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# STELLA

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## Stella International Holdings Limited 九興控股有限公司\*

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 1836)

### INTERIM RESULTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

#### Highlights:

- Shipment volume increased by 3.8%, led by Sports category
- Revenue increased by 0.7% to US\$775.1 million
- Maintained solid net cash position at US\$291.3 million
- Operating profit was US\$84.7 million with an operating margin at 10.9%
- Net Profit reported as US\$78.1 million
- #Adjusted net profit was US\$77.9 million
- Declared interim dividend of HK52 cents per share representing a dividend payout ratio of over 70%

# Adjusted net profit excluded net fair value gain of US\$0.2 million on financial instruments (related to Lanvin Group)

\* For identification purpose only

The board (the “Board”) of directors (the “Directors”) of Stella International Holdings Limited (“Stella” or the “Company”) is pleased to announce the unaudited interim results of the Company and its subsidiaries (the “Group” or “we”) for the six months ended 30 June 2025 (the “period under review”), together with the comparative figures for the corresponding period in 2024 as follows:

## INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

*For the six months ended 30 June 2025*

		<b>Six months ended 30 June</b>	
		<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<i>Notes</i>	<b>US\$'000</b>	<b>US\$'000</b>
		<b>(Unaudited)</b>	<b>(Unaudited)</b>
REVENUE	4	<b>775,074</b>	770,011
Cost of sales		<b>(599,916)</b>	(571,128)
Gross profit		<b>175,158</b>	198,883
Other income		<b>3,375</b>	3,432
Other gains and losses, net		<b>3,203</b>	(194)
Selling and distribution expenses		<b>(20,336)</b>	(18,251)
Administrative expenses		<b>(77,538)</b>	(80,649)
Impairment losses of financial assets, net		<b>(329)</b>	(6,208)
Share of profit of a joint venture		<b>1,191</b>	2,039
Operating profit before changes in fair value of financial instruments		<b>84,724</b>	99,052
Net fair value gains/(losses) on financial instruments		<b>219</b>	(1,369)
Operating profit after changes in fair value of financial instruments		<b>84,943</b>	97,683
Interest income		<b>7,223</b>	8,094
Interest expense		<b>(297)</b>	(384)
PROFIT BEFORE TAX	5	<b>91,869</b>	105,393
Income tax expense	6	<b>(13,752)</b>	(13,879)
PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD		<b>78,117</b>	91,514

# INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (CONTINUED)

For the six months ended 30 June 2025

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2025	2024
Notes	US\$'000	US\$'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
<b>OTHER COMPREHENSIVE LOSS</b>		
<i>Other comprehensive loss that may be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods:</i>		
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	(265)	(13,871)
<b>OTHER COMPREHENSIVE LOSS FOR THE PERIOD, NET OF TAX</b>	(265)	(13,871)
<b>TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE PERIOD</b>	<b>77,852</b>	<b>77,643</b>
Profit for the period attributable to:		
Owners of the parent	78,633	91,944
Non-controlling interests	(516)	(430)
	<b>78,117</b>	<b>91,514</b>
Total comprehensive income for the period attributable to:		
Owners of the parent	78,377	78,095
Non-controlling interests	(525)	(452)
	<b>77,852</b>	<b>77,643</b>
<b>EARNINGS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINARY EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE PARENT</b>		
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– Basic for profit for the period (in US cents)	9.5	11.5
(equivalent to HK cents)	<b>74.3</b>	<b>89.6</b>
– Diluted for profit for the period (in US cents)	9.3	11.2
(equivalent to HK cents)	<b>73.1</b>	<b>87.8</b>

# INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

At 30 June 2025

		<b>30 June 2025</b>	31 December 2024
	<i>Notes</i>	<b>US\$'000</b>	<b>US\$'000</b>
		<b>(Unaudited)</b>	<b>(Audited)</b>
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Property, plant and equipment	9	<b>392,638</b>	387,161
Investment properties		<b>1,302</b>	1,661
Right-of-use assets		<b>73,478</b>	73,037
Investment in a joint venture		<b>51,131</b>	49,939
Investments in associates		<b>–</b>	–
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	11	<b>2,575</b>	2,363
Pledged deposits		<b>5,875</b>	5,795
Deposits for acquisition of property, plant and equipment and leasehold land		<b>10,140</b>	10,169
Total non-current assets		<b>537,139</b>	530,125
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Inventories		<b>223,854</b>	203,347
Trade receivables	10	<b>305,241</b>	234,552
Prepayments, deposits and other receivables		<b>36,414</b>	31,790
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	11	<b>12</b>	5
Cash and cash equivalents		<b>350,786</b>	423,547
Total current assets		<b>916,307</b>	893,241
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Trade payables	12	<b>91,995</b>	95,104
Other payables and accruals		<b>116,062</b>	127,633
Interest-bearing bank borrowings		<b>54,923</b>	1,319
Lease liabilities		<b>3,009</b>	2,377
Tax payable		<b>61,701</b>	52,713
Total current liabilities		<b>327,690</b>	279,146
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>588,617</b>	614,095
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>1,125,756</b>	1,144,220

# INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (CONTINUED)

At 30 June 2025

	30 June 2025 US\$'000 (Unaudited)	31 December 2024 US\$'000 (Audited)
<b>NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		
Interest-bearing bank borrowings	4,619	4,552
Lease liabilities	5,171	3,750
Deferred tax liabilities	19,989	18,379
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Total non-current liabilities	29,779	26,681
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Net assets	1,095,977	1,117,539
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<b>EQUITY</b>		
Equity attributable to owners of the parent		
Share capital	10,704	10,546
Share premium and reserves	1,070,475	1,091,670
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	1,081,179	1,102,216
Non-controlling interests	14,798	15,323
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Total equity	1,095,977	1,117,539
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# INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the six months ended 30 June 2025

		Six months ended 30 June	
		2025	2024
	Notes	US\$'000	US\$'000
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Profit before tax		91,869	105,393
Interest income	5	(7,223)	(8,094)
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	5	24,436	23,668
Depreciation of investment properties	5	385	376
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	5	3,277	3,424
Impairment losses of financial assets, net	5	329	6,208
Other adjustments		406	(317)
Operating profit before changes in working capital		113,479	130,658
Changes in working capital		(106,301)	(26,996)
Other operating cash flows		(3,272)	(4,484)
<b>Net cash flows from operating activities</b>		<b>3,906</b>	<b>99,178</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Interest received		7,223	8,094
Purchases of items of property, plant and equipment		(32,516)	(23,696)
Deposit paid for acquisition of items of property, plant and equipment		(62)	(146)
Proceeds from disposal of items of property, plant and equipment		171	138
Placement of pledged time deposits		(80)	(79)
<b>Net cash flows used in investing activities</b>		<b>(25,264)</b>	<b>(15,689)</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>			
New bank loans		107,010	43,541
Repayment of bank loans		(54,567)	(42,035)
Dividends paid		(113,186)	(63,415)
Interest paid		(179)	(221)
Principal portion of lease payments		(1,606)	(1,599)
Proceeds from issue of shares upon exercise of share options		13,597	20,920
<b>Net cash flows used in financing activities</b>		<b>(48,931)</b>	<b>(42,809)</b>

# INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (CONTINUED)

*For the six months ended 30 June 2025*

	<b>Six months ended 30 June</b>	
	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>US\$'000</b>	<b>US\$'000</b>
	<b>(Unaudited)</b>	<b>(Unaudited)</b>
<b>NET (DECREASE)/INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>	<b>(70,289)</b>	<b>40,680</b>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period</b>	<b>423,547</b>	<b>294,471</b>
<b>Effect of foreign exchange rate changes, net</b>	<b>(2,472)</b>	<b>(566)</b>
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF PERIOD</b>	<b>350,786</b>	<b>334,585</b>
<b>ANALYSIS OF BALANCES OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>		
Cash and bank balances other than time deposits	<b>93,746</b>	<b>68,323</b>
Non-pledged time deposits with original maturity of less than three months when acquired	<b>257,040</b>	<b>266,262</b>
Cash and cash equivalents as stated in the interim condensed consolidated statement of financial position	<b>350,786</b>	<b>334,585</b>

# NOTES TO INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

30 June 2025

## 1. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The interim condensed consolidated financial information for the six months ended 30 June 2025 has been prepared in accordance with the applicable disclosure requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “Stock Exchange”) and Hong Kong Accounting Standard 34 *Interim Financial Reporting* issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

The interim condensed consolidated financial information does not include all the information and disclosures required in the annual financial statements, and should be read in conjunction with the Group’s annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024.

This interim condensed consolidated financial information has been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, which have been measured at fair value. This unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial information is presented in the United States dollars (“US\$”) and all values are rounded to the nearest thousand except when otherwise indicated.

## 2. CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND DISCLOSURES

The accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the interim condensed consolidated financial information are consistent with those applied in the preparation of the Group’s annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024, except for the adoption of the following amended HKFRS Accounting Standard for the first time for the current period’s financial information.

Amendments to HKAS 21

*Lack of Exchangeability*

The nature and impact of the amended HKFRS Accounting Standard are described below:

Amendments to HKAS 21 specify how an entity shall assess whether a currency is exchangeable into another currency and how it shall estimate a spot exchange rate at a measurement date when exchangeability is lacking. The amendments require disclosures of information that enable users of financial statements to understand the impact of a currency not being exchangeable. As the currencies that the Group had transacted with and the functional currencies of group entities for translation into the Group’s presentation currency were exchangeable, the amendments did not have any impact on the interim condensed consolidated financial information.



### 3. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION

For management purposes, the Group is organised into business units based on their products and services and has two reportable operating segments as follows:

- the manufacturing segment engages in the sale and manufacturing of footwear and handbag
- the retailing and wholesaling segment engages in the sale of products of self-developed brands

Management monitors the results of the Group's operating segments separately for the purpose of making decisions about resource allocation and performance assessment. Segment performance is evaluated based on reportable segment profit/(loss), which is a measure of adjusted profit/(loss) before tax. The adjusted profit/(loss) before tax is measured consistently with the Group's profit before tax except that interest income, fair value gains/(losses) from the Group's financial instruments, share of profit of a joint venture as well as unallocated corporate income, expenses, gains and losses are excluded from such measurement.

Segment assets exclude financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, pledged deposits, and other unallocated corporate assets as these assets are managed on a group basis.

Segment liabilities exclude unallocated interest-bearing bank borrowings and other unallocated head office and corporate liabilities as these liabilities are managed on a group basis.

Intersegment sales and transfers are transacted with reference to the selling prices used for sales made to third parties at the then prevailing market prices.

### 3. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

*Six months ended 30 June 2025 (Unaudited)*

	<b>Manufacturing</b> <i>US\$'000</i>	<b>Retailing and wholesaling</b> <i>US\$'000</i>	<b>Total</b> <i>US\$'000</i>
<b>Segment revenue</b>			
Sales to external customers	774,357	717	775,074
Intersegment sales	<u>430</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>430</u>
Total segment revenue	<u><b>774,787</b></u>	<u><b>717</b></u>	<u><b>775,504</b></u>
<i>Reconciliation:</i>			
Elimination of intersegment sales			<u>(430)</u>
Revenue			<u><b>775,074</b></u>
<b>Segment results</b>	<u><b>87,754</b></u>	<u><b>(267)</b></u>	<b>87,487</b>
<i>Reconciliation:</i>			
Corporate and other unallocated income			42
Corporate and other unallocated expenses, gains and losses			(3,996)
Share of profit of a joint venture			<u>1,191</u>
Operating profit before changes in fair value of financial instruments			<b>84,724</b>
Net fair value gains on financial instruments			<u>219</u>
Operating profit after changes in fair value of financial instruments			<b>84,943</b>
Interest income			7,223
Interest expense			<u>(297)</u>
Profit before tax			<u><b>91,869</b></u>

### 3. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

*Six months ended 30 June 2024 (Unaudited)*

	<b>Manufacturing</b> <i>US\$'000</i>	<b>Retailing and wholesaling</b> <i>US\$'000</i>	<b>Total</b> <i>US\$'000</i>
<b>Segment revenue</b>			
Sales to external customers	769,067	944	770,011
Intersegment sales	<u>991</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>991</u>
Total segment revenue	<u><u>770,058</u></u>	<u><u>944</u></u>	<u><u>771,002</u></u>
<i>Reconciliation:</i>			
Elimination of intersegment sales			<u>(991)</u>
Revenue			<u><u>770,011</u></u>
<b>Segment results</b>	<u><u>102,070</u></u>	<u><u>(267)</u></u>	101,803
<i>Reconciliation:</i>			
Corporate and other unallocated income			25
Corporate and other unallocated expenses, gains and losses			(4,815)
Share of profit of a joint venture			<u>2,039</u>
Operating profit before changes in fair value of financial instruments			99,052
Net fair value losses on financial instruments			<u>(1,369)</u>
Operating profit after changes in fair value of financial instruments			97,683
Interest income			8,094
Interest expense			<u>(384)</u>
Profit before tax			<u><u>105,393</u></u>

### 3. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

The following table presents the asset and liability information of the Group's operating segments as at 30 June 2025 and 31 December 2024, respectively.

	30 June 2025 US\$'000 (Unaudited)	31 December 2024 US\$'000 (Audited)
<b>Segment assets</b>		
Manufacturing	1,415,877	1,374,058
Retailing and wholesaling	15,557	32,659
	<u>1,431,434</u>	<u>1,406,717</u>
Corporate and other unallocated assets	22,012	16,649
	<u>1,453,446</u>	<u>1,423,366</u>
<b>Segment liabilities</b>		
Manufacturing	351,114	295,376
Retailing and wholesaling	2,369	2,600
	<u>353,483</u>	<u>297,976</u>
Corporate and other unallocated liabilities	3,986	7,851
	<u>357,469</u>	<u>305,827</u>

### 4. REVENUE

An analysis of revenue is as follows:

	Six months ended 30 June 2025 US\$'000 (Unaudited)	2024 US\$'000 (Unaudited)
Revenue from contracts with customers	<u>775,074</u>	<u>770,011</u>

#### 4. REVENUE (Continued)

##### *Disaggregated revenue information for revenue from contracts with customers*

For the six months ended 30 June 2025 (Unaudited)

##### Segments

	Manufacturing US\$'000	Retailing and wholesaling US\$'000	Total US\$'000
<b>Types of goods</b>			
Sales of footwear and handbag	<u>774,357</u>	<u>717</u>	<u>775,074</u>
<b>Geographical markets</b>			
The People's Republic of China (the "PRC")	119,367	623	119,990
Asia (other than the PRC)	69,743	–	69,743
Europe	181,220	94	181,314
North America	377,120	–	377,120
Others	<u>26,907</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>26,907</u>
<b>Total</b>	<u>774,357</u>	<u>717</u>	<u>775,074</u>
<b>Timing of revenue recognition</b>			
Goods transferred at a point in time	<u>774,357</u>	<u>717</u>	<u>775,074</u>

For the six months ended 30 June 2024 (Unaudited)

##### Segments

	Manufacturing US\$'000	Retailing and wholesaling US\$'000	Total US\$'000
<b>Types of goods</b>			
Sales of footwear and handbag	<u>769,067</u>	<u>944</u>	<u>770,011</u>
<b>Geographical markets</b>			
The People's Republic of China (the "PRC")	127,774	860	128,634
Asia (other than the PRC)	69,456	–	69,456
Europe	189,522	84	189,606
North America	360,241	–	360,241
Others	<u>22,074</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>22,074</u>
<b>Total</b>	<u>769,067</u>	<u>944</u>	<u>770,011</u>
<b>Timing of revenue recognition</b>			
Goods transferred at a point in time	<u>769,067</u>	<u>944</u>	<u>770,011</u>

## 5. PROFIT BEFORE TAX

The Group's profit before tax is arrived at after charging/(crediting):

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2025	2024
	US\$'000	US\$'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Cost of inventories sold	599,644	572,005
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	24,436	23,668
Depreciation of investment properties	385	376
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	3,277	3,424
Net fair value (gains)/losses on financial assets		
at fair value through profit or loss	(219)	1,369
Severance payments and other related costs	4	1,337
Impairment losses of financial assets, net <sup>#</sup>	329	6,208
Provision/(write-back of provision) against inventories, net	272	(877)
Bank interest income	(7,014)	(7,893)
Interest income from financial assets		
at fair value through profit or loss	(209)	(201)
Loss/(gain) on disposal of items of property, plant and equipment	1,073	(44)
Foreign exchange differences, net	(4,276)	238

<sup>#</sup> *Impairment losses of financial assets included impairments of trade receivables.*

## 6. INCOME TAX

Tax on profits assessable in the PRC has been calculated at the applicable PRC corporate income tax ("CIT") rate of 25% (six months ended 30 June 2024: 25%) during the six months ended 30 June 2025.

Hong Kong profits tax has been provided at the rate of 16.5% (six months ended 30 June 2024: 16.5%) on the estimated assessable profits arising in Hong Kong during the period, except for one subsidiary of the Group which is a qualifying entity under the two-tiered profits tax rates regime. The first HK\$2,000,000 (six months ended 30 June 2024: HK\$2,000,000) of assessable profits of this subsidiary are taxed at 8.25% (six months ended 30 June 2024: 8.25%) and the remaining assessable profits are taxed at 16.5% (six months ended 30 June 2024: 16.5%).

Macau Complementary Tax has been provided at the rate of 12% (six months ended 30 June 2024: 12%) on the assessable profits arising in Macau during the period.

## 6. INCOME TAX (Continued)

Taxes on profits assessable elsewhere have been calculated at the rates of tax prevailing in the jurisdictions in which the Group operates.

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2025 US\$'000 (Unaudited)	2024 US\$'000 (Unaudited)
Current		
Charge for the period:		
– PRC	7,342	5,899
– Macau	3,997	2,381
– Elsewhere	803	1,146
	<u>12,142</u>	<u>9,426</u>
Deferred tax	<u>1,610</u>	<u>4,453</u>
Total	<u><u>13,752</u></u>	<u><u>13,879</u></u>

## 7. DIVIDENDS

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2025 US\$'000 (Unaudited)	2024 US\$'000 (Unaudited)
Final dividend declared and paid – HK50 cents (six months ended 30 June 2024: HK61 cents) per ordinary share	53,390	63,415
Special dividend declared and paid – HK56 cents (six months ended 30 June 2024: Nil) per ordinary share	<u>59,796</u>	<u>–</u>
	<u><u>113,186</u></u>	<u><u>63,415</u></u>

On 21 August 2025, the board of directors (the “Board”) declared an interim dividend of HK52 cents per ordinary share, amounting to approximately US\$55,708,000.

## 8. EARNINGS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINARY EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE PARENT

The calculation of the basic earnings per share amounts is based on the profit for the period attributable to ordinary equity holders of the parent, and the weighted average number of ordinary shares, excluding a pool of shares maintained by a trustee, of 830,294,950 (six months ended 30 June 2024: 802,144,522) outstanding during the period.

The calculation of the diluted earnings per share amounts is based on the profit for the period attributable to ordinary equity holders of the parent. The weighted average number of ordinary shares, as used in the calculation is the number of ordinary shares outstanding during the period, as used in the basic earnings per share calculation, and the weighted average number of ordinary shares assumed to have been issued at no consideration on the deemed exercise or conversion of all dilutive potential ordinary shares into ordinary shares.

The calculations of basic and diluted earnings per share are based on:

	<b>Six months ended 30 June</b>	
	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>US\$'000</b>	<b>US\$'000</b>
	<b>(Unaudited)</b>	<b>(Unaudited)</b>
Profit attributable to ordinary equity holders of the parent, used in the basic and diluted earnings per share calculation	<b>78,633</b>	<b>91,944</b>
	<b>Number of shares</b>	
	<b>Six months ended 30 June</b>	
	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>(Unaudited)</b>	<b>(Unaudited)</b>
<b>Shares</b>		
Weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the period used in the basic earnings per share calculation	<b>830,294,950</b>	802,144,522
Effect of dilution – weighted average number of ordinary shares: Share options	<b>14,244,374</b>	17,137,827
Total	<b>844,539,324</b>	819,282,349



## 9. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

During the six months ended 30 June 2025, the Group acquired assets at a cost of US\$32,607,000 (six months ended 30 June 2024: US\$27,434,000).

Assets with a net book value of US\$1,244,000 were disposed of by the Group during the six months ended 30 June 2025 (six months ended 30 June 2024: US\$94,000), resulting in a net loss on disposal of US\$1,073,000 (six months ended 30 June 2024: gain on disposal of US\$44,000).

## 10. TRADE RECEIVABLES

An ageing analysis of the trade receivables as at the end of each reporting period, based on the invoice date and net of loss allowance, is as follows:

	<b>30 June 2025 US\$'000 (Unaudited)</b>	<b>31 December 2024 US\$'000 (Audited)</b>
Within 1 month	<b>147,312</b>	112,285
1 to 2 months	<b>104,012</b>	84,535
2 to 3 months	<b>43,933</b>	32,298
3 to 6 months	<b>9,984</b>	5,434
Total	<b><u>305,241</u></b>	<b><u>234,552</u></b>

The Group's trading terms with its customers are mainly on credit. The standard payment terms are generally 30 days and selected customers up to 90 days.

Included in the Group's gross trade receivables are amounts due from the Group's associates of US\$41,492,000 (31 December 2024: US\$40,270,000), with provision of expected credit losses amounting to US\$40,270,000 (31 December 2024: US\$40,270,000), which are repayable on credit terms similar to those offered to the major customers of the Group.

## 11. FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS

		<b>30 June 2025</b>	31 December 2024
	<i>Notes</i>	<b>US\$'000</b>	<b>US\$'000</b>
		<b>(Unaudited)</b>	<b>(Audited)</b>
Listed equity investments, at fair value	(a)	2,575	2,363
Listed debt investments, at fair value	(b)	12	5
Total		<b>2,587</b>	<b>2,368</b>
Non-current assets		2,575	2,363
Current assets		12	5
Total		<b>2,587</b>	<b>2,368</b>

### Notes:

- (a) As at 30 June 2025, the Group holds 1,175,790 (31 December 2024: 1,175,790) shares of a company, which is listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

The investments were classified as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss and measured at fair value at initial recognition and at the end of each reporting period. During the six months ended 30 June 2025, fair value gain of US\$212,000 (six months ended 30 June 2024: fair value loss of US\$1,364,000) was recognised in profit or loss.

- (b) The above debt investments were classified as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss as they were held for trading. During the six months ended 30 June 2025, fair value gain of US\$7,000 (six months ended 30 June 2024: fair value loss of US\$5,000) was recognised in profit or loss.

## 12. TRADE PAYABLES

An ageing analysis of the trade payables as at the end of the reporting period, based on the invoice date, is as follows:

	<b>30 June 2025</b>	31 December 2024
	<b>US\$'000</b>	<b>US\$'000</b>
	<b>(Unaudited)</b>	<b>(Audited)</b>
Within 1 month	75,026	75,166
1 to 2 months	10,072	8,296
Over 2 months	6,897	11,642
Total	<b>91,995</b>	<b>95,104</b>

Included in the trade payables are trade payables of US\$37,487,000 (31 December 2024: US\$42,634,000) due to a joint venture which are repayable within 90 days and have credit terms similar to those offered by the joint venture to its major customers.

## CHAIRMAN STATEMENT

Dear shareholders,

In the first half of 2025, demand for our products and diversified manufacturing capacity remained strong, despite macroeconomic and trade pact uncertainties. Our non-customer-exclusive manufacturing facilities operated at close to full utilisation as we continued to win and ramp-up new customers in the Sports and high-end Fashion segments.

The resilient position in which we find ourselves is the direct result of our Three-Year Plan (2023-2025), under which we have improved our category mix, diversified and expanded our customer base, and optimised our manufacturing footprint. Under this plan, we set out a dual profitability target: achieving a 10% operating margin and delivering low-teens annualized growth in profit after tax for the full three-year period. We are confident that we will meet these targets at the end of 2025, having already exceeded these marks in 2023 and 2024.

That said, we faced short-term profitability challenges in the first half of the year, primarily due to two factors. First, a high base effect resulted from the front-loading of approximately one million pairs of orders in the first half of 2024, as customers sought to capitalise on surging demand seen during last summer's tourist season in Europe ahead of the Paris Olympics. Second, there existed short-term operational inefficiencies associated with the ramp-up of our production capacity in Indonesia and the Philippines, where workforce productivity is yet to reach optimal levels. To meet demand and ensure that the important goals of our customers were met, we shifted some production to our footwear factories in Vietnam, which led to higher costs, including overtime expenses.

While the current teething issues are less than ideal, we anticipate gradual improvement in the second half of the year. Importantly, we remain on track for sustained growth as we finalise our next three-year plan (2026-2028). Part of this plan includes our intention to scale-up total production capacity by an additional 20 million pairs starting from this year onwards. This will be driven by further ramping up our new factory in Solo, Indonesia, launching operations at our second Bangladesh plant, and accelerating construction of a dedicated factory for our largest sports customer in Indonesia.

A further priority for our next three-year plan is the development of our handbag and accessories manufacturing business, which we intend to establish as an important long term growth driver. To support this, we recently finalised the acquisition of a small but highly experienced handbag factory in Vietnam. Its expertise will be leveraged to elevate quality and efficiency across the rest of our handbag business.

Once finalised, our next three-year plan will position us to capitalise on capturing the demand from brands across product categories. As more companies reassess their supply chains and consolidate vendors, we aim to be ideally placed to meet their needs—combining high-quality standards with added value.

Consistent with our long-standing 70% dividend payout policy, I am pleased to announce that the Board has declared an interim dividend of HK52 cents per ordinary share.

Furthermore, as part of our commitment to delivering shareholder value, we remain committed to executing our excess cash return program, as per our announcement of interim results for the six months ended 30 June 2024 (“Excess Cash Return Program”). We plan to distribute an additional US\$60 million annually to shareholders for the 2025 and 2026 financial years through a combination of share repurchases and special dividends, in addition to our normal dividend payout ratio of 70%.

Finally, we continue to be recognised for our efforts to adopt better sustainability and transparency practices. In August 2025, our MSCI ESG rating was upgraded from ‘A’ to ‘AA’—our second consecutive annual upgrade.

As we move into the second half of 2025, our commitment to creating value for shareholders and all stakeholders remains unwavering. I would also like to express my sincere appreciation to our customers, business partners and employees. Your trust, dedication and support are the foundation of our continued success.

## **MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**

The Board of Directors (the “Board”) of Stella International Holdings Limited (“Stella” or the “Company”) is pleased to present the interim results of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively, the “Group”) for the six months ended 30 June 2025.

## **BUSINESS STRATEGIES**

Stella is widely known within the footwear industry for its unparalleled product design and commercialisation capabilities, ‘artisan level’ craftsmanship, uncompromising commitment to quality, speed-to-market, and small-batch production flexibility, supported by a broad, diverse, and proven manufacturing base located in Vietnam, the People’s Republic of China (the “PRC”), Indonesia, the Philippines and Bangladesh. Over the years, we have provided customers with an all-rounded skillset, integrated and accumulated from developing a broad product base spanning Luxury, high-end Fashion, athleisure and outdoor Sports footwear.

We have adopted a customer-centric business model, delivering premium product development services and tailored manufacturing solutions for each unique design. With a diversified production base, we offer both exceptional quality and added value.

We are also seeking ways in which to apply the same business model in similar business streams that synergise well with the client base of our manufacturing business. In late 2021, we incorporated our earlier acquired handbag and accessories manufacturing business into the Company as we aim to become a total solutions provider for our premium customers.

### **Three-year plan (2023-2025)**

As part of our long-term strategy, we have embarked on a Three-Year Plan (2023-2025) with a focus on growth and margin expansion listed below:

#### ***Enhance our category mix to better align with our unique strengths and capabilities, including:***

- Further deepening our relationships with major global sports brands, leveraging our capabilities in product development for differentiated and complex products to support and grow with them as they continue to expand and lead innovation in the athleisure and premium-priced footwear categories
- Partnering with more Luxury and high-end Fashion brands that are seeking to introduce sports and athleisure into their collections, with Stella being a close collaborator at every stage including design, commercialisation and manufacturing
- Adding more well-established but fast-growing Sports and Fashion footwear brands that are leading athleisure fashion trends to our customer portfolio

#### ***Expand and diversify our manufacturing to protect our cost base, including:***

- Ramping up our new footwear factory in Solo, Indonesia that commenced production in 2022
- Jointly developing and completing an exclusive Sports footwear factory in Indonesia with a major brand partner
- Increasing our production capacity in Bangladesh

#### ***Optimise our management effectiveness and efficiency, including:***

- Re-organising our organisational structure, centralising our account management teams to provide better customer service and refocusing our factory operational teams on day-to-day manufacturing excellence
- Combining our research and development teams to enhance our design and commercialisation capabilities, and better serve our customers
- Aligning manager incentive schemes with transparent short-term and long-term operational targets

***Strengthen cost efficiency and improve working capital, including:***

- Enhancing our customer portfolio to reduce our overall risk
- Improving our inventory and cash flow management
- Further strengthening cost controls across divisions

**Targets for Three-Year Plan**

**Operating margin: 10%**

**Profit After Tax CAGR<sup>1</sup>: Low-Teens**

**BUSINESS REVIEW**

For the six months ended 30 June 2025, our non-customer-exclusive manufacturing facilities operated at close to full utilisation as we continued to ramp-up new customers in the Sports and high-end Fashion segments, and further expand and diversify our customer portfolio in line with our Three-Year Plan. Revenue and shipment volumes increased year-on-year, despite a high-base effect resulting from early shipments of approximately 1 million pairs to certain customers in the corresponding period of last year.

However, we faced some temporary gross margin pressures during the period, due to short-term efficiency issues associated with the ramp-up of our expanded production capacities in Indonesia and the Philippines.

The key financial performance indicators of the Company include revenue, gross profit and operating profit. An analysis of these indicators during the six months ended 30 June 2025 are as below:

**Revenue**

The Group's consolidated revenue for the six months ended 30 June 2025 increased by 0.7% to US\$775.1 million (first half of 2024: US\$770.0 million). Shipment volumes rose by 3.8% to 27.5 million pairs (first half of 2024: 26.5 million pairs), mainly driven by the Sports segment, despite a high-base effect from higher shipment volumes in the corresponding period in 2024 when approximately 1 million pairs were shipped ahead of schedule in the first half of 2024. The average selling price ("ASP") of our footwear products decreased by 3.2% to \$27.4 per pair (first half of 2024: US\$28.3 per pair) due to the higher proportion of Sports product orders which have a lower ASP.

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<sup>1</sup> CAGR: Compound Annual Growth Rate

In terms of product category, sales in our Sports category increased by 8.2%, accounting for 48.5% of total manufacturing revenue (first half of 2024: 45.1%). This was driven by higher shipments to our largest Sports customer and other existing Sports customers, as well as the successful ramp-up with a new Sports customer launching fresh collections and styles. Revenue attributed to our Fashion and Luxury categories—whose products have a similar level of ASP—together recorded a net decrease of 3.5% (decrease of 2.6% and 6.2% respectively) and accounted for 25.4% and 7.8% of total manufacturing revenue respectively (first half of 2024: 26.2% and 8.4%), due to a high base and as we optimised our capacity allocation. Revenue attributed to our Casual category declined by 9.2%, accounting for 18.3% (first half of 2024: 20.3%) of total manufacturing revenue as we continued to reallocate capacity to grow our other categories in line with our Three-Year Plan.

Geographically, North America and Europe are our two largest markets, accounting for 48.7% and 23.4% of the total revenue of the Group during the period under review. Following these, the PRC (including Hong Kong), Asia (other than the PRC) and other geographic regions contributed 15.5%, 9.0% and 3.4% of the Group's total revenue respectively.

Revenue attributed to our branding business (namely the wholesale business for our own retail footwear brand Stella Luna in the PRC which is in the process of being scaled down) decreased by 24.0% to US\$0.7 million during the period under review.

## **Gross profit**

Our gross profit for the period under review decreased by 11.9% to US\$175.2 million, compared to US\$198.9 million in the same period of last year. Our gross profit margin for the period under review was 22.6% (first half of 2024: 25.8%). Such decreases in gross profit and gross profit margin were due to:

- (a) a high-base effect resulting from higher profits earned in the same period of last year from earlier-than-planned shipments of approximately 1 million pairs to certain customers, which fell outside of normal seasonality;
- (b) temporary gross profit margin pressure caused by:
  - i. training newly-hired workers in Indonesia and the Philippines, who did not fully attain the efficiency levels required to meet production demand during the period; and
  - ii. the subsequent slower-than-anticipated ramp-up of the new footwear factory in Indonesia, which led the Group to redirect some production to its footwear factories in Vietnam, resulting in higher production costs and overtime expenses.

## Operating profit

The reported operating profit<sup>2</sup> of the Group for the period under review decreased by 14.5% to US\$84.7 million, compared to US\$99.1 million in the same period of last year, which was attributed to the fall in gross profit during the period.

The operating profit margin (before changes in fair value of financial instruments) of the Group for the period under review was 10.9% (first half of 2024: 12.9%).

## Net results

Due to the factors outlined above, the Group recorded a net profit of US\$78.1 million during the period under review, compared to US\$91.5 million in the same period of last year, including a marked-to-market net fair value gain of US\$0.2 million on financial instruments related to its investment in Lanvin Group Holdings Limited (“Lanvin Group”) listed on the New York Stock Exchange (first half of 2024: marked-to-market net fair value loss of US\$1.4 million).

Excluding the Group’s net fair value change from its investment in Lanvin Group, the Group recorded an adjusted net profit<sup>3</sup> of US\$77.9 million (first half of 2024: US\$92.9 million). Our adjusted net profit<sup>3</sup> margin was 10.1%, compared to 12.1% in the same period of last year.

## Solid net cash position

We maintained our strong focus on managing our working capital usage and cash flow, with our capital expenditure projects continuing to progress slower than expected. As of 30 June 2025, our net cash position was US\$291.3 million, compared to a net cash position of US\$326.1 million as at 30 June 2024, following the final dividend payment for the 2024 financial year and an additional cash of US\$60 million returned in May 2025 under our excess cash return program (by way of payment of final dividend and special dividend). Therefore, the Group’s net gearing ratio<sup>4</sup> was -26.6% as at 30 June 2025, compared to -29.6% as at 30 June 2024.

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<sup>2</sup> Reported operating profit is the Group’s operating profit before changes in fair value of financial instruments.

<sup>3</sup> Adjusted net profit represents the profit for the period, excluding net fair value gain of US\$0.2 million related to the Group’s investment in Lanvin Group.

<sup>4</sup> Net gearing ratio = net debt/shareholder equity



## RECOGNITIONS AND AWARDS

Our sustainability efforts continue to be recognised by distinguished external parties. In July 2025, our MSCI ESG rating was upgraded from 'A' to 'AA' by MSCI ESG Research, reflecting our ongoing efforts to adopt better sustainability and transparency practices.

## OUTLOOK

For the full year 2025, we expect a moderate increase in shipment volumes compared to 2024. However, our profitability will remain constrained by the progressive efficiency improvements at our manufacturing facilities in Indonesia and the Philippines in the second half of 2025. We will see short-term margin pressure in the second half of the year as we deepen partnerships with key U.S. customers to optimise their production operations and reinforce our long-term strategic relationships with them.

We will continue to optimise the allocation of production capacity between our Luxury and high-end Fashion categories and our new Sports customers. Our non-customer-exclusive manufacturing facilities are expected to operate at close to full utilisation during the second half of the year as we commence shipments to two new customers in the Fashion and Sports categories in the second half of the year. Despite the prevailing market uncertainties, demand for our product development and manufacturing capacity remain strong as we continue to win new customers. More and more brands are revisiting their supply chain needs and consolidating with strategic vendors that offer differentiation, high quality and value.

As we near the completion of our Three-Year Plan (2023-2025), we are confident about meeting our targets of a 10% operating margin and low-teens CAGR in profit after tax across the three-year period, having exceeded these targets in 2023 and 2024.

Looking beyond, we plan to add an additional 20 million pairs to our overall production capacity from 2025 onwards to support our future growth. This will be achieved through the further ramp-up of our new factory in Solo, Indonesia; commencing operations at our second manufacturing facility in Bangladesh; and accelerating the construction of a dedicated factory for our largest sports customer in Indonesia.

We are also firmly committed to establishing our handbag and accessories manufacturing business as a core growth driver, with the aim of introducing it to more of our high-end customer base. Accelerating its development will be one of the focuses of our next Three-Year Plan, beginning in 2026. We have recently completed the acquisition of a small handbag and accessories factory in Vietnam. We plan to leverage this factory's high-end production expertise and experienced team to improve quality levels and production efficiency across our handbag and accessories manufacturing business.

Finally, we remain committed to returning additional cash up to US\$60 million per year to shareholders in 2025 and 2026, through a combination of share repurchases and special dividends, on top of paying regular dividends with a payout ratio of approximately 70% (comprising final dividends and interim dividends).

## **CASH RETURN TO SHAREHOLDERS**

As we work towards implementing our strategies, we remain committed to returning profit and providing attractive returns to our shareholders.

After considering the Group's free cash flow situation, strong cash levels, and pre-funded capital expenditure projects, the Board has resolved to declare an interim dividend of HK52 cents per ordinary share for the six months ended 30 June 2025 and maintain the Company's normal payout ratio of approximately 70% set against its adjusted net profit<sup>3</sup> of US\$77.9 million.

The Group remains committed to returning additional cash up to US\$60 million per year to shareholders in 2025 and 2026, through a combination of share repurchases and special dividends, on top of paying regular dividends with a payout ratio of approximately 70%.

## **LIQUIDITY, FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND CAPITAL STRUCTURE**

As at 30 June 2025, the Group had cash and cash equivalents of approximately US\$350.8 million (31 December 2024: US\$423.5 million; 30 June 2024: US\$334.6 million), representing an increase of 4.8% compared to 30 June 2024.

In the six months ended 30 June 2025, net cash inflows from operations were US\$3.9 million, compared to net cash inflows of US\$99.2 million for the corresponding period of 2024. The net cash inflows from operations in the six months ended 30 June 2025 was primarily impacted by a negative US\$106.3 million change in working capital (compared to 30 June 2024 negative US\$27.0 million). This was mainly caused by an increase in inventory related to second half shipment and comparatively low base for accounts receivable as at 31 December 2024. The accounts receivable as at 30 June 2025 was US\$305.2 million (31 December 2024: US\$234.6 million; 30 June 2024: US\$304.4 million; 31 December 2023: US\$277.8 million). Accounts receivable as at 31 December 2024 was a relatively low base due to a temporary reduction in business with a major customer before it relaunched its new collection in 2025. Furthermore, there was a timing issue with collection dates falling on public holidays for the comparable financial periods.

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<sup>3</sup> Adjusted net profit represents the profit for the period, excluding net fair value gain of US\$0.2 million related to the Group's investment in Lanvin Group.

Net cash outflows used in investing activities were US\$25.3 million during the period under review (for the six months ended 30 June 2024: US\$15.7 million), representing an increase of 61.1%. Capital expenditure amounted to approximately US\$32.6 million during the period under review (for the six months ended 30 June 2024: US\$23.8 million).

As at 30 June 2025, the Group had current assets of approximately US\$916.3 million (31 December 2024: US\$893.2 million) and current liabilities of approximately US\$327.7 million (31 December 2024: US\$279.1 million). The current ratio (which is calculated on the basis of current assets over current liabilities) was 2.8 as at 30 June 2025 (31 December 2024: 3.2), an indication of the Group's high liquidity and healthy financial position.

## **BANK BORROWINGS**

The Group had bank borrowings of US\$59.5 million as at 30 June 2025 (31 December 2024: US\$5.9 million), which are principally denominated in New Taiwan dollars, Hong Kong dollars and U.S. dollars, with an effective interest rate of 1.05%-5%.

The Group maintained a net cash position of US\$291.3 million as at 30 June 2025 (31 December 2024: US\$417.6 million; 30 June 2024: US\$326.1 million). Therefore, the Group's net gearing ratio<sup>4</sup> was -26.6% as at 30 June 2025 compared to -29.6% as at 30 June 2024.

## **FOREIGN CURRENCY EXPOSURE**

During the six months ended 30 June 2025, the Group's sales were mostly denominated in U.S. dollars, while the purchase of raw materials and operating expenses were mostly denominated in U.S. dollars and RMB. Currency exposures were mostly in RMB and Hong Kong dollars against US dollars, the functional currency of the Group.

## **PLEDGE OF ASSETS**

As at 30 June 2025, the Group had pledged US\$10.8 million of its assets (31 December 2024: US\$10.7 million).

## **CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

As at 30 June 2025, the Group had no contingent liabilities (31 December 2024: Nil).

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<sup>4</sup> Net gearing ratio = net debt/shareholder equity

## **MATERIAL ACQUISITION AND DISPOSAL**

During the six months ended 30 June 2025, the Group had no material acquisition or disposal of subsidiaries, associates or joint ventures. Subsequently, the Group completed the acquisition of a small handbag and accessories factory in Vietnam in July 2025 to support the growth and future development of its handbag and accessories manufacturing business, which transaction is not subject to any disclosure or shareholders' approval requirements under the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

## **SIGNIFICANT INVESTMENT**

As at 30 June 2025, the Group did not hold any significant investments with a value of 5% or more of the Group's total assets.

## **FUTURE PLAN FOR MATERIAL INVESTMENTS OR CAPITAL ASSETS**

The Directors confirmed that, as at the date of this announcement, there was no plan for any material investment or to acquire capital assets other than those in the Group's ordinary business.

## **MAJOR CUSTOMERS AND SUPPLIERS**

Customers and suppliers are our core stakeholders. We believe their successes are indispensable to our growth. Also, an effective alignment between them is the key to high-performing supply chain competitiveness. Our brand customers evaluate supply chain performance on product commercialisation, quality, on-time delivery and efficiency. The Company consistently places within the top 10 percentile of these vendors' evaluations.

We treasure our alliance with these long-term partners and we will continue to build strategic and fruitful relationships with them to enable continuous improvements in quality, craftsmanship, innovation, speed to market and small-batch production.

## **EMPLOYEES**

As at 30 June 2025, the Group had approximately 43,400 direct employees (31 December 2024: approximately 42,600) and an overall workforce of approximately 65,000. Our overall workforce includes both direct employees of the Group and employees indirectly employed by the Group (which refers to workers supplied by contractor companies under labour supply agreements). We cultivate a caring, sharing and learning culture among our employees and believe that human resources are significant assets to the Group's development and expansion. We actively seek to attract, develop and retain individuals who are proactive, positive, committed to and passionate about our business.

The Group has continued to build a strong management team internally through effective learning and promotion programs, including our “Leadership Programme” to identify potential high calibre colleagues, to assess the quality of senior management and ultimately to determine appropriate incentives and other human resources development measures. With a view to recognising and rewarding the contribution of employees, as well as providing incentives to employees in order to retain them for the continual operation and development of the Group and attract suitable personnel for the further development of the Group, the Company has adopted a share option scheme and a share award scheme.

## **EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD**

There are no events causing material impact on the Group from the end of the reporting period to the date of this announcement.

## **REVIEW OF ACCOUNTS BY AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The audit committee of the Board (the “Audit Committee”) has reviewed the unaudited interim results of the Group, including the accounting treatment adopted by the Company, for the six months ended 30 June 2025, with no disagreement. The Audit Committee has also discussed with the Company’s management regarding risk management, internal control and other related matters.

## **INTERIM DIVIDEND**

The Board has resolved to declare an interim dividend of HK52 cents per ordinary share for the six months ended 30 June 2025. The interim dividend will be paid to shareholders listed on the register of members of the Company at the close of business on Tuesday, 9 September 2025. It is expected that the interim dividend will be paid on Friday, 19 September 2025. The register of members of the Company will be closed from Friday, 5 September 2025 to Tuesday, 9 September 2025, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be registered. In order to qualify for the interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2025, all share transfers accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company’s share registrar and transfer office in Hong Kong, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited at Shops 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen’s Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong, for registration not later than 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, 4 September 2025.

## **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

### **Compliance with Corporate Governance Code**

The Board and management of the Group are committed to achieving high standards of corporate governance through increasing transparency, accountability and better risk assessment and mitigation. We believe that high standard of corporate governance practices will translate into long-term returns to the shareholders of the Company (the “Shareholders”). The Company has applied the principles and complied with all code provisions in Part 2 of the Corporate Governance Code set out Appendix C1 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “Listing Rules”) throughout the six months ended 30 June 2025. Further information on the Company’s corporate governance practices is set out in the corporate governance report in the Company’s 2024 annual report, which is available on the Company’s website.

### **Governance Model**

The Company advocates a governance model which combines both corporate governance and business governance in order to build long-term interests for the Group. Corporate governance emphasises on conformance to relevant laws and regulations while business governance focuses on business performance. We believe the combination of both will enhance accountability and assurance to the Shareholders which are the key drivers for value creation for the Group.

### **Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the “Model Code”)**

The Company has adopted the Model Code as set out in Appendix C3 to the Listing Rules as its code for dealings in securities of the Company by the Directors. The Company has made specific enquiry with all its Directors regarding any non-compliance with the Model Code. All the Directors confirmed that they have complied with the required standard set out in the Model Code during the six months ended 30 June 2025.

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

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries had purchased, sold or redeemed any of the listed securities of the Company during the six months ended 30 June 2025.

## **PUBLICATION OF THE INTERIM RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT AND INTERIM REPORT**

This interim results announcement is published on the websites of the Stock Exchange ([www.hkexnews.hk](http://www.hkexnews.hk)) and the Company ([www.stella.com.hk](http://www.stella.com.hk)). The interim report of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2025 containing the required information under the Listing Rules will be published on the respective websites of the Stock Exchange and the Company in due course.

By the order of the Board  
**Stella International Holdings Limited**  
**Chen Li-Ming, Lawrence**  
*Chairman*

Hong Kong, 21 August 2025

*As at the date of this announcement, the executive Directors are Mr. Chen Li-Ming, Lawrence, Mr. Chi Lo-Jen, Mr. Gillman Charles Christopher and Mr. Chiang Yi-Min, Harvey; and the independent non-executive Directors are Mr. Bolliger Peter, Mr. Chan Fu Keung, William, BBS, Mr. Yue Chao-Tang, Thomas and Ms. Wan Sin Yee, Cindy.*