	10	43,267,563	40,888,088
Loan receivables	11	78,877,344	49,026,206
Other receivables, deposits and prepayments		65,250	195,430
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		52,178,095	31,544,690
Financial asset at fair value through other comprehensive income		5,456,358	4,901,090
Tax refundable		823,680	2,389,961
Pledged bank deposit	12	10,000,000	10,000,000
Bank balances and cash — trust accounts	12	22,771,896	26,064,434
Bank balances and cash — general accounts	12	9,924,511	33,136,216
		223,364,697	198,146,115

		30 September 2020 (Unaudited) HK\$	31 March 2020 (Audited) HK\$
	Notes		
Current liabilities			
Trade payables	13	29,824,363	28,309,706
Other payables and accruals		2,920,721	2,990,208
Bank borrowing		9,500,000	—
Lease liabilities — due within one year		2,389,533	2,340,894
Income tax payables		159,547	40,176
		44,794,164	33,680,984
Net current assets		178,570,533	164,465,131
Total assets less current liabilities		242,578,295	239,199,562
Non-current liability			
Lease liabilities — due after one year		612,898	1,819,949
Deferred tax liabilities		2,415,362	891,279
		3,028,260	2,711,228
Net assets		239,550,035	236,488,334
Capital and reserves			
Share capital	14	22,000,000	22,000,000
Reserves		217,550,035	214,488,334
Equity attributable to owners of the Company		239,550,035	236,488,334

UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the six months ended 30 September 2020

	Share capital HK\$	Share premium HK\$	Merger reserve HK\$	Share options reserve HK\$	Fair value through other comprehensive income reserve HK\$	Capital reserve HK\$	Retained profits HK\$	Attributable to owners of the Company HK\$
At 1 April 2020	22,000,000	130,931,993	32,500,000	8,275,000	(2,251,684)	(112,519)	45,145,544	236,488,334
Profit for the period	—	—	—	—	—	—	22,109,116	22,109,116
Fair value change in financial asset at fair value through other comprehensive income	—	—	—	—	2,952,585	—	—	2,952,585
Dividend	—	—	—	—	—	—	(22,000,000)	(22,000,000)
At 30 September 2020	<u>22,000,000</u>	<u>130,931,993</u>	<u>32,500,000</u>	<u>8,275,000</u>	<u>700,901</u>	<u>(112,519)</u>	<u>45,254,660</u>	<u>239,550,035</u>
At 1 April 2019	22,000,000	130,931,993	32,500,000	8,275,000	—	(112,519)	43,632,122	237,226,596
Profit and total comprehensive income for the period	—	—	—	—	—	—	12,904,622	12,904,622
Dividend	—	—	—	—	—	—	(22,000,000)	(22,000,000)
At 30 September 2019	<u>22,000,000</u>	<u>130,931,993</u>	<u>32,500,000</u>	<u>8,275,000</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>(112,519)</u>	<u>34,536,744</u>	<u>228,131,218</u>

UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the six months ended 30 September 2020

	Six months ended	
	30 September	
	2020	2019
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
	HK\$	HK\$
Net cash (used in)/ generated from operating activities	(462,084)	23,023,834
Net cash used in from investing activities	(8,988,306)	(14,943,515)
Net cash used in from financing activities	(13,761,315)	(10,000,000)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(23,211,705)	(1,919,681)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	33,136,216	11,011,117
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	9,924,511	9,091,436
Analysis of the balance of cash and cash equivalents		
Bank balances and cash — general accounts	9,924,511	9,091,436
Bank overdraft	—	—
	9,924,511	9,091,436

NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 Corporate information

The Company is incorporated in the Cayman Islands as an exempted company with limited liability. The Company's shares have been listed on GEM of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange").

The condensed consolidated financial statements are presented in Hong Kong dollars ("HK\$"), which is same as the functional currency of the Company.

The principal activities of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the "Group") are engaged in the provision of securities, futures and options broking and trading, margin and loan financing services, placing and underwriting services, securities advisory services and investment holding.

2 Basis of preparation and principal accounting policies

The unaudited condensed consolidated results have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in Hong Kong, Hong Kong Accounting Standards and Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs") issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (the "HKICPA") and the disclosure requirements of the GEM Listing Rules. They have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for certain financial instruments that are measured at fair value. It was authorised for issue on 5 November 2020.

The accounting policies and method of computation used in preparing the unaudited condensed consolidated results are consistent with those used in the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2020 except in relation to the new and revised standards, amendments and interpretations ("new and revised HKFRSs") issued by the HKICPA that are adopted for the first time for the current period's financial statements. The adoption of these new and revised HKFRSs has had no material impact on the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements. The unaudited condensed consolidated interim results have not been reviewed by the Company's auditor, but have been reviewed by the Company's audit committee.

The Group has not early adopted any new and revised HKFRSs that have been issued but are not yet effective.

This interim financial report contains condensed consolidated financial statements and selected explanatory notes. The notes include an explanation of events and transactions that are significant to an understanding of the changes in the financial position and performance of the Group since 31 March 2020. The condensed consolidated financial statements and notes thereon do not include all of the information required for full set of financial statements prepared in accordance with the HKFRSs.

The interim financial report is unaudited. The financial information relating to the financial year ended 31 March 2020 that is included in the interim financial report as being previously reported information does not constitute the Company's statutory financial statements for the financial year but is derived from those financial statements. The statutory financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2020 are available from the Company's registered office. The auditor has expressed an unqualified opinion on those financial statements in their report dated 22 June 2020.

3 Revenue

An analysis of the Group's revenue for the period from continuing operations is as follows:

	Three months ended 30 September		Six months ended 30 September	
	2020	2019	2020	2019
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Recognised at a point in time				
Commission and brokerage fees from securities dealing on the Stock Exchange	1,651,730	1,914,881	3,218,197	3,995,723
Commission and brokerage fees from dealing in futures contracts	125,914	136,800	246,423	252,839
Other service income	—	510	259	1,179
Placing and underwriting commission	—	—	615,840	—
Clearing and settlement fee	201,502	207,242	346,632	826,987
Handling service and dividend collection fees	28,933	38,896	41,616	70,013
Recognised over time				
Income derived from income right	—	552,861	—	1,122,415
Other sources income				
Interest income from				
— cash and margin Client	1,688,624	4,248,414	3,689,683	7,418,169
— loan client	6,052,808	5,500,817	11,087,368	10,535,179
— authorised financial institutions	52,733	216,571	141,987	326,955
— Financial asset at fair value through other comprehensive income	660,255	—	1,424,475	—
— others	491,793	774	544,106	2,811
	<u>10,954,292</u>	<u>12,817,766</u>	<u>21,356,586</u>	<u>24,552,270</u>

4 Net other income, gains and losses

	Three months ended 30 September		Six months ended 30 September	
	2020	2019	2020	2019
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Net exchange gain/(loss)	16,664	18,756	(56,321)	806
Government subsidies	306,342	—	662,684	—
Dividend income	60,584	160	60,584	160
Sundry income	10,285	24,827	10,360	33,774
	<u>393,875</u>	<u>43,743</u>	<u>677,307</u>	<u>34,740</u>

5 Business and geographical segments

Information reported to the Board, being the chief operating decision maker (“CODM”), for the purposes of resource allocation and assessment of segment performance focuses on types of services provided. In addition, for “Securities, futures and options brokering and trading” and “Placing and underwriting”, “Loan financing”, “Securities advisory service” and “investment holding” the information reported to the Board of Directors is further analysed based on the different classes of customers.

Specifically, the Group’s reportable segments under HKFRS 8 are as follow:

Securities, futures and options brokering and trading	Provision of securities and futures brokering services and margin financing
Placing and underwriting	Provision of placing and underwriting services
Loan financing	Provision of money lending services
Securities advisory services	Provision of securities advisory services
Investment holdings	Investment income and capital appreciation

The reportable segments have been identified on the basis of internal management reports prepared in accordance with accounting policies conforming to HKFRSs that are regularly reviewed by CODM.

Segments profit represents profit earned by each segment without allocation of other revenue, central administration costs and finance costs. This is the basis of measurement reported to the CODM for the purposes of resource allocation and assessment of segment performance.

Business segments

Segment revenues and results

The following is an analysis of the Group's revenues and results by reportable segments:

	Six months ended 30 September 2020 (Unaudited)					
	Securities, futures and options brokering and trading HK\$	Placing and underwriting HK\$	Loan financing HK\$	Securities advisory services HK\$	Investment holdings HK\$	Consolidated HK\$
Segment revenues						
— Recognised at a point in time	3,852,868	615,840	—	—	259	4,468,967
— Recognised over time	—	—	—	—	—	—
— Other sources income	3,790,952	—	11,101,042	—	1,995,625	16,887,619
	<u>7,643,820</u>	<u>615,840</u>	<u>11,101,042</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>1,995,884</u>	<u>21,356,586</u>
Segment results	<u>3,133,344</u>	<u>411,138</u>	<u>10,018,179</u>	<u>(88,615)</u>	<u>13,335,882</u>	<u>26,809,928</u>
Net other income, gains and losses						616,722
Unallocated other operating expenses						(1,268,195)
Finance costs						(102,903)
Profit before tax						26,055,552
Income tax expenses						(3,946,436)
Profit for the period						<u>22,109,116</u>

	Six months ended 30 September 2019 (Unaudited)					
	Securities, futures and options brokering and trading HK\$	Placing and underwriting HK\$	Loan financing HK\$	Securities advisory services HK\$	Investment holdings HK\$	Consolidated HK\$
Segment revenues						
— Recognised at a point in time	5,145,562	—	—	—	1,179	5,146,741
— Recognised over time	—	—	—	—	1,122,415	1,122,415
— Other sources income	7,694,828	—	10,536,971	—	51,315	18,283,114
	<u>12,840,390</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>10,536,971</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>1,174,909</u>	<u>24,552,270</u>
Segment results	<u>8,318,844</u>	<u>(209,481)</u>	<u>9,706,868</u>	<u>(87,622)</u>	<u>(218,822)</u>	<u>17,509,787</u>
Net other income, gains and losses						34,580
Unallocated other operating expenses						(2,737,068)
Finance costs						(328,981)
Profit before tax						14,478,318
Income tax expenses						(1,573,696)
Profit for the period						<u>12,904,622</u>

Revenue reported above represents revenue generated from external customers. There was no inter-segment sale during the period (six months ended 30 September 2019: Nil).

Segment assets and liabilities

At 30 September 2020 (Unaudited)						
	Securities, futures and options brokering and trading HK\$	Placing and underwriting HK\$	Loan financing HK\$	Securities advisory services HK\$	Investment holdings HK\$	Consolidated HK\$
Assets						
Segment assets	68,938,776	—	118,549,564	—	82,931,842	270,420,182
Unallocated assets						16,952,277
Total assets						<u>287,372,459</u>
Liabilities						
Segment liabilities	30,854,699	—	286	—	4,408,321	35,263,306
Unallocated liabilities						12,559,118
Total liabilities						<u>47,822,424</u>
At 31 March 2020 (Audited)						
	Securities, futures and options brokering and trading HK\$	Placing and underwriting HK\$	Loan financing HK\$	Securities advisory services HK\$	Investment holdings HK\$	Consolidated HK\$
Assets						
Segment assets	70,588,944	—	116,686,333	—	65,122,754	252,398,031
Unallocated assets						20,482,515
Total assets						<u>272,880,546</u>
Liabilities						
Segment liabilities	29,105,425	—	229,590	—	2,839,668	32,174,683
Unallocated liabilities						4,217,529
Total liabilities						<u>36,392,212</u>

For the purposes of monitoring segment performance and allocating resources between segments:

- all assets are allocated to reportable segments other than other receivables, deposits and prepayments, tax refundable, pledged bank deposit, bank balances and cash — general accounts. Assets used jointly by segments are allocated on the basis of the revenues earned by individual segment; and
- all liabilities are allocated to reportable segments other than part of other payables, accruals, bank borrowings, income tax payables and deferred tax liabilities. Liabilities for which segments are jointly liable are allocated in proportion to segment assets.

Other information

Six months ended 30 September 2020

(Unaudited)

	Securities, futures and options brokering and trading HK\$	Placing and underwriting HK\$	Loan and financing HK\$	Securities advisory services HK\$	Investment holdings HK\$	Consolidated HK\$
Additions to plant and equipment	15,570	—	—	—	—	15,570
Depreciation of plant and equipment	123,929	—	—	—	—	123,929
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	914,261	—	228,565	—	16,302	1,159,128

Six months ended 30 September 2019

(Unaudited)

	Securities, futures and options brokering and trading HK\$	Placing and underwriting HK\$	Loan and financing HK\$	Securities advisory services HK\$	Investment holdings HK\$	Consolidated HK\$
Additions to plant and equipment	92,600	—	—	—	—	92,660
Depreciation of plant and equipment	185,058	—	3,502	—	—	188,560

Geographical information

The Group operates in the two principal geographical areas — Hong Kong and the People's Republic of China (the “PRC”).

The Group's revenue from external customers by location of operations and information about its non-current assets by location of assets are detailed as below:

	Revenue from external customers		Non-current assets*	
	Six months ended		At	At
	30 September		30 September	31 March
	2020	2019	2020	2020
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Hong Kong	21,356,586	23,429,855	2,038,665	2,147,024
The PRC	—	1,122,415	—	—
	<u>21,356,586</u>	<u>24,552,270</u>	<u>2,038,665</u>	<u>2,147,024</u>

* Non-current assets exclude financial instrument and right-of-use assets.

Information on major customers

A major customer of the Group accounted for approximately 13% (2019: 10%) of the total revenue during the six months ended 30 September 2020.

6 Income tax expenses

	Three months ended 30 September		Six months ended 30 September	
	2020	2019	2020	2019
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
Hong Kong Profits Tax				
— current period	1,506,853	795,350	2,422,353	1,526,822
Deferred tax				
— current period	1,072,575	51,615	1,524,083	46,874
	<u>2,579,428</u>	<u>846,965</u>	<u>3,946,436</u>	<u>1,573,696</u>

On 21 March 2018, the Hong Kong Legislative Council passed The Inland Revenue (Amendment) (No. 7) Bill 2017 (the “Bill”) which introduces the two-tiered profits tax rates regime. The Bill was signed into law on 28 March 2018 and was gazetted on the following day. Under the two-tiered profits tax rates regime, the first HK\$2,000,000 of profits of the qualifying group entity will be taxed at 8.25%, and profits above HK\$2,000,000 will be taxed at 16.5%. The profits of group entities not qualifying for the two-tiered profits tax rates regime will continue to be taxed at a flat rate of 16.5%. Accordingly, the Hong Kong Profits Tax of the qualifying group entity is calculated at 8.25% on the first HK\$2,000,000 of the estimated assessable profits and at 16.5% on the estimated assessable profits above HK\$2,000,000.

7 Dividend

The Board does not recommend the payment of an interim dividend for the six months ended 30 September 2020 (six months ended 30 September 2019: Nil).

8 Earnings per share

The calculation of basic earnings per share is based on the profit for the period attributable to owners of the Company and the weighted average number of the Company's ordinary shares in issue during the period.

	Three months ended 30 September 2020 (Unaudited) HK\$		Six months ended 30 September 2020 (Unaudited) HK\$	
	2019 (Unaudited) HK\$		2019 (Unaudited) HK\$	
Profit for the period attributable to owners	<u>13,325,133</u>	<u>4,948,775</u>	<u>22,109,116</u>	<u>12,904,622</u>
	Three months ended 30 September 2020 No. of shares		Six months ended 30 September 2020 No. of shares	
	2019 No. of shares		2019 No. of shares	
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the period	<u>2,200,000,000</u>	<u>2,200,000,000</u>	<u>2,200,000,000</u>	<u>2,200,000,000</u>
Weighted average number of ordinary shares and dilutive potential ordinary shares in issue during the period	<u>2,200,000,000</u>	<u>2,200,000,000</u>	<u>2,200,000,000</u>	<u>2,200,000,000</u>

No adjustment had been made to the basic earnings per share amounts presented for the three months and six months ended 30 September 2020 as the conversion of the outstanding share options during the period had an anti-dilutive effect on the basic earnings per share because the exercise price per share option was higher than the average share price of the Company for the period.

9 Plant and equipment

During the six months ended 30 September 2020, the Group acquired items of plant and equipment with a cost of HK\$15,570 (six months ended 30 September 2019: HK\$92,600). During the six months ended 30 September 2020, the Group has not disposed items and write-off of plant and equipment (six months ended 30 September 2019: Nil).

10 Trade receivables

	30 September 2020 (Unaudited) HK\$	31 March 2020 (Audited) HK\$
Trade receivables from the business of dealing in securities:		
— Cash clients	992,866	93,837
— Margin clients	39,091,815	36,519,678
— Clearing houses and brokers	1,085,346	2,219,014
Trade receivables from the business of dealing in futures contracts:		
— Clearing houses	2,097,536	2,055,559
	<u>43,267,563</u>	<u>40,888,088</u>

The settlement terms of trade receivables arising from the business of dealing in securities are two days after the trade date, and trade receivables arising from the business of dealing in futures contracts are one day after the trade date.

Trade receivable from cash clients relate to a wide range of customers for whom there was no recent history of default. These receivables are secured by their portfolios of securities. Cash clients are required to place cash deposits as prescribed in the Group's credit policy before execution of any purchase transactions. Based on past experience and current assessment, management believes that no impairment allowance is necessary in respect of these balances as there has not been a significant change in credit quality and the balances are considered fully recoverable.

Margin clients are required to pledge securities as collateral to the Group in order to obtain credit facilities for securities trading. The amount of credit facilities granted to them is determined by the discounted value of securities accepted by the Group. At 30 September 2020, the total market value of securities pledged as collateral in respect of all margin clients were HK\$169,905,196. Based on past experience, management believes that no impairment allowance is necessary in respect of these balances as there has not been a significant change in credit quality and the balances are considered fully recoverable.

The aging analysis of the trade receivables are as follows:

	30 September 2020 (Unaudited) HK\$	31 March 2020 (Audited) HK\$
Margin clients balances:		
No due date	39,091,815	36,519,678
Past due but not impaired	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
	<u>39,091,815</u>	<u>36,519,678</u>
Cash clients balances:		
No due date	992,866	93,837
Past due but not impaired	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
	<u>992,866</u>	<u>93,837</u>
Other balances:		
Not yet due (within 30 days)	3,182,882	4,274,573
Past due but not impaired	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
	<u>3,182,882</u>	<u>4,274,573</u>
	<u>43,267,563</u>	<u>40,888,088</u>

Provision of impairment loss on trade receivables:

	30 September 2020 (Unaudited) HK\$	31 March 2020 (Audited) HK\$
Balance at beginning of the period/year	13,809,298	14,817,950
Impairment loss under ECL Model for the period/year	—	4,028,125
Recovery of the period/year	—	(5,036,777)
Balance at end of the period/year	<u>13,809,298</u>	<u>13,809,298</u>

The aging analysis of trade receivables that are past due but not impaired:

	30 September 2020 (Unaudited) HK\$	31 March 2020 (Audited) HK\$
Margin clients balances:		
Past due but not impaired more than 180 days		

To minimise the Group's exposure to credit risk, the management is responsible for the evaluation of the customers' credit ratings, financial background and repayment abilities. Management has set up credit limit for each individual customer, which is subjected to regular review. Any extension of credit beyond the approved limit has to be approved by relevant level of management on an individual basis according to the amount exceeded. The Group has a policy for reviewing impairment of trade receivables which do not have sufficient collateral and those with default or delinquency in interest or principal payment. The assessment is based on an evaluation of the collectability and aging analysis of the accounts and on management's judgement, including current credit-worthiness, collateral's value and past collection history of each customer.

In determining the recoverability of the trade receivables, the Group considers any change in the credit quality of the trade receivables from the date when credit was initially granted up to the reporting date. The credit risk is considered limited due to the customer base being large and unrelated. The Directors believe that a HK\$13,809,298 (31 March 2020: HK\$13,809,298) allowance for impairment was sufficient as at 30 September 2020.

11 Loan receivables

	30 September 2020 (Unaudited) HK\$	31 March 2020 (Audited) HK\$
Loan advanced and interest receivables	<u>117,163,897</u>	<u>99,169,258</u>
Analysed as:		
Current	<u>78,877,344</u>	49,026,206
Non-current	<u>38,286,553</u>	<u>50,143,052</u>
	<u>117,163,897</u>	<u>99,169,258</u>

Loan receivables include current and non-current were measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment losses. In accordance with IFRS 9, these loan receivables will continue to be measured at amortized cost because the criteria of the Solely Payments of Principal and Interest test have been met.

Provision of impairment loss on loans receivables:

	30 September 2020 (Unaudited) HK\$	31 March 2020 (Audited) HK\$
Balance at beginning of period/year	6,353,364	—
Impairment loss under ECL model for the period/year	<u>—</u>	<u>6,353,364</u>
Balance at end of the period/year	<u>6,353,364</u>	<u>6,353,364</u>

To minimise the Group's exposure to credit risk, the management is responsible for the evaluation of the customers' credit ratings, financial background and repayment abilities. Management has set up credit limit for each individual customer, which is subjected to regular review. Any extension of credit beyond the approved limit has to be approved by relevant level of management on an individual basis according to the amount exceeded. The Group has a policy for reviewing impairment of loan receivables which do not have sufficient collateral and those with default or delinquency in interest or principal payment. The assessment is based on an evaluation of the collectability and aging analysis of the accounts and on management's judgement, including current credit-worthiness, collateral's value and past collection history of each customer.

In determining the recoverability of the loan receivables, the Group considers any change in the credit quality of the loan receivables from the date when credit was initially granted up to the reporting date. The credit risk is considered limited due to the customer base being large and unrelated. The Directors believe that a HK\$6,353,364 (31 March 2020: HK\$6,353,364) allowance for impairment was necessary as at 30 September 2020.

12 Bank balances and cash/pledged bank deposit

The Group maintains segregated trust accounts with licensed banks to hold clients' monies arising from its normal course of business. The Group has classified the clients' monies as cash held on behalf of customers under the current assets section of the consolidated statement of financial position and recognised the corresponding accounts payable to respective clients on the grounds that one is liable for any loss or misappropriation of clients' monies. The Group is not allowed to use the clients' monies to settle its own obligations.

The general accounts and cash comprise cash held by the Group and bank deposits are bearing interest at commercial rates with original maturity of three months or less. The fair values of these assets at the end of the reporting period approximate their carrying amounts.

Pledge bank deposit represents deposit pledged to bank to secure bank facilities granted to the Group. Deposits amounting to HK\$10,000,000 (31 March 2020: HK\$10,000,000) have been pledged to secure bank overdrafts and bank loans is therefore classified as current assets.

13 Trade payables

The settlement terms of trade payables arising from the business of dealing in securities are two days after trade date, and trade payables arising from the business of dealing in futures contracts are one day after trade date. No aging analysis is disclosed as in the opinion of the Directors, the aged analysis does not give additional value in view of the short period for payment.

Included in trade payables to cash clients and margin clients attributable to dealing in securities and futures contracts transaction which described in Note 12 to the interim financial statement representing these clients' undrawn monies/excess deposits placed with the Company. The balances are repayable on demand.

The Directors consider that the carrying amounts of trade payables approximate their fair values.

14 Share capital

The Company

	Number of shares	HK\$
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Authorised:

At 1 April 2019, 31 March 2020, 1 April 2020 and 30

September 2020, ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each

5,000,000,000

50,000,000

Number of
shares

HK\$

Issued and fully paid:

At 1 April 2019, 31 March 2020, and

30 September 2020 ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each

2,200,000,000

22,000,000

15 Contingent liabilities

At 30 September 2020, neither the Group nor the Company had any significant contingent liabilities (31 March 2020: Nil).

16 Capital commitment

At 30 September 2020, the Company did not have any significant commitments (31 March 2020: Nil).

17 Related party transactions

Balances and transactions between the Company and its subsidiaries, which are related parties of the Company, have been eliminated on consolidation and are not disclosed in this note. Details of transactions between the Group and other related parties are disclosed below.

- (a) During the period, the Group entered into the following transactions with related parties. The transactions were carried out at estimated market prices determined by the Directors of the Company.

		Three months ended 30 September 2020 (Unaudited) HK\$		Six months ended 30 September 2020 (Unaudited) HK\$	
		2019 (Unaudited) HK\$		2019 (Unaudited) HK\$	
Commission and brokerage income from securities trading:					
— Au Suet Ming Clarea (“Ms. Au”) and her associate	Substantial shareholder	5,055	—	7,072	—
— CAAL Capital Limited	Owned by Ms. Au	243,289	241,000	486,473	482,694
— Au Yik Fei	Associate of Ms. Au	—	—	—	1,099
— Au Yuk Kit	Associate of Ms. Au	1,785	—	5,105	502
— An Nim Bing	Associate of Ms. Au	447	—	547	—
		<u>249,296</u>	<u>241,000</u>	<u>492,117</u>	<u>483,295</u>

- (b) Included in trade receivables and payables arising from the business of dealing in securities and futures contracts are amounts due from/(to) certain related parties, the net balance of which are as follows:

		At 30 September 2020 (Unaudited) HK\$	At 31 March 2020 (Audited) HK\$
Trade receivables (payables)			
— Ms. Au	Substantial shareholder	732,390	(133,199)
— CAAL Capital Company Limited	Wholly-owned by Ms. Au	(38,117)	(1,763,671)
— China Merit International Holdings Limited	Wholly-owned by Ms. Au	(48,925)	(40,436)
— Au Yik Fei	Associate of Ms. Au	(12,466)	(6,786)
— Au Yuk Kit	Associate of Ms. Au	(66,326)	(153,998)
— Au Nim Bing	Associate of Ms. Au	(171,836)	—
		<u>(236,550)</u>	<u>(1,964,090)</u>

The fair values of the balances included in the accounts at the end of the reporting period approximate the corresponding carrying amounts.

The settlement terms of trade receivables/payables including transactions with related parties arising from the business of dealing in securities are T+2; and trade receivables/payables arising from the business of dealing in futures are T+1. The settlement terms are same as those with third parties. The related parties custodians' cash placed with the Group in its trust account were included in trade payables and would be settled upon request or the related party ceased to trade with the Group.

- (c) The remuneration of Directors of the Company and other members of key management during the period was as follows:

	Six months ended	
	30 September	30 September
	2020	2019
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
	HK\$	HK\$
Short-term benefits	1,106,081	1,158,489
Post-employment benefits	—	—
Share based payment	—	—
	<u>1,106,081</u>	<u>1,158,489</u>

18 Comparative figures

Certain comparative figures have been reclassified or restated to conform with current period presentation.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Market Review

During the reporting period, tensions between China & US, Covid-19 and local unemployment rate have brought about many uncertainties in Hong Kong financial market. However, some stocks still performed well. For bond market, bond price for the period under review rebounded compared with the one at the end of March 2020. As at 30 September 2020, the Hang Seng Index recorded 23,459 representing approximately 0.6% decreased as compared with 23,603 as at 31 March 2020.

Business Review

Turnover

The Group's total turnover and investment income for the six months ended 30 September 2020 was approximately HK\$32.8 million, as compared with the corresponding period in 2019 of approximately HK\$23.3 million, increased by approximately 40.7% or approximately HK\$9.5 million.

Securities and Futures Brokerage

Revenue from securities and futures brokerage represent commission and brokerage fee and other fees including interest derived from cash and margin securities or futures accounts and interest from IPO financing.

The commission and brokerage fees from securities dealing on the Stock Exchange decreased by approximately 19.5% from approximately HK\$4.0 million for the six months ended 30 September 2019 to approximately HK\$3.2 million for the six months ended 30 September 2020. The total value of transactions for securities dealing decreased by approximately 69.8% from approximately HK\$32,622.2 million for the six months ended 30 September 2019 to approximately HK\$9,846.1 million for the six months ended 30 September 2020. As a result, income relating to clearing and settlement fee and handling service also decreased by approximately 56.7% from approximately HK\$0.9 million for the six months ended 30 September 2019 to approximately HK\$0.4 million for the six months ended 30 September 2020.

The commission and brokerage fees on dealing in futures contracts decreased by approximately 2.5% from approximately HK\$0.3 million for the six months ended 30 September 2019 to approximately HK\$0.2 million for the six months ended 30 September 2020.

The interest income derived from cash and margin securities accounts for the six months ended 30 September 2020 was approximately HK\$3.7 million represents a decrease of approximately 50.3% from approximately HK\$7.4 million of the corresponding period in 2019. As at 30 September 2020, cash clients and margin clients were approximately HK\$40.1 million (30 September 2019: approximately HK\$51.4 million).

Loan Financing

The Group holds Money Lenders Licence to engage in money lending business for providing loan and financing to customers. During the reporting period, CLC Finance Limited, the Company's wholly subsidiary, provides loan and financing service to customers. The interest income derived from providing loan and finance to customers for the six months ended 30 September 2020 was approximately HK\$11.1 million (For the six months ended 30 September 2019: approximately HK\$10.5 million).

Securities Advisory Services

The Group holds licence under the Securities and Futures Ordinance to engage in Type 4 regulated activities — Advising on Securities. Revenue generated from this segment derived from services provided under these regulated activities.

Placing and Underwriting Business

Under normal circumstances, the Group acts as an underwriter or a sub-underwriter or a placing agent or a sub-placing agent on best effort basis for fund-raising activities. It would take the role on underwritten basis only if it received special requests from the issuers and/or their respective placing and underwriting agents.

Placing and underwriting commission for the six months ended 30 September 2020 was approximately HK\$0.6 million (2019: nil).

Investment Holdings

The Group maintained a portfolio investments included the holding of listed equity securities and bonds. During the period under review, the Group had not received a return (2019: approximately HK\$1.1 million) from an income right which had been disposed in the end of last year. The Group traded equity securities listed in Hong Kong and oversea. As at 30 September 2020, the total value of the Group investment portfolio was approximately HK\$82.9 million (31 March 2020: approximately HK\$65.1 million), including the value of portfolio of listed securities and debt securities of approximately HK\$77.7 million (31 March 2020: approximately HK\$54.1million). The interest income from financial asset at fair value through other comprehensive income for the six months period ended 30 September 2020 was approximately HK\$1.4 million (2019: nil). As at 30 September 2020, the value of debt securities was approximately HK\$25.5 million (31 March 2020: approximately HK\$22.6 million).

During the period under review, the net gain on trading of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss of approximately HK\$1.6 million (2019: 0.3 million) and net gain in fair value of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss of approximately HK\$9.8 million (2019: net loss in fair value of approximately HK\$1.6 million).

Financial review

The Group's revenue for the six months ended 30 September 2020 was approximately HK\$21.4 million, representing a decreased of approximately 13.0% from approximately HK\$24.6 million of the corresponding period in 2019.

Administrative expenses for the six months ended 30 September 2020 were approximately HK\$7.3 million (approximately HK\$8.6 million for the six months ended 30 September 2019) representing a decrease of approximately 14.3%. Due to the total value of transaction for securities dealing decreased for the six months ended 30 September 2020, the related expenses such as CCASS charges and the payment of commission were decreased for the six months ended 30 September 2020 compared with the corresponding period in 2019. Staff cost was decreased by approximately 2.8% from HK\$2.9 million for the six months ended 30 September 2019 to approximately HK\$2.8 million for the six months ended 30 September 2020. Furthermore, general expenses decreased due to the tighter cost control during the period.

Net other income, gains and losses for six months ended 30 September 2020 were approximately HK\$677,000 (2019: approximately HK\$35,000). The increase in net gains were mainly attributed to government subsidiary of approximately HK\$663,000.

Profit for the period attributable to owners of the Company amounted to HK\$22.1 million for the six months ended 30 September 2020 (HK\$12.9 million for the six months ended 30 September 2019). The increase in profit attributable to the owners of the Company was mainly attributed to the recognition of approximately HK\$9.8 million of net gain in fair value of financial asset at fair value through profit and loss (30 September 2019: net loss in fair value of approximately HK\$1.6 million). Earnings per share attributable to owners of the Company was HK1.00 cent for the six months ended 30 September 2020 (HK0.59 cent for the six months ended 30 September 2019). Diluted earnings per share for the six months ended 30 September 2020 were HK1.00 cent (HK0.59 cent for the six months ended 30 September 2019).

Liquidity and financial resources and capital structure

The Group financed its operations by shareholders' equity and cash generated from operations.

The Group maintained a financial position, with pledged bank deposit and bank balance and cash in general accounts amounting to approximately HK\$19.9 million at 30 September 2020 (approximately HK\$43.1 million at 31 March 2020). Most of the Group's cash and bank balances in general accounts were denominated in Hong Kong dollars. At 30 September 2020, the Group had net current assets of approximately HK\$178.6 million (approximately HK\$164.5 million as at 31 March 2020). Current ratio of the Group as at 30 September 2020 was approximately 5.0 times (approximately 5.8 times at 31 March 2020).

At 30 September 2020, the Group had utilised HK\$9.5 million of secured loan (31 March 2020: Nil).

The gearing ratio is calculated as total indebtedness divided by total capital. Total indebtedness is total bank borrowings (including current and non-current bank borrowings). Total capital is calculated as "equity", as shown in the statement of financial position. As at 30 September 2020, the Group has bank borrowings totally HK\$9.5 million and accordingly, the gearing ratio is approximately 4.0% (at 31 March 2020: nil).

Taking into consideration the existing financial resources available to the Group, it is anticipated that the Group should have adequate financial resources to meet its ongoing operating and development requirements.

Capital Commitments

As at 30 September 2020, the Group did not have any significant capital commitments (31 March 2020: nil).

Dividend

The Board does not recommend the payment of an interim dividend for the six months ended 30 September 2020 (six months ended 30 September 2019: nil).

Staff and remuneration policies

The Group believes that staff is our most valuable asset, they are encouraged to pursue excellence at work and career development. We encourage staff to maintain healthy balance between work and life, and communicate with staff to enhance staff morale and their sense of belonging.

Remuneration is determined based on the individual's qualification, experience, position, job responsibility and market conditions. Salary adjustments and staff promotion are based on evaluation of staff performance by way of annual review, and discretionary bonuses would be paid to staff with reference to the financial performance of the Group of the preceding financial year. Other benefits include contributions to statutory mandatory provident fund scheme to its employees in Hong Kong and options that may be granted under the share option scheme.

Charge on group assets and Guarantee

As at 30 September 2020, certain bank deposits of the Group's subsidiaries in the aggregate amount of HK\$10.0 million (31 March 2020: HK\$10.0 million) were pledged and corporate guarantee from the Company for securing overdraft and revolving loan facilities amounted to HK\$49.5 million (31 March 2020: HK\$49.5 million) issued by the banks to the Group. At 30 September 2020, the banking facilities granted by the banks, HK\$9.5 million has been utilised (31 March 2020: nil).

Contingent liabilities

At 30 September 2020, the Group had no material contingent liabilities (31 March 2020: Nil).

Foreign exchange exposure

The Group's business is principally conducted in Hong Kong dollars, the Directors consider that potential foreign exchange exposure of the Group is limited.

Future plans for material investments or capital assets

At 30 September 2020, the Group had no plans for material investments or acquisition of capital assets, but will actively pursue opportunities for investments to enhance the profitability of the Group in its ordinary course of business.

Outlook

The financial market in Hong Kong may be directly affected by a new round of coronavirus and escalation of tensions between China & US. However, the Chinese economy has seen significant improvement since the covid-19 crisis, with many indicators now pointing to economic growth over this year and positive covid-19 vaccine development, and such factors will benefit to the financial market in Hong Kong. The Group will leverage the knowledge and experience of our management team to seize opportunities as they arise. The Group will continue to put efforts on expanding the margin and loan financing business and securities advisory service and on satisfying the need of our customers.

The Group aims to become a leading financial service group in Hong Kong. The Group will actively review future business opportunities to develop into various financial services in Hong Kong in anticipating to bring in new sources of income and to further increase the profitability of the Group.

RISK MANAGEMENT CREDIT RISK

Credit Risk

Credit risk exposure represents loans to customer, account receivables from brokers, clients and clearing houses which principally arise from our business activities. The Group has a credit policy in place and the credit risk is monitored on on-going basis.

For account receivables from clients, normally clients are required to settle the amount within 2 days (T+2). Responsible officers will regularly review the overdue balance. The credit risk arising from the account receivables from clients is considered as small.

For trade receivables from margin clients, normally the Group obtains securities and/ or cash deposits as collateral for providing margin financing to clients. Receivables from margin clients are repayable on demand. Market conditions and the adequacy of collateral of each margin clients are monitored by responsible officers on a daily basis. Margin calls and forced liquidation are required when necessary.

For trade receivables from brokers and clearing houses, the Group considered that credit risk is low as those brokers and clearing houses are registered with regulatory bodies.

In order to minimise the credit risk of loan receivables, the management of the Group has delegated a team responsible for determination of credit limits, credit approvals and other monitoring procedures to ensure that follow-up action is taken to recover overdue loan receivables, if any. In addition, the Group reviews the recoverable amount of each individual loan receivable at the end of the reporting period to ensure that adequate impairment losses are made for irrecoverable amounts. In this regard, the Directors of the Company consider that the Group's loan receivables credit risk is significantly reduced.

The Group does not provide any guarantees which would expose the Group to credit risk.

Liquidity Risk

The Group is subject to the statutory liquidity requirements as prescribed by the regulators. The Group has a monitoring system to ensure that it maintains adequate liquid capital to fund its business commitments and to comply with the Securities and Futures (Financial Resources) Rules (Cap.571N).

The Group has maintained stand-by banking facilities to meet any contingency in its operations. The Board believes that the Group's working capital is adequate to meet its long and short term financial obligations.

Foreign Exchange Risk

Certain assets of the Group's business are denominated in foreign currencies which expose the Group to foreign currency risk. The Group currently does not have a foreign currency hedging policy. However, the management monitors foreign exchange exposure and will consider hedging significant foreign currency exposure should the need arise.

SHARE OPTION SCHEMES

New Share Option Scheme

The Company adopted a new share option scheme ("New Share Option Scheme") on 4 August 2020. As at 30 September 2020, there are no share option granted, cancelled or lapsed, exercise and outstanding under the New Share Option Scheme. Further details relating to the New Share Option Scheme are disclosed on pages 8 to 10 and pages 18 to 26 of the circular of the Company on 30 June 2020.

Share Option Scheme

The Company had a share option scheme, namely, the share option scheme (the "Share Option Scheme") which was adopted on 22 February 2011 and was terminated the Share Option Scheme on 4 August 2020. It is established to attract and retain the best available personnel, to provide additional incentive to employees (full-time and part-time), directors, consultants, advisers, distributors, contractors, suppliers, agents, customers, business partners and service providers of the Group and to promote the success of the business of the Group. Pursuant to the Share Option Scheme, the Board may, at its discretion and on such terms as it may think fit, offer to grant an option to any employee (full-time or part-time), director, consultant or adviser of the Group, or any substantial shareholder of the Group, or any distributor, contractor, supplier, agent, customer, business partner or service provider of the Group. An offer for the grant of share options must be accepted within 7 days inclusive of the day on which such offer was made. The amount payable by the grantee of an option to the Company on acceptance of the offer for the grant of an option is HK\$1.

At 30 September 2020, details of the share options granted under the Share Option Scheme are as follows:

Grantees	Date of Grant (dd/mm/yyyy)	Exercise price [#] per share HK\$	Exercisable period (dd/mm/yyyy)	Balance at 1 April 2020	Changes during the period			Balance at 30 September 2020
					Granted	Exercised	Cancelled/ lapsed	
Kwok Kin Chung, Executive Director	09/04/2014	0.2275	09/04/2014–08/04/2023	20,000,000	—	—	—	20,000,000
Yu Linda, Executive Director	09/04/2014	0.2275	09/04/2014–08/04/2023	20,000,000	—	—	—	20,000,000
Lau Kin Hon, Executive Director	09/04/2014	0.2275	09/04/2014–08/04/2023	20,000,000	—	—	—	20,000,000
		Sub-total		60,000,000	—	—	—	60,000,000
Employees and Other Participants	09/04/2014	0.2275	09/04/2014–08/04/2023	40,000,000	—	—	—	40,000,000
		Total		100,000,000	—	—	—	100,000,000
Weighted average exercise price (HK\$)				0.2275	—	—	—	0.2275

Fair value of share options and assumptions

The fair value of share option granted at the grant date was HK\$8,275,000, which are calculated using the Black-Scholes model with the following inputs:

Date of grant	:	9 April 2014
Share price at the grant date	:	HK\$0.410
Exercise price [#]	:	HK\$0.2275
Expected volatility	:	55.019%
Expected life of option	:	9 years
Expected dividend yield	:	5.860%
Risk free rate	:	2.106%

The fair values of share options granted by the Company were determined by using Black-Scholes option pricing model (the “Model”). The Model is one of the commonly used models to estimate the fair value of an option. The variables and assumptions used in computing the fair value of the share options are based on the management’s best estimate. The value of an option varies with different variables of a number of subjective assumptions. Any change in the variables so adopted may materially affect the estimation of the fair value of an option.

DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVES' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITION IN SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURES

At 30 September 2020, save for the interest of the Directors in share options as below, neither of the Directors nor the Chief Executive of the Company had interests and or short positions in the shares of the Company, underlying shares and debentures of the Company and its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571, Laws of Hong Kong) ("SFO") which (i) are required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests and short positions which they are taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO); or (ii) were recorded in the register required to be kept under Section 352 of the SFO, or (iii) have to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the required standards of dealing by directors as referred to in Rule 5.46 of the GEM Listing Rules.

Long Position in the Shares and underlying shares of the Company

Share Option

At 30 September 2020, there were a total of 60,000,000 outstanding share options of the Company granted to the Directors, details of which are summarised in the following table:

Director	Date of grant (dd/mm/yyyy)	Options to Subscribe for Shares of the Company				Outstanding at 30 September 2020	Option exercise Period (dd/mm/yyyy)	Exercise price [#] per share	Approximate percentage of shareholding
		Outstanding at 1 April 2020	Granted during the period	Exercised during the period	Lapsed during the period				
Kwok Kin Chung	09/04/2014	20,000,000	—	—	—	20,000,000	09/04/2014 to 08/04/2023	HK\$0.2275	0.91%
Yu Linda	09/04/2014	20,000,000	—	—	—	20,000,000	09/04/2014 to 08/04/2023	HK\$0.2275	0.91%
Lau Kin Hon	09/04/2014	20,000,000	—	—	—	20,000,000	09/04/2014 to 08/04/2023	HK\$0.2275	0.91%
Total		<u>60,000,000</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>60,000,000</u>			<u>2.73%</u>

Save as disclosed above, none of the Directors or the Chief Executives of the Company had any interest or short positions in any shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations at 30 September 2020.

[#] The exercise price of share options is subject to adjustment in the case of bonus issues, or other similar Company's capital reorganisation.

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' AND OTHER PERSONS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES

As at 30 September 2020, according to the register of interests kept by the Company under Section 336 of the SFO, the following parties (in addition to those disclosed above in respect of the Directors and Chief Executives of the Company) had interests or short positions in the shares or underlying shares of the Company which were required to be recorded in the register and/or were directly or indirectly interested in 5% or more of the issued share capital carrying rights to vote in all circumstances at general meetings of any other members of the Group:

Long position in shares of the Company

Name of shareholder	Number of shares	Approximate percentage holding
Zillion Profit Limited	1,500,000,000	68.18%
Ms. Au Suet Ming Clarea (<i>Note i</i>)	1,500,000,000	68.18%

Note:

- (i) Ms. Au Suet Ming Clarea is deemed to be interested in 1,500,000,000 shares through her controlling interest (100%) in Zillion Profit Limited.

Save as disclosed above, at 30 September 2020, the Directors are not aware of any other persons who had interests or short positions in the shares or underlying shares of the Company which were interested in 5% or more of the issued share capital carrying rights to vote in all circumstances at general meetings of any other members of the Group.

PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF SHARES

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities during the six months ended 30 September 2020.

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN A COMPETING BUSINESS

For the six months ended 30 September 2020, the Directors are not aware of any business or interest of the Directors, the controlling shareholder(s) of the Company and their respective close associates (as defined under the GEM Listing Rules) that compete or may compete with the business of the Group and any other conflict of interest which any such person has or may have with the Group.

SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS BY DIRECTORS

The Company has adopted the code of conduct for securities transactions by the Directors on terms no less exacting than the required standard of dealings set out in Rules 5.48 to 5.67 of the GEM Listing Rules. The Company had made specific enquiry to all the Directors and the Directors confirmed that they have complied with the required standard of dealings and its code of conduct regarding securities transactions by Directors during the six months ended 30 September 2020.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES

The Group is committed to promoting high standards of corporate governance. The Directors believe that sound and reasonable corporate governance practices are essential for the growth of the Group and for safeguarding the shareholders' interests and the Group's assets.

Throughout the period of six months ended 30 September 2020, the Company has complied with all the code provisions set out in the Code on Corporate Governance Practices contained in Appendix 15 of the GEM Listing Rules, except for the following deviation:

Under CG Code Provision A.2.1, the roles of chairman and chief executive should be separate and should not be performed by the same individual. The division of responsibilities between the chairman and chief executive should be clearly established and set out in writing.

The Group currently has no chairman. The daily operation and management of the Group is monitored by CEO and executive Directors.

The Board is of the view that although there is no chairman, the balance of power and authority is ensured by the operation of the Board, which comprises experienced individuals who would meet from time to time to discuss issues affecting operation of the Group. This arrangement can still enable the Group to make and implement decisions promptly, and thus achieve the Group's objectives efficiently and effectively in response to the changing environment.

The Group will, at the appropriate time, arrange for the election of the new chairman of the Board.

RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROL

The Board reviews the adequacy and effectiveness of the Company's internal financial controls, operational and compliance controls, and risk management policies and systems established by the management of the Company (collectively "risk management and internal controls").

The Board is responsible for the overall internal control framework and is fully aware of the need to put in place a system of risk management and internal controls within the Group to safeguard the interests of the Company's shareholders and the Group's assets, and to manage risks. The Board also acknowledges that no cost effective internal control system will preclude all errors and irregularities. A system is designed to manage rather than eliminate the risk of failure to achieve business objectives, and can provide only reasonable and not absolute assurance against material misstatement or loss.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Company set up an audit committee (the "Committee") with written terms of reference in compliance with the GEM Listing Rules, for the purpose of reviewing and providing supervision over the financial reporting process and internal control of the Group. The Committee comprises three independent non-executive directors of the Company, namely Mr. Poon Wing Chuen, Mr. Wang Rongqian and Hu Chao. The unaudited condensed consolidated interim results of the Group for the six months ended 30 September 2020 have been reviewed by the Committee, which was of the opinion that the preparation of such results complied with the applicable accounting standards, the Stock Exchange and legal requirements, and that adequate disclosures have been made.

By Order of the Board
CL Group (Holdings) Limited
Kwok Kin Chung
Executive Director

Hong Kong, 5 November 2020

As at the date of this announcement, the Company's executive Directors are Mr. Kwok Kin Chung (Chief Executive Officer), Mr. Lau Kin Hon and Ms. Yu Linda, and the Company's independent non-executive Directors are Mr. Poon Wing Chuen, Mr. Wang Rongqian and Mr. Hu Chao.

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