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HOPE LIFE INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS LIMITED

曠逸國際控股有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 1683)

ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTERIM RESULTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

The board (the "Board") of directors (the "Directors") of Hope Life International Holdings Limited (the "Company") is pleased to announce the unaudited condensed consolidated financial results of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively referred hereafter as the "Group") for the six months ended 30 June 2024, together with the comparative figures for the six months ended 30 June 2023 as follows:

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS

For the six months ended 30 June 2024

	Six mo		nonths ended 30 June	
		2024	2023	
	Notes	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
Revenue	4	125,321	118,113	
Cost of sales	_	(100,536)	(103,508)	
Gross profit		24,785	14,605	
Other revenue and other gains	5	24	11	
(Impairment losses under)/reversal of allowance	2			
for expected credit losses		(1,222)	(2,369)	
Administrative expenses		(11,914)	(11,441)	
Finance costs	6	(3,166)	(4,026)	
Profit/(loss) before taxation	7	(8,507)	(3,220)	
Taxation	8	(2,796)	(1,348)	
Profit/(loss) for the period	-	5,711	(4,568)	
Profit/(loss) for period attributable to:				
Owners of the Company		3,019	(5,427)	
Non-controlling interests	-	2,692	859	
	=	5,711	(4,568)	
Earnings/(loss) per share attributable to the owners of the Company	10			
Basic and diluted (HK cents)	_	0.37	(0.35)	

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the six months ended 30 June 2024

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2024	2023
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Profit/(loss) for the period	5,711	(4,568)
Other comprehensive expense for the period,		
net of income tax:		
Item that may be classified subsequently		
to profit or loss:		
Exchange differences on translating of financial		
statements of foreign operations	(7,515)	(10,933)
Total comprehensive expense for the period	(1,804)	(15,501)
Total comprehensive (expense)/income for		
the period attributable to:		
Owners of the Company	(3,994)	(16,489)
Non-controlling interests	2,190	988
	(1,804)	(15,501)

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 30 June 2024

	Notes	As at 30 June 2024 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	As at 31 December 2023 HK\$'000 (Audited)
Non-current assets Property, plant and equipment Right-of-use assets	_	22,062 383	24,153 842
	-	22,445	24,995
Current assets Inventories		137,155	98,846
Trade receivables Contract assets	12	112,761 44,260	111,230 44,887
Deposits, prepayments and other receivables	13	160,304	160,510
Cash and bank balances	-	32,555	40,434
	-	487,035	455,907
Current liabilities			
Trade payables	14	27,092	26,648
Other borrowing		73,651	73,651
Contract liabilities		135	135
Lease liabilities	15	426	885
Accrued expenses and other payables Income tax payable	13	19,674	16,111
	-	120,978	117,431
Net current assets	-	366,057	338,476
Total assets less current liabilities	-	388,502	363,471
Non-current liability Lease liabilities	-		
Net assets		388,502	363,471

	As at	As at
	30 June	31 December
	2024	2023
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Capital and reserves		
Share capital	31,104	25,920
Reserves	346,158	328,501
Equity attributable to owners of the Company	377,262	354,421
Non-controlling interests	11,240	9,050
Total equity	388,502	363,471

NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the six months ended 30 June 2024

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Hope Life International Holdings Limited (the "Company") was incorporated in Cayman Islands on 19 January 2015 as an exempted company with limited liability under the Companies Law, Cap. 22 (Law 3 of 1961, as consolidated and revised) of the Cayman Islands. The Company's registered office is located at Cricket Square, Hutchins Drive, P.O. Box 2681, Grand Cayman, KY1-1111, Cayman Islands. The principal place of business of the Company is located at Flat 702A, 7th Floor, Wanchai Commercial Centre, Nos. 194–204 Johnston Road, Hong Kong.

The Company had its primary listing on the main board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") on 8 September 2015.

The Company is an investment holding company. The Company and its subsidiaries (collectively referred hereafter as the "Group") are principally engaged in construction and ancillary services which include design, fitting-out, decoration, alteration and addition, construction and other related businesses, financial services and consumer goods business.

The condensed consolidated financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2024 are presented in Hong Kong dollars ("HK\$"), which is also the functional currency of the Company. All values are rounded to the nearest thousand except when otherwise stated.

2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The condensed consolidated financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2024 have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Accounting Standard 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (the "HKICPA") as well as with the applicable disclosure requirements of Appendix 16 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange (the "Listing Rules").

The condensed consolidated financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2024 do not include all the information and disclosures required in the annual financial statements, and should be read in conjunction with the Group's annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023.

3. CHANGES IN SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Group has applied the following amendments to HKFRSs issued by the HKICPA to these financial statements for the current accounting period:

Amendments to HKFRS 16 Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback

Amendments to HKAS 1 Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current and related amendments to Hong Kong Interpretation 5 (2020)

Amendments to HKAS 1 Non-current Liabilities with Covenants

Amendments to HKAS 7 and HKFRS 7 Supplier Finance Arrangements

The amendments did not have any significant impact on the Group's unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

4. REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION

The executive directors of the Company, being the chief decision-makers for operations, review the Group's internal reporting in order to assess performance and allocate resources. Information reported to the chief operating decision marker, for the purpose of resources allocation and performance assessment, focuses on the types of goods or services delivered or provided.

The Group has three reportable segments under HKFRS 8 are as follows:

- (a) Construction and ancillary services design, fitting-out, decoration, alteration and addition, construction and other related businesses.
- (b) Financial services money lending business.
- (c) Consumer goods business production and sales of food and beverage products.

An analysis of revenue is as follows:

		Six months en 2024 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	ded 30 June 2023 <i>HK\$</i> '000 (Unaudited)
Construction and ancillary services Consumer goods business		43,175 82,146	24,563 93,550
		125,321	118,113
Timing of revenue recognition: Over time At a point in time		43,175 82,146 125,321	24,563 93,550 118,113
Segment revenue and results			
	Construction and ancillary services <i>HK\$</i> '000 (Unaudited)	Consumer goods business HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	Total HK\$'000 (Unaudited)
For the six months ended 30 June 2024 Segment revenue	82,146	43,175	125,321
Segment profit	506	11,589	12,095
Unallocated corporate expense			(3,588)
Profit before taxation Taxation			8,507 (2,796)
Profit for the period			5,711

	Construction and ancillary services <i>HK</i> \$'000 (Unaudited)	Financial services <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	Consumer goods business HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	Total <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)
For the six months ended 30 June 2023				
Segment revenue	24,563	_	93,550	118,113
Segment (loss)/profit	(2,372)	(1,426)	2,044	(1,754)
Unallocated corporate income				10
Unallocated corporate				10
expense				(1,476)
Loss before taxation				(3,220)
Taxation				(1,348)
Loss for the period				(4,568)

Segment profit represent the profit earned by or loss from each segment without allocation of unallocated corporate income and unallocated corporate expenses. This is the measure reported to the chief operating decision makers for the purposes of resource allocation and performance assessment.

Segment revenue reported above represents revenue generated from external customers. There were no inter-segment sales in the period.

Geographical information

The Group's operations are located in Hong Kong and People's Republic of China (the "PRC").

The Group's geographical segments are classified according to the location of customers. There are two customer-based geographical segments. Segment revenue from external customers by the location of customers during the period is as follows:

Revenue from external customers

	Six months end	ed 30 June
	2024	2023
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Hong Kong	19,975	24,563
PRC	82,146	93,550
Macau	23,200	
	125,321	118,113

The Group's geographical segments are also classified by the location of assets, information about its non-current assets by geographical location are detailed below:

Non-current assets*

	As at	As at
	30 June	31 December
	2024	2023
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Hong Kong	676	1,136
PRC	21,769	23,859
	22,445	24,995

^{*} Non-current assets do not include loan receivables.

Information about major customers

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Revenue from customers of the corresponding periods contributing over 10% of the total revenue of the Group are as follows:

	Six months end	led 30 June
	2024	2023
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Customer A	13,536	14,118
OTHER REVENUE AND OTHER GAINS		
	Six months end	led 30 June
	2024	2023

	2024 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2023 <i>HK\$</i> '000 (Unaudited)
Other revenue		
Bank interest income	1	1
Other operating income	23	10
Total	24	11

6. FINANCE COST

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	Six months end 2024 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	2023 <i>HK</i> \$'000 (Unaudited)
Interest on other borrowing Interest on lease liabilities	3,165	4,016 10
	3,166	4,026
PROFIT/(LOSS) BEFORE TAXATION		
	Six months end 2024 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	2023 <i>HK</i> \$'000 (Unaudited)
Profit/(loss) before taxation has been arrived at after charging: Directors' emoluments Salaries, wages and other benefits (excluding directors' emoluments) Pension scheme contributions (excluding directors' emoluments)	424 3,014 121	259 2,755 116
rension seneme contributions (excluding directors emoluments)	3,559	3,130
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment Depreciation of right-of-use assets	1,548 373	20 137
TAXATION	Six months end 2024 <i>HK\$</i> '000 (Unaudited)	2023 <i>HK</i> \$'000 (Unaudited)
Current tax: Hong Kong Profit Tax – Under-provision in previous year PRC Corporate Income Tax ("CIT") – Current income tax	2,796	1,348
Current tax expense	2,796	1,348

Under the two-tier profits tax rates regime, the first HK\$2 million of profits of the qualifying group entities will be taxed at 8.25%, and profits above HK\$2 million will be taxed at 16.5%.

The Group considered the amount involved upon implementation of the two-tier profits tax rates regime as insignificant to the consolidated financial statements. Hong Kong Profits Tax has been provided at the rate of 16.5% (six months ended 30 June 2023: 16.5%) on the estimated assessable profits for the period.

Pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Cayman Islands and the British Virgin Island ("BVI"), the Group is not subject to any income tax in the Cayman Islands and the BVI during the period.

The subsidiary of the Group established in the PRC is subject to PRC CIT on its taxable income tax at an income tax rate of 25% (six months ended 30 June 2023: 25%).

9. DIVIDENDS

The Board does not recommend the payment of an interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2024 (six months ended 30 June 2023: Nil).

10. EARNINGS/(LOSS) PER SHARE

The calculation of the basic earnings/(loss) per share amount is based on the profit/(loss) for the period attributable to the owners of the Company and the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue of 1,555,200,000 (six months ended 30 June 2023: 1,296,000,000).

The calculation of basic and diluted (loss)/earnings per share amounts are based on:

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2024	2023
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Profit/(loss)		
Profit/(loss) attributable to the owners of the Company, used in the		
basic and diluted earnings/(loss) per share calculation	5,711	(4,568)
Profit/(loss) attributable to the owners of the Company, used in the	5,711	(4,568

Diluted earnings/(loss) per share for the six months ended 30 June 2023 and 2024 were the same as the basic earnings/(loss) per share as there were no potential dilutive ordinary shares in existence during the periods.

11. LOAN RECEIVABLES

	As at	As at
	30 June	31 December
	2023	2022
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Loan receivables:		
– Within one year	10,054	10,054
Less: Allowance for expected credit losses	(10,054)	(10,054)
	_	_
Carrying amount analysed for reporting purpose: – Current assets		_

The Group's loan receivables which arise from the money lending business of provision of loans in Hong Kong, are denominated in Hong Kong dollars.

Loans are unsecured and certain of which are accompanied by personal guarantee. The loans bear interest rate arranging from 6% to 10% per annum and are repayable within fixed terms agreed with the customers.

12. TRADE RECEIVABLES

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As at	As at
30 June	31 December
2024	2023
HK\$'000	HK\$'000
(Unaudited)	(Audited)
115,049	112,760
(2,288)	(1,530)
112,761	111,230
	30 June 2024 HK\$'000 (Unaudited) 115,049 (2,288)

The Group's credit term with its customers is, in general, 7 to 45 days. The Group seeks to maintain strict control over its outstanding receivables. Overdue balances are reviewed regularly by senior management.

The aging analysis of the trade receivables, net of allowance for expected credit losses, based on the invoice date, are as follows:

	As at
	31 December
	2023
	HK\$'000
(Unaudited)	(Audited)
67,015	82,329
24,331	15,063
16,389	14,523
7,314	845
115,049	112,760
As at	As at
30 June	31 December
2024	2023
HK\$'000	HK\$'000
(Unaudited)	(Audited)
443	418
158,204	157,450
11,372	10,541
170.019	168,409
(9,715)	(7,899)
160.304	160,150
	As at 30 June 2024 HK\$'000 (Unaudited) 443 158,204 11,372

14. TRADE PAYABLES

	As at	As at
	30 June	31 December
	2024	2023
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	Unaudited)	(Audited)
Trade payables	27,092	26,648
The aging analysis of trade payables, based on the invoice date are as follows:	ws:	
	As at	As at
	30 June	31 December
	2024	2023
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	Unaudited)	(Audited)
Current to 30 days	25,456	25,012
31–60 days	_	_
61–90 days	_	_
Over 90 days	1,636	1,636
	27,092	26,648

The credit period on purchases of certain goods and services is within 7 to 90 days.

15. ACCRUED EXPENSES AND OTHER PAYABLES

	As at	As at
	30 June	31 December
	2024	2023
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Accrued expenses	10,697	10,890
Interest payable	8,460	5,295
Other payables	517	400
	19,674	16,111

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

FINANCIAL REVIEW

During the six months ended 30 June 2024 (the "**Period**"), the revenue of the Group increased by 6.1% to approximately HK\$125.3 million (six months ended 30 June 2023: approximately HK\$118.1 million) and the overall gross profit of the Group increased by 69.9% to approximately HK\$24.8 million (six months ended 30 June 2023: approximately HK\$14.6 million). The Group recorded a profit for the Period of approximately HK\$5.7 million, as compared to a loss of approximately HK\$4.6 million for the six months ended 30 June 2023.

BUSINESS REVIEW

The Group's business segments include two major segments, namely construction and ancillary services and consumer goods business.

A breakdown of the revenue was listed below:

	Six months ended 30 June 2024		Six months ended 30 June 2023	
	HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	%	HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	%
Construction and ancillary services Consumer goods business	43,175 82,146	34.5 65.5	24,563 93,550	20.8 79.2
Revenue	125,321	100.0	118,113	100.0

Construction and ancillary services

Construction and ancillary services which include design, fitting out, decoration, alteration and addition, construction and other related businesses were the focuses of our business during the Period. During the Period, the revenue from construction and ancillary services increased by 75.6% to approximately HK\$43.2 million (six months ended 30 June 2023: approximately HK\$24.6 million). The increase in revenue from this segment was mainly due to the increase in revenue contributed from the construction and ancillary services of non-residential projects.

Consumer goods business

Consumer goods businesses which include the production and sales of food and beverage products. During the Period, the revenue from consumer goods business accounting for approximately 65.5% of our total revenue amounted to approximately HK\$82.1 million (six months ended 30 June 2023: approximately HK\$93.6 million).

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

The administrative expenses increased by approximately HK\$0.5 million from approximately HK\$11.4 million for the six months ended 30 June 2023 to approximately HK\$11.9 million for the six months ended 30 June 2024. This was mainly attributable to the increase in the operating expenses for the Period.

PROFIT/(LOSS) FOR THE PERIOD

The Group recorded the profit of approximately HK\$5.7 million for the Period as compared to the loss of approximately HK\$4.6 million for the six months ended 30 June 2023.

PROSPECT

In 2024, the economic environment in Hong Kong, Macau and the PRC, as well as around the world, is recovering and a rebound of business activities and economic conditions is expected. We anticipate that the aforesaid expected recovery is likely to enhance our business performance, and the Group looks forward to commencing more construction projects and works ancillary to such projects in Hong Kong and Macau, which will help the Group to maintain a stable revenue stream in 2024.

The Group will continue to dedicate itself to maximise value for the Shareholders by adhering to its pragmatic and enterprising approach in executing its business strategies, and continuously searching for fresh business opportunities with exploration made in the consumer goods business and other businesses to broaden the revenue and profit base of the Group.

HUMAN RESOURCES AND REMUNERATION POLICIES

As at 30 June 2024, the Group had 66 employees (31 December 2023: 64) in Hong Kong and the People's Republic of China (the "**PRC**"). The total remuneration paid by the Group to its employees (including directors) for the current financial period was HK\$3.6 million (six months ended 30 June 2023: HK\$3.1 million).

The objective of the Group's remuneration policy is to maintain fair and competitive packages based on business requirements and industry practice. In order to determine the level of remuneration paid to its employees (including directors and senior management), the following factors are considered:

- workload, responsibility and job complexity;
- business requirements;
- individual performance and contribution to results;
- company performance and profitability;
- retention considerations and the potential of individuals;
- corporate goals and objectives;
- market rates and changes in relevant markets, including supply and demand fluctuations and changes in competitive conditions; and
- general economic situation.

In addition to salaries, provident fund scheme and medical insurance coverage and discretionary bonuses are available to employees. Level of remuneration is reviewed annually. During the review process, no individual director is involved in decisions relating to his/her own remuneration.

LIQUIDITY, FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND CAPITAL STRUCTURE

As at 30 June 2024, the Group had total cash and bank balances of approximately HK\$32.6 million (31 December 2023: approximately HK\$40.4 million) mainly denominated in Hong Kong dollars.

The Group continued to maintain a healthy liquidity position. As at 30 June 2024, the Group had net current assets of approximately HK\$366.1 million (31 December 2023: approximately HK\$338.5 million). The Group had current ratio of approximately 4.0 times as at 30 June 2024 compared to that of approximately 3.9 times as at 31 December 2023.

The gearing ratio of the Group is calculated by total of interest-bearing bank and other borrowings and convertible bond divided by total assets. As at 30 June 2024, the gearing ratio was approximately 19.0% (31 December 2023: approximately 20.3%). The Group's working capital requirements were mainly financed by internal resources. The gearing ratio of the Group remained constant.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE EXPOSURE

The Group mainly earns revenue in Hong Kong dollars and Renminbi and also incurs cost in Hong Kong dollars and Renminbi. The Group is exposed to foreign exchange risk with respect mainly to Renminbi which may affect the Group's performance. The management is aware of the possible exchange rate exposure due to the continuing fluctuation of Renminbi and will closely monitor its impact on the performance of the Group to see if any hedging policy is necessary. The Group currently does not have any foreign currency hedging policy.

PLEDGE OF ASSETS

There was no pledged asset as at 30 June 2024 (31 December 2023: Nil).

CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The Group had no significant contingent liabilities as at 30 June 2024 (31 December 2023: Nil).

CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

The Group had no significant outstanding capital commitment as at 30 June 2024 (31 December 2023: Nil).

INTERIM DIVIDEND

The Board does not recommend the payment of an interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2024 (six months ended 30 June 2023: Nil).

CODE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES

The Company is committed to maintaining high standard of corporate governance to safeguard the interests of the shareholders of the Company and to enhance corporate value and responsibility. The Board comprises two executive Directors and three independent non-executive Directors. The Board has adopted the code provisions of the Corporate Governance Code ("CG Code") set out in Appendix C1 to the Listing Rules. During the year ended 30 June 2024 and up to the date of this announcement, the Company has complied with the code provisions under the CG Code.

MODEL CODE FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS BY THE DIRECTORS

The Directors have adopted the Model Code as set out in Appendix C3 to the Listing Rules as the code of conduct for Directors in dealing in the Company's securities. Specific enquiries have been made to all Directors and all Directors have confirmed that they have fully complied with the required standard of dealings as set out in the Model Code for the six months ended 30 June 2024.

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

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities for the six months ended 30 June 2024.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The audit committee (the "Audit Committee") of the Board was established on 13 August 2015. The Audit Committee comprises three independent non-executive Directors, namely Ms. CHAN Wai Yan, Mr. ZHEN Jian and Ms. ZHAO Hongqin.

The Audit Committee has reviewed the accounting principles and practices adopted by the Group and the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2024.

SUFFICIENCY OF PUBLIC FLOAT

Based on the information that is publicly available to the Company and within the knowledge of the Directors as at the date of this announcement, the Company has maintained the prescribed public float of not less than 25% of the Company's issued shares as required under the Listing Rules during the six months ended 30 June 2024.

PUBLICATION OF RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT AND INTERIM REPORT

The interim results announcement is published on the websites of the Company and the Stock Exchange. The interim report will be despatched to the shareholders of the Company and made available on the same websites in due course.

By Order of the Board **Hope Life International Holdings Limited LU Zhaowei** *Chairman*

Hong Kong, 30 August 2024

As at the date of this announcement, the Board of Directors of the Company comprises Mr. LU Zhaowei, Mr. XIAO Yi and Mr. LI Ka Chun Gordon as executive Directors; and Mr. ZHEN Jian, Ms. ZHAO Hongqin and Ms. CHAN Wai Yan as independent non-executive Directors.