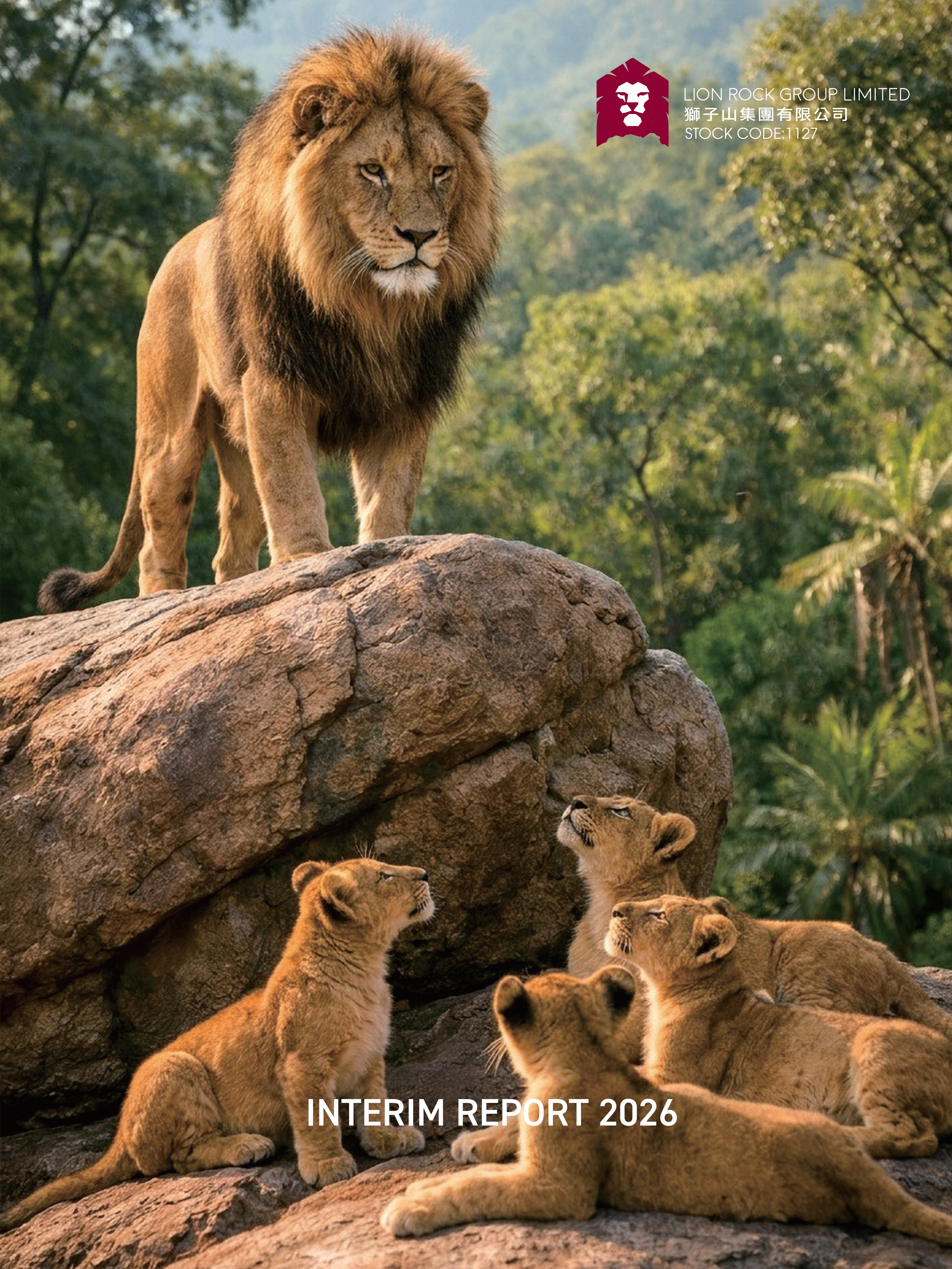

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The Group's turnover for the first six months of 2026 increased by 9% to HK$1,192 million (H1 2025: HK$1,094 million), primarily driven by higher sales generated by the print manufacturing segment. Profit attributable to owners of the Company rose by 5% to HK$80 million (H1 2025: HK$76 million). The increase was mainly attributable to stronger profit contributions from the print manufacturing segment, partly offset by lower contributions from the print management and publishing segments.

During the first half of 2026, conditions in the global book market remained mixed. According to Circana BookScan, the United States, the world's largest book market, recorded a 5.7% year-on-year increase in unit sales of printed adult fiction titles, while unit sales of adult non-fiction titles declined by 5.8%. The children's book category rebounded after several years of decline, achieving year-on-year growth of 4.9%. As Quarto's publishing portfolio is primarily focused on adult non-fiction and children's books, these contrasting market trends had a mixed impact on its performance.

Despite the mixed market conditions, demand for offshore printing remained resilient during the first half of 2026. According to XPORT-IQ, a provider of global trade and freight intelligence, book shipments to the United States from the world's 20 largest offshore book exporters recorded double-digit year-on-year growth. This growth was driven primarily by US publishers front-loading their orders in anticipation of changes to the tariff regime following the expiry of the Section 122 tariff in July 2026. The Section 122 tariff had imposed an additional 10% duty on a broad range of imported goods.

The front-loading of orders extended beyond the publishing sector. Manufacturers across a wide range of industries also expedited shipments in advance of potential tariff changes, contributing to significant volatility in trans-Pacific freight markets. Spot rates for a 40-foot container from China to the US West Coast increased from approximately US$3,000 in May to more than US$7,000 in early July, before easing to around US$6,000 by the end of the period. Pricing pressures are likely to moderate progressively during the second half of the year as front-loaded shipping activity subsides.

During the period, the US administration announced a new round of Section 301 tariffs covering imports from 60 countries. While printed informational books continue to be exempt, certain product categories, including journals, workbooks and craft kits, are now subject to additional duties of 10% or 12.5%, replacing the expired 10% tariff imposed under Section 122. Although the new tariffs are currently subject to legal challenges in the US courts, it is generally expected that some form of these measures will remain in place.

A. PRINT MANUFACTURING

1010 Printing, China manufacturing and international sales operations:
Revenue increased by 25% as demand for offshore print manufacturing strengthened, supported by customers advancing orders during the period. Segment profitability improved correspondingly, benefiting from increased production utilization as well as strong sales of a number of bestselling publications from major publishing customers.

The management continued to invest in production equipment and automation as part of its ongoing strategy to strengthen manufacturing capabilities and improve operational efficiency. During the period, 1010 Printing introduced "Clipper", a premium print-to-delivery solution that integrates rapid production turnaround with expedited delivery to the United States. Designed to meet increasing demand for speed-to-market and inventory responsiveness, Clipper positions 1010 to capture a share of the market for more time-sensitive print orders, a segment that has historically been served primarily by local US printing providers.

Left Field Printing Group, Australia manufacturing:
Left Field Printing reported turnover growth of 8% during the period. However, excluding the additional revenue contribution from Marvel Printing, which was acquired in 2025, turnover denominated in Australian dollars would have recorded a low single-digit year-on-year decline. Performance across the division was mixed, with Ligare continuing to deliver resilient results, while revenues at Griffin, McPherson's and CanPrint were lower than the prior year in local currency terms.

Operating performance was partially affected by intermittent production disruptions resulting from unexpected breakdowns of ageing equipment. The Group has therefore continued to execute the multi-year machinery replacement programme previously announced. This investment is essential to safeguarding production efficiency, minimising downtime and maintaining the service quality and delivery performance required by customers.

Papercraft, Malaysia manufacturing:
Papercraft's turnover increased by 11% during the period. Contrary to our earlier expectations, adoption of "China+1" sourcing strategies by customers progressed more slowly than anticipated, with many customers continuing to rely primarily on China for the production of standard book products. Nevertheless, customers that had implemented diversified sourcing arrangements expanded their business with Papercraft, contributing to higher order volumes during the period.

The subsidiary also started to realise the benefits of investments and operational improvements made in recent years. Gross profit margins improved during the period, and the business turned in a small profit in the first half of the year. These positive trends provide encouraging evidence that the initiatives undertaken to improve operational efficiency and production capabilities are beginning to deliver tangible returns.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

B. PRINT SERVICES MANAGEMENT

APOL Group

APOL recorded turnover for the first half of the year that was broadly in line with the corresponding period last year. While sales in the United States and Australia declined, these reductions were largely compensated by growth in Europe and Latin America. As a result, overall performance remained stable, demonstrating the resilience provided by APOL's diversified geographic presence.

Profitability remained resilient during the period, supported by management's strong commercial focus, keen awareness of market conditions and disciplined cost control measures. The strategic transfer of headcount from Hong Kong to Mainland China also contributed to a more efficient cost structure.

Regent

Regent reported a 14% decline in turnover during the first half of the year, as the challenging trading conditions experienced in recent periods continued to weigh on sales performance. The division's product portfolio is concentrated in stationery and paper engineering products for the US market, categories that remain subject to US tariffs and therefore have been more adversely affected than printed informational books.

Management had anticipated that some customers might return to sourcing from China, attracted by its established quality standards, production reliability and scheduling flexibility. However, the continued application of tariffs of more than 30% on many China-origin products has limited the pace of any such shift. In response, the subsidiary is intensifying its business development efforts in the United States, with a focus on expanding its customer base, strengthening client relationships and identifying new opportunities to support future sales growth.

Libermata

Through its consultative service model, Libermata helps publishers address complex production, procurement and logistics requirements while building enduring strategic relationships. To date, the division has completed projects for Quarto, a fellow Group subsidiary, a leading multinational publishing house, and one of Italy's largest publishing groups.

More recently, Libermata was appointed by a leading US publisher to oversee its print procurement programme, leveraging its sourcing expertise to optimise supplier selection, streamline procurement processes and deliver cost savings.

The division continues to develop different variations of business model to meet client requirements. While some customised solutions may place pressure on margins for our print manufacturing segment, management believes that stronger customer relationships and increased strategic relevance will support sustainable long-term growth.

C. PUBLISHING

The Quarto Group

Quarto reported a 2% decline in revenue during the first half of the year, reflecting continued weakness in the global illustrated book market. Demand in its core cooking and gardening categories remained soft, while inventory reductions by Amazon further affected sales volumes during the period.

Despite these headwinds, management is encouraged by early signs of progress from the division's strategic reset initiated in early 2025. A stronger pipeline of frontlist titles is beginning to emerge, and the quality of upcoming releases is expected to support improved performance over time as these investments gain traction in the marketplace.

PROSPECTS

Traditionally, the Group's profitability is weighted towards the second half of the year. However, with a number of customers front-loaded orders into the earlier part of the year, the timing of order intake appears less predictable than usual. While the current order book remains broadly in line with last year, visibility over demand in the latter part of the second half of the year is limited.

Although printed informational books currently remain exempt from the latest Section 301 tariffs relating to forced labour announced by the Trump administration, management is monitoring developments closely. While further Section 301 measures may be introduced as ongoing USTR investigations advance, we remain cautiously optimistic that printed informational books will continue to be exempt, given their long-standing treatment under U.S. trade policy.

Foreign exchange gains have been a meaningful contributor to earnings in recent years, but they are inherently unpredictable. Although the Group has adopted appropriate hedging strategies, the future direction of the U.S. dollar remains uncertain amid evolving trade policies, monetary policy expectations, and geopolitical developments.

Quarto has been refocusing its publishing program on its core mid-market audience, placing greater emphasis on emerging authors while reducing the overall number of titles published. This strategy is intended to improve title quality and market impact while lowering investment risk on a per-title basis. The more selective approach is particularly important as the non-fiction book market undergoes structural changes, with demand in categories such as cooking and gardening continuing to weaken. Against this backdrop, the performance of recent and upcoming frontlist titles has been encouraging.

The Group has been slower than intended in adopting AI-driven tools and technologies. As AI becomes increasingly important across publishing, printing and corporate functions, we are stepping up our efforts to accelerate adoption and capture opportunities to improve productivity, efficiency and overall operational performance. Strengthening our AI capabilities will be a strategic priority over the next 12 to 24 months. 2026 marks the Group's 20th anniversary, an important milestone in its development. We are deeply grateful to the founding members and long-serving colleagues whose dedication and leadership have shaped the Group over the past two decades. In particular, we would like to recognise our former Chief Financial Officer, Ms. Idy Lam, who retired at the end of 2025 after many years of dedicated service and significant contributions to the Group's growth and success. Their collective efforts have established a strong foundation for the Group's next phase of development.

As we look ahead, we are strengthening the depth and capability of our senior management team to support future growth. During the period, we appointed new executives to key Group-level leadership roles to strengthen our management depth. We will continue to invest in leadership talent, ensuring that we have the right people in place to drive the Group's next phase of growth, both organically and through strategic acquisitions.

We are pleased to announce the declaration of the first interim dividend of HK3 cents per ordinary share for the current financial year.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Turnover for the six months ended 30 June 2026 increased by 9.0% to approximately HK$1,192.5 million (2025: HK$1,094.0 million). Driven by customers advancing orders in the first half of the year, the printing segment experienced a 13.7% expansion in external sales. Turnover from the publishing segment dropped slightly by 1.9% mainly due to the continued weakness in the global illustrated book market.

Overall gross profit margin remained broadly stable compared with the same period in last year. This was primarily driven by strong revenue growth in the printing segment, which expanded margins by optimizing fixed production cost leverage. However, this positive impact was offset by margin compression in the publishing segment, caused by escalating book development costs.

Interest income decreased slightly from approximately HK$4.9 million for the six months period ended 30 June 2025 to HK$4.4 million for the same corresponding period in 2026. Lower interest income earned was due to the downturn in deposit interest rates along the period.

Other income decreased to approximately HK$15.1 million for the six months ended 30 June 2026, compared with approximately HK$30.2 million for the same period in 2025. The decline was primarily driven by a negative turnaround in currency impacts, shifting from an exchange gain of HK$19.2 million in 2025 to an exchange loss in 2026, and was partially offset by higher income from scrap sales resulting from increased production volume during the period.

Selling and distribution costs increased from approximately HK$175.9 million for the six months period ended 30 June 2025 to HK$184.4 million for the same corresponding period in 2026. Selling and distribution costs against sales decreased from 16.1% to 15.5%. The reduction was driven by lower printing segment staff costs relative to increased sales volume. This upside was partially offset by higher marketing and warehouse fulfillment costs in the publishing segment.

Administrative expenses increased to approximately HK$110.0 million for the six months ended 30 June 2026, as compared to approximately HK$103.2 million for the same period in 2025. The increase was due to inclusion of full period overhead expenses in 2026 from subsidiary acquired in May 2025 and the higher legal and professional fees incurred in 2026 related to corporate projects and consultancy services incurred in the period.

Provision for impairment of trade receivables of approximately HK$3.2 million was recognized for the six months ended 30 June 2026, compared to a reversal of provision of HK$1.8 million for the same period in 2025 due to recovery from customers.

Finance costs decreased to approximately HK$4.6 million for the six months ended 30 June 2026, as compared with HK$7.7 million for the corresponding period in 2025. The decrease was attributed to the gradual repayment of borrowings in 2026.

Income tax expenses decreased to approximately HK$14.9 million for the six months ended 30 June 2026 (2025: HK$15.1 million). This reduction was due to a decline in profit and the tax loss credit arising from higher tax rate jurisdiction.

Profit attributable to owners of the Company amounted to approximately HK$79.6 million for the six months ended 30 June 2026, compared with approximately HK$76.0 million to the same period in last year.

LIQUIDITY, FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND CAPITAL STRUCTURE

As at 30 June 2026, the Group had net current assets of approximately HK$1,014.4 million (31 December 2025: HK$1,032.0 million) of which the cash and bank deposits were approximately HK$481.3 million (31 December 2025: HK$590.1 million). The Group's current ratio was approximately 2.9 (31 December 2025: 2.7).

Total bank borrowings and lease liabilities as at 30 June 2026 were approximately HK$161.9 million (31 December 2025: HK$213.2 million). Bank borrowings was denominated in US dollar as at 30 June 2026. The bank borrowing was carried at floating rate and repayable within five years. The Group's gearing ratio as at 30 June 2026 was 8.4% (31 December 2025: 11.2%), which is calculated on the basis of the Group's total interest-bearing debts (comprising bank and other borrowings and lease liabilities) over the total equity interest.

During the period, the Group acquired property, plant and equipment at approximately HK$13.0 million. The purchase was financed by internal resources.

The Group's policy is to regularly monitor its liquidity requirements, its compliance with lending covenants and its relationship with bankers to ensure that it maintains sufficient reserves of cash and adequate committed lines of funding from major financial institutions to meet its liquidity requirements in the short and long term.

FOREIGN CURRENCY MANAGEMENT

The Group's sales were mainly denominated in a mixture of currencies, primarily US dollars, Australian dollars, Euros and Pound Sterling. In addition, the Group's costs and expenses are mainly denominated in US dollars, Australian dollars, Pound Sterlings, Hong Kong dollars and Renminbi. From time to time the Group enters into foreign currency exchange contracts to hedge its currency risk.

MATERIAL ACQUISITION AND DISPOSALS

For the six months period ended 30 June 2026, the Group did not have any material acquisitions or disposals which would be required to be disclosed under the Listing Rules.

PLEDGE OF ASSETS

As at 30 June 2026, the Group had pledged deposit of approximately HK$0.3 million as a security for the banking guarantee facilities of a subsidiary.

CAPITAL COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITY

As at 30 June 2026, the Group had committed to acquire machinery of approximately HK$15.7 million. The acquisition was financed by the Group's internal resources.

The Group had no significant contingent liability as at 30 June 2026.

The Board of Directors (the "Board") of Lion Rock Group Limited (the "Company") presents the unaudited consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the "Group") for the six months ended 30 June 2026 together with the comparative unaudited figures for the corresponding period in 2025 as follows:

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the six months ended 30 June 2026

	Notes	(Unaudited) Six months ended 30 June 2026	2025
		HK$'000	HK$'000
Revenue	3	1,192,471	1,094,025
Direct operating costs		(815,957)	(749,850)
Gross profit		376,514	344,175
Interest income		4,431	4,925
Other income		15,051	30,180
Selling and distribution costs		(184,376)	(175,905)
Administrative expenses		(109,983)	(103,220)
(Provision for)/reversal of impairment of trade receivables		(3,205)	1,775
Finance costs	4	(4,581)	(7,735)
Profit before income tax	5	93,851	94,195
Income tax expense	6	(14,858)	(15,105)
Profit for the period		78,993	79,090
Other comprehensive income			
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:			
Exchange gain on translation of financial statements of foreign operations		13,735	41,316
Other comprehensive income for the period, net of tax		13,735	41,316
Total comprehensive income for the period		92,728	120,406
Profit for the period attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		79,645	76,043
Non-controlling interests		(652)	3,047
		78,993	79,090
Total comprehensive income attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		91,516	107,519
Non-controlling interests		1,212	12,887
		92,728	120,406
Earnings per share for profit attributable to owners of the Company during the period	7		
– Basic		HK10.37 cents	HK10.13 cents
– Diluted		HK10.36 cents	HK10.01 cents

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 30 June 2026

	Notes	(Unaudited) At 30 June 2026	(Audited) At 31 December 2025
		HK$'000	HK$'000
ASSETS AND LIABILITIES			
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	8	282,521	293,332
Deposits for acquisition of property, plant and equipment		36,795	7,674
Right-of-use assets	9	136,957	150,158
Intangible assets	10	560,538	549,316
Deferred tax assets		60,951	56,442
		1,077,762	1,056,922
Current assets			
Inventories		343,930	369,624
Trade and other receivables and deposits	11	727,372	667,695
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	19	2,710	2,456
Tax recoverable		2,963	–
Pledged deposits		272	229
Cash and cash equivalents		481,253	590,102
		1,558,500	1,630,106
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	12	434,434	446,762
Bank borrowings	13	11,625	49,337
Lease liabilities		42,859	42,184
Provisions		32,908	31,242
Provision for taxation		22,273	28,584
		544,099	598,109
Net current assets		1,014,401	1,031,997
Total assets less current liabilities		2,092,163	2,088,919
Non-current liabilities			
Other payable	12	8,242	8,041
Provisions		5,461	5,092
Lease liabilities		107,413	121,679
Deferred tax liabilities		47,509	49,206
		168,625	184,018
Net assets		1,923,538	1,904,901
EQUITY			
Share capital	14	7,700	7,700
Reserves		1,662,442	1,639,154
Equity attributable to owners of the Company		1,670,142	1,646,854
Non-controlling interests		253,396	258,047
Total equity		1,923,538	1,904,901

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the six months ended 30 June 2026

	(Unaudited) For the six months ended 30 June	
	2026	2025
	HK$'000	HK$'000
Operating activities		
Profit before income tax	93,851	94,195
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	28,153	23,551
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	22,082	22,053
Amortisation and impairment of intangible assets	57,449	53,852
Equity-settled share-based payment expenses	91	1,430
Provision for/(Reversal of) impairment of trade receivables	3,205	(1,775)
Interest income	(4,431)	(4,925)
Interest expenses	4,581	7,735
Written-off of pre-publication cost	2,797	4,174
(Gain)/Loss on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	(264)	306
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	554	180
Operating profit before working capital changes	208,068	200,776
Decrease/(Increase) in inventories	28,318	(17,788)
(Increase)/Decrease in trade and other receivables and deposits	(64,360)	141,353
Decrease in trade and other payables and provisions	(10,242)	(43,647)
Increase in financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	–	(2,713)
Cash generated from operations	161,784	277,981
Income taxes paid	(29,258)	(34,363)
Net cash generated from operating activities	132,526	243,618
Investing activities		
Interest received	4,431	4,925
Increase in pledged deposits	(43)	–
Payments for purchases of property, plant and equipment	(12,980)	(24,590)
Payments for right-of-use assets	–	(1,671)
Increase in deposit for acquisition of property, plant and equipment	(28,601)	(19,219)
Proceeds from disposals of property, plant and equipment	195	52
Sale of shares under share award scheme	766	–
Payments for addition of intangible assets	(68,014)	(66,720)
Payment on acquisition of business	–	(14,834)
Purchase of additional interest in a subsidiary	(147)	–
Net cash used in investing activities	(104,393)	(122,057)

	(Unaudited) For the six months ended 30 June	
	2026	2025
	HK$'000	HK$'000
Financing activities		
Proceeds from new bank borrowing	50,000	74,207
Repayments of bank borrowings	(87,667)	(148,987)
Repayment of other borrowing	–	(1,562)
Interest paid on bank borrowings	(1,046)	(4,215)
Repayments of principal portion of the lease liabilities	(22,791)	(23,618)
Interest portion of the lease liabilities paid	(3,535)	(3,520)
Dividends paid to the owners of the Company	(69,069)	(75,111)
Dividends paid to non-controlling interests	(5,732)	(7,643)
Net cash used in financing activities	(139,840)	(190,449)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(111,707)	(68,888)
Effect of exchange rate fluctuations, net	2,858	4,495
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period	590,102	500,488
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	481,253	436,095
Analysis of balances of cash and cash equivalents		
Bank balances and cash	481,253	436,095

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the six months ended 30 June 2026

	Attributable to owners of the Company												
	Share capital	Share premium	Exchange reserve	Merger reserve	Contributed surplus	Statutory reserve	Other reserve	Employee compensation reserve	Share award scheme reserve	Retained earnings	Total	Non-controlling interests	Total equity
	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000
Balance at 1 January 2026 (Audited)	**7,700**	**173,078**	**(75,153)**	**(136,875)**	**310,125**	**737**	**(35,553)**	**1,256**	**(1,882)**	**1,403,421**	**1,646,854**	**258,047**	**1,904,901**
2025 interim dividend paid	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	(69,300)	(69,300)	–	(69,300)
Dividend in relation to share award	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	231	231	–	231
Dividend paid to non-controlling interests	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	(5,732)	(5,732)
Acquisition of additional interest in subsidiaries	–	–	–	–	–	–	(16)	–	–	–	(16)	(131)	(147)
Recognition of equity-settled share-based payment expenses	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	91	–	–	91	–	91
Sales of shares under share award scheme	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	438	328	766	–	766
Shares vested under share award scheme	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	(1,275)	1,359	(84)	–	–	–
Transactions with owners	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**(16)**	**(1,184)**	**1,797**	**(68,825)**	**(68,228)**	**(5,863)**	**(74,091)**
Profit for the period	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	79,645	79,645	(652)	78,993
Other comprehensive income													
Currency translation	–	–	11,871	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	11,871	1,864	13,735
Total comprehensive income for the period	**–**	**–**	**11,871**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**79,645**	**91,516**	**1,212**	**92,728**
Balance at 30 June 2026 (Unaudited)	**7,700**	**173,078**	**(63,282)**	**(136,875)**	**310,125**	**737**	**(35,569)**	**72**	**(85)**	**1,414,241**	**1,670,142**	**253,396**	**1,923,538**

	Attributable to owners of the Company												
	Share capital	Share premium	Exchange reserve	Merger reserve	Contributed surplus	Statutory reserve	Other reserve	Employee compensation reserve	Share award scheme reserve	Retained earnings	Total	Non-controlling interests	Total equity
	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000
Balance at 1 January 2025 (Audited)	**7,700**	**173,078**	**(117,544)**	**(136,875)**	**310,125**	**737**	**(35,452)**	**10,777**	**(14,211)**	**1,312,388**	**1,510,723**	**231,599**	**1,742,322**
2024 interim and special dividends paid	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	(77,000)	(77,000)	–	(77,000)
Dividend in relation to share award	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1,889	1,889	–	1,889
Dividend paid to non-controlling interests	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	(7,643)	(7,643)
Recognition of equity-settled share-based payment expenses	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1,430	–	–	1,430	–	1,430
Lapsed of shares under share award scheme	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	(568)	–	568	–	–	–
Shares vested under share award scheme	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	(406)	406	–	–	–	–
Transactions with owners	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**456**	**406**	**(74,543)**	**(73,681)**	**(7,643)**	**(81,324)**
Profit for the period	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	76,043	76,043	3,047	79,090
Other comprehensive income													
Currency translation	–	–	31,476	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	31,476	9,840	41,316
Total comprehensive income for the period	**–**	**–**	**31,476**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**76,043**	**107,519**	**12,887**	**120,406**
Balance at 30 June 2025 (Unaudited)	**7,700**	**173,078**	**(86,068)**	**(136,875)**	**310,125**	**737**	**(35,452)**	**11,233**	**(13,805)**	**1,313,888**	**1,544,561**	**236,843**	**1,781,404**

NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

The Company was incorporated in Bermuda on 9 March 2011 under the Bermuda Companies Act as an exempted limited liability company. The Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group") are principally engaged in book publishing and the provision of printing services. The address of the Company's registered office was Clarendon House, 2 Church Street, Hamilton HM 11, Bermuda. With effect from 3 August 2026, the Company's registered office was changed to Richmond House, 12 Par-la-Ville Road, Hamilton HM 08, Bermuda. The shares of the Company were listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") on 25 July 2011.

2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The Group's unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2026 have been prepared in accordance with the applicable disclosure requirements of Appendix 16 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules") and with Hong Kong Accounting Standard 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (the "HKICPA"). The interim financial statements are unaudited but have been reviewed by the Company's audit committee.

The condensed consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for certain financial instruments that are measured at fair values.

The accounting policies used in preparing the interim financial statements are consistent with those used in the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2025 except for the adoption of the new and revised Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards Accounting Standards ("HKFRS Accounting Standards") which collective term includes all applicable individual Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards, Hong Kong Accounting Standards ("HKAS") and Interpretations which are relevant to the operations of the Group and mandatory for annual periods beginning 1 January 2026 as follows:

Amendments to HKFRS 9 and HKFRS 7	Amendments to the Classification and Measurement of Financial Instruments
Amendments to HKFRS 9 and HKFRS 7	Contracts Referencing Nature-dependent Electricity
Annual improvements to HKFRS Accounting Standards – Volume 11	Amendments to HKFRS 1 First time adoption of Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards, HKFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosure, HKFRS 9 Financial Instruments, HKFRS 10 Consolidated Financial Statements, HKAS 7 Statement of Cash Flows

The adoption of these new and revised HKFRS Accounting Standards had no material impact on the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements of the Group for the current and prior accounting period.

The Group has not early adopted the new HKFRS Accounting Standards that have been issued but are not yet effective. The directors of the Company are currently assessing the impact of these new HKFRS Accounting Standards but are not yet in a position to state whether they would have material financial impact on the Group's results of operations and financial position.

3. SEGMENT INFORMATION

The executive directors determined that the Group has two reportable operating segments as follows:

Printing – provision of printing services;

Publishing – book publishing.

Inter-segment transactions are on arm's length basis in a manner similar to transactions with third parties.

The following table present information of revenue and profit for the period on the basis of the Group's operating segments for the six months ended 30 June 2026:

Six months ended 30 June 2026

	Printing (Unaudited)	Publishing (Unaudited)	Elimination (Unaudited)	Consolidated (Unaudited)
	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000
Revenue				
– External	866,158	326,313	–	1,192,471
– Inter-segment	65,572	–	(65,572)	–
	931,730	326,313	(65,572)	1,192,471
Segment result	115,556	(15,436)	–	100,120
Unallocated corporate income				–
Unallocated corporate expenses				(1,688)
Finance costs				(4,581)
Profit before income tax				93,851

Six months ended 30 June 2025

	Printing (Unaudited)	Publishing (Unaudited)	Elimination (Unaudited)	Consolidated (Unaudited)
	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000
Revenue				
– External	761,463	332,562	–	1,094,025
– Inter-segment	64,133	–	(64,133)	–
	825,596	332,562	(64,133)	1,094,025
Segment result	110,071	(6,816)	–	103,255
Unallocated corporate income				–
Unallocated corporate expenses				(1,325)
Finance costs				(7,735)
Profit before income tax				94,195

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3. SEGMENT INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

The analysis of the Group's revenue by geographical location is as follows:

Revenue – based on the country in which the customer is located, are analysed as follows:

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2026	2025
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
	HK$'000	HK$'000
United States of America	571,639	500,768
Australia	309,330	291,850
United Kingdom	129,942	127,649
Spain	38,973	35,114
Italy	21,679	16,170
Canada	19,777	16,367
Germany	16,015	12,345
Ireland	10,524	7,065
Mexico	9,828	5,144
France	7,664	9,164
Netherlands	6,454	9,915
Chile	4,735	8,280
Hong Kong (domicile)	681	350
Others	45,230	53,844
	1,192,471	1,094,025

4. FINANCE COSTS

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2026	2025
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
	HK$'000	HK$'000
Interest charges on bank borrowings, wholly repayable within five years	1,046	4,215
Interest on lease liabilities	3,535	3,520
	4,581	7,735

5. PROFIT BEFORE INCOME TAX

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2026 (Unaudited)	2025 (Unaudited)
	HK$'000	HK$'000
Profit before income tax has been arrived at after charging/(crediting):		
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	28,153	23,551
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	22,082	22,053
Amortisation and impairment of intangible assets	57,449	53,852
Employee benefit expenses	313,902	287,788
Less: Staff cost capitalised	(42,461)	(41,408)
Written-off of pre-publication cost	2,797	4,174
Loss on disposals of property, plant and equipment	554	180
Net foreign exchange loss/(gain)	601	(19,182)
(Gain) Loss on financial assets/liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	(264)	306
Interest income	(4,431)	(4,925)

6. INCOME TAX EXPENSE

The amount of income tax expense charged to the condensed consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income represents:

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2026 (Unaudited)	2025 (Unaudited)
	HK$'000	HK$'000
The charge comprises:		
Hong Kong profits tax		
– Current year	12,847	13,453
Overseas tax		
– Current year	9,033	8,345
– (Over)/underprovision in prior year	(520)	855
Deferred taxation credit	(6,502)	(7,548)
	14,858	15,105

Hong Kong profits tax has been provided at the rate of 16.5% (2025: 16.5%) on the estimated assessable profits for the period. Taxation on overseas profits has been calculated on the estimated assessable profit for the period at the rates of taxation prevailing in the countries in which the Group operates.

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7. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The calculation of the basic earnings per share is based on the following data:

	Six months ended 30 June 2026 (Unaudited)	2025 (Unaudited)
	HK$'000	HK$'000
Earnings for the purposes of basic earnings per share for the period	79,645	76,043

	Number of shares ('000) 2026	2025
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of basic earnings per share (Note)	768,204	750,888
Effect of dilutive potential ordinary shares on share:		
– Share awards	673	8,492
	768,877	759,380

Note: Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of basic earnings per share represents shares in issue less shares held for share award scheme that have not been vested unconditionally by the employees during the period.

8. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	Land and buildings	Furniture and fixtures	Office equipment	Leasehold improvements	Computer equipment and systems	Motor vehicles	Machinery	Total
	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000
Period ended 30 June 2026								
Opening net book amount	30,307	4,567	1,073	20,413	2,336	1,638	232,998	293,332
Exchange differences	(117)	(43)	13	314	(7)	(6)	4,957	5,111
Additions	121	811	385	4,012	661	269	6,721	12,980
Disposals	–	–	–	–	–	(291)	(458)	(749)
Depreciation	(582)	(490)	(179)	(2,668)	(721)	(255)	(23,258)	(28,153)
Closing net book amount	29,729	4,845	1,292	22,071	2,269	1,355	220,960	282,521
At 30 June 2026								
Cost	52,486	12,987	10,187	99,289	23,639	4,809	660,407	863,804
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(22,757)	(8,142)	(8,895)	(77,218)	(21,370)	(3,454)	(439,447)	(581,283)
Net book amount	29,729	4,845	1,292	22,071	2,269	1,355	220,960	282,521

As at 30 June 2026 and 31 December 2025, the Group's land and buildings represented (1) freehold land and buildings of HK$3,374,000 (31 December 2025: HK$3,404,000), which are situated in Australia; and (2) leasehold buildings of HK$26,355,000 (31 December 2025: HK$26,903,000), which are situated in Malaysia.

9. RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS

	Leasehold land	Leased properties	Plant and equipment	Total
	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000
At 31 December 2025 and 1 January 2026	6,110	140,791	3,257	150,158
At 30 June 2026	**5,906**	**127,991**	**3,060**	**136,957**

10. INTANGIBLE ASSETS

	Goodwill (Unaudited)	Pre-publication costs (Unaudited)	Total (Unaudited)
	HK$'000	HK$'000	HK$'000
As at 1 January 2026	325,754	223,562	549,316
Addition	–	68,014	68,014
Written off	–	(2,797)	(2,797)
Amortisation and impairment	–	(57,449)	(57,449)
Exchange differences	5,615	(2,161)	3,454
At 30 June 2026	**331,369**	**229,169**	**560,538**

11. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES AND DEPOSITS

The Group generally allows a credit period from 30 to 150 days to its trade customers. Ageing analysis of trade receivables as at 30 June 2026, based on sales invoice date, is as follows:

	At 30 June 2026 (Unaudited)	At 31 December 2025 (Audited)
	HK$'000	HK$'000
0 – 30 days	187,935	211,873
31 – 60 days	168,433	161,944
61 – 90 days	137,932	96,367
91 – 120 days	73,766	51,955
121 – 150 days	19,991	19,076
Over 150 days	17,990	21,710
Total trade receivables	606,047	562,925
Less: Provision for impairment	(19,648)	(16,932)
Net trade receivables	586,399	545,993
Other receivables and deposits	140,973	121,702
	727,372	667,695

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12. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

As at 30 June 2026, the ageing analysis of trade payables based on invoice date is as follows:

	At 30 June 2026 (Unaudited)	At 31 December 2025 (Audited)
	HK$'000	HK$'000
0 – 30 days	91,530	80,381
31 – 60 days	25,345	29,615
61 – 90 days	12,756	10,942
91 – 120 days	3,620	10,895
Over 120 days	2,300	5,097
Total trade payables	135,551	136,930
Other payables and accruals – current	298,883	309,832
Other payables – non-current	8,242	8,041
	442,676	454,803

13. BANK BORROWINGS

	At 30 June 2026 (Unaudited)	At 31 December 2025 (Audited)
	HK$'000	HK$'000
Bank loans due for repayment within one year	11,625	49,337
Total bank borrowings – current portion	11,625	49,337

All bank borrowings are supported by the corporate guarantees of the Company and interest bearing at floating rates.

14. SHARE CAPITAL

	No. of shares	Amount
	('000)	HK$'000
Authorised: Ordinary shares of HK$0.01 each	1,500,000	15,000
Issued and fully paid: At 1 January 2026 and 30 June 2026	770,000	7,700

15. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

As at 30 June 2026, the Group had capital commitments contracted but not provided for in respect of the acquisition of property, plant and equipment of approximately HK$15,673,000 (31 December 2025: HK$2,453,000).

16. DIVIDENDS AND DISTRIBUTION

(a) Dividends and distribution attributable to the previous financial year, approved and paid during the interim period

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2026 (Unaudited)	2025 (Unaudited)
	HK$'000	HK$'000
Interim dividend in respect of the year ended 31 December 2025, approved and paid during the interim period of HK$0.090 (2024: HK$0.080) per share	69,300	61,600
Special dividend in respect of the year ended 31 December 2024, approved and paid during the interim period of HK$0.020 per share	–	15,400
Dividends received from shares held under share award scheme	(231)	(1,889)
	69,069	75,111

(b) Dividends attributable to the interim period

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2026 (Unaudited)	2025 (Unaudited)
	HK$'000	HK$'000
Interim dividend declared – HK$0.030 (2025: HK$0.030) per share (Note)	23,100	23,100

Note:

The amount of the interim dividend declared for the six months ended 30 June 2026, which will be payable in cash, has been calculated by reference to the 770,000,000 issued ordinary shares outstanding as at the date of this report. The interim dividend is not reflected as dividend payable in the condensed consolidated interim financial statements, but will be reflected as an appropriation of retained earnings for the year ending 31 December 2026.

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17. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Compensation of key management personnel

The directors of the Company were considered to be key management personnel of the Group. The remuneration of key management personnel is determined by the remuneration committee having regard to the performance of individuals and market trends.

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2026	2025
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
	HK$'000	HK$'000
Short-term remuneration	3,075	4,385
Post-employment benefit	9	105
Equity settled share-based payments	–	284
	3,084	4,774

18. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

As at 30 June 2026, the Group had no significant contingent liabilities (31 December 2025: Nil).

19. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT

(i) Recurring fair value measurements

	At 30 June 2026 (Unaudited) Level 3	At 31 December 2025 (Audited) Level 3
	HK$'000	HK$'000
Financial assets (liabilities) at fair value through profit or loss		
Investment of unlisted preference stock	2,710	2,456
Other payable – Deferred Consideration	(8,242)	(8,041)
Net fair values	(5,532)	(5,585)

(ii) Fair values of financial instruments carried at other than fair value

Trade and other receivables, cash and cash equivalents, trade and other payables, bank borrowings and lease liabilities are carried at cost or amortised cost which are not materially different from their fair values as at 30 June 2026 and 31 December 2025.

(iii) Measurement of fair values

The fair values of investment of unlisted preference stock have been valued using the option pricing model. The fair values of deferred consideration were based on discounted cash flow model. Both are valued under Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy.

20. EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

On 25 June 2026, Wiseland Ventures Limited, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company (the "Purchaser"), entered into a sales and purchase agreement (the "Sales and Purchase Agreement") with OPUS Group Pty. Ltd., an indirectly owned subsidiary held as to 61.68% by the Company (the "Vendor"), pursuant to which, among other things, subject to the fulfilment (or waiver where applicable) of the conditions, the Purchaser to acquire the entire issued shares capital of OPUS Book Printing Holdings Pty Ltd., a wholly owned subsidiary of the Vendor ("the Target Company"), which directly owns the subsidiaries of Marvel Printing Pty Ltd, McPersons's Printing Pty. Ltd., and Griffin Press Printings Pty Ltd, at a consideration of HK$132,000,000 (the Transaction"). Completion date is to be determined by the Purchaser and the Vendor in writing after all conditions fulfilled or waived.

The Transaction was approved by the shareholders on 27 August 2026. Upon the completion of the Transaction, the Target Company shall become a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, resulting in a decrease in the non-controlling interests recorded on statement of equity of the Company.

OTHER DISCLOSURES

DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVES' INTERESTS IN SECURITIES

As at 30 June 2026, the interests and short positions of the directors and chief executive of the Company in the shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (the "SFO")) as recorded in the register required to be kept under Section 352 of the SFO or otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers in Appendix 10 of the Listing Rules (the "Model Code"), were as follows:

(a) **Long Position in the shares of the Company**

Name of Directors	Personal Interests	Family Interests	Corporate Interests	Total Interests	Percentage to the issued share capital of the Company
	(Shares)	(Shares)	(Shares)	(Shares)	(%)
Mr. Lau Chuk Kin (Note 1)	103,681,297	Nil	258,135,326	361,816,623	46.99
Mr. Li Hoi, David	200,000	Nil	Nil	200,000	0.03
Mr. Guo Junsheng (Note 2)	200,000	Nil	249,804	449,804	0.06
Prof. Lee Hau Leung	400,000	Nil	Nil	400,000	0.05
Mr. Ho Tai Wai, David	200,000	Nil	Nil	200,000	0.03

(b) **Long Position in the shares of Left Field Printing Group Limited ("Left Field"), an associated corporation of the Company**

Name of Directors	Personal Interests	Family Interests	Corporate Interests	Total Interests	Percentage to the issued share capital of Left Field
	(Shares)	(Shares)	(Shares)	(Shares)	(%)
Mr. Lau Chuk Kin (Note 3)	20,634,836	Nil	323,738,411	344,373,247	69.06

Note 1: 258,135,326 shares are beneficially owned by City Apex Ltd.. As at 30 June 2026, Mr. Lau Chuk Kin owned 69.76% of the issued share capital of ER2 Holdings Limited ("ER2 Holdings"), the ultimate holding company of City Apex Ltd., and accordingly, Mr. Lau is deemed to be interested in the said shares pursuant to Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance.

Note 2: 249,804 shares are beneficially owned by Dragon Might Global Limited ("Dragon Might"). As at 30 June 2026, Dragon Might is 100% directly owned by Mr. Guo Junsheng and therefore Mr. Guo is deemed to be interested in the said shares.

Note 3: Of 323,738,411 shares, 16,133,457 shares and 307,604,954 shares are beneficially owned by City Apex Ltd. and Bookbuilders BVI Ltd respectively. As at 30 June 2026, Bookbuilders BVI Ltd is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company. As stated in note 1 above, Mr. Lau is deemed to be interested in 46.99% issued share capital of the Company. Accordingly, Mr. Lau is deemed to be interested in the said shares.

Save as disclosed above, as at 30 June 2026, to the knowledge of the Company, none of the directors or chief executive of the Company and their respective associates had or was deemed to have any interests or short positions in the shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) as recorded in the register required to be maintained under section 352 of Part XV of the SFO or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code.

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS

As at 30 June 2026, the following persons, other than a director or chief executive of the Company, had interests or short positions in the shares or underlying shares of the Company, being 5% or more in the issued share capital of the Company as recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under Section 336 of the SFO:

Name of shareholder	Nature of interest Beneficial Owner	 Interest in controlled corporation	 Total Interests	Percentage to the issued share capital of the Company
	(Shares)	(Shares)	(Shares)	(%)
ER2 Holdings Limited (Note 1)	Nil	258,135,326	258,135,326	33.52
City Apex Ltd. (Note 1)	258,135,326	Nil	258,135,326	33.52
Mr. Webb David Michael (passed away on 13 January 2026) and Mrs. Webb Karen Anne (Note 2)	Nil	77,648,976	77,648,976	10.08
Mr. Chang Mun Kee (Note 3)	10,067,583	46,073,030	56,140,613	7.29
JcbNext Berhad (Note 3)	46,073,030	Nil	46,073,030	5.98
Preferable Situation Assets Limited (Note 2)	45,407,408	Nil	45,407,408	5.90

Note 1: 258,135,326 shares are beneficially owned by City Apex Ltd. ER2 Holdings was the ultimate holding company of City Apex Ltd. Accordingly, ER2 Holdings is deemed to be interested in the said shares pursuant to Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance.

Note 2: According to the record kept by the Company, as at 30 June 2026, Mr. Webb and Mrs. Webb were deemed to be interested in 77,648,976 shares pursuant to Part XV of the SFO. Of 77,648,976 shares, 45,407,408 shares and 32,241,568 shares were beneficially held by Preferable Situation Assets Limited and Member One Limited respectively. Both Preferable Situation Assets Limited and Member One Limited were 100% directly owned by Mr. Webb and Mrs. Webb.

Note 3: According to the record kept by the Company, Mr. Chang Mun Kee is interested in 59.34% of the shares in JcbNext Berhad. Therefore, Mr. Chang is deemed to be interested in the said shares held by JcbNext Berhad.

Save as disclosed above, as at 30 June 2026, the Company had not been notified of any other person (other than a director or chief executive of the Company) who had an interest or short position in the shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company and was required to be recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under Section 336 of the SFO.

OTHER DISCLOSURES

SHARE AWARD SCHEME

A share award scheme (the "1010 Share Award Scheme") was adopted by the Company on 30 December 2013. The purpose of the 1010 Share Award Scheme is to recognize and motivate the contribution of participants and to incentivize them to further the operation and development of the Group and to attract suitable personnel for the Group. A trust has been set up and fully funded by the Company for the purpose of purchasing, administrating and holding the Company's shares for the 1010 Share Award Scheme. The total number of shares which may be granted to the selected participant under the 1010 Share Award Scheme shall not exceed 10% of the total issued share capital (i.e. 77,000,000 shares) of the Company as at the adoption date. The maximum number of shares which may be awarded to a selected participant under the scheme shall not exceed 1% of the issued share capital (i.e. 7,700,000 shares) of the Company as at the adoption date. The 1010 Share Award Scheme was effective for a term of ten years commencing from the adoption date and was expired on 30 December 2023.

During the six months period ended 30 June 2026, no shares were purchased under the 1010 Share Award Scheme. At 30 June 2026, the Company had 116,000 unvested awards under the 1010 Share Award Scheme.

Details of the unvested share awards granted for the six months ended 30 June 2026 were as follows:

Category/Name	Date of approval by Board	Date of award	Number of awarded shares	Fair value per share at date of grant**	Vesting period	Outstanding as at 1 January 2026	Lapsed during the period	Vested during the period	Outstanding as at 30 June 2026	Closing price per share before date of grant
				HK$						HK$
Other Employees										
	30.09.2020	30.10.2020	1,000,000	0.69	65 months	1,000,000	–	(1,000,000)	–	0.69
	30.09.2020	30.10.2020	116,000	0.69	76 months	116,000	–	–	116,000	0.69
	16.11.2020	16.11.2020	860,000	0.68	67 months	860,000	–	(860,000)	–	0.70
Total						1,976,000	–	(1,860,000)	116,000	

** Fair value determined based on observable market price of shares at grant date

SHARE OPTION SCHEME

The Company has no share option scheme as at 30 June 2026 and at the date of this interim report.

PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF SHARES

During the six months ended 30 June 2026, the trustee of share award scheme of the Company sold an aggregate of 598,910 shares of the Company at approximately HK$766,000. Save as above, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities.

CODE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES

In the opinion of the Board, the Company has complied with the code provisions set out in the Corporate Governance Code (the "Code Provision") contained in Appendix C1 of the Listing Rules throughout the six months period ended 30 June 2026.

MODEL CODE FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS

The Company has adopted the Model Code as its own code of conduct regarding directors' securities transactions. Having made specific enquiry to all the Directors, the Company was not aware of any non-compliance with the required standard set out in the Model Code regarding securities transactions by the directors throughout the six months ended 30 June 2026.

EMPLOYEES AND EMOLUMENT POLICY

As at 30 June 2026, the Group had around 1,887 full-time employees (30 June 2025: 1,758). The pay scale of the Group's employees is maintained at a competitive level and employees are rewarded on a performance-related basis within the general framework of the Group's salary and bonus system. Other employee benefits include share award, provident fund, insurance and medical cover.

INTERIM DIVIDEND AND CLOSURE OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS

The Board has resolved to recommend the payment of an interim dividend of HK$0.030 (2025: interim dividend of HK$0.030) per ordinary share for the six months ended 30 June 2026 to shareholders whose names appear on the register of holders of ordinary shares of the Company as at the close of business on 11 September 2026. The register of shareholders will be closed on 11 September 2026, during which period no transfer of shares will be registered. To qualify for the interim dividend, all transfer documents accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's branch share registrar in Hong Kong, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited whose share registration public offices are located at Shops 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai, Hong Kong for registration not later than 4:30 p.m. on 10 September 2026. The interim dividend is expected to be paid on 24 September 2026.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The audit committee has four members comprising the four independent non-executive directors, namely, Mr. Ho Tai Wai, David, Prof. Lee Hau Leung, Mr. Ng Siu On and Ms. Ng Cheuk Hei, Shirley with terms of reference in compliance with the Listing Rules. The audit committee review the Group's financial reporting, internal controls and make relevant recommendations to the Board.

The audit committee had met with the management to review the Company's interim report for the six months ended 30 June 2026 and had the opinion that such report was compiled with the applicable accounting standards and adequate disclosures had been made.

By Order of the Board
Lau Chuk Kin
Chairman

Hong Kong, 27 August 2026

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