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HAILIANG INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS LIMITED

海亮國際控股有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 2336)

INTERIM RESULTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2015

The board of directors (the “Board” or the “Directors”) of Hailiang International Holdings Limited (the “Company”) hereby announces the unaudited consolidated interim results of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the “Group”) for the six months ended 30 June 2015 together with comparative figures as follows:

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

For the six months ended 30 June 2015

		Six months ended	
		30 June	30 June
		2015	2014
	<i>Notes</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Revenue	3	36,272	44,534
Cost of sales		(34,791)	(42,269)
Gross profit		1,481	2,265
Other income		271	519
Other net loss		(1,366)	–
Selling and distribution expenses		(518)	(750)
Administrative expenses		(11,068)	(5,840)
Loss from operations		(11,200)	(3,806)
Finance costs	4(a)	(5)	(1)

		Six months ended	
		30 June	30 June
		2015	2014
	<i>Notes</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Loss before taxation	4	(11,205)	(3,807)
Income tax credit/(expense)	5	3,499	(43)
Loss for the period		(7,706)	(3,850)
Other comprehensive expenses			
for the period, net of tax:			
<i>Items that may be reclassified subsequently</i>			
<i>to profit or loss:</i>			
Exchange differences on translating foreign operations		(1,242)	(218)
Total comprehensive expenses		(8,948)	(4,068)
for the period			
Loss for the period attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		(7,301)	(3,300)
Non-controlling interests		(405)	(550)
		(7,706)	(3,850)
Total comprehensive expenses			
for the period attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		(8,578)	(3,417)
Non-controlling interests		(370)	(651)
		(8,948)	(4,068)
			(Restated)
Loss per share	6		
Basic (HK cent per share)		(0.59)	(0.27)
Diluted (HK cent per share)		(0.59)	(0.27)

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION – UNAUDITED

As at 30 June 2015

		As at 30 June 2015 HK\$'000	As at 31 December 2014 HK\$'000
	<i>Notes</i>		
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment		6,247	6,229
Intangible assets		72	–
Deferred tax assets		3,426	–
		<u>9,745</u>	<u>6,229</u>
Current assets			
Inventories		18,672	25,086
Properties for sale under development	7	35,530	750
Trade and bill receivables	8	14,634	13,355
Prepayments, deposits and other receivables		4,686	6,428
Current tax assets		573	572
Pledged bank deposits		2,605	2,777
Bank and cash balances		409,012	131,431
		<u>485,712</u>	<u>180,399</u>
Current liabilities			
Trade payables	9	20,646	22,000
Accruals, other payables and deposits received		4,673	3,063
Due to a non-controlling shareholder of a subsidiary		1,755	211
Due to a controlling shareholder of the Company		158	5,062
Obligations under finance leases		52	–
		<u>27,284</u>	<u>30,336</u>
Net current assets		<u>458,428</u>	<u>150,063</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>468,173</u>	<u>156,292</u>
Non-current liabilities			
Obligations under finance leases		214	–
NET ASSETS		<u><u>467,959</u></u>	<u><u>156,292</u></u>
Capital and reserves			
Share capital	10	16,111	10,741
Reserves		440,288	133,621
Equity attributable to owners of the Company		456,399	144,362
Non-controlling interests		11,560	11,930
TOTAL EQUITY		<u><u>467,959</u></u>	<u><u>156,292</u></u>

Notes:

1. Basis of preparation

This interim financial results have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Accounting Standard (“HKAS”) 34, *Interim Financial Reporting*, issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (the “HKICPA”) and the applicable disclosures required by the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities (the “Listing Rules”) on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “Stock Exchange”).

The interim financial results should be read in conjunction with the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2014. The accounting policies and methods of computation used in the preparation of this interim financial results are consistent with those used in the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2014.

The interim financial results have been prepared under the historical cost convention and are presented in Hong Kong dollars (“HK\$”) which is the functional currency of the Company.

2. Adoption of new and revised Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards

In the current period, the Group has adopted all the new and revised Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards (“HKFRSs”) issued by the HKICPA that are relevant to its operations and effective for its accounting year beginning on 1 January 2015. HKFRSs comprise Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards; HKASs; and Interpretations. The adoption of these new and revised HKFRSs did not result in significant changes to the Group’s accounting policies, presentation of the Group’s financial statements and amounts reported for the current period and prior years.

The Group has not applied the new and revised HKFRSs that have been issued but are not yet effective.

3. Segment information

The Group has three operating and reportable segments as follows:

- Sale of metals and semiconductors and related products
- Development and provision of electronic turnkey device solutions
- Property development

Note: Sale of metals, which commenced during the six months ended 30 June 2015, is being aggregated with sale of semiconductors and related products to form the segment of “Sale of metals and semiconductors and related products” in a manner consistent with the way in which information is reported internally to the chief operating decision maker.

The accounting policies of the operating segments are the same as those adopted in the consolidated financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2014. Segment profits or losses do not include intercompanies income and expenses, unallocated corporate other income, unallocated corporate expenses, finance costs and income tax credit or expense. Segment assets do not include intercompanies assets and unallocated corporate assets. Segment liabilities do not include intercompanies liabilities and unallocated corporate liabilities.

Information about reportable segment profits or losses, assets and liabilities:

	Sale of metals and semiconductors and related products		Development and provision of electronic turnkey device solutions		Property development		Total	
	Six months ended		Six months ended		Six months ended		Six months ended	
	30 June	30 June	30 June	30 June	30 June	30 June	30 June	30 June
	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Revenue from external customers	23,195	27,398	13,077	17,136	-	-	36,272	44,534
Segment (loss)/profit before finance costs and income tax credit or expense	(157)	469	(856)	(1,074)	(5,819)	-	(6,832)	(605)
	Sale of metals and semiconductors and related products		Development and provision of electronic turnkey device solutions		Property development		Total	
	As at	As at	As at	As at	As at	As at	As at	As at
	30 June	31 December	30 June	31 December	30 June	31 December	30 June	31 December
	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Segment assets	34,903	23,047	36,587	35,760	52,818	11,925	124,308	70,732
Segment liabilities	12,274	13,822	11,438	9,830	1,767	6,101	25,479	29,753

Reconciliation of reportable segment losses is as follows:

	Six months ended	
	30 June	30 June
	2015	2014
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Loss		
Total loss of reportable segments	(6,832)	(605)
Unallocated amounts:		
Unallocated corporate other income	7	1
Unallocated corporate expenses	(4,375)	(3,202)
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Loss from operations	(11,200)	(3,806)
Finance costs	(5)	(1)
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Loss before taxation	<u><u>(11,205)</u></u>	<u><u>(3,807)</u></u>

4. Loss before taxation

The Group's loss before taxation for the period is arrived at after charging:

	Six months ended	
	30 June	30 June
	2015	2014
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
(a) Finance costs		
Interest expenses on creditors convertible bonds	–	1
Interest expenses on obligations under finance leases	5	–
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	<u><u>5</u></u>	<u><u>1</u></u>
(b) Staff costs (including directors' remuneration)		
Salaries, bonus and allowances	7,328	4,536
Retirement benefits scheme contributions	482	192
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	<u><u>7,810</u></u>	<u><u>4,728</u></u>
(c) Other items		
Cost of inventories sold	34,789	42,254
Net foreign exchange loss	1,366	15
Amortisation	3	–
Depreciation	516	469
Operating lease charges on land and buildings	3,018	1,025
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	<u><u>3,018</u></u>	<u><u>1,025</u></u>

Cost of inventories sold included staff costs, depreciation and operating lease charges totalling approximately HK\$3,808,000 (six months ended 30 June 2014: approximately HK\$3,103,000) which are included in the amounts disclosed separately above.

5. Income tax (credit)/expense

	Six months ended	
	30 June 2015 HK\$'000	30 June 2014 HK\$'000
Current tax – Hong Kong Profits Tax	–	45
Deferred taxation	(3,499)	(2)
	<u>(3,499)</u>	<u>43</u>

Hong Kong Profits Tax has been provided at a rate of 16.5% on the estimated assessable profit for the six months ended 30 June 2014. No provision for Hong Kong Profits Tax has been made for the six months ended 30 June 2015 as the Group sustained a loss for taxation purposes during the period.

Tax charge on profits assessable elsewhere has been calculated at the rates of tax prevailing in the jurisdictions in which the Group operates, based on existing legislation, interpretation and practices in respect thereof.

Deferred tax assets amounted to HK\$3,499,000 in respect of cumulative tax loss was recognised during the six months ended 30 June 2015, as it is probable that future taxable profit against which the loss can be utilised will be available in the relevant jurisdiction.

6. Loss per share

The calculation of the basic and diluted loss per share is based on the following data:

	Six months ended	
	30 June	30 June
	2015	2014
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Loss:		
Loss for the purpose of calculating basic loss per share attributable to the owners of the Company	(7,301)	(3,300)
Finance costs saving on conversion of creditors convertible bonds outstanding	–	1
Deferred tax relating to creditors convertible bonds	–	(2)
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Loss for the purpose of calculating diluted loss per share attributable to the owners of the Company	<u><u>(7,301)</u></u>	<u><u>(3,301)</u></u>
	Six months ended	
	30 June	30 June
	2015	2014
	'000	'000
		(Restated)
Number of shares:		
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of calculating basic loss per share	1,232,636	1,230,008
Effect of dilutive potential ordinary shares arising from creditors convertible bonds outstanding	–	5,499
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of calculating diluted loss per share	<u><u>1,232,636</u></u>	<u><u>1,235,507</u></u>

The basic and diluted loss per share for the six months ended 30 June 2015 were the same as the Company had no dilutive potential shares in issue during the period.

The basic and diluted loss per share for the six months ended 30 June 2014 were the same as conversion of creditors convertible bonds would decrease the loss per share, therefore, is anti-dilutive.

As described in note 10, the Company completed the open offer on 30 June 2015. In calculating loss per share, the weighted average number of ordinary shares during the period ended 30 June 2015 and 2014 were calculated as if the bonus elements without consideration included in the open offer had existed from the beginning of the comparative period.

7. Properties for sale under development

Movements of properties for sale under development are as follows:

	<i>HK\$'000</i>
At 1 January 2014	—
Additions	750
At 31 December 2014 and 1 January 2015	750
Additions	34,780
At 30 June 2015	35,530

As at 30 June 2015, the properties for sale under development of approximately HK\$35,530,000 (31 December 2014: approximately HK\$750,000) included partial payment for the land and the related professional and governmental fees in relation to the acquisition of a piece of land in Australia which was approved by the shareholders of the Company on 10 February 2015 (the “Acquisition”) (details of the relevant agreement are set out in the circular of the Company dated 24 January 2015), and were included in the Group’s current assets in the consolidated statement of financial position as it is expected that the properties will be realised in the Group’s normal operating cycle for properties development.

As at 30 June 2015, total committed payment in relation to the land for the Acquisition is AUD30,600,000 (equivalent to approximately HK\$181,600,000).

8. Trade and bill receivables

The Group’s trading terms with customers are mainly on credit. The credit terms generally range from 15 to 120 days. Each customer has a maximum credit limit. For new customers, payment in advance is normally required. The Group seeks to maintain strict control over its outstanding receivables in order to minimise credit risk. Overdue balances are reviewed regularly by the senior management.

The aging analysis of trade and bill receivables, based on the invoice date, and net of allowance, is as follows:

	As at 30 June 2015 <i>HK\$'000</i>	As at 31 December 2014 <i>HK\$'000</i>
30 days or less	5,775	5,323
31 days to 60 days	2,466	3,370
61 days to 90 days	1,533	1,010
91 days to 120 days	928	546
Over 120 days	3,932	3,106
	<u>14,634</u>	<u>13,355</u>

The balance of trade and bill receivables included an amount of approximately HK\$679,000 (31 December 2014: approximately HK\$606,000) in relation to bill receivables as at 30 June 2015.

9. Trade payables

The aging analysis of trade payables, based on the date of receipt of goods, is as follows:

	As at 30 June 2015 <i>HK\$'000</i>	As at 31 December 2014 <i>HK\$'000</i>
30 days or less	2,305	4,110
31 days to 60 days	1,832	1,832
61 days to 90 days	760	976
91 days to 120 days	1,090	679
Over 120 days	14,659	14,403
	<u>20,646</u>	<u>22,000</u>

10. Share capital

	As at 30 June 2015 <i>HK\$'000</i>	As at 31 December 2014 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Authorised:		
10,000,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each	<u>100,000</u>	<u>100,000</u>
Issued and fully paid:		
1,611,110,767 ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each (31 December 2014: 1,074,073,845 ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each)	<u>16,111</u>	<u>10,741</u>

Movement of the number of shares issued and the share capital during the current period is as follows:

	Number of shares issued '000	Share capital <i>HK\$'000</i>
At 1 January 2015	1,074,074	10,741
Issue of new shares under open offer (<i>note</i>)	<u>537,037</u>	<u>5,370</u>
At 30 June 2015	<u>1,611,111</u>	<u>16,111</u>

Note: On 30 June 2015, the Company completed the open offer in which 537,036,922 offer shares were issued on the basis of one offer share for every two shares at the subscription price of HK\$0.60 per offer share with the par value of HK\$0.01 each. Accordingly, the Company's issued share capital was increased by approximately HK\$5,370,000 and its share premium account was increased by approximately HK\$315,245,000 (after deduction of the transaction costs related to the open offer of approximately HK\$1,607,000).

INTERIM DIVIDEND

The Board has resolved not to declare the payment of an interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2015 (six months ended 30 June 2014: Nil).

BUSINESS OVERVIEW

For the six months ended 30 June 2015, the Group continued to engage in the sale of semiconductors and related products business, the development and provision of electronic turnkey device solution products business as well as the property development business in Australia. In addition, the Group also launched its metal trading business in the first half of the current year, taking advantage of the extensive market experience of 海亮集團有限公司 (literally translated as Hailiang Group Co., Limited) (“Hailiang Group”) in the People’s Republic of China (the “PRC”) on metal product trading business.

RESULTS OF THE GROUP

For the six months ended 30 June 2015, the Group reported revenue of HK\$36,272,000, representing a 19% decline as compared with the same period in 2014 (30 June 2014: HK\$44,534,000) and a gross profit of HK\$1,481,000, representing a 35% drop as compared with the same period in 2014 (30 June 2014: HK\$2,265,000). The Group reported loss of HK\$7,706,000 (30 June 2014: HK\$3,850,000) and other comprehensive expenses of HK\$1,242,000 (30 June 2014: HK\$218,000), being exchange differences arising from translating foreign operations. The loss attributed to owners of the Company was HK\$7,301,000 as compared with HK\$3,300,000 for the same period last year; whereas basic loss per share was HK0.59 cent as compared with HK0.27 cent (restated) for the same period last year.

The significant increase in loss is mainly attributable to the increase in operating and administrative expenses for the new property development operation in Australia which was established during the second half of year 2014. Administrative expenses for the current period increased to HK\$11,068,000 (30 June 2014: HK\$5,840,000), representing a 90% increase as compared with the same period last year, which was mainly due to the increase in staff costs, operating lease charges and other miscellaneous administrative expenses for the property development business in Australia. Other net loss amounted to HK\$1,366,000 (30 June 2014: HK\$Nil) was recorded during the period under review, which mainly represented realised exchange loss as a result of the transfer of the rights and liability of the Group under the Deed (as defined in the subsection “Property development in Australia moving forward” under the section “Business Review” below) in relation to the property development business in Australia, details of which are set out in the subsection “Property development in Australia moving forward” under the section “Business Review” below.

BUSINESS REVIEW

Electronic industry in China remains competitive and volatile

The level of economic development in China remains low during the first half of 2015 and the electronic market remains highly competitive and volatile as impacted by continuing overcapacity. The Group's sale of semiconductors and related products business encountered weak demand from business partners and customers, which resulted in loss of economies of scale and therefore declined revenue and profitability in the first half of 2015. For the period under review, the revenue of the Group's sale of semiconductors and related products operation decreased by 65% to HK\$9,664,000 compared with the corresponding period last year, as a result of the challenging business environment.

Similar to the sale of semiconductors and related products business, the development and provision of electronic turnkey device solutions products business also encountered competitive and volatile business environment in China. The revenue of this business decreased by 24% to HK\$13,077,000 compared with the corresponding period last year.

Start-up metal trading business

In light of the less favorable market conditions in the electronic industry, the Group further diversified its businesses into metal trading to fend off the competitions in its electronic products operations. Considering the interconnectedness of global market of the metal trading business, the success of this business requires profound market experience and well-established channels and relationships. The Group takes advantage of Hailiang Group's extensive metal products trading experience in the PRC, and completed its first copper cathodes trading transaction with revenue amounted to approximately HK\$14 million in June 2015.

Property development in Australia moving forward

During the second half of year 2014, the Group diversified its businesses into property development by establishing a property operation in Australia. During the period, no revenue was recorded for this segment, and a segment loss of HK\$5,819,000 was recorded which mainly comprised the operating and administrative expenses incurred in the property operation in Australia.

During the period under review, the Group has been considering property projects in Sydney, Australia with good development potential. In February 2015, the Group acquired a piece of land in Australia (the "Acquisition") details of which are set out in the subsection headed "*The Acquisition*" below. Besides, on 19 May 2015, the Group entered into a due diligence fee deed with The Trust Company Limited as custodian for the Euston Road Subtrust (the "Deed") in respect of two pieces of land in Australia at a consideration of AUD7,375,000 (equivalent to HK\$45,725,000), which the respective rights and liability of the Group were subsequently transferred to Maxida International Alexandria Property Australia Pty Ltd by way of a takeover offer (the "Takeup Offer")

at a consideration of AUD7,375,000 (equivalent to HK\$45,725,000), and a realised exchange loss amounted to HK\$1,367,000 was recognised in “other net loss” in profit or loss as a result of such transfer. Further details of the Deed and the Takeup Offer were set out in the announcements of the Company dated 19 May 2015 and 27 May 2015, respectively.

The Acquisition

An agreement to acquire a piece of land in Australia at a consideration of AUD34,000,000 was signed by Hailiang Property Group Australia Pty Ltd (a direct wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company) and CHP Group Pty Ltd (as trustee for CHP Trust) on 10 February 2015. The Acquisition constitutes a very substantial acquisition to the Company under the Listing Rules. Details of the relevant agreement are set out in the circular of the Company dated 24 January 2015.

As at 30 June 2015, the Group made partial payment for the land and incurred the related professional and governmental fees in total amounted to HK\$35,530,000 in relation to the Acquisition which was recognised as properties for sale under development.

Save as disclosed above, the Group had no significant investments and acquisitions during the six months ended 30 June 2015.

PROSPECTS

The Group has been managing its sale of semiconductors and related products and development and provision of electronic turnkey device solution products businesses prudently in view of the slowdown of economic growth in Mainland China which has posed negative impact on the electronic industry in general. In fact, the business environment in which the Group is operating has become increasingly competitive and profit margin is getting slim, and the outlook for the performance of China’s electronic industry in the latter half of the year remains uncertain due to the lower internal and external demand and the strong competition from other countries. As a result, the Group’s senior management has been exploring alternative opportunities to sharpen the competitive advantages of its electronic products by further cutting down the costs with improved qualities. Meanwhile, the new metal trading business is expected to improve the financial performance of the Group. At the same time, the Group’s property development business has been growing smoothly and in addition to the Acquisition, the Board is also considering some other property projects in Sydney, Australia with good development potential with the view to enhance growth prospect of the Group and generate return to our shareholders. Further announcements will be made by the Board in accordance with the Listing Rules if such projects materialise. Lastly, the Board is also looking for opportunities to improve the Group’s capital structure so as to support healthy development of the Group’s business in the long term.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Liquidity, Financial Resources and Capital Structure

As at 30 June 2015, the Group had current assets of HK\$485,712,000 (31 December 2014: HK\$180,399,000) comprising bank and cash balances of HK\$409,012,000 (31 December 2014: HK\$131,431,000) (excluding pledged bank deposits for bank guaranteed facility granted by a bank) and net current assets of HK\$458,428,000 (31 December 2014: HK\$150,063,000). The Group's current ratio, calculated based on current assets over current liabilities of HK\$27,284,000 (31 December 2014: HK\$30,336,000), maintained at a healthy level of 17.80 times (31 December 2014: 5.95 times) at the period end.

As at 30 June 2015, the Group's equity attributable to owners of the Company increased by HK\$312,037,000 to HK\$456,399,000 (31 December 2014: HK\$144,362,000). The increase in equity attributable to owners of the Company was mainly due to the open offer completed during the period under review, net off by the total comprehensive expenses incurred by the Group during the period.

The Group's gearing ratio represented its total borrowings (including obligations under finance leases) over the sum of equity attributable to owners of the Company and total borrowings of the Group. As at 30 June 2015, the Group had obligations under finance leases amounted to HK\$266,000, which was denominated in Australian dollars with fixed interest rate, and the Group's equity attributable to owners of the Company stood at HK\$456,399,000, the Group's gearing ratio was therefore at low level of about 0.06% (31 December 2014: Nil).

During the six months ended 30 June 2015, the Company issued 537,036,922 shares at a subscription price of HK\$0.60 per offer share by way of an open offer exercise on the basis of one offer share for every two existing shares. The number of the Company's issued shares increased from 1,074,073,845 shares to 1,611,110,767 shares upon the completion of the open offer on 30 June 2015.

The gross proceeds raised by the Company from the open offer amounted to HK\$322,222,000 (before expenses). The Company intended to apply the net proceeds from the open offer of HK\$320,615,000 (after expenses) to finance the Acquisition and as the general working capital of the Group.

For further details of the open offer exercise, please refer to the Company's prospectus dated 8 June 2015.

The Group continues to maintain a prudent approach in managing its financial requirements. In the long run, the Group will continue to finance its operations, the Acquisition and other future acquisitions, if any, by internal resources and/or external debt and by equity fund raising.

Income Tax

The effective tax rate for the period was 31.2% (30 June 2014: negative 1.1%) with the recognition of deferred tax assets of HK\$3,499,000 (30 June 2014: HK\$Nil) on tax losses which is probable to be utilised in the relevant jurisdiction in the foreseeable future.

Foreign Currency Management

During the period, the monetary assets and liabilities and business transactions of the Group were mainly carried and conducted in Hong Kong dollars, Renminbi, United States dollars and Australian dollars. The Group maintained a prudent strategy in its foreign currency risk management, to a large extent, foreign exchange risks were minimised via balancing the foreign currency monetary assets versus the corresponding currency liabilities, and foreign currency revenues versus the corresponding currency expenditures. In light of the above, it was considered that the Group's exposure to foreign exchange risks was not significant and no hedging measure had been undertaken by the Group.

Contingent Liabilities

The Group had no significant contingent liabilities as at 30 June 2015 (31 December 2014: Nil).

Pledge of Assets

As at 30 June 2015, bank deposit and motor vehicle with carry amounts of HK\$2,605,000 (31 December 2014: HK\$2,777,000) and HK\$233,000 (31 December 2014: HK\$Nil) respectively were pledged to the banks to secure the bank guarantee facility and the finance lease facility respectively granted to the Group.

Capital Commitments

As at 30 June 2015, the Group had no material capital commitments (31 December 2014: Nil).

EMPLOYEES AND REMUNERATION POLICIES

As at 30 June 2015, the Group had approximately 170 employees including the Directors (31 December 2014: approximately 119). Total staff costs for the period, including directors' remuneration, was HK\$7,810,000 (30 June 2014: HK\$4,728,000). The Group remunerated its employees based on their performance, experience and prevailing market conditions. Benefits plans provided by the Group include provident fund scheme, medical insurance, subsidised training programme, share option scheme and discretionary bonuses.

The Group made contributions to the Mandatory Provident Fund Scheme for its staff in Hong Kong. The employees of the Company's subsidiaries established in the PRC are members of central pension schemes operated by the local municipal governments. The employees of the Australian subsidiary received a superannuation guarantee contribution as required by the Australian government.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

During the six months ended 30 June 2015, in the opinion of the Board, the Company has complied with all the code provisions of the Corporate Governance Code as set out in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules.

MODEL CODE FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS BY DIRECTORS

The Company has adopted the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the “Model Code”) as set out in Appendix 10 of the Listing Rules as its own code of conduct regarding securities transactions by the Directors. Having made specific enquiry with the Directors, all of them confirmed that they had complied with the required standards as set out in the Model Code throughout the six months ended 30 June 2015.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The interim financial report of the Company for the six months ended 30 June 2015 has not been audited, but has been reviewed by the Audit Committee and are duly approved by the Board under the recommendation of the Audit Committee.

PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF THE COMPANY’S LISTED SECURITIES

During the six months ended 30 June 2015, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries had purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company’s listed securities.

PUBLICATION OF INTERIM RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT AND INTERIM REPORT

This interim results announcement is published on the website of the Company (www.hailianghk.com or www.tricor.com.hk/websevice/02336) and the website of the Stock Exchange (www.hkexnews.hk). The 2015 interim report will be despatched to the shareholders of the Company and made available on the above websites in due course.

By Order of the Board
Hailiang International Holdings Limited
Feng Hailiang 馮海良
Chairman

Hong Kong, 21 August 2015

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises one Non-executive Director, namely Mr. Feng Hailiang (馮海良先生) (Chairman); three Executive Directors, namely Mr. Cao Jianguo (曹建國先生), Mr. Zhou Diyong (周迪永先生) and Ms. Ji Danyang (季丹陽女士); and three Independent Non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Chang Tat Joel, Mr. Ho Gilbert Chi Hang and Mr. Tsui Kun Lam Ivan.