

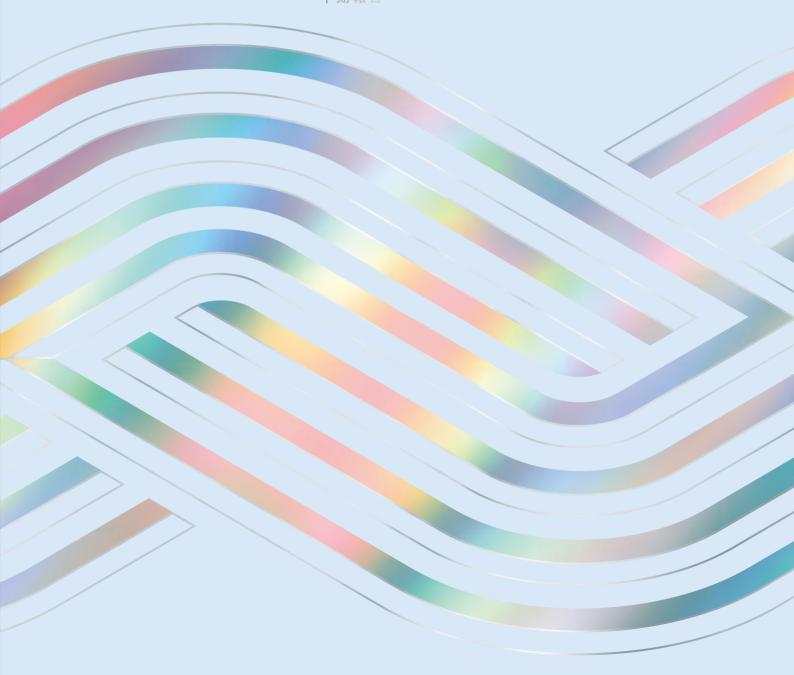
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About Crystal International Group Limited

Crystal International Group Limited (the "Company") is a global leader and sustainability pioneer in the apparel manufacturing industry. Founded in 1970 and headquartered in Hong Kong, the Company and its subsidiaries (together, the "Group" or "Crystal") possess a leading position in a diversified product portfolio categorised into five product segments with vertical development in knitted fabrics production: Lifestyle wear, Sportswear and outdoor apparel, Denim, Intimate and Sweater. The Group operates a multi-country manufacturing platform, with production facilities including both garment factories and fabric mills spanning five countries: Vietnam, China, Cambodia, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka.

Mission

To be the most profitable company in the industry, customer choice and employee choice.

Corporate Values

- Integrity
- Respect for people
- Embrace innovation
- Energise others

- Delight our customers
- Live quality
- Deliver bottom line results
- Boundaryless enterprise

Multi-country Network of Production Facilities











Cambodia Bangladesh

Sri Lanka

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Corporate Information

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Executive Directors

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Mrs. LO CHOY Yuk Ching Yvonne (Vice Chairman)

Mr. LO Ching Leung Andrew (Chief Executive Officer)

Mr. WONG Sing Wah

Mr. LO Howard Ching Ho

Non-executive Directors

Mr. WONG Chi Fai

Mr. LEE Kean Phi Mark

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Mr. CHANG George Ka Ki

Mr. MAK Wing Sum Alvin

Mr. WONG Siu Kee

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Mr. WONG Siu Kee

Mrs. MAK TANG Pik Yee Agnes

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Mr. CHANG George Ka Ki

Mr. WONG Siu Kee

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Nomination Committee

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Mr. WONG Chi Fai

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Mrs. MAK TANG Pik Yee Agnes

Mr. LI Wai Kwan

Sustainability Committee

Mr. LO Ching Leung Andrew (Chairman)

Mr. WONG Chi Fai

Mr. LEE Kean Phi Mark

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Financial Highlights

The financial figures are presented in United States Dollars ("US\$").

Six months	ended	30	June
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	2024	2023
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Key Financial Information (US\$'000)		
Revenue	1,093,672	1,009,191
Cost of sales	880,220	816,536
Gross profit	213,452	192,655
Profit for the period	84,214	74,120
Earnings per share (US cents)		
- basic	2.94	2.58
Key Financial Ratios		
Gross profit margin (%)	19.5%	19.1%
Net profit margin (%)	7.7%	7.3%
	At 30 June	At 31 December
	2024	2023
	(unaudited)	(audited)
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Key Financial Information (US\$'000)	0.050.000	4 074 500
Total assets	2,058,896	1,974,562
Total liabilities	591,046	535,660
Total equity	1,467,850	1,438,902
Net debt (note a)	-	
Short-term bank deposit	4,233	63,700
Bank balances and cash	542,830	543,444
Key Financial Ratios		
Net debt to equity ratio (%) (note b)	_	_
Cash conversion cycle (days) (note c)	70	69

Notes:

- (a) Net debt represents total interest-bearing bank borrowings less short-term bank deposit and bank balances and cash.
- (b) Net debt to equity ratio represents total interest-bearing bank borrowings less short-term bank deposit and bank balances and cash, divided by total equity.
- (c) Cash conversion cycle represents inventory turnover days plus trade and bills receivables turnover days, less trade and bills payables turnover days.

Management Discussion and Analysis

The board (the "Board") of directors (the "Directors") of the Company is pleased to announce the interim results of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2024.

MARKET OVERVIEW

The global economy continued to recover moderately in 2024, with low- to mid-single-digit growth in the gross domestic product (GDP) of the major economies, according to the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the World Bank. The business environment for apparel original equipment manufacturers ("**OEMs**") rebounded resiliently, as most brand customers ended the destocking cycle and adjusted their inventory strategy, moving their procurement quantity in line with their sales growth. The high inventory concerns that had weakened the purchasing sentiment of brand customers were largely resolved during the period under review.

Brand customers raised their supply chain requirements as they resumed their procurement pace. They preferred to place smaller orders and request shorter lead times to avoid excess inventory and maintain flexibility in response to market feedback. This demanded faster responsiveness from OEM management and stronger execution from the production teams.

The sports and outdoor trend increased demand for and sales of functional, comfortable, and novel sportswear. Sweater and intimate products also benefited from trend, with the introduction of more sporty design elements. Denim demand recovered from the downturn caused by less preference for durable clothing during the pandemic. Both the return of the fashion appetite and the innovation of lightweight denim products for warmer weather boosted denim demand.

BUSINESS REVIEW

As a leading garment manufacturer, the Group's core competitiveness enabled it to seize the opportunity of the market rebound and deepen its strategic partnerships with brand customers. Leveraging its comprehensive product portfolio and global capacity layout, the Group achieved sales growth across all business segments and in all key regions, including Asia Pacific, North America, and Europe.

The Group's revenue for the six months ended 30 June 2024 increased by 8.4% to US\$1,094 million compared to the same period last year (six months ended 30 June 2023: US\$1,009 million).

In addition to the improved market environment, cross-selling of products and the co-creation model contributed to the growth of its business.

Cross-selling of products among brand customers: The Group has a comprehensive product mix and can deliver an integrated product portfolio to meet the needs of brand customers in different apparel fields. For example, the Group grew all five key categories with its largest brand customer and consistently increased sales of sweaters through orders from key sports brand customers.

Co-creation business model: Throughout the product origination and execution process, the Group initiates product ideas for its customers, as well as transforms customer concepts into product designs, develops and sources raw materials, and innovates industrial processes to optimise production costs. For instance, the Group developed hot-selling pants with its largest brand customers through an advanced sweater knitting technique and co-created new graphic designs with a leading sportswear brand, which received encouraging feedback from the market. This enhanced the loyalty of its brand customers and supported the Group's efforts to increase market share.

Moreover, the current growth has not fully revealed the Group's potential. The Group faced a bottleneck in capacity expansion, mainly because of the difficulty in recruiting additional workers in the first quarter of the year. The Group responded promptly by optimising production planning and scheduling, and the replenishment rate accelerated significantly in the second quarter after substantial targeting efforts had been spent on recruitment. However, the worker shortage still affected production output and the delivery time of some orders, as training required a considerable amount of time, so there was a minimal contribution from the additional manpower in the first half of the year.

Owing to improved production efficiency, the gross profit grew faster than revenue. The gross profit for the six months ended 30 June 2024 increased by 10.8% to US\$213 million (six months ended 30 June 2023: US\$193 million), and the gross profit margin increased to 19.5% from 19.1% in the same period last year.

The Intimate segment and the Sportswear and outdoor apparel segment were the main drivers of the Group's gross margin improvement. The Sportswear and outdoor apparel segment achieved continuous and resilient gross margin growth leveraging its more specialised sportswear manufacturing experience: evolving from sewing to bonding and providing high-quality seamless products. The Intimate segment's gross margin increase benefited from the low base in the same period last year.

The net profit margin increased along with the improvement in the gross profit margin. The net profit margin improved from 7.3% to 7.7% year on year, resulting in a 13.6% increase in net profit for the six months ended 30 June 2024 to US\$84 million (six months ended 30 June 2023: US\$74 million).

The Group continued to invest in vertical development, automation upgrades, and sustainability. Digital transformation was another key investment focus, aimed at streamlining the Group's cost structure through equipment optimisation and data analytics, enhancing our services and delivery through fast responsiveness and customer relationship management, and maximising our operational potential through artificial intelligence and production data accumulation. Capital expenditure for the six months ended 30 June 2024 was US\$52 million (six months ended 30 June 2023: US\$33 million).

With better visibility regarding future cash flow and a net cash position of US\$538 million at 30 June 2024, the Board resolved to increase the payout ratio to 60% and declared an interim dividend of HK13.8 cents per ordinary share (six months ended 30 June 2023: HK5.0 cents).

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Revenue

The Group's revenue for the six months ended 30 June 2024 compared to the same period in 2023, by product category, each expressed as an absolute amount and as a percentage of total revenue was:

For the six months ended 30 June

	2024		2023	
	US\$'000	%	US\$'000	%
Lifestyle wear	304,981	27.9%	285,334	28.3%
Sportswear and outdoor apparel	278,285	25.4%	254,127	25.2%
Denim	237,697	21.7%	221,395	21.9%
Intimate	191,517	17.5%	176,258	17.5%
Sweater	81,192	7.5%	72,077	7.1%
Total Revenue	1,093,672	100.0%	1,009,191	100.0%

With reducing inventory level of our brand customers, our order demand has increased. As such, the Group's revenue increased by 8.4% compared to the same period last year.

The Group's sales analysed by geographical region based on port of discharge were:

For the six months ended 30 June

	2024		2023	
	US\$'000	%	US\$'000	%
Asia Pacific (note a)	417,729	38.2%	381,530	37.8%
North America	414,566	37.9%	389,087	38.6%
Europe (note b)	230,447	21.1%	202,739	20.1%
Other countries/regions	30,930	2.8%	35,835	3.5%
Total Revenue	1,093,672	100.0%	1,009,191	100.0%

Notes:

- (a) Asia Pacific primarily includes Japan, the People's Republic of China and South Korea.
- (b) Europe primarily includes the United Kingdom, France, Germany and the Netherlands.

Gross Profit and Gross Profit Margin

For the six months ended 30 June

	2024		2023	
		Gross		Gross
	Gross	Profit	Gross	Profit
	Profit	Margin	Profit	Margin
	US\$'000	%	US\$'000	%
Lifestyle wear	60,344	19.8%	57,511	20.2%
Sportswear and outdoor apparel	58,158	20.9%	50,764	20.0%
Denim	39,322	16.5%	37,341	16.9%
Intimate	37,311	19.5%	30,547	17.3%
Sweater	18,317	22.6%	16,492	22.9%
Total Gross Profit	213,452	19.5%	192,655	19.1%

For Sportswear and outdoor apparel and Intimate, increase in gross profit margin was mainly due to improvement in production efficiency. For Lifestyle wear, Denim and Sweater, gross profit margin remained relatively stable.

Other Expenses and Finance Costs

Selling and distribution expenses remained stable at 1.3% in the first half of 2024, compared with 1.1% in the first half of 2023.

Administrative, research and development expenses, and other income and expenses remained stable at 8.2% in the first half of 2024 compared with 8.6% in the first half of 2023.

The effective borrowing rate for the Group in the six months ended 30 June 2024 ranged from 4.97% to 6.65% compared to 3.27% to 6.47% for the same period in 2023. The Group had no fixed-rate borrowings at 30 June 2024. Finance costs amounted 0.6% of revenue in the first half of 2024 compared to 0.7% for the same period in 2023.

Net Profit

Despite the macroeconomic challenges, the Group achieved a net profit of US\$84 million for the six months ended 30 June 2024. Net profit as a percentage of revenue increased from 7.3% in the first half of 2023 to 7.7% in the first half of 2024.

Capital Management

The consolidated financial position of the Group remained sound throughout the first half of 2024. The positive operating cash flow of US\$44 million in the six months (US\$141 million for the same period in 2023) contributed to cash balances of US\$543 million at 30 June 2024, compared to US\$543 million at 31 December 2023. Cash balances were mainly denominated in HK\$ and US\$. Bank borrowings, mainly denominated in HK\$ and US\$, have decreased from US\$64 million at 31 December 2023 to US\$9 million at 30 June 2024. All bank borrowings of US\$9 million at 30 June 2024 contained a repayable on demand clause and US\$9 million was repayable within one year.

The Group held a positive net cash position of US\$538 million at 30 June 2024. The gearing ratio (total interest-bearing bank borrowings, less bank balances and cash, divided by total equity) at 30 June 2024 was nil (31 December 2023: nil).

Our conversion cycle have remained healthy and stable at 70 days for the six months ended 30 June 2024, compared to 69 days in 2023. Turnover of trade and bills receivables averaged 48 days in the first half of 2024, compared with 41 days average turnover throughout 2023. Inventory turnover averaged 56 days in the first half of 2024, compared with 54 days throughout 2023. Trade and bills payables turnover averaged 34 days in the first half of 2024 compared to 26 days throughout 2023.

Capital expenditure incurred, in the main, for the building, equipping and upgrading of production facilities, has been carefully managed. For the six months ended 30 June 2024, capital expenditure amounted to US\$52 million, compared to US\$33 million for the same period in 2023. Capital commitments at 30 June 2024 were US\$43 million compared to US\$34 million at 31 December 2023.

Foreign currency exchange contracts are used to manage foreign currency exposure. The Group's policy is to monitor its foreign currency exposure and use foreign currency exchange contracts, as appropriate, to minimise its foreign currency risks.

Funding and Treasury Policy

The Group has adopted a prudent treasury policy and thus maintained a healthy liquidity position throughout the year. The Group strives to reduce credit risk by performing ongoing credit assessments and evaluations of the financial status of its customers. The Group regularly reviews its funding requirements to maintain adequate financial resources in order to support its current business operations as well as its future investments and expansion plans.

Pledge of Assets

At 30 June 2024, pledge of assets of the Group are set out in note 20 to the condensed consolidated financial statements.

Acquisitions and Disposals of Subsidiaries, Associates and Joint Ventures

For the six months ended 30 June 2024, the Group had no material acquisitions and disposals of subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures.

Significant Investment Held

For the six months ended 30 June 2024, the Group held no significant investments.

Material Acquisitions and Future Plans for Major Investment

Further to the acquisition of a fabric mill in Vietnam and Bangladesh in 2021 and 2022 respectively, the Group continues to invest in vertical upstream integration. The Group did not have other future plans for major investments or acquisition for major capital assets at the date of this interim report.

Contingent Liabilities

At 30 June 2024, the Group had no material contingent liability (31 December 2023: Nil).

Subsequent Events after the Reporting Period

At the date of this interim report, no material event has occurred after the reporting period.

EMPLOYMENT, TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

The Group employed about 70,000 people at 30 June 2024. Total staff costs, including administrative and management staff, for the six months ended 30 June 2024 equated to 25.7% of revenue, compared to 26.6% in the same period in 2023. The Group remunerates its staff according to their performance, qualifications, and industry practices, and conducts regular reviews of its remuneration policy. Employees may receive discretionary bonuses and monetary rewards based on their ratings in the annual performance appraisals. The Group also offers rewards or other incentives to motivate the personal growth and career development of its employees, such as ongoing opportunities for training to enhance their technical and product knowledge, as well as their knowledge of industry quality standards. Each new employee of the Group is required to attend an introductory course, and various types of training courses are available to all employees of the Group.

SUSTAINABILITY

Vision and Strategy

Sustainability is a strategic imperative for our business. It is also the key to creating long-term environmental and social value for our stakeholders. Our sustainability framework consists of five pillars: environment, innovation, product integrity, employee care, and community engagement. This serves as a guiding principle when planning our sustainability strategies.

With the completion of the Third Global 5-year Sustainability Targets in 2022, we established our new Crystal Sustainability Vision 2030 ("CSV2030") to craft a blueprint for sustainable development for the Group and address a wider spectrum of sustainability challenges. The vision comprises eight impact areas across environmental, social and community dimensions, and sets relevant goals we are committed to achieving by the end of the decade. In 2024, we are devising a detailed agenda for concrete action and working with all operations to continuously progress towards the new vision. For more details on the goals of CSV2030, please visit our corporate website at https://www.crystalgroup.com/sustainability.

Regarding climate change, which continues to be one of our key environmental foci, we have been advancing collaboratively towards our commitment to reach net zero emissions by 2050 to contribute to limiting the global temperature rise below 1.5°C. We also set an interim target to reduce our aggregate greenhouse gas emissions by 35% by 2030.

CSV2030, together with our sustainability framework and initiatives, is aligned with the United Nations ("UN") Sustainable Development Goals' ("SDGs") to ensure we contribute to solving society's global problems. We also joined the UN Global Compact and support the Ten Principles on human rights, labour, the environment, and anti-corruption. We are committed to making the principles part of our strategy, culture, and daily operations and to engaging with industry players in various collaborative projects.

Net Zero 2050 Vision

In 2023, we completed an in-depth, holistic net zero roadmap consultancy study to systematically deploy and implement our net zero strategy, which comprises energy efficiency, renewable energy, productivity enhancement, and fuel switching. To move forward, we submitted our net zero target to the Science Based Targets initiative ("SBTi"), which is validating the target to ensure it conforms with SBTi criteria and aligns with climate science.

Regarding energy efficiency, the roadmap includes an action plan for a 35% reduction in total greenhouse emissions for each of our factories and sets out the expected carbon-reduction results, the implementation details and an estimation of the investment cost, leading to our group-wide interim target of a 35% reduction in absolute emissions by 2030. Our factories have integrated the identified measures into their decarbonisation plans, with 180 energy-efficiency measures to be completed by 2028. To date, 73 of these measures have been completed, reducing carbon emissions by approximately 3,400 tonnes and energy consumption by 9,100 MWh per year.

To increase the use of renewable energy, we have progressively scaled up our onsite renewable electricity supply by installing more rooftop solar PV capacity, with the eventual aim of expanding its use across all our factories wherever operationally viable. The Group's total rooftop solar PV capacity has increased fourfold since late 2021 to about 20 MW at present, and more PV systems are being installed or planned. In 2023, we began sourcing off-site renewable energy through power purchasing agreements.

Our climate change data, decarbonisation efforts and risk-management practices are disclosed through CDP. The Group's CDP Climate Change rating advanced to A (leadership) in 2023 from B (management) in 2022, signifying our leadership in climate transition, inventory management and performance. We were also honoured to receive the Climate Change Leadership Award by CDP, which is heartening recognition of our commitment to environmental transparency and reducing carbon emissions to help combat climate change.

The Group's climate efforts extend beyond our operations. In partnership with the Crystal Climate Charity Foundation (the "Foundation"), a charitable trust in Hong Kong founded by our Chairman, Mr. Kenneth Lo, we continued to advance climate change education and alleviate poverty caused by environmental changes in countries in which we have a presence. Since early 2024, over 200 solar streetlights (approximately 6 km of solar streetlight mileage) in Vietnam and Cambodia have been installed to promote renewable energy while enhancing nighttime visibility and security for local communities. In Hong Kong, the Foundation and the Group sponsored the Hong Kong Repertory Theatre to produce a carbon reduction-themed educational play for over 1,600 kindergarten children and teachers, spreading the message of low-carbon living and raising awareness of climate change threats.

The United Nations Sustainable Development Goals are a collection of 17 global goals set by the United Nations General Assembly in 2015 for the year 2030. These goals provide a blueprint to achieve a more sustainable future and address global sustainability challenges.

Employee Care and Community Engagement

Women account for nearly 70% of our workforce. To improve their status in many of the countries in which we operate, we have taken steps to improve gender equality by empowering over 66,000 female employees through our self-developed CARE^{II} programme, which enables our workers to achieve effectiveness and embrace breakthroughs.

Our human resources development policy provides clear guidelines to support employee development. In accordance with the policy, our factories plan and carry out training programmes to facilitate the personal and career growth of our employees at different levels, including production training for workers, supervisory skills training for supervisors and line leaders, a development programme for officer-grade staff, a managerial learning and development curriculum, and leadership development for executives. To help employees adopt new digital tools at work to enhance productivity, our intimate factory in Vietnam organised a digitalisation workshop to demonstrate the power of the latest technologies, such as programming languages, data visualisation, artificial intelligence, and robotic process automation.

Employee wellness is vital to our continued business success. Group operations promote a culture of sports activity by providing sports centres or sports grounds on premises and organising sports programmes, such as gym and yoga sessions. In particular, our intimate factory in Vietnam hosted a large-scale sports competition with over 300 employees taking part in several events, including volleyball, athletics and sport dance.

Recognised for best human resources practices and demonstrating high levels of employee engagement and an excellent workplace culture, Crystal's headquarters in Hong Kong, our factories in China and Vietnam, and our office in Singapore were awarded Best Companies to Work for in Asia 2023 by HR Asia. Our Singapore office also received the HR Asia Diversity, Equity & Inclusion ("**DEI**") Award for implementing relevant practices and being an outstanding example of the promotion of DEI.

Our care goes beyond employees. Our team contributes their skills, time and compassion in various focus areas of our community programmes, covering community activities, education, environmental protection, health and medical care, and community resilience. For example, in support of WWF's Earth Hour 2024, colleagues from our operations in Bangladesh and Sri Lanka met school children and community members to promote energy saving. Some factories gifted households LED light bulbs, while others leveraged the annual event's momentum to rally our colleagues to plant trees or clean up nearby streets.

The CARE programme is an employee well-being programme self-initiated by Crystal. It has five levels to help employees build on their skills, promote a healthy work-life balance, strengthen their self-respect, enhance their sense of belonging and help them attain self-actualisation.

OUTLOOK AND PROSPECTS

The Group has full confidence in its business development in the second half of the year, coming mainly from the following:

- The Group largely resolved the manpower shortage that limited business expansion in the first half of the year. By implementing various measures to attract and retain talent, the Group hired 5,000 more employees in the late second quarter, increasing its total workforce to 70,000 at the end of the first half of the year. The Group will continue to increase manpower and ramp up capacity.
- The Group has additional chase orders on top of the original projections. Since brand customers shifted their procurement strategy to smaller orders, they are out of stock or have low inventory for some popular product series. There is a growing need for brand customers to place additional chase orders to meet market demand in sportswear, sweater, and lifestyle products.
- The Group will benefit from economies of scale as capacity increases in the second half of the year. The Group's operational
 efficiency is expected to grow along with output, improving profit margins.

The Group believes that investing in digital transformation, automation, and vertical development will improve its competitive edge and create sustained returns. Capital expenditure in the second half of the year will therefore be higher than that in the first half of the year.

Given its satisfaction with its healthy balance sheet and confidence in future cash flow, the Group aims to share its operation results with all shareholders and improve shareholder returns.

Corporate Governance and Other Information

COMMUNICATION WITH SHAREHOLDERS

The Company's 2024 Annual General Meeting (the "2024 AGM") was held on 3 June 2024. All resolutions at the 2024 AGM were passed by way of a poll and the poll results were posted on the websites of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") and the Company on the same day.

INTERIM DIVIDEND

The Board has resolved to declare an interim dividend of HK13.8 cents (approximately US1.8 cents) per ordinary share for the six months ended 30 June 2024, payable on Friday, 20 September 2024, to shareholders whose names appeared on the register of members of the Company on Tuesday, 10 September 2024.

CLOSURE OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS

For determining the entitlement to the interim dividend, the register of members of the Company was closed from Friday, 6 September 2024 to Tuesday, 10 September 2024, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares was registered. To qualify for the interim dividend, all properly completed transfer forms accompanied by the relevant share certificates had to be lodged for registration with the Company's Hong Kong share registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited at Shops 1712–1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong, not later than 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, 5 September 2024.

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

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

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

At 30 June 2024, the composition of the Board was:

Executive Directors

Mr. LO Lok Fung Kenneth (Chairman) ("Mr. Kenneth LO")

 ${\sf Mrs.\ LO\ CHOY\ Yuk\ Ching\ Yvonne}\ \textit{(Vice\ Chairman)}\ (\text{``Mrs.\ Yvonne\ LO''})$

Mr. LO Ching Leung Andrew (Chief Executive Officer) ("Mr. Andrew LO")

Mr. WONG Sing Wah ("Mr. Dennis WONG")

Mr. LO Howard Ching Ho ("Mr. Howard LO")

Non-executive Directors

Mr. WONG Chi Fai ("Mr. Frankie WONG") Mr. LEE Kean Phi Mark ("Mr. Mark LEE")

Independent Non-executive Directors

Mr. CHANG George Ka Ki

 $\label{eq:Mr.MAK} \text{Mr. MAK Wing Sum Alvin ("Mr. Alvin MAK")}$

Mr. WONG Siu Kee ("Mr. Kent WONG")

Mrs. MAK TANG Pik Yee Agnes

Save as disclosed above, there has been no change in the Board composition up to the date of this interim report.

Updates on Directors' Information

Changes in the information of the Directors during the six months ended 30 June 2024 and up to the date of this interim report, which is required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51B(1) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules"), are set out below:

- (1) Mr. Andrew Lo, an executive Director, was appointed a director of the Textile Council of Hong Kong Limited with effect from 22 July 2024.
- (2) Mr. Mark LEE, a non-executive Director, was appointed vice chairman/honorary treasurer of Singapore Business Federation ("SBF") on 11 October 2023. Mr. Mark LEE was also appointed chairman of Human Capital Action Committee of SBF and ceased to be chairman of Jobs and Skills Committee of SBF on 28 June 2024.
- (3) Mr. Alvin MAK, an independent non-executive Director, ceased to be an independent non-executive director of Goldpac Group Limited (a company listed on the Stock Exchange, Stock Code: 3315) with effect from 21 May 2024.
- (4) Mr. Kent WONG, an independent non-executive Director, was appointed a member of the 2024 Fair Organising Committee of the Hong Kong Trade Development Council for its Hong Kong International Jewellery Show and Hong Kong International Diamond, Gem and Pearl Show with effect from October 2023 and ceased to be a board member of the Diamonds Do Good in 2024.
- (5) Mr. Andrew LO's 2024 annual salary (including housing) has been revised to HK\$6.647 million with effect from 1 April 2024.
 The 2024 annual salary of Mr. Dennis WONG and Mr. Howard LO has been revised to HK\$6.054 million and HK\$3.463 million respectively with effect from 1 April 2024.

Save as disclosed above, there is no other information required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51B(1) of the Listing Rules.

SENIOR MANAGEMENT

At 30 June 2024 and up to the date of this interim report, the composition of the senior management of the Company remains the same as that set out in the annual report 2023 of the Company.

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

To assist the Directors and the executives in continuing their professional development, materials on the subject of corporate governance, including the Company's master policies, are provided to the Directors and the executives from time to time to keep them abreast of latest developments.

SHARE AWARD SCHEME

Pursuant to the resolution of the Board passed on 28 December 2016, the Company has adopted a share award scheme ("Share Award Scheme A"). Upon the one-off transfer of awarded shares under Share Award Scheme A to eight members of our senior management team, the Share Award Scheme A has been terminated upon the vesting of these awarded shares.

On 7 April 2017, the Company passed a resolution of the Board to adopt a share award scheme ("Share Award Scheme B") and appointed an independent professional trustee to assist with the administration and vesting of the share awards. The Share Award Scheme B is valid and effective for a period of ten years, commencing from the date of the first grant of shares under this scheme.

No scheme mandate or service provider sublimit on share grant has been set under the Share Award Scheme B. The number of share awards available for grant at the beginning and at the end of the six months ended 30 June 2024 is the number of shares held by the trustee at the respective time, which was nil and nil, respectively. As at the date of this interim report, no shares were held by the trustee. There was no unvested share award at the beginning and at the end of the six months ended 30 June 2024. All share awards held by the Group's employees under Share Award Scheme B were vested on 3 November 2019. No share awards were granted, vested, cancelled and lapsed under the Share Award Scheme B during the six months ended 30 June 2024.

DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURES

At 30 June 2024, the interests or short positions of the Directors and chief executive of the Company in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company or its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (the "SFO") which were 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 or short positions which they had taken or were deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO) or which were required, pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO, to be entered in the register referred to therein, or which were required, pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code")), to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange, were as follows:

Approximate

Interest in the Company

			Percentage of
			Shareholding in
		Number of	the Company
Name of Director	Nature of Interest	Shares (note a)	(%)
Mr. Kenneth LO (note b)	Beneficial owner	306,610,590	10.75
	Interest of spouse	308,437,090	10.81
	Interests held jointly with another person	1,569,052,100	55.00
Mrs. Yvonne LO (note c)	Beneficial owner	306,610,590	10.75
	Interest of spouse	306,610,590	10.75
	Founder of a discretionary trust who can influence		
	how the trustee exercises his discretion	1,826,500	0.06
	Interests held jointly with another person	1,569,052,100	55.00
Mr. Andrew LO (note d)	Beneficial owner	68,074,080	2.39
Mr. Dennis WONG (note d)	Beneficial owner	7,497,360	0.26
Mr. Frankie WONG (note d)	Beneficial owner	4,806,000	0.17
Mr. Howard LO (note d)	Beneficial owner	41,345,680	1.45
Mr. Mark LEE (note e)	Beneficial owner	591,000	0.02

Notes:

- (a) All positions are long positions.
- (b) Under the SFO, Mr. Kenneth LO, as the spouse of Mrs. Yvonne LO, is deemed to be interested in the 308,437,090 shares in which Mrs. Yvonne LO is interested. Mr. Kenneth LO and Mrs. Yvonne LO were interested in a total of 1,569,052,100 shares jointly held by Mr. Kenneth LO and Mrs. Yvonne LO.
- (c) Under the SFO, Mrs. Yvonne LO, as the spouse of Mr. Kenneth LO, is deemed to be interested in the 306,610,590 shares in which Mr. Kenneth LO is interested. Mrs. Yvonne LO and her spouse Mr. Kenneth LO were interested in a total of 1,826,500 shares held by The Incorporated Trustees of Yuk Ching Charity Trust of which Mrs. Yvonne LO is a founder and chairman. Mrs. Yvonne LO and Mr. Kenneth LO were interested in a total of 1,569,052,100 shares jointly held by Mrs. Yvonne LO and Mr. Kenneth LO.
- (d) These shares were acquired pursuant to Share Award Scheme A.
- (e) These shares were acquired pursuant to Share Award Scheme B.

Approximate

Corporate Governance and Other Information (Continued)

Save as disclosed above, at 30 June 2024, none of the Directors or chief executive of the Company had any interest or short position in the shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) which were 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 or short positions which they had taken or were deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO) or which were required, pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO, to be entered in the register referred to therein, or which were required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code.

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES

At 30 June 2024, the following person(s) (other than the Directors or chief executive of the Company), were directly or indirectly, interested in 5% or more of the shares or short positions in the shares and the underlying shares of the Company, which are required to be disclosed under provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, or which were required, pursuant to Section 336 of the SFO, to be entered in the register referred to therein:

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			Percentage of
			Shareholding in
		Number of Shares	the Company
Name	Nature of Interest	(Long position)	(%)
FIL Limited (note)	Interest in controlled corporation	169,750,000	5.95
Pandanus Partners L.P. (note)	Interest in controlled corporation	169,750,000	5.95
Pandanus Associates Inc. (note)	Interest in controlled corporation	169,750,000	5.95

Note: According to the disclosure of interest forms, FIL Limited is controlled (as defined under the SFO) by Pandanus Partners L.P., which in turn is controlled (as defined under the SFO) by Pandanus Associates Inc.. Those 169,750,000 shares of the Company represent the same interests and are therefore duplicated among them.

Save as disclosed above, at 30 June 2024, the Directors are not aware of any other corporation or individual (other than the Directors or chief executive of the Company) who had an interest or a short position in the shares or underlying shares of the Company which would be required to be disclosed to the Company under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, or as recorded in the register of interests required to be kept pursuant to Section 336 of the SFO.

PUBLIC FLOAT

At the date of this interim report, based on the information that is publicly available to the Company and within the knowledge of the Directors, the Company has maintained the prescribed public float under the Listing Rules and as agreed with the Stock Exchange throughout the six months ended 30 June 2024 and up to the date of this interim report.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES

The Board and the management of the Group are committed to the maintenance of good corporate governance practices and procedures. The Board has reviewed the Company's corporate governance practices and is satisfied that the Company has complied with all code provisions set out in Part 2 of the Corporate Governance Code contained in Appendix C1 to the Listing Rules throughout the six months ended 30 June 2024.

MODEL CODE FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS BY DIRECTORS

The Company has adopted the Model Code set out in Appendix C3 to the Listing Rules as its code of conduct regarding directors' securities transactions. Upon specific enquiry being made of all Directors, each of them has confirmed their compliance with the required standards set out in the Model Code throughout the six months ended 30 June 2024 and up to the date of this interim report.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

There was no change in the composition of the Audit Committee during the six months ended 30 June 2024. The primary duties of the Audit Committee continue to be to review the adequacy of the financial reporting and internal control systems of the Group, oversee the external and internal audit processes, review the Group's management of its existing and potential risks, review connected transactions and perform other duties and responsibilities as delegated by the Board.

For the six months ended 30 June 2024, the Audit Committee met the external auditors to discuss their findings during the audit of the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023. Nothing of a significant nature regarding internal controls and risk management was reported. The Audit Committee reviewed the actions taken by management to address the findings and was satisfied the actions were appropriate and effective. In respect of the work of the Internal Audit in examining the application of policies and internal controls in specific locations within the Group, the Audit Committee was again satisfied with the high quality of the work undertaken. Nothing of a material nature was revealed and appropriate remedial measures to strengthen compliance further are being implemented.

The Audit Committee reviewed the quality of the work of the external auditors together with their independence and was satisfied with both. It recommended to the Board the reappointment of Messrs. Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu as the Company's auditors for the ensuing year.

The Audit Committee has reviewed, together with the management of the Group, the accounting principles and policies adopted by the Group and discussed with them the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements and interim report of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2024, recommending their adoption by the Board. The Audit Committee continued, during the first half year, its periodic reviews of the approved connected transactions and expenditure.

In addition, the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2024 have been reviewed by the independent auditors of the Company, Messrs. Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu.

RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROL SYSTEMS

The Board is responsible for ensuring the Group establishes and maintains appropriate and effective risk management and internal control systems. The Board is satisfied with the effectiveness of the risk management and internal control systems in place.

The Board's oversight of the Company's risk management and internal control systems, both directly and via the Audit Committee, is on-going. In this regard, the Audit Committee reviewed the progress of the Company's cyber security initiatives, their roll out within the Group and statistics of cyber attacks, their nature and location. The Audit Committee was satisfied with the defences in place and remedial actions taken. It has encouraged the testing of the cyber defences in place by a competent third party and a programme of tests were implemented in the second half of 2023. Among other important risks examined, business compliance was reviewed. Business compliance is a complex area and the Audit Committee is satisfied with the steps taken so far.

As reported last year, the Group has a written risk assessment process to identify, evaluate and manage significant risks. The Audit Committee satisfied itself that the process continued to be implemented effectively.

The Board being responsible for the structure and effectiveness of both the risk management and internal control systems, the Audit Committee also satisfied itself regarding the appropriateness and strength of internal controls.

The Audit Committee continued its practice of reviewing risks pertaining to the Company as a standing item at each of its meetings inviting input from the Chief Financial Officer and the relevant management of the Company. It used the reviews as an important factor in determining the priorities of the Internal Audit programmes.

On Behalf of the Board

Crystal International Group Limited

LO Lok Fung Kenneth

Chairman

Hong Kong, 21 August 2024

Report on Review of Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements



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(incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability and registered by way of continuation in the Cayman Islands)

INTRODUCTION

We have reviewed the condensed consolidated financial statements of Crystal International Group Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the "Group") set out on pages 22 to 45, which comprise the condensed consolidated statement of financial position at 30 June 2024 and the related condensed consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, condensed consolidated statement of changes in equity and condensed consolidated statement of cash flows for the six-month period then ended, and notes to the condensed consolidated financial statements. The Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited require the preparation of a report on interim financial information to be in compliance with the relevant provisions thereof and International Accounting Standard 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" ("IAS 34") issued by the International Accounting Standards Board. The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation and presentation of these condensed consolidated financial statements in accordance with IAS 34. Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on these condensed consolidated financial statements based on our review, and to report our conclusion solely to you, as a body, in accordance with our agreed terms of engagement, and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility towards or accept liability to any other person for the contents of this report.

SCOPE OF REVIEW

We conducted our review in accordance with International Standard on Review Engagements 2410 "Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity" issued by the International Auditing and Assurance Standards Board. A review of these condensed consolidated financial statements consists of making inquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with International Standards on Auditing and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

Report on Review of Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)

CONCLUSION

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the condensed consolidated financial statements are not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with IAS 34.

Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu

Certified Public Accountants
Hong Kong
21 August 2024

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income For the six months ended 30 June 2024

		Six months ended 30 Ju	
		2024	2023
	NOTES	US\$'000	US\$'000
		(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Revenue	3	1,093,672	1,009,191
Cost of sales		(880,220)	(816,536)
Gross profit		213,452	192,655
Other income, gains or losses		12,656	9,125
Impairment losses under expected credit loss model, net of reversal	11	(93)	2,658
Selling and distribution expenses		(14,567)	(11,566)
Administrative expenses		(86,814)	(81,802)
Research and development expenses		(15,721)	(13,901)
Finance costs		(6,090)	(7,255)
Share of results of associates		89	365
Profit before tax	4	102,912	90,279
Income tax expense	5	(18,698)	(16,159)
Profit for the period		84,214	74,120
Other comprehensive expense			
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:			
Exchange difference arising on translation of foreign operations		(12,195)	(12,126)
Fair value changes on trade receivables at fair value through other			
comprehensive income		(223)	(1,175)
Impairment loss on trade receivables at fair value through other			
comprehensive income under expected credit loss model	11	37	
		(12,381)	(13,301)
Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss:			
Surplus on revaluation of properties		5,782	7,452
Deferred tax expense arising on revaluation of properties		(1,233)	(1,740)
		4.540	5.710
		4,549	5,712
Other comprehensive expense for the period		(7,832)	(7,589)
and bound		(.,552)	(,,550)
Total comprehensive income for the period		76,382	66,531

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income (Continued) For the six months ended 30 June 2024

	Six months en	ided 30 June
	2024	2023
NOTE	US\$'000	US\$'000
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Profit for the period attributable to:		
Owners of the Company	84,012	73,642
Non-controlling interests	202	478
	84,214	74,120
Total comprehensive income for the period attributable to:		
Owners of the Company	76,180	66,053
Non-controlling interests	202	478
	76,382	66,531
Basic earnings per share for profit attributable to the owners of the Company		
(US cents) 7	2.94	2.58

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

At 30 June 2024

		At	At
		30 June	31 December
		2024	2023
	NOTES	US\$'000	US\$'000
		(unaudited)	(audited)
ASSETS			
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	8	538,464	550,590
Right-of-use assets	8	96,924	100,428
Deposits paid for acquisition of property, plant and equipment		37,150	20,758
Goodwill		74,941	74,941
Intangible assets		68,649	71,108
Interests in associates		16,258	16,949
Loan receivables		7	15
Deferred taxation assets		4,764	4,753
		837,157	839,542
Current assets			
Inventories		296,749	238,990
Right-of-use assets	8	991	1,545
Trade, bills and other receivables	9	183,621	118,803
Trade receivables at fair value through other comprehensive income	10	190,220	164,491
Amounts due from related companies	17	216	216
Loan receivables		95	204
Tax recoverable		2,784	3,627
Short-term bank deposit	12	4,233	63,700
Bank balances and cash		542,830	543,444
		1,221,739	1,135,020
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Total assets		2,058,896	1,974,562

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position (Continued)

At 30 June 2024

		At 30 June	At 31 December
		2024	2023
	NOTES	US\$'000	US\$'000
		(unaudited)	(audited)
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
Capital and reserves			
Share capital	18	3,654	3,654
Reserves	•	1,459,534	1,430,788
Equity attributable to owners of the Company		1,463,188	1,434,442
Non-controlling interests		4,662	4,460
Total equity		1,467,850	1,438,902
Non-current liabilities			
Other payables	13	1,062	65
Lease liabilities	14	15,705	16,831
Deferred taxation liabilities		38,541	37,625
		55,308	54,521
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	13	439,745	380,904
Lease liabilities	14	8,920	9,355
Amounts due to associates	16	8,107	8,025
Dividend payable		47,434	_
Tax liabilities		22,170	19,155
Bank borrowings	15	9,362	63,700
		535,738	481,139
Total equity and liabilities		2,058,896	1,974,562

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes In Equity For the six months ended 30 June 2024

	Attributable to owners of the Company									
	Share capital US\$'000	Share premium US\$'000	Property revaluation reserve US\$'000	Exchange reserve US\$'000	Capital reserve US\$'000	Financial instruments revaluation reserve US\$'000	Retained profits	Subtotal US\$'000	Non- controlling interests US\$'000	Total equity US\$'000
At 1 January 2024 (audited)	3,654	505,677	70,882	(126,759)	9,903	(1,133)	972,218	1,434,442	4,460	1,438,902
Profit for the period Exchange difference arising on translation of	-	-	-	-	-	-	84,012	84,012	202	84,214
foreign operations	-	-	-	(12,195)	-	-	-	(12,195)	-	(12,195)
Surplus on revaluation of properties	-	-	5,782	-	-	-	-	5,782	-	5,782
Deferred tax expense arising on revaluation of properties Fair value changes on trade receivables at fair	-	-	(1,233)	-	-	-	-	(1,233)	-	(1,233)
value through other comprehensive income Impairment loss on trade receivables at fair value through other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	(223)	-	(223)	-	(223)
under expected credit loss model	_	_	_	_	_	37	_	37	_	37
										-
Total comprehensive income (expense) for										
Total comprehensive income (expense) for										
the period	-	-	4,549	(12,195)	-	(186)	84,012	76,180	202	76,382
	-	-	4,549 -	(12,195)	-	(186)	84,012 (47,434)	76,180 (47,434)	202	76,382 (47,434)
the period	-	-	4,549	(12,195)	-		•	·	202	
the period	3,654	505,677	4,549 - 75,431	(12,195) - (138,954)	9,903		•	·	202 - 4,662	
the period Dividend recognised as distribution (Note 6)	3,654 3,654	505,677 505,677	<u> </u>		9,903 9,903		(47,434)	(47,434)	-	(47,434)
the period Dividend recognised as distribution (Note 6) At 30 June 2024 (unaudited)	· ·		75,431	(138,954)		(1,319)	1,008,796	(47,434) 1,463,188	4,662	1,467,850
the period Dividend recognised as distribution (Note 6) At 30 June 2024 (unaudited) At 1 January 2023 (audited)	· ·		75,431	(138,954)		(1,319)	1,008,796 869,914	1,463,188 1,341,482	4,662 3,817	1,467,850 1,345,299
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Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

For the six months ended 30 June 2024

	Six months ended 30 June		
	2024	2023	
	US\$'000	US\$'000	
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	
NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	43,613	140,880	
INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Withdrawal of short-term bank deposit	95,615	_	
Placement of short-term bank deposit	(36,148)	(63,700)	
Payment for property, plant and equipment	(47,792)	(23,812)	
Payment on settlement of derivative financial instruments	(109)	(505)	
Interest received	12,224	6,616	
Loan receivables received	110	922	
Proceeds on disposal of property, plant and equipment	474	494	
NET CASH FROM (USED IN) INVESTING ACTIVITIES	24,374	(79,985)	
FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Repayment of bank borrowings	(107,592)	(252,130)	
Interest paid	(6,090)	(7,255)	
Repayment of lease liabilities	(6,391)	(6,601)	
New bank borrowings raised	53,304	224,024	
NET CASH USED IN FINANCING ACTIVITIES	(66,769)	(41,962)	
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	1,218	18,933	
EFFECT OF FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATE CHANGES	(1,832)	(1,048)	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE PERIOD	543,444	455,056	
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE PERIOD,			
represented by bank balances and cash	542,830	472,941	

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1. GENERAL AND BASIS OF PREPARATION

Crystal International Group Limited (the "Company") was previously incorporated in Bermuda as an exempted company with limited liability and registered by way of continuation in the Cayman Islands as an exempted company with limited liability. The Company is directly held by its controlling shareholders, Mr. LO Lok Fung Kenneth and Mrs. LO CHOY Yuk Ching Yvonne, both executive directors of the Company. The address of the registered office of the Company is Ugland House, P.O. Box 309, Grand Cayman, KY1-1104, Cayman Islands and the principal place of business of the Company is 5–7/F., AXA Tower, Landmark East, No. 100 How Ming Street, Kowloon, Hong Kong.

The shares of the Company were listed on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") on 3 November 2017.

The condensed consolidated financial statements are presented in United States dollars ("US\$"), which is also the functional currency of the Company.

The condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standard 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB") as well as with the applicable disclosure requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange.

2. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for certain properties and financial instruments that are measured at revalued amounts or fair values, as appropriate. Historical cost is generally based on the fair value of the consideration given in exchange for goods and services.

Other than change in accounting policies resulting from the application of amendments to the International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRSs"), the accounting policies and methods of computation used in the condensed consolidated financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2024 are the same as those applied in the preparation of the Group's annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Application of amendments to IFRSs

In the current interim period, the Group has applied the following amendments to IFRSs issued by the IASB, for the first time, which are mandatorily effective for the Group's annual period beginning on 1 January 2024 for the preparation of the Group's condensed consolidated financial statements:

Amendments to IFRS 16 Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback

Amendments to IAS 1 Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current

Amendments to IAS 1 Non-current Liabilities with Covenants

Amendments to IAS 7 and IFRS 7 Supplier Finance Arrangements

The application of the amendments to IFRSs in the current interim period has had no material impact on the Group's financial positions and performance for the current and prior periods and/or on the disclosures set out in these condensed consolidated financial statements.

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3. REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION

(a) Revenue

The Group is principally engaged in the manufacturing and trading of garments. All revenue generated by the Group is recognised at the point when control of the goods has transferred to the customers, being when the goods have arrived at the specific location (delivery).

The Group sells garments directly to its customers and revenue is recognised when control of the goods has transferred, being when the goods have arrived at the specific location (delivery). Transportation and other related activities that occur before the customers obtain control of the related goods are considered as fulfilment activities. Following delivery, the customer has full discretion over the manner of distribution and price to sell the goods, has the primary responsibility when on-selling the goods and bears the risks of obsolescence and loss in relation to the goods. The Group allows credit periods ranging from 30 to 120 days (31 December 2023: 14 to 120 days) to its trade customers. The Group allows certain of its trade customers an early settlement discount when the trade customers settle the consideration before the credit period granted. The sales to these trade customers are recognised as revenue when it is highly probable that a significant reversal in the amount of cumulative revenue recognised will not occur. The Group considers the early settlement discount is a form of cash discount and, accordingly the amount of consideration is adjusted for the effect of the expected early settlement discount for each sales transaction based on the settlement pattern of the trade customers.

The contracts for sales of garments are for periods of one year or less. As permitted under IFRS 15 "Revenue from Contracts with Customers", the transaction price allocated to the unsatisfied contracts is not disclosed.

(b) Segment information

Information reported to the chief executive officer of the Group, being the chief operating decision maker (the "CODM"), for the purposes of resource allocation and assessment of segment performances, focuses on types of products.

- (i) Lifestyle wear
- (ii) Sportswear and outdoor apparel
- (iii) Denim
- (iv) Intimate
- (v) Sweater

These operating segments also represent the Group's reportable segments. No operating segments identified by the CODM have been aggregated in arriving at the reportable segments of the Group.

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3. REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

(b) Segment information (Continued)

Segment revenue and results

The following is an analysis of the Group's revenue and results by operating segments.

Six months ended 30 June 2024 (unaudited)

	;	Sportswear				
		and				
	Lifestyle	outdoor				
	wear	apparel	Denim	Intimate	Sweater	Total
	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000
SEGMENT REVENUE						
External sales	304,981	278,285	237,697	191,517	81,192	1,093,672
Segment profit	60,344	58,158	39,322	37,311	18,317	213,452
Other income, gains or losses						12,656
Impairment losses under						
expected credit loss model,						
net of reversal						(93)
Selling and distribution						
expenses						(14,567)
Administrative expenses						(86,814)
Research and development						
expenses						(15,721)
Finance costs						(6,090)
Share of results of associates						89
Profit before tax						102,912

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3. REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

(b) Segment information (Continued)

Segment revenue and results (Continued)

Six months ended 30 June 2023 (unaudited)

Lifestyle wear	and outdoor				
•	outdoor				
wear					
vvoai	apparel	Denim	Intimate	Sweater	Total
US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000	US\$'000
285,334	254,127	221,395	176,258	72,077	1,009,191
57,511	50,764	37,341	30,547	16,492	192,655
					9,125
					9,123
					2,658
					_,
					(11,566)
					(81,802)
					(13,901)
					(7,255)
					365
					90,279
_	US\$'000	U\$\$'000 U\$\$'000 285,334 254,127	US\$'000 US\$'000 US\$'000 285,334 254,127 221,395	U\$\$'000 U\$\$'000 U\$\$'000 U\$\$'000 285,334 254,127 221,395 176,258	US\$'000 US\$'000 US\$'000 US\$'000 US\$'000 285,334 254,127 221,395 176,258 72,077

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3. REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

(b) Segment information (Continued)

Segment revenue and results (Continued)

The accounting policies of the operating segments are the same as the Group's accounting policies. Segment profit represents the profit earned by each segment without allocation of other income, gains or losses, impairment losses under expected credit loss model, net of reversal, selling and distribution expenses, administrative expenses, research and development expenses, finance costs and share of results of associates. This is the measure reported to the CODM of the Group for the purposes of resource allocation and performance assessment.

Certain amounts of depreciation of property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets are included in the measure of segment results in each segment. No further analysis is presented for certain items included or excluded in the measure of segment results as such information is not regularly provided to the CODM.

Segment assets and liabilities

No analysis of segment assets or segment liabilities is presented as such information is not regularly provided to the CODM.

Geographical information

Information about the Group's revenue is presented below by geographical location based on port of discharge.

	Six months ended 30 June		
	2024	2023	
	US\$'000	US\$'000	
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	
Asia Pacific (note a)	417,729	381,530	
North America	414,566	389,087	
Europe (note b)	230,447	202,739	
Other countries/regions	30,930	35,835	
	1,093,672	1,009,191	

Notes:

- (a) Asia Pacific primarily includes Japan, the People's Republic of China (the "PRC") and South Korea.
- (b) Europe primarily includes the United Kingdom (the "U.K."), France, Germany and the Netherlands.

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4. PROFIT BEFORE TAX

	Six months ended	30 June	
	2024	2023	
	US\$'000	US\$'000	
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	
Profit before tax has been arrived at after charging (crediting):			
Directors' emoluments	1,717	1,719	
Other staff costs	251,948	241,640	
Retirement benefit schemes' contributions for other staff	26,986	25,346	
Total staff costs (note)	280,651	268,705	
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment (note)	31,687	34,189	
Depreciation of right-of-use assets (note)	6,502	6,770	
Amortisation of intangible asset (included in selling and			
distribution expenses)	2,459	2,459	
Net impairment loss recognised in respect of property,			
plant and equipment	382	_	
Cost of inventories recognised as expenses			
(including write-down of inventories amounting to			
US\$6,567,000 (2023: US\$4,041,000)) (note)	880,220	816,536	
Loss (gain) on disposals of property, plant and equipment	139	(9)	
Loss (gain) on termination of leases	15	(34)	
Net loss arising from changes in fair value of derivative			
financial instruments	109	505	
Interest income	(12,224)	(6,616)	
Net foreign exchange loss	6,017	3,577	
Finance costs:			
- interest expense on lease liabilities	690	800	
- interest expense on bank borrowings	1,804	2,234	
- interest expense on factoring arrangement	3,596	4,221	

Note: Cost of inventories recognised as expenses include staff costs, depreciation of property, plant and equipment and depreciation of right-of-use assets used for production, which amounts are also included in the respective total amounts disclosed separately above.

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5. INCOME TAX EXPENSE

	Six months ended 30 June		
	2024	2023	
	US\$'000	US\$'000	
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	
The income tax expense comprises:			
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Hong Kong Profits Tax	40.000	0.005	
- current period	10,968	6,205	
 over-provision in prior years 	(18)	_	
Overseas taxation			
- current period	8,580	10,445	
- over-provision in prior years	(700)	(807)	
	18,830	15,843	
Deferred taxation	(132)	316	
	18,698	16,159	

In March 2018, the Hong Kong Government introduced the two-tiered profits tax rates regime. Under the two-tiered profits tax rates regime, the first Hong Kong dollars ("**HK\$**") 2 million of profits of the qualifying group entity are taxed at 8.25%, and profits above HK\$2 million are taxed at 16.5%. The profits of group entities not qualifying for the two-tiered profits tax rates regime continue to be taxed at a flat rate of 16.5%.

The directors of the Company consider the amount involved upon implementation of the two-tiered profits tax rates regime as insignificant to the condensed consolidated financial statements. Hong Kong Profits Tax is calculated at 16.5% of the estimated assessable profit for both periods.

According to the Macau Complementary Tax Law, the complementary tax rate of the Macau subsidiaries is 12% of the estimated assessable profit over Macau Pataca ("MOP") 600,000 for both periods.

Under the Law of the PRC on Enterprise Income Tax (the "EIT Law") and Implementation Regulation of the EIT Law, the tax rate of the PRC subsidiaries is 25% for both periods.

Certain subsidiaries incorporated in Cambodia are exempted from tax on profit in both periods while they fulfil certain requirements pursuant to the relevant laws and regulations in Cambodia.

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5. INCOME TAX EXPENSE (Continued)

Taxation arising in other jurisdictions is calculated at the rates prevailing in the relevant jurisdictions.

The Group is operating in certain jurisdictions where the Pillar Two Rules is effective. However, as the Group's estimated effective tax rates of all the jurisdictions in which the Group operates are higher than 15%, after taking into account the adjustments under the Global Anti-base Erosion Rules based on management's best estimate, the management of the Group considered the Group is not liable to top-up tax under the Pillar Two Rules.

The Group is continuing to assess the impact of the Pillar Two income taxes legislation on its future financial performance.

6. DIVIDENDS

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2024	2023
	US\$'000	US\$'000
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Final, declared, of HK13.0 cents per ordinary share for 2023		
(2023: HK11.8 cents per ordinary share for 2022)	47,434	42,988

Pursuant to a resolution passed by the Board of Directors (the "Board") on 21 August 2024, the Board has resolved to declare an interim dividend of HK13.8 cents (six months ended 30 June 2023: HK5.0 cents) per ordinary share, totalling approximately HK\$393,689,000 (equivalent to approximately US\$50,432,000) (six months ended 30 June 2023: approximately HK\$142,641,000 (equivalent to approximately US\$18,201,000)) estimated on the number of shares in issue at 30 June 2024. This declared dividend is not reflected as a dividend payable in these condensed consolidated financial statements, but will be reflected as an appropriation of reserve for the year ending 31 December 2024.

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7. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The calculation of the basic earnings per share attributable to the owners of the Company is based on the following data:

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2024	2023
	US\$'000	US\$'000
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Earnings:		
Profit for the period attributable to owners of the Company for the		
purpose of calculating basic earnings per share	84,012	73,642
	'000	,000
Number of shares:		
Number of ordinary shares for the purpose of calculating basic		
earnings per share	2,852,822	2,852,822

No diluted earnings per share was presented for the six months ended 30 June 2024 and 2023 as there were no potential dilutive ordinary shares in issue during both periods.

8. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT/RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS

During the six months ended 30 June 2024, the Group incurred total expenditure of approximately US\$29,600,000 (six months ended 30 June 2023: US\$16,089,000) on the acquisition of property, plant and equipment.

The Group's owned properties classified as property, plant and equipment were revalued by the directors of the Company at the end of the current interim period. The resulting revaluation surplus of approximately US\$5,782,000 (six months ended 30 June 2023: US\$7,452,000) has been credited to the property revaluation reserve during the six months ended 30 June 2024.

During the current interim period, the Group entered into several new lease agreements with lease terms ranging from 1 month to 60 months (six months ended 30 June 2023: 1 month to 60 months) and fixed monthly payments. The Group recognised new right-of-use assets of approximately US\$5,863,000 (six months ended 30 June 2023: US\$8,028,000) and lease liabilities of approximately US\$5,863,000 (six months ended 30 June 2023: US\$8,028,000) during the current interim period.

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9. TRADE, BILLS AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	At 30 June	At 31 December
	2024	2023
	US\$'000	US\$'000
	(unaudited)	(audited)
Trade receivables – contracts with customers	136,935	88,437
Less: allowance for expected credit losses	(5,391)	(5,408)
	131,544	83,029
Bills receivable	1,872	413
Temporary payments to suppliers	17,700	8,884
Other receivables, deposits and prepayments	32,505	26,477
	183,621	118,803

The Group allows credit periods ranging from 30 to 120 days (31 December 2023: 14 to 120 days) to its trade customers. The following is an aged analysis of trade receivables, net of allowance for expected credit losses, based on invoice dates.

	At 30 June	At 31 December
	2024	2023
	US\$'000	US\$'000
	(unaudited)	(audited)
Within 60 days	112,459	80,060
61 to 90 days	18,096	2,730
91 to 120 days	821	202
Over 120 days	168	37
	131,544	83,029

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10. TRADE RECEIVABLES AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

As part of the Group's cash flow management, the Group factors certain trade receivables to financial institutions before the receivables are due for repayment. The factored trade receivables are derecognised on the basis that the Group has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards to the relevant counterparties. Such trade receivables, that are held for the collection of contractual cash flows and sale of financial assets, have been classified as trade receivables at fair value through other comprehensive income ("FVTOCI").

The following is an aged analysis of trade receivables at FVTOCI based on invoice dates.

	At 30 June	At 31 December
	2024	2023
	US\$'000	US\$'000
	(unaudited)	(audited)
Within 60 days	147,201	121,708
61 to 90 days	38,075	37,705
91 to 120 days	4,204	4,472
Over 120 days	740	606
	190,220	164,491

Details of the valuation techniques and key inputs adopted for their fair value measurements are disclosed in note 22.

11. IMPAIRMENT LOSSES UNDER EXPECTED CREDIT LOSS MODEL, NET OF REVERSAL

	Six months e	Six months ended 30 June	
	2024	2023	
	US\$'000	US\$'000	
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	
Impairment losses recognised (reversed) in respect of			
- trade receivables at amortised cost	56	(2,658)	
- trade receivables at FVTOCI	37	_	
	93	(2,658)	

The basis of determining the inputs and assumptions and the estimation techniques used in the condensed consolidated financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2024 are the same as those applied in the preparation of the Group's annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023.

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12. SHORT-TERM BANK DEPOSIT

The short-term bank deposit carried interest at fixed rate of 5.51% (31 December 2023: 5.15%) per annum.

The short-term bank deposit is a deposit placed with a bank that has more than three months to maturity when deposited. The short-term bank deposit will mature within 12 months from the end of the reporting period and is therefore classified as a current asset.

13. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	At 30 June	At 31 December
	2024	2023
	US\$'000	US\$'000
	(unaudited)	(audited)
Trade payables	182,220	125,496
Bills payable (Note)	7,931	7,781
	190,151	133,277
Accrued staff cost	98,934	103,888
Other payables	52,644	53,815
Other accruals	99,078	89,989
Total trade and other payables	440,807	380,969

Note: These relate to trade payables in which the Group has issued bills to the relevant suppliers for future settlement trade payables. The Group continues to recognise these trade payables as the relevant banks are obliged to make payments only on due dates of the bills, under the same conditions as agreed with the suppliers without further extension. In the condensed consolidated statement of cash flows, settlements of these bills are included within operating cash flows based on the nature of the arrangements.

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13. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES (Continued)

The total balance is analysed for reporting purposes as:

	At 30 June	At 31 December
	2024	2023
	US\$'000	US\$'000
	(unaudited)	(audited)
Current	439,745	380,904
Non-current	1,062	65
	440,807	380,969

At 30 June 2024, the non-current amounts are related to the purchase of property, plant and equipment and are unsecured, interest-free and repayable from 2025 to 2026 (31 December 2023: repayable in 2025).

The credit period of trade payables is from 14 to 90 days. The following is an aged analysis of trade payables based on invoice dates.

	At 30 June	At 31 December
	2024	2023
	US\$'000	US\$'000
	(unaudited)	(audited)
Within 60 days	169,659	120,405
61 to 90 days	17,125	10,868
91 to 120 days	2,064	588
Over 120 days	1,303	1,416
	190,151	133,277

14. LEASE LIABILITIES

Included in the lease liabilities is the balance of approximately US\$640,000 (31 December 2023: US\$1,258,000) with related companies controlled by certain directors of the Company. During the current interim period, interest expense of approximately US\$30,000 (six months ended 30 June 2023: US\$27,000) has been charged to profit or loss and repayment of approximately US\$648,000 (six months ended 30 June 2023: US\$647,000) has been made in relation to the lease liabilities and interest expense with the related companies.

Certain directors of the Company, namely Mr. LO Lok Fung Kenneth, Mrs. LO CHOY Yuk Ching Yvonne and Mr. LO Ching Leung Andrew, have control in these companies.

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15. BANK BORROWINGS

During the six months ended 30 June 2024, the Group obtained new bank borrowings of approximately US\$53,304,000 (six months ended 30 June 2023: US\$224,024,000) and repaid bank borrowings of approximately US\$107,592,000 (six months ended 30 June 2023: US\$252,130,000). The bank borrowings of the Group carry interest at market rates ranging from 4.97% to 6.65% (31 December 2023: 3.12% to 6.96%) per annum.

16. AMOUNTS DUE TO ASSOCIATES

The amounts are trade in nature, unsecured, interest-free and repayable according to the credit period of 90 days. The amounts are aged within 90 days.

17. AMOUNTS DUE FROM RELATED COMPANIES

	At 30 June	At 31 December
	2024	2023
	US\$'000	US\$'000
	(unaudited)	(audited)
Amounts due from related companies (note a)		
Companies controlled by certain directors of the Company (note b)	216	216

Notes:

- (a) At 30 June 2024 and 31 December 2023, amounts due from related companies are non-trade in nature, unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand. The maximum balances during the six months ended 30 June 2024 were approximately US\$216,000 (31 December 2023: US\$217,000).
- (b) Certain directors of the Company, namely Mr. LO Lok Fung Kenneth, Mrs. LO CHOY Yuk Ching Yvonne and Mr. LO Ching Leung Andrew, have control in these companies.

18. SHARE CAPITAL

	Number of shares	Share capital
	'000	US\$'000
Issued and fully paid		
At 1 January 2023, 30 June 2023, 1 January 2024 and 30 June 2024	2,852,822	3,654

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19. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

At the end of the reporting period, the Group had capital commitments as follows:

	At 30 June	At 31 December
	2024	2023
	US\$'000	US\$'000
	(unaudited)	(audited)
Contracted for but not provided for in the condensed consolidated financial		
statements in relation to the acquisition of property, plant and equipment	42,978	33,852

20. PLEDGE OF ASSETS

At the end of the reporting period, the Group had the following assets pledged to banks as security for general banking facilities granted to the Group.

	At 30 June	At 31 December
	2024	2023
	US\$'000	US\$'000
	(unaudited)	(audited)
Property, plant and equipment	1,599	1,705
Inventories	3,390	3,636
	4,989	5,341

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21. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

(i) Related party transactions

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

		Six months ended 30 June		
Relationship	Nature of transaction	2024	2023	
		US\$'000	US\$'000	
		(unaudited)	(unaudited)	
Associates	Purchase of materials	(20,232)	(25,189)	
Companies controlled by	Interest expense on lease liabilities	(30)	(27)	
certain directors of the				
Company (note)	Handling fee received	14	26	

Note: Certain directors of the Company, namely Mr. Lo Lok Fung Kenneth, Mrs. Lo Choy Yuk Ching Yvonne and Mr. Lo Ching Leung Andrew, have control in these companies.

At 30 June 2024, the Company has provided a corporate guarantee to an associate of the Group to secure the bank facilities granted to an associate to the extent of US\$5,000,000. The Group is required to pay immediately if the associate is unable to meet its obligation. The Group assessed that the fair value at initial recognition of the financial guarantee was insignificant. Based on the assessment of the management, the ECL on financial guarantee contract is insignificant at 30 June 2024 in view of the fact that credit risk in the contract is insignificant.

At 30 June 2024 and 31 December 2023, the Company has provided a corporate guarantee to its subsidiaries to fully secure the bank facilities granted to its subsidiaries. The Company is required to pay immediately if its subsidiaries are unable to meet their obligations.

At 30 June 2024 and 31 December 2023, the Company has provided a corporate guarantee to its subsidiary incorporated in the U.K. to secure its obligation and liabilities in relation to the defined benefits scheme (details disclosed in the Group's consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023) to the extent of approximately US\$10,099,000 (31 December 2023: US\$10,190,000). The Company is required to pay immediately if its subsidiary incorporated in the U.K. is unable to meet its obligation.

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21. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (Continued)

(ii) Emoluments of key management personnel

Emoluments of directors, who are also the key management personnel, during the period were as follows:

	Six months ended 30 June		
	2024 2		
	US\$'000	US\$'000	
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	
Short-term benefits	1,676	1,677	
Post-employment benefits	41	42	
	1,717	1,719	

The emoluments of directors are recommended to the Board by the Remuneration Committee of the Company having regard to the performance of each individual and comparable market statistics.

(iii) Related party balances

The Group's outstanding balances with related parties at 30 June 2024 and 31 December 2023 are set out in aggregate in these condensed consolidated statement of financial position and the corresponding notes thereto.

(iv) Licence agreement entered into with a related company

The Group entered into a licence agreement on 12 October 2022 with a related company controlled by Mr. LO Lok Fung Kenneth and Mrs. LO CHOY Yuk Ching Yvonne who are executive directors of the Company, pursuant to which the related company agreed to grant to the Group a licence to use certain trademarks and domain names in connection with its business and operations in various territories for three years commencing 1 January 2023. The consideration is HK\$1.00.

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22. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Some of the Group's financial assets are measured at fair value at the end of the reporting period. The following table gives information about how the fair values of these financial assets are determined (in particular, the valuation techniques and inputs used), as well as the level of the fair value hierarchy into which the fair value measurements are categorised (levels 1 to 3) based on the degree to which the inputs to the fair value measurements are observable.

- Level 1 fair value measurements are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets 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); and
- Level 3 fair value measurements are those derived from valuation techniques that include inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

	Fair value at		Fair value	Fair value	
	30.6.2024	31.12.2023	hierarchy	Valuation techniques and key inputs	
	US\$'000	US\$'000			
	(unaudited)	(audited)			
Financial Asset					
Trade receivables at FVTOCI	190,220	164,491	Level 2	A discounted cash flow method is used	
(note 10)				to assess the present value of the	
				cash flows to be derived from the	
				receivables using the discount rates	
				from the factoring arrangements.	

There were no transfers into or out of Level 2 during both periods.

For financial assets and financial liabilities that are not measured at fair value on a recurring basis, the directors of the Company consider that the carrying amounts of these financial assets and financial liabilities recognised in the condensed consolidated financial statements approximate their fair values.





