

# TAI SHING

## Tai Shing International (Holdings) Limited

泰盛國際(控股)有限公司\*

*(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)*

(Stock Code: 8103)

### FIRST QUARTERLY RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2014

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## **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Revenue for the three months ended 30 June 2014 amounted to approximately HK\$6.7 million representing a decrease of approximately 50% over the corresponding period in 2013.
- Loss attributable to the shareholders for the three months ended 30 June 2014 amounted to approximately HK\$2 million (2013 restated: HK\$23.8 million).
- Loss per share for the three months ended 30 June 2014 was approximately 0.18 HK cents (2013 restated: 2.67 HK cents).
- The Board does not recommend the payment of any dividend for the three months ended 30 June 2014.

The board of Directors (the “Board”) of the Company is pleased to present the unaudited condensed consolidated financial information of the Company and its subsidiaries (the “Group”) for the three months ended 30 June 2014, together with the unaudited comparative figures for the corresponding period in 2013, are as follows:–

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

		<b>Unaudited</b>	
		<b>Three months ended</b>	
		<b>30 June</b>	
	<i>Notes</i>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
		<b>HK\$'000</b>	<b>HK\$'000</b>
			(restated)
Revenue	4	<b>6,721</b>	13,348
Cost of services		<b>(6,124)</b>	(8,899)
Gross profit		<b>597</b>	4,449
Other income		<b>1,078</b>	372
Selling and distribution expenses		<b>(27)</b>	(5)
Administrative expenses		<b>(1,563)</b>	(7,755)
Other expenses, gains and losses	5	<b>(442)</b>	(18,652)
Finance costs	6	<b>(1,617)</b>	(2,162)
Loss before taxation		<b>(1,974)</b>	(23,753)
Income tax expenses	7	–	–
Loss for the period	8	<b>(1,974)</b>	(23,753)
Other comprehensive income/(expense)			
Item that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:			
Exchange difference arising on translation of foreign operations		<b>57</b>	(126)
Total comprehensive expense for the period		<b>(1,917)</b>	(23,879)
Loss for the period attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		<b>(1,974)</b>	(23,753)
Total comprehensive expense attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		<b>(1,917)</b>	(23,879)
Loss per share			
– Basic (HK cents)	10	<b>(0.18)</b>	(2.67)

# NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

The Company was incorporated in the Cayman Islands as an exempted company with limited liability under the Companies Law of the Cayman Islands. The address of its registered office is Cricket Square, Hutchins Drive P.O. Box 2681, Grand Cayman KY1-1111, Cayman Islands. The address of its principal place of business is Room M2B2, 7/F., Kaiser Estate, Phase 3, No. 11 Hok Yuen Street, Hung Hom, Kowloon, Hong Kong. The Company's shares are listed on GEM.

## 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The Group's unaudited condensed consolidated financial information for the three months ended 30 June 2014 has been prepared in accordance with the applicable disclosure requirements of Chapter 18 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Growth Enterprise Market of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

The principal accounting policies applied in preparing the unaudited condensed consolidated financial information for the three months ended 30 June 2014 are set out in note 3.

## 3. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The amounts included in the unaudited condensed consolidated financial information for the three months ended 30 June 2014 has been computed in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRS") issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (the "HKICPA") applicable to interim periods. However, it does not contain sufficient information to constitute an interim financial report as defined in HKFRS.

The accounting policies used in the unaudited condensed consolidated financial information for the three months ended 30 June 2014 are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the Group's annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2014.

The unaudited condensed consolidated financial information for the three months ended 30 June 2014 has been prepared under the historical cost basis, except for certain financial instruments, which are measured at fair values, as appropriate.

In the current interim period, the Group has applied all the new and revised HKFRS issued by the HKICPA that are effective for the current interim period. The application of the new and revised HKFRS has had no material effect on the amounts reported and/or disclosure in the unaudited condensed consolidated financial information.

## 4. REVENUE

Revenue, which is also the turnover of the Group, represents the amounts arising from systems development and professional services rendered, net of sales related taxes if any.

An analysis of the revenue by principal activities of the operations of the Group during the reporting periods is as follows:

	UNAUDITED	
	Three months ended	
	30 June	
	2014	2013
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
		(restated)
Systems development	5,027	11,881
Professional services fees	1,694	1,467
	<u>6,721</u>	<u>13,348</u>

## 5. OTHER EXPENSES, GAINS AND LOSSES

	<b>UNAUDITED</b>	
	<b>Three months ended</b>	
	<b>30 June</b>	
	<b>2014</b>	2013
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Loss on financial assets at fair value through profit and loss	2	156
Impairment loss in respect of		
– trade receivables	1,230	–
– deposit paid for acquisition of subsidiary ( <i>Note a</i> )	–	20,000
Gain on disposal in respect of		
– financial assets at fair value through profit and loss	–	(22)
– property, plant and equipment	(655)	–
Reversal of impairment loss in respect of		
– trade receivables	(88)	(349)
– other receivables	(47)	(1,133)
	<u>442</u>	<u>18,652</u>

### *Note*

- (a) For the three months ended 30 June 2013, the amount represents the impairment loss made for the deposit paid for possible acquisition of Fame Thrive Limited. For details, please refer to p. 14 and 15 of the Company's results announcement for the three months ended 30 June 2013 dated 30 November 2014.

## 6. FINANCE COSTS

	<b>UNAUDITED</b>	
	<b>Three months ended</b>	
	<b>30 June</b>	
	<b>2014</b>	2013
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
		(restated)
Interest on bank borrowing repayable within one year	215	244
Finance cost on finance leases	3	32
Interest on promissory note	299	300
Interest on amount due to noteholder	187	–
Interest on convertible bonds	913	1,586
	<u>1,617</u>	<u>2,162</u>

## 7. INCOME TAX EXPENSES

- (a) Hong Kong profit tax has not been provided for in the unaudited condensed consolidated financial information as there was no estimated assessable profit derived from Hong Kong during the three months ended 30 June 2014 and 2013.
- (b) Under the Law of the PRC on Enterprise Income Tax (the “EIT Law”) and Implementation Regulation of the EIT Law, the standard tax rate is 25%.

## 8. LOSS FOR THE PERIOD

The loss for the period is stated after charging:

	UNAUDITED	
	Three months ended	
	30 June	
	2014	2013
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
		(restated)
Staff costs		
Salaries and other benefits	728	824
Retirement benefits scheme contribution	58	94
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	786	918
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Auditors' remuneration	312	140
Amortisation	–	1,562
Depreciation	190	529
Operating leases	10	195
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## 9. DIVIDEND

The Board did not recommend the payment of any dividend for the three months ended 30 June 2014 (2013: Nil).

## 10. LOSS PER SHARE

The calculation of the basic loss per share for the three months ended 30 June 2014 are based on the loss attributable to owners of the Company of approximately of HK\$1,974,000 (2013 restated: HK\$23,753,000) and 1,083,223,857 (2013: weighted average number of 889,832,964) ordinary shares in issue during the period.

During the three months ended 30 June 2014 and 2013, the conversion of all potential ordinary shares outstanding would have an anti-dilutive effect on the loss per share. Hence, there was no dilutive effect on calculation of the diluted loss per share for the three months ended 30 June 2014 and 2013.

## 11. RESERVES

	Share premium <i>HK\$'000</i>	General reserve <i>HK\$'000</i>	Capital reserve <i>HK\$'000</i>	Share option reserve <i>HK\$'000</i>	Exchange translation reserve <i>HK\$'000</i>	Warrant reserve <i>HK\$'000</i>	Accumulated losses <i>HK\$'000</i>	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>	Non- controlling Interests <i>HK\$'000</i>	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
At 1 April 2013 (audited)	385,477	3,056	1,200	1,810	6,884	1,147	(324,377)	75,197	2,693	77,890
Loss for the period	-	-	-	-	-	-	(23,753)	(23,753)	-	(23,753)
Exchange difference arising on translation of foreign operations	-	-	-	-	(126)	-	-	(126)	-	(126)
Total comprehensive expense for the period	-	-	-	-	(126)	-	(23,753)	(23,879)	-	(23,879)
Issue of shares upon										
– Placing of shares	5,130	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,130	-	5,130
– Zero coupon convertible bonds	17,857	-	-	-	-	-	-	17,857	-	17,857
Shares placement expenses	(389)							(389)		(389)
At 30 June 2013 (restated)	<u>408,075</u>	<u>3,056</u>	<u>1,200</u>	<u>1,810</u>	<u>6,758</u>	<u>1,147</u>	<u>(348,130)</u>	<u>73,916</u>	<u>2,693</u>	<u>76,609</u>
At 1 April 2014 (audited)	417,565	3,056	1,200	1,810	5,953	1,147	(531,396)	(100,665)	-	(100,665)
Loss for the period	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1,974)	(1,974)	-	(1,974)
Exchange difference arising on translation of foreign operations	-	-	-	-	57	-	-	57	-	57
Total comprehensive income/(expense) for the period	-	-	-	-	57	-	(1,974)	(1,917)	-	(1,917)
At 30 June 2014 (unaudited)	<u>417,565</u>	<u>3,056</u>	<u>1,200</u>	<u>1,810</u>	<u>6,010</u>	<u>1,147</u>	<u>(533,370)</u>	<u>(102,582)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(102,582)</u>

## 12. LITIGATION

- (a) On 19 April 2006, a High court Action No. 858 of 2006 was commenced by Chan Kar Kui, Wong Calvin Ting Chi, Chan Wai Phan, Chan Man Wan and Kwok King Chuen (the “Plaintiffs”) against the Company for specific performance of the agreement entered into between the Plaintiffs and the Company’s former director, To Cho Kei, on behalf of the Company, in 2000 to purchase from the Plaintiffs all their shareholdings in Epplication. Net Limited (“Epplication.Net”) at a consideration of HK\$6,800,000, being twice of the actual amount that the Plaintiffs expended on Epplication.Net by way of transfer or allotment of the shares of the Company of the equivalent value, or alternatively, damages with interests and costs. The Company has filed a defence denying the allegation as the Company has no record of any agreement for the purchase of the Plaintiffs’ shareholdings in Epplication.Net and the Plaintiffs have not produced any documentary evidence to support their claim. The action has been dormant since the end of 2008. The Directors believe that the Company has a strong defence in this action, accordingly, no provision for liabilities has been made in the condensed consolidated financial information.
- (b) On 4 April 2014, the Company was served with a sealed copy of a petition (the “Petition”) issued by Metal Winner Limited (“MWL”) in Companies (Winding-up) Proceedings No. 83 of 2014 in the High Court of Hong Kong (the “Winding-up Proceedings”) under which MWL claimed that the Company was indebted to MWL in the sum of HK\$5,700,000; and (b) petitioned that the Company be wound up by the Court. As at the date of this announcement, this Petition was dismissed by the High Court of Hong Kong. Separately, there are two other parties who claimed the Company was indebted to them. After investigation, the Company found that the alleged debts claimed by these two parties arose from certain dealings between a former director of the Company and these two parties. The nature and mechanism of these dealings were the same or very similar to that of MWL’s. In the Winding-up Proceedings, the court has found that there was an illegal scheme perpetrated on the Company by the aforesaid former director and MWL was a party to that scheme. In gist, the illegal scheme was that the aforesaid former director obtained loans from the counterparty and the Company was falsely made as a borrower to answer the repayment obligation. The Company commenced legal proceedings in the High Court (the “Injunction Proceedings”) against these two parties seeking an injunction to restrain them from presenting any petition for the winding-up of the Company or to apply to substitute MWL as petitioner in the Winding-up Proceedings (the “Restrained Acts”). The two parties gave an undertaking to the court not to do the Restrained Acts until the resolution of the Injunction Proceedings.

After the Winding-up Proceedings were dismissed by court, the Company also managed to resolve the Injunction Proceedings by way of a consent order after the two parties were willing to give further undertaking to the court not to present any petition for the winding-up of the Company pending determination of the Writ of Summons to be issued (if any) by them against the Company for recovery of the said alleged debts and/or the determination of any counterclaims or the Writ of Summons to be issued (if any) by the Company against them for declaratory relief that the said alleged debts are void or unenforceable.

## 13. COMPARATIVE FIGURES

Certain financial information for the three months ended 30 June 2013 has been reclassified and restated. For details, please refer to the Company’s interim results announcement for the six months ended 30 September 2013 dated 15 January 2015.

## **MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**

### **BUSINESS REVIEW**

Revenue for the three months ended 30 June 2014 amounted to approximately HK\$6.7 million representing a decrease of approximately 50% over the corresponding period in 2013.

### **FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE**

During the three months ended 30 June 2014, the Group recorded a revenue of HK\$6.7 million (2013 restated: HK\$13.3 million) representing a decrease of approximately 50% as compared to that of the corresponding period in 2013. Administrative expenses decreased to approximately HK\$1.6 million as compared to HK\$7.8 million of the previous corresponding period, representing a decrease of approximately 80%. Loss attributable to the shareholders was approximately HK\$2 million (2013 restated: loss HK\$23.8 million).

### **FUTURE PROSPECTS**

The Group will continue to look for opportunities to create shareholders' value through making investments into and/or acquiring interests in companies or projects that have promising outlooks and prospects. The Group intends to broaden its perspective beyond the IT sector and potentially also invest into and/or make acquisitions in other industries (including renewable energy and other "green" businesses, the financial industry, and more traditional non-IT businesses) so long as such investments/acquisitions can bring value and are beneficial to the Company and its shareholders as a whole. In addition, it was stated previously that the Group intended to enter into the financial and financial services sector. As at the date of this announcement, the Group has already commenced its proprietary trading business. The Group also successfully renewed its money lending business recently. Trading in securities, printing services and money lending have now also become the principal businesses of the Group. The Board is of the view that these new principal businesses together with the existing businesses will bring further value to the shareholders as a whole in the coming future.

### **SIGNIFICANT INVESTMENTS, MATERIAL ACQUISITIONS AND DISPOSAL OF SUBSIDIARIES AND AFFILIATED COMPANIES**

The Company has not completed any material acquisitions or disposal during the period.

On 28 April 2015, the Group has entered into an agreement with an independent third party for the acquisition of 100% of the issued share capital of Wilco Printing Co., Limited ("Wilco") and the director's loan to Wilco at a consideration of HK\$1,537,029. Please refer to the announcement of the Company dated 28 April 2015 for further details of the acquisition. Wilco is principally engaged in the provision of printing services and solutions on advertisement, brochures and bound books to customers mainly in Hong Kong. After the acquisition, printing services become one of the principal businesses of the Group. As at the date of this announcement, the fair values of certain assets and liabilities and the purchase consideration have not be determined.

## **DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S INTERESTS IN SECURITIES**

As at 30 June 2014, none of the Directors and chief executive of the Company were interested in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571, the Laws of Hong Kong) ("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 have taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO), or which are required, pursuant to section 352 of the SFO, to be entered in the register maintained by the Company referred to therein, or which are required, pursuant to the required standard of dealing by the Directors under the GEM Listing Rules relating to securities transactions by the Directors, to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange.

### **Long positions in underlying shares of equity derivatives and debentures of the Company**

As at 30 June 2014, no long positions of directors and chief executive in the underlying shares of equity derivatives and debentures of the Company and its associated corporations were recorded in the register or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Rule 5.46 of the GEM Listing Rules.

### **Short positions in shares, underlying shares of equity derivatives and debentures of the Company**

During the period under review, no short positions of the Directors and chief executive in the shares, underlying shares of equity derivatives and debentures of the Company and its associated corporations were recorded in the register or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Rule 5.46 of the GEM Listing Rules.

Save as disclosed above, as at 30 June 2014, none of the Directors or chief executive of the Company or their respective associates had any interests or short positions in the shares, underlying shares of equity derivative and debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) which would have 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 are taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO), or which were 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 standards of dealing by the Directors of listed issuers as referred to in Rule 5.46 of the GEM Listing Rules.

## **SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS**

So far as is known to the Directors, as at 30 June 2014, the person (other than a director or chief executive of the Company) who have interests or short position in the shares or underlying shares of the Company which would fall to be disclosed to the Company under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO or who is, directly or indirectly, to be interested in 5% or more of the nominal value

of any class of share capital carrying rights to vote in all circumstances at general meetings of any other member of the Group, were as follows:

<b>Name of the shareholder</b>	<b>Capacity</b>	<b>Number of shares held</b>	<b>Approximate percentage of shareholding (note 1)</b>
Mr. Li Ming Ren	Beneficial owner	114,285,715	10.55%

*Note:*

1. As at 30 June 2014, the issued share capital of the Company was 1,083,223,857 shares.

### **Long positions in underlying shares of the Company**

As at 30 June 2014, no long positions of other persons or substantial shareholders in the underlying shares of equity derivatives of the Company and its associated corporations were recorded in the register.

### **Short positions in shares of the Company**

As at 30 June 2014, no short positions of other persons or substantial shareholders in the shares of the Company and its associated corporations were recorded in the register.

### **Short positions in underlying shares of the Company**

As at 30 June 2014, no short positions of other persons or substantial shareholders in the underlying shares of equity derivatives of the Company and its associated corporations were recorded in the register.

As at 30 June 2014, the Directors were not aware of any person who had an interest or short position in the underlying shares (including interests in options, if any) of the Company as recorded in the register required to be kept under Section 336 of the SFO.

### **DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN CONTRACTS**

No contracts of significance in relation to the Group's business to which the Group was a party and in which a director of the Group had a material interest, whether directly or indirectly, subsisted at the three months ended 30 June 2014 or at any time during such period.

### **DIRECTORS' COMPETING INTERESTS**

As at 30 June 2014, none of the Directors, substantial shareholders or their respective associates (as defined under the GEM Listing Rules) had any business or interest in a business which competes or may compete with the business of the Group.

## AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Company has established an audit committee with written terms of reference in compliance with Rules 5.28 and 5.33 of the GEM Listing Rules and the Corporate Governance Code (the “Code”).

The audit committee of the Company reviews the internal accounting procedures, considers and reports to the Board with respect to other auditing and accounting matters, including selection of independent auditors, fees to be paid to the independent auditors and the performance of the independent auditors.

The unaudited condensed consolidated financial information of the Group for the period ended 30 June 2014 have been reviewed by the audit committee of the Company.

## CODE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES

The Company has adopted the code provisions of the Code contained in Appendix 15 of the GEM Listing Rules as its own code on corporate governance practices. Save as disclosed below, in the opinion of the Directors, the Company has complied with the code provisions as set out in the Code and there have been no material deviations from the Code during the period:

Code Provision A2.1 – Throughout the period under review, the role of chief executive officer was assumed by Mr. Liu Bo, who was an executive Director and the chairman of the Board. As at the date of this announcement, the role of chairman and chief executive officer has been separated to Dr. Chew Chee Wah and Mr. Tam Kwok Leung respectively.

## OTHER MATTERS

### 1. Wanquan – Wang Yu Sha (王雨莎)

On 9 September 2013, a deed of settlement was entered into between the Company and the trustee 王雨莎 (“Wang Yu Sha”) of the 20% equity interests in Shanghai Wanquan Insurance Brokers Limited (“Wanquan” or “上海萬全保險經紀有限公司”) (currently known as 上海君翊保險經紀有限公司 or Shanghai Junyi Insurance Brokers Limited) which was acquired by the Group in March 2011, in which such equity interests were transferred to an independent third party on 14 August 2012 without the consent and approval of the Company. Pursuant to the said deed of settlement, the said trustee agreed to pay a settlement fee in the sum of HK\$30 million to the Company in four equal instalments in cash on a quarterly basis from on or before 9 December 2013 onwards. Please refer to the announcement of the Company dated 9 September 2013 for further details of the deed of settlement. The trustee has already paid HK\$3 million out of the first instalment of HK\$7.5 million due on 9 December 2013. The Company has demanded the trustee to pay up the outstanding overdue sum and to put up collateral for the balance of the settlement sum.

In view of the fact that only HK\$3 million out of the HK\$30 million settlement fee has been paid, and the remaining has become overdue, the Directors have serious concerns over the recoverability of the settlement fees. The investment in Wanquan had been impaired in full for the year ended 31 March 2013.

On 3 February 2015, a judgment of High Court Action No.1398/2014 was issued, pursuant to which the trustee is obliged to pay the outstanding settlement fee of HK\$19,500,000 (representing the outstanding balance of the first three instalments) together with interests thereon.

The Company has commenced legal proceedings in the High Court of Hong Kong against the trustee to recover the outstanding amount. Judgment for a sum of HK\$19.5 million (being the outstanding balance of the first three instalments) has been obtained against the trustee. The overall strategy of the Company is to take all reasonable and economical measures to recover the judgment debt and the remaining balance of the settlement fees in full. The Company has conducted some investigation on whether the trustee has any assets in Hong Kong for purpose of enforcement of the judgment. However, up to date, the Company could not find any assets held by the trustee in Hong Kong. Since the trustee is a mainland citizen, the Company is obtaining legal advice from PRC lawyers to see it is possible and practicable to take legal action in the PRC. The Company will keep shareholders informed promptly on the progress in recovering such judgment debt and outstanding settlement fees.

## **2. Gold Tycoon Limited**

On 20 April 2011, the Company and Gold Tycoon Limited, a company incorporated in the British Virgin Islands with limited liability, entered into the memorandum of broad terms in relation to the proposed acquisition of not less than 50% of the entire issued share capital of the Gold Depot Investments Limited, a company incorporated in the British Virgin Islands with limited liability, in which the Company understood that Gold Depot Investments Limited directly or indirectly owns an exploration right and a mining right of a gold mine located in Guizhou, the PRC.

Subsequently on 17 May 2011, the Company and Gold Tycoon Limited entered into an addendum to the memorandum of broad terms to provide for the payment of HK\$25 million to Gold Tycoon Limited as an interest-free refundable earnest money for the possible acquisition of not less than 50% of the entire issued share capital of Gold Depot Investments Limited and as part payment of the consideration if the definitive agreement is entered into between the Company (or its nominee) and Gold Tycoon Limited. The earnest money was paid by the Company to Gold Tycoon Limited upon signing of the addendum.

On 28 September 2012, the Company and Gold Tycoon Limited entered into an addendum to the memorandum of board terms that the scale of the possible acquisition would be reduced from not less than 50% to not more than 20% of the entire issued share capital of Gold Depot Investments Limited.

Pursuant to the addenda entered into between the Company and Gold Tycoon Limited on 17 October 2011, 30 December 2011, 29 June 2012, 28 September 2012, 29 November 2012, 30 January 2013, 27 March 2013, 30 May 2013, 31 July 2013, 30 September 2013, 29 November 2013 and 30 January 2014, the exclusivity period in which Gold Tycoon Limited shall not, among other things, directly or indirectly, discuss or negotiate with any other party for the purpose of frustrating or impeding the furtherance of the transaction contemplated under the memorandum of broad terms has been extended to 30 April 2014.

As mentioned above, the exclusivity period for the acquisition of Gold Depot Investments Limited expired on 30 April 2014. As stated in the Company's announcement dated 20 April 2011, the memorandum of broad terms would automatically terminate upon the expiry of the exclusivity period. The memorandum and the exclusivity period were not extended beyond 30 April 2014. Negotiations of the acquisition have also terminated.

Pursuant to the memorandum, within 3 days after expiry of the exclusive period, the vendor shall refund the HK\$25 million earnest money to the Company. On 28 November 2014, a settlement agreement between the Company and Gold Tycoon Limited was executed. Pursuant to the settlement agreement, Gold Tycoon Limited will repay the earnest money of HK\$25 million (the "**Settlement Amount**") to the Company with the following payment schedule: (i) HK\$3 million shall be paid to the Company on or before 30 April 2015, being the first installment of the Settlement Amount; (ii) HK\$3 million shall be paid to the Company on or before 31 July 2015, being the second installment of the Settlement Amount; (iii) HK\$3 million shall be paid to the Company on or before 31 October 2015, being the third installment of the Settlement Amount; (iv) HK\$4 million shall be paid to the Company on or before 31 January 2016, being the fourth installment of the Settlement Amount; (v) HK\$4 million shall be paid to the Company on or before 30 April 2016, being the fifth installment of the Settlement Amount; (vi) HK\$4 million shall be paid to the Company on or before 31 July 2016, being the sixth installment of the Settlement Amount; and (vii) HK\$4 million shall be paid to the Company on or before 31 October 2016, being the final installment of the Settlement Amount.

Details of the above possible acquisition were disclosed in the announcements of the Company dated 20 April 2011, 17 May 2011, 7 October 2011, 30 December 2011, 29 June 2012, 28 September 2012, 29 November 2012, 30 January 2013, 27 March 2013, 30 May 2013, 31 July 2013, 30 September 2013, 29 November 2013 and 30 January 2014.

In view of the fact that a settlement agreement was being executed on 28 November 2014 and the Company has assessed the financial capability of the vendor by examining the documents and information provided by the vendor and understood that the vendor is the major beneficial owner of the target gold mine. The Directors are of the view that the vendor would be able to repay the earnest money. The overall strategy of the Company is to take all reasonable and economical steps to recover the earnest money (including possible legal actions should the vendor fail to honor its obligations to return the earnest money). The Company will keep shareholders informed promptly on the progress in recovering the earnest money. As at the date of this announcement, there is no outstanding balance according to the settlement agreement.

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

During the three months period under review, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries had purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities.

## SUSPENSION OF TRADING

Trading in the shares of the Company on the Stock Exchange has been suspended from 9:00 a.m. on 2 July 2013 and will remain suspended until further notice.

On behalf of the Board  
**Tai Shing International (Holdings) Limited**  
**Zhang He**  
*Executive Director*

Hong Kong, 19 June 2015

*As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises the following Directors:*

*Executive Directors:*

Dr. Chew Chee Wah (*Chairman*)  
Mr. Tam Kwok Leung (*Chief Executive Officer*)  
Ms. Ju Lijun  
Mr. Zhang Jinshu  
Mr. Luk Chi Shing  
Ms. Zhang He  
Mr. Lee Yiu Tung

*Non-executive Directors:*

Dr. Pan Jin  
Mr. Dai Yuanxin  
Ms. Xiao Yongzhen

*Independent non-executive Directors:*

Mr. Chan Yee Sze  
Ms. Hu Yun  
Mr. Koh Kwing Chang  
Mr. Lui Wai Ming  
Mr. Lai Chi Leung

*This announcement, for which the Directors collectively and individually accept full responsibility, includes particulars given in compliance with the GEM Listing Rules for the purpose of giving information with regard to the Company. The Directors, having made all reasonable enquiries, confirm that to the best of their knowledge and belief the information contained in this announcement is accurate and complete in all material respects and not misleading or deceptive, and there are no other matters the omission of which would make any statement herein or this announcement misleading.*

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