

Echo International Holdings Group Limited

毅高(國際)控股集團有限公司

(incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 8218)

INTERIM RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2019

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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Recorded an unaudited revenue of approximately HK\$27.33 million for the six months ended 30 September 2019, representing an decrease of approximately 1.52% over the same period of the previous year.
- Recorded an unaudited loss attributable to the owners of the Company of approximately HK\$14.35 million for the six months ended 30 September 2019 (2018: unaudited loss attributable to the owners of the Company approximately HK\$7.30 million).
- Basic and diluted loss per share for the six months ended 30 September 2019 were HK1.41 cents (2018: basic loss per share HK0.76 cents).
- The Board does not recommend the payment of interim dividend for the six months ended 30 September 2019 (2018: Nil).

UNAUDITED INTERIM RESULTS

The board of Directors (the "**Board**") is pleased to announce the unaudited condensed consolidated interim results of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively the "**Group**") for the three months and six months ended 30 September 2019 (the "**Period**") and the comparative unaudited figures for the corresponding period in 2018, as follows:

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

For the three months and six months ended 30 September 2019

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	Notes	2019 HK\$'000	2018 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000	2018 HK\$'000
Revenue Cost of sales	3	14,316 (11,982)	12,972 (6,305)	27,330 (21,920)	27,751 (16,093)
Gross profit Other gains or loss Selling and distribution	4	2,334 328	6,667 293	5,410 607	11,658 622
expenses Administrative and other		(317)	(326)	(516)	(569)
expenses Change in fair value of derivative financial assets component of convertible		(6,771)	(9,302)	(11,997)	(17,163)
bonds Finance costs Share of result of associates		(5,132) (2,318) (149)	(1,145) (545) 	(5,132) (2,811) 4	(1,145) (742)
Loss before taxation Taxation	5 6	(12,025) <u>84</u>	(4,358)	(14,435) <u>84</u>	(7,339)
Loss for the period Other comprehensive loss for the period, net of tax: Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss: Exchange differences on translation of foreign	ı	(11,941)	(4,317)	(14,351)	(7,298)
operations		1,040	(3,137)	9	(3,168)
Total comprehensive loss for the period		(10,901)	(7,454)	(14,342)	(10,466)
Loss for the period attributable to owners of the Company		(11,941)	(4,317)	(14,351)	(7,298)
Total comprehensive loss for the period attributable to owners of the Company		(10,901)	(7,454)	(14,342)	(10,466)
Loss per share — Basic and diluted (HK cents)	8	(1.17) cents	(0.45) cents	(1.41) cents	(0.76) cents

UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 30 September 2019

Non-current assets Property, plant and equipment Interests in associates Right-of-use assets Deferred tax asset	Notes 9	Unaudited 30 September 2019 HK\$'000 2,882 20,925 7,573 10	Audited 31 March 2019 HK\$'000 4,817 20,921
Current assets Inventories Trade receivables Amount due from a related company Deposits, prepayments and other receivables Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss Pledged time deposits Cash and bank balances	10	31,390 12,633 6,096 58 4,138 5,380 2,055 9,259 39,619	25,756 12,625 4,616 98 3,891 8,201 2,039 8,310 39,780
Current liabilities Trade payables Accruals and other payables Lease liabilities Contract liabilities Tax payable Bank borrowing Obligations under finance lease Net current assets	11	2,306 1,654 3,151 353 208 148 124 7,944 31,675	2,293 2,158 654 212 146 121 5,584 34,196
Total assets less current liabilities		63,065	59,952
Non-current liabilities Lease liabilities Bank borrowing Obligations under finance lease Convertible bonds Deferred tax liabilities		4,730 327 197 25,950 1,215 32,419	402 259 17,411 922 18,994
Net assets		30,646	40,958
Capital and reserves Share capital Reserves Total equity	12	2,550 28,096 30,646	2,550 38,408 40,958

UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the six months ended 30 September 2019 (Unaudited)

							Convertible		
							bonds —		
					Share		equity		
	Share	Share	Contribution	Capital	option	Exchange	component	Accumulated	
	capital	premium	reserve	reserve	reserve	reserve	reserve	losses	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At 1 April 2019, audited	2,550	59,326	4,836	(89)	5,794	(2,469)	7,460	(36,450)	40,958
Total comprehensive income/(loss)									
for the period	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	(14,351)	(14,342)
Issuance of convertible bonds	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,489	-	4,489
Issuance cost on convertible bonds	-	-	-	-	-	-	(74)	-	(74)
Deferred tax liability arising from									
issue of convertible bonds							(385)		(385)
At 30 September 2019, unaudited	2,550	59,326	4,836	(89)	5,794	(2,460)	11,490	(50,801)	30,646

For the six months ended 30 September 2018 (Unaudited)

	Share capital <i>HK\$</i> '000	Share premium HK\$'000	Contribution reserve HK\$'000	Capital reserve <i>HK</i> \$'000	Share option reserve HK\$'000	Exchange reserve HK\$'000	Convertible bonds — equity component reserve HK\$'000	Accumulated losses HK\$'000	Total <i>HK\$</i> '000
At 1 April 2018, audited	2,400	53,476	4,836	(89)	5,794	(217)	3,713	(41,698)	28,215
Total comprehensive loss for the period	_	_	_	_	_	(3,168)	_	(7,298)	(10,466)
Issuance of convertible bonds	_	_	_	_	_	(3,100)	4,518	(7,270)	4,518
Issuance cost on convertible bonds	_	_	_	-	_	_	(127)	-	(127)
Deferred tax liability arising from issue of convertible bonds							(644)		(644)
At 30 September 2018, unaudited	2,400	53,476	4,836	(89)	5,794	(3,385)	7,460	(48,996)	21,496

UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the six months ended 30 September 2019

	Unaudite six months		
	30 September		
	2019	2018	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Net cash used in operating activities	(7,828)	(4,239)	
Net cash used in investing activities	(88)	(2,460)	
Net cash generated from financing activities	6,652	12,424	
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents	(1,264)	5,725	
Effect of foreign currency exchange rate changes	2,213	(3,883)	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period, audited	8,310	13,340	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period, unaudited	9,259	15,182	
Analysis of the balances of cash and cash equivalents			
Cash and bank balances	9,259	15,267	
Bank overdraft		(85)	
	9,259	15,182	

NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 CORPORATE INFORMATION

The Company is incorporated in the Cayman Islands as an exempted company with limited liability. The Company's shares have been listed on GEM of the Stock Exchange since 11 October 2013.

The unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements are presented in Hong Kong Dollars ("HK\$"), which is same as the functional currency of the Company. All values are rounded to the nearest thousands (HK\$'000) except when otherwise indicated.

The principal activities of the Group are engaged in the manufacturing and trading of electronic products and accessories. The Group also operates catering business in Hong Kong.

2 BASIS OF PREPARATION AND PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Hong Kong Accounting Standards ("HKAS") 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA") and the disclosure requirements set out in Chapter 18 of the Rule Governing the Listing of Securities on the GEM of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

The unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared under historical cost basis except for certain financial assets and financial liabilities, which are measured at fair values. The accounting policies and method of computation used in preparing the unaudited condensed consolidated results are consistent with those used in the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2019 except in relation to the new and revised standards, amendments and interpretations ("new and revised HKFRSs") issued by the HKICPA that are adopted for the first time for the current period's financial statements. The adoption of these new and revised HKFRSs has had no material impact on the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements. The unaudited condensed consolidated interim results have not been reviewed by the Company's auditors, but have been reviewed by the Company's audit committee.

The Group has not early adopted any new Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("**HKFRS**") that have been issued but are not yet effective.

HKFRS 16 Leases ("HKFRS 16")

The Group has adopted HKFRS 16 "Leases" from 1 April 2019, which resulted in changes in accounting policies and adjustments to the amounts recognised in the First Quarterly Condensed Financial Statements. In accordance with the transition provisions in HKFRS 16, the Group has recognised the cumulative effect of initially applying HKFRS 16 as an adjustment to the opening balance of retained earnings at the date of initial application (that is, 1 April 2019). As a result, the financial information presented for 2018 has not been restated.

Before the adoption of HKFRS 16, commitments under operating leases for future periods were not recognised by the Group as liabilities. Operating lease rental expenses were recognised in the condensed consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income over the lease period on a straightline basis.

On adoption of HKFRS 16, the Group recognised the full lease liabilities in relation to leases which had previously been classified as operating leases if they meet certain criteria set out in HKFRS 16. These liabilities were subsequently measured at the present value of the remaining lease payments, discounted using the incremental borrowing rate of respective entities. The difference between the present value and the total remaining lease payments represents the cost of financing. Such finance costs will be charged to the condensed consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income in the period in which it is incurred using effective interest method.

Impacts for the period

In relation to those leases under HKFRS 16, the Group has recognised depreciation and interest expense, instead of operating lease expense. During the six months ended 30 September 2019, the Group recognised HK\$1,849,742 and HK\$418,785 of depreciation expense on right-of-use assets and interest expense on lease liabilities respectively.

3 SEGMENT INFORMATION

Information reported internally to the Directors of the Group (chief operating decision maker) for the purpose of resource allocation and assessment of segment performance focuses on the types of goods or services delivered or provided.

An analysis of the Group's revenue of each significant category for the Period is as follows:

	Unaud six months ended		
	2019 20		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Sales of electronic products	17,483	23,424	
Revenue from restaurant operations	9,847	4,327	
	27,330	27,751	

Specifically, the Group's reportable and operating segments under HKFRS 8 are as follows:

- indent trading of electronic products.
- manufacturing and trading of electronic products and accessories.
- provision of food catering services.

The Group's reportable segments are strategic business units that operate different activities. They are managed separately because each business has different market and requires different marketing strategies.

Segment revenues reported below represent revenue generated from external customers. There were no inter-segment sales for both period.

Segment result represents the profit/(loss) generated by each segment without allocation of corporate income and central administration costs including directors' emoluments, share based payment, finance costs and income tax expense. This is the measure reported to the chief operating decision maker for the purpose of resource allocation and assessment of segment performance.

Segment revenues and results

The following is an analysis of the Group's turnover and results from continuing operations by reportable and operating segments:

For the six months ended 30 September 2019 (Unaudited)

	Indent trading of electronic products HK\$'000	Manufacturing and trading of electronic products and accessories HK\$'000	Provision of food catering services <i>HK\$</i> '000	Total <i>HK</i> \$'000
Revenue	1,280	16,203	9,847	27,330
Segment results	761	(2,597)	5,937	4,101
Unallocated other revenue and gains Unallocated selling and distribution expenses Unallocated administrative and other expenses				495 (298) (10,553)
Loss from operations Finance costs Allowance for expected credit loss recognised				(6,255) (2,811)
in respect of trade receivables and amount due from a related company				(241)
Change in fair value of derivative financial assets component of convertible bonds Share of result of associates				(5,132)
Loss before taxation Taxation				(14,435)
Loss for the period				(14,351)
For the six months ended 30 September 201	8 (Unaudited)			
	Indent trading of electronic products <i>HK</i> \$'000	Manufacturing and trading of electronic products and accessories <i>HK</i> \$'000	Provision of food catering services <i>HK</i> \$'000	Total <i>HK</i> \$'000
Revenue	1,500	21,924	4,327	27,751
Segment results	256	788	(3,195)	(2,151)
Unallocated other revenue and gains Unallocated selling and distribution expenses Unallocated administrative and other expenses				(598) (268) (3,580)
Loss from operations Finance costs				(6,597) (742)
Loss before taxation Taxation				(7,339)
Loss for the period				(7,298)

Geographical information

	Revenue from exter Unaudit	ed	
	six months ended 30 September 2019 2018		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Hong Kong	10,578	6,070	
Asian countries, other than Hong Kong (Note 1)	2,198	3,282	
European countries (Note 2)	9,744	13,679	
North and South American countries (<i>Note 3</i>)	3,666	4,252	
Others	1,144	468	
	27,330	27,751	

Notes:

- 1. Asian countries include the People's Republic of China ("PRC"), Korea, Malaysia, Singapore and Taiwan.
- 2. European countries include Belgium, Bulgaria, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Italy, Poland, Portugal, Russia, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and United Kingdom.
- 3. North and South American countries include Argentina, Brasil, Canada and the United States.

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:

	Unaudited 30 September 2019	Audited 31 March 2019
Hong Kong People's Republic of China ("PRC")	HK\$'000 2,868 14	<i>HK</i> \$'000 4,712 105
	2,882	4,817

4 OTHER GAINS OR LOSS

	Unaudited		
	six months ended 30 September		
	2019		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Bank interest income	21	14	
Sundry income	534	608	
Reversal for expected credit loss/impairment loss recognised			
in respect of trade receivables	52		
	607	622	

5 LOSS BEFORE TAXATION

	Unaudit	Unaudited		
	six months ended 3	30 September		
	2019	2018		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000		
Loss before taxation is arrived after charging:				
Finance costs				
Interest on:				
Bank overdrafts wholly repayable within five years	1	_		
Interest expense on lease liabilities	419	_		
Obligation under finance leases	17	34		
Convertible bonds wholly repayable within five years	2,374	708		
	2,811	742		
Other items				
Depreciation of property, plant and equipments	285	585		
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	1,850	_		
Costs of inventories sold	15,693	14,330		
Loss on disposal of a subsidiary	635	_		
Allowance for expected credit loss recognised in respect of amount				
due from a related company	<u>293</u>			

6 TAXATION

		Unaudited six months ended 30 September		
	2019	2018		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000		
Current tax				
— Hong Kong	_	_		
— PRC	-	-		
Deferred taxation	84	41		
	84	41		

Hong Kong Profits Tax is calculated at 16.5% of the estimated assessable profits arising in Hong Kong for the six months ended 30 September 2019 and 2018.

PRC subsidiary is subjected to PRC enterprise income tax at 25%.

Pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Cayman Islands and the British Virgin Islands the Group is not subject to any income tax in the Cayman Islands and the British Virgin Islands for the six months ended 30 September 2019 and 2018.

7 DIVIDENDS

The Board does not recommend the payment of interim dividend for the six months ended 30 September 2019 (2018: Nil).

8 LOSS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO OWNERS OF THE COMPANY

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

		Unaudited		
		six months ended 30 Septembe		
		2019	2018	
	Note	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Loss for the period attributable to owners of				
the Company		(14,351)	(7,298)	
		Unaud	lited	
		six months ended	30 September	
		2019	2018	
		No. of shares	No. of shares	
Weighted average number of ordinary shares and dilutive potential ordinary share in issue				
during the period	(a), (b)	1,020,000,000	960,000,000	

Notes:

- (a) On 24 October 2018, the Company placed 60,000,000 new shares at the issue price of HK\$0.1 for the purpose of acquisition of associates with cash payment of HK\$200,000 for acquisition of associates.
- (b) The diluted loss per share is the same as the basic loss per share for the six months ended 30 September 2019 and 2018 because the Company's share options outstanding during those periods were either anti-dilutive or have no potential dilutive effects.

9 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

During the six months ended 30 September 2019, the Group acquired property, plant and equipment amounting to HK\$0.94 million (six months ended 30 September 2018: HK\$2.47 million) and disposed property, plant and equipment amounting to HK\$2.48 million for the six months ended 30 September 2019 was included in the disposed of subsidiary on 2 September 2019 (the corresponding period in 2018: Nil).

10 TRADE RECEIVABLES

Details of the ageing analysis are as follows:

Unaudited	Audited
30 September	31 March
2019	2019
HK\$'000	HK\$'000
5,288	2,783
363	644
96	24
349	1,165
6,096	4,616
	30 September 2019 HK\$'000 5,288 363 96 349

The Company normally allows a credit period ranging from 0 to 90 days.

Trade receivables as at 30 September 2019 are denominated in HK\$ and USD.

11 TRADE PAYABLES

Details of the ageing analysis are as follows:

	Unaudited 30 September	Audited 31 March
	2019	2019
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Within 30 days	1,842	1,323
31 to 60 days	251	190
61 to 90 days	36	384
91 to 180 days	155	207
Over 180 days	22	189
	2,306	2,293

The average credit period on purchase of certain goods is generally within 30 days to 90 days.

Trade payables as at 30 September 2019 are denominated in HK\$, USD and RMB.

12 SHARE CAPITAL

	Ordinary shares of HKD0.0025 each Unaudited six months ended 30 September 2019		Ordinary shares of HKD0.0025 each Audited year ended 31 March 2019	
	Number of shares '000	Nominal value <i>HK\$</i> '000	Number of shares	Nominal value HK\$'000
Authorised: At beginning of the period/year	4,000,000	10,000	4,000,000	10,000
At end of the period/year	4,000,000	10,000	4,000,000	10,000
Issued and fully paid: At beginning of the period/year Issue of shares in relation to	1,020,000	2,550	960,000	2,400
acquisition of associates (Note $8(a)$)			60,000	150
At end of the period/year	1,020,000	2,550	1,020,000	2,550

The holders of ordinary shares are entitled to receive dividends as declared from time to time and are entitled to one vote per share at meetings of the Company. All ordinary shares rank equally with regard to the Company's residual assets.

13 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Fair value measurement

The fair values of financial assets and financial liabilities are determined as follows:

- (i) the fair values of financial assets and financial liabilities with standard terms and conditions and traded on active liquid markets are determined with reference to quoted market prices; and
- (ii) the fair values of other financial assets and financial liabilities are determined in accordance with generally accepted pricing models based on discounted cash flow analysis.

The carrying amount of other financial assets and liabilities carried at amortised cost, approximate their respective fair values due to the relatively short-term nature of these financial instruments.

The following provides an analysis of financial instruments that are measured subsequent to initial recognition at fair value, grouped into Levels 1 to 3 based on the degree to which the fair value is observable as at 31 March 2019 and 30 September 2019.

- Level 1 fair value measurements are those derived from quoted prices (unadjusted) in active market for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2 fair value measurements are those derived from inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices).
- Level 3 fair value measurements are those derived from valuation techniques that include inputs for the assets or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

No analysis is disclosed since the Group has no financial instruments that are measured subsequent to initial recognition at fair value at the end of the reporting period.

14 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The Group had no material contingent liabilities as at 30 September 2019 and 31 March 2019.

15 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Save as disclosed elsewhere in the interim consolidated financial statements, the Company had the following material transactions with related parties during the period:

(a) Significant related party transactions

During the period, the Group entered into the following transactions with related parties:

	Unaudited six months ended 30 September		
	2019 20		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Nature of related party transactions			
Rental paid to Mobile Computer Land Limited (Note 2)	287	287	
Sales to Mobile Computer Land Limited (Note 2)	52	239	
Consultancy fee paid to Vashion Assets Management Limited			
(Note 1)	300	600	

Note 1: Ms. Zhou Jia Lin is a director of Vashion Assets Management Limited. Ms. Zhou Jia Lin was appointed as non-executive director on 22 October 2014. Ms. Zhou resigned on 7 September 2018.

Note 2: Its major shareholder is Mr. Lo Ding Kwong, who is the son of Ms. Cheng Yeuk Hung.

(b) Key management personnel compensation

Remuneration for key personnel management, including amount paid to the Company's directors and certain of the highest paid employees is as follows:

	Unaudited six months ended 30 September		
	2019 2		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Salaries and allowances	1,648	1,635	
Retirement scheme contributions	27	35	
	1,675	1,670	

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Business Review

Revenue for the six months ended 30 September 2019 ("Six-Month Period") was approximately HK\$27.33 million, representing an decrease of approximately 1.52% when compared with the same period last year. Loss attributable to owners of the Company for the Six-Month Period was approximately HK\$14.35 million whilst for the same period last year, the loss attributable to owners of the Company was approximately HK\$7.30 million.

Given the slow pace of economic recovery along with the continued slackness in the U.S. and European markets, the sales of electronic products have become increasingly challenging. Notwithstanding the challenging market conditions encountered during the Six-Month Period under review, the Group continues to provide electronics products and the subcontracting services on PCB assemblies and manufacture of electronic products to customers in its principal markets, i.e. the U.S.A. and the European countries including Belgium, Bulgaria, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Italy, Poland, Russia, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and United Kingdom.

In view of the challenging market conditions as mentioned above, while the Group will continue to focus on its core business of the sales of electronic products, it will explore new business opportunities to broaden its source of income and maximize profit and return for the Group and the shareholders of the Company. The Group will also increase its market share and attract new customers to enlarge its client base through conducting more promotional and marketing activities and designing and developing new electronic products.

Sales of Electronic Products

Revenue from this segment during the Six-Month Period was approximately HK\$17.48 million, representing a decrease of approximately 25.37% when compared with the same period last year. Decrease in sales of electronics products was mainly due to the decrease in the revenue from indent trading of electronic products and manufacturing and trading of electronic products and accessories by approximately HK\$0.22 million and HK\$5.72 million respectively as compared with the corresponding period in 2018. The decrease in the revenue from indent trading of electronic products is mainly attributable to the decreasing purchase orders from the Group's customers. The decrease in the revenue from manufacturing and trading of electronic products and accessories for the Six-Month Period was mainly due to the decrease in sales of charger board and fishing indicator for the Six-Month Period by approximately HK\$2.49 million and HK\$3.15 million respectively as compared with the corresponding period in 2018. Decrease in charger board and fishing indicator were caused by the decrease in volume sold.

Financial review

The Group's revenue for the six months ended 30 September 2019 was approximately HK\$27.33 million, representing an decrease of approximately 1.52% from approximately HK\$27.75 million of the same period in 2018. Such decrease was mainly due to the decrease in sales of electronic products and accessories by approximately HK\$5.94 million.

The overall gross profit margin of the Group decreased from approximately 42.01% for the six months ended 30 September 2018 to 19.80% for the six months ended 30 September 2019. The decrease in the Group's gross profit margin for the six months ended 30 September 2019 was primarily due to the decrease in sales of electronic products.

Selling and distribution expenses for the six months ended 30 September 2019 were approximately HK\$0.52 million (approximately HK\$0.57 million for the six months ended 30 September 2018), representing a decrease of approximately 9.31%. Such decrease was mainly due to the advertising and promotion amounting to HK\$0.02 million for the six months ended 30 September 2019 (approximately HK\$0.07 million for the six months ended 30 September 2018).

Administrative and other expenses for the six months ended 30 September 2019 were approximately HK\$12.00 million (approximately HK\$17.16 million for the six months ended 30 September 2018), representing a decrease of approximately 30.10%. Such decrease was mainly due to the decrease in staff costs and rental expenses amounting to HK\$5.40 million and HK\$0.63 million respectively for the six months ended 30 September 2019 (approximately HK\$8.48 million and HK\$2.54 million respectively for the six months ended 30 September 2018).

Loss attributable to the owners of the Company amounted to approximately HK\$14.35 million for the six months ended 30 September 2019 (approximately HK\$7.30 million for the six months ended 30 September 2018). Loss per share attributable to owners of the Company was approximately HK1.41 cents for the six months ended 30 September 2019 (approximately HK0.76 cents for the six months ended 30 September 2018).

The cash and cash balance increased from approximately HK\$8.31 million as at 31 March 2019 to HK\$9.26 million as at 30 September 2019 mainly due to the net effect of the HK\$9.41 million convertible bonds being successfully placed by the Company's placing agent at the initial conversion price per conversion share was HK\$0.049.

Disposal of a Subsidiary

On 19 August 2019, one of the subsidiaries of the Group as a vendor entered into an agreement with a purchaser to dispose of the entire issued share capital of Chiu Cuisine Limited for consideration of HK\$1.00 and the transaction was announced by the Company on the same date. The transaction was completed on 2 September 2019.

Business Prospect

On 8 August 2019, the Company as a purchaser entered into a non-legally binding memorandum of understanding with a vendor to acquire the entire equity interest in COMSYS (Tianjin) International Leasing Co., Ltd which was announced by the Company on the same date. As at 30 September 2019, the Company has not entered into a legally binding sale and purchase agreement with the vendor.

IPO PROCEEDS AND USE OF THE IPO PROCEEDS

The Company received IPO net proceeds of approximately HK\$25.12 million (the "IPO Proceeds").

The utilization of the IPO Proceeds since 12 May 2017 (date of the latest revision of allocation of the unutilised IPO Proceeds) to 30 September 2019 is summarised as follows:

Intended use	As at 12 May 2017 Revised allocation of the unutilised IPO Proceeds HK\$ million (approximately)	Utilised during the period from 13 May 2017 to 30 September 2019 HK\$ million (approximately)	Unutilised amount as at 30 September 2019 HK\$ million (approximately)
Strengthening the Group's position in its established markets and expanding its customer base Working capital and funding for other general corporate purposes	2.49	0.25	2.24
Total	3.79	1.55	2.24

It is expected that the unutilised IPO Proceeds will be utilised within 2 years after the date of this announcement.

OTHER FUND RAISING ACTIVITIES DURING THE Six-Month Period

(1) Issue of HK\$9,408,000 convertible bonds under general mandate

On 11 July 2019, the Company entered into a placing agreement with a placing agent in relation to placing of up to HK\$9,408,000 convertible bonds to independent investors under general mandate for fund raising purpose. The initial conversion price of the convertible bonds was HK\$0.049 represented a premium of about 1.67% to the closing price of HK\$0.048 on 11 July 2019. On 6 August 2019, the Company completed the placing of HK\$9,408,000 convertible bonds. The convertible bonds are convertible into 192,000,000 Shares based on the initial conversion price. The gross proceeds and net proceeds from the placing amounted to about HK\$9.41 million and HK\$9.18 million respectively. The net proceeds are intended to be used in investment in catering business and as at the date of this announcement, funds of about HK\$3.20 million have been utilised for such purpose and funds of about HK\$5.98 million remain unutilised and is expected to be utilised in the coming twelve months.

SHARE OPTIONS SCHEMES

The Company has two share option schemes namely, the pre-IPO share option scheme (the "**Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme**") and the share option scheme (the "**Share Option Scheme**") which were both adopted on 27 September 2013.

Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme

The Company has adopted the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme on 27 September 2013 under which the Company has granted options to certain Directors of the Group to subscribe for an aggregate of 80,000,000 shares of the Company with an exercise price of HK\$0.15, which is equal to the placing price as defined in the prospectus of the Company.

As at 30 September 2019, details of the share options granted under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme are as follows:

Directors	Outstanding as at 31 March 2019	Exercised	Lapsed	Cancelled	Outstanding as at 30 September 2019	Exercise period	Approximate percentage of issued capital of the Company upon exercise of all the options
Mr. Lo Yan Yee	22,800,000	-	-	-	22,800,000	11 October 2016 – 11 October 2023	2.19%
Ms. Cheng Yeuk Hung	22,800,000				22,800,000	11 October 2016 – 11 October 2023	2.19%
	45,600,000				45,600,000		4.38%
Employees	34,400,000		_		34,400,000	11 October 2016 – 11 October 2023	3.31%
	80,000,000		_		80,000,000		7.69%

Share Option Scheme

During the six months period ended 30 September 2019, no option was granted, exercised or lapsed under the Share Option Scheme.

DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVES' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITION IN SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURES OF THE COMPANY AND ITS ASSOCIATED CORPORATIONS

As at 30 September 2019, the interests and short positions of the Directors and the chief executive of the Company in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company and its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571, Laws of Hong Kong) ("SFO")) which (i) are required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests and short positions which they are taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO); or (ii) were recorded in the register required to be kept under Section 352 of the SFO, or (iii) have to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the required standards of dealing by Directors as referred to in Rule 5.46 of the GEM Listing Rules are as follows:

(i) Long positions in the Shares

Name of Director	Company/ associated corporation	Capacity	Number of Shares	Approximate percentage of interest
Ms. Cheng Yeuk Hung	Company	Personal interest	97,560,000	9.56%
Mr. Lo Yan Yee	Company	Interest of spouse	97,560,000	9.56%

Note: Mr. Lo Yan Yee is the executive Director and the spouse of Ms. Cheng Yeuk Hung, and is deemed under the SFO to be interested in those 97,560,000 shares in which Ms. Cheng Yeuk Hung is interested.

(ii) Long position in underlying shares of the Company

Name	Capacity	Description of equity derivatives	Number of underlying shares
Mr. Lo Yan Yee (executive Director)	Personal Interest of spouse	Options Options	22,800,000 22,800,000
		-	45,600,000
Ms. Cheng Yeuk Hung (executive Director)	Personal Interest of spouse	Options Options	22,800,000 22,800,000
		_	45,600,000
Mr. Cheng Kwing Sang, Raymond (chief executive officer)	Personal	Options	22,400,000

Save as disclosed above, as at 30 September 2019, none of the Directors or chief executive of the Company has 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 kept under section 352 of the SFO or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the minimum standard of dealings by Directors of the Company as referred to in Rule 5.46 of the GEM Listing Rules, or required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO.

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

As at 30 September 2019, so far as is known to the Directors, 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 which would fall to be disclosed to the Company and the Stock Exchange under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO or which were recorded in the register required to be kept under section 336 of the SFO:

			Percentage of the Company's	
Name	Capacity and nature of interest	Number of shares	issued share capital	Long/Short position
Adamas Asset Management (HK) Limited	Investment Manager	66,338,000	6.91%	Long position

Name	Capacity and nature of interest	Number of shares	Number of underlying shares	Total	Percentage of the Company's issued share capital
Yeung Tong Seng Terry	Beneficiary of a trust (other than discretionary interest)	101,200,000 (Note 2)	73,584,905 (Notes 1 & 2)		
	Beneficial owner	_	31,036,237 (Note 1)		
		101,200,000	104,621,142 (Note 1)	205,821,142	20.18%
Bluemount investment Fund SPC — Bluemount investment Fund SP	Trustee (other than a bare trustee)	101,200,000	73,584,905 (Note 1)	174,784,905 (Note 2)	17.14%
Siu Yik Tung Jamie	Beneficial owner		125,271,210 (Note 1)	125,271,210	12.28%
Siu Wa Kei	Interest of a controlled corporation	25,956,000		25,956,000	
	Beneficial owner	43,119,472		43,119,472	
		69,075,472		69,075,472	6.77%
Lissington Limited		44,096,000	10,374,662 (Note 1)	54,470,662	5.34%

Notes:

- 1. These underlying Shares are Shares to be issued to a hold or holders of the convertible bonds issued by the Company.
- 2. These shares were held by Bluemount investment Fund SPC Bluemount investment Fund SP as trustee of Mr. Yeung Tong Seng Terry.

Save as disclosed above, as at 30 September 2019, the Directors are not aware of any other persons who had interests or short positions in the shares or underlying shares of the Company which would fall to be disclosed to the Company and the Stock Exchange under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO or which were recorded in the register required to be kept under section 336 of the SFO.

PURCHASE, SALES OR REDEMPTION OF SHARES

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities during the six months ended 30 September 2019.

MODEL CODE FOR DIRECTORS' SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS

The Company has adopted the standards set out in Rules 5.48 to 5.67 of the GEM Listing Rules as the code of conduct regarding securities transactions by the Directors. Having made specific enquiry to all Directors, the Company was not aware of any non-compliance with the required standards of dealings and its code of conduct regarding securities transactions by Directors during the six months ended 30 September 2019.

CODE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES

The Company's corporate governance practices are based on the principles and the code provisions (the "Code") as set out in Appendix 15 of the GEM Listing Rules. The principles adopted by the Company emphasize a quality board, transparency and accountability to its shareholders. The Company has complied with the Code during the six months ended 30 September 2019.

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN CONTRACTS

Other than as disclosed under the heading "Related Party Transactions" as set out in note 16 to the interim consolidated financial statements, no Director had a material interest in any contract of significance to the business of the Group to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries was a party during the six months period ended 30 September 2019.

COMPETING BUSINESS

For the six months ended 30 September 2019, the Directors are not aware of any business or interest of the Directors, the controlling shareholder(s) of the Company and their respective associates (as defined under the GEM Listing Rules) that compete or may compete with the business of the Group and any other conflict of interest which any such person has or may have with the Group.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Company has set up an audit committee (the "Committee") with written terms of reference in compliance with the GEM Listing Rules, for the purpose of reviewing and providing supervision over the financial reporting process and internal control of the Group. The Committee comprises three independent non-executive directors of the Company, namely Mr. Lam Wai Yuen, Mr. Leung Yu Tung, Stanley and Mr. Tsui Chun Shing. The unaudited condensed consolidated results of the Group for the six months ended 30 September 2019 have been reviewed by the Committee, which was of the opinion that the preparation of such results complied with the applicable accounting standards, the GEM Listing Rules and legal requirements, and adequate disclosures have been made.

By Order of the Board

Echo International Holdings Group Limited

Leung Kwok Kuen, Jacob

Executive Director

Hong Kong, 11 November 2019

As at the date of this announcement, the executive Directors are Mr. Lo Yan Yee, Ms. Cheng Yeuk Hung, Mr. Leung Kwok Kuen, Jacob and Mr. Tansri Saridju Benui, the non-executive Director is Mr. Chan Chun Kit, and the independent non-executive Directors are Mr. Lam Wai Yuen, Mr. Leung Yu Tung, Stanley and Mr. Tsui Chun Shing.

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