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Kingland Group Holdings Limited

景聯集團控股有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 1751)

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ANNUAL RESULT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

ANNUAL RESULTS

The board (the "Board") of directors (the "Directors") of Kingland Group Holdings Limited (the "Company") is pleased to announce the audited consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group") for the year ended 31 December 2022 (the "Financial Year 2022"), together with the audited comparative figures for the year ended 31 December 2021 (the "Financial Year 2021"), as follows:

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the year ended 31 December 2022

	Notes	2022 HK\$'000	2021 HK\$'000
Revenue Cost of sales	3	75,662 (58,973)	101,673 (115,538)
Gross profit/(loss) Other income and gains (Impairment losses)/reversal of impairment losses	3	16,689 1,771	(13,865) 870
on financial assets and contract assets Impairment of non-financial assets Administrative and other operating expenses	_	(1,784) - (25,068)	5,446 (2,596) (29,899)
Operating loss Finance costs	4 _	(8,392) (869)	(40,044) (860)
Loss before income tax Income tax credit/(expense)	5 6	(9,261)	(40,904) (99)
Loss and total comprehensive expense for the year attributable to owners of the Company	=	(9,032)	(41,003)
Basic and diluted loss per share (HK cents)	7	(1.12)	(5.53)

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 31 December 2022

	Notes	2022 HK\$'000	2021 HK\$'000
ASSETS			
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment		8,986	16,046
Right-of-use assets	_	8,326	8,943
	_	17,312	24,989
Current assets			
Contract assets		12,805	15,506
Trade and other receivables	8	12,556	18,789
Tax recoverable		_	113
Pledged bank deposits		14,570	14,559
Cash and bank balances	_	3,563	499
	_	43,494	49,466
Total assets	_	60,806	74,455
EQUITY Equity attributable to owners of the Company Capital and reserves			
Share capital	9	8,064	8,064
Reserves	_	199	9,231
Total equity	_	8,263	17,295
LIABILITIES			
Non-current liabilities			E 1 A
Borrowings Other non-current liabilities		- 727	514 818
Lease liabilities		4,432	3,727
Government grants		- , - ,2	80
	_	5,159	5,139
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	Notes	2022 HK\$'000	2021 HK\$'000
Current liabilities			
Bank overdrafts		9,720	1,814
Borrowings		5,907	8,644
Trade and other payables	10	24,085	32,181
Lease liabilities		3,630	5,223
Government grants		80	160
Amounts due to directors		3,962	3,657
Tax payable	_		342
	_	47,384	52,021
Total liabilities	=	52,543	57,160
Total equity and liabilities	=	60,806	74,455
Net current liabilities	=	(3,890)	(2,555)
Total assets less current liabilities	_	13,422	22,434

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. GENERAL INFORMATION AND BASIS OF PREPARATION

Kingland Group Holdings Limited (the "Company") was incorporated in the Cayman Islands on 5 January 2015 as an exempted company with limited liability under the Companies Law of the Cayman Islands and its shares have been listed on the GEM of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") with effect from 16 December 2016.

The Company's shares are currently listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange. Dealings in the shares on the Main Board commenced on 12 June 2018 pursuant to the approval granted by the Stock Exchange for the transfer of listing of the shares from the GEM to the Main Board of the Stock Exchange.

The address of the Company's registered office is Windward 3, Regatta Office Park, PO Box 1350, Grand Cayman, KY1-1108, Cayman Islands and the Company's principal place of business is Flat B, G/F., Fu Hop Factory Building, 209 and 211 Wai Yip Street, Kwun Tong, Kowloon, Hong Kong.

The Company is an investment holding company. The Company and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "Group") is principally engaged in the provision of concrete demolition services in Hong Kong and Macau mainly as a subcontractor.

The consolidated financial statements are presented in Hong Kong dollars ("**HK\$**"), which is the same as the functional currency of the Company, and all values are rounded to the nearest thousand except otherwise indicated.

These consolidated financial statements have been approved for issue by the Board of Directors on 24 March 2023.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these consolidated financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

2.1 Basis of preparation

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs") issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA"). In addition, the consolidated financial statements include applicable disclosures required by the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange and by the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

The Group incurred a net loss of approximately HK\$9,032,000 during the year ended 31 December 2022 and, as of that date, the Group's current liabilities exceeded its current assets by approximately HK\$3,890,000. These events or conditions indicate that a material uncertainty exists that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern.

In view of these circumstances and the impact of COVID-19, the Group has been continuously implementing measures to improve its profitability and operating performance and to mitigate the liquidity pressure. These measures include (1) implementing business strategies to enhance the operation efficiency of the Group's provision of demolition services in Hong Kong and Macau and aiming to reduce the direct operating costs, (2) continuing its measures to control administrative and other operating expenses, and (3) looking for other possible financing options to strengthen the liquidity of the Group.

With respect to the Group's bank financing, the Group maintains continuous communication with its principal bank. As at 31 December 2022, the Group's total bank borrowings and bank overdrafts amounted to approximately HK\$15,113,000 are classified as current liabilities and the Group had unutilised bank facilities of approximately HK\$280,000. The Group's bank borrowings and bank facilities are secured by the Group's pledged bank deposits of approximately HK\$14,570,000 and personal guarantees provided by Mr. Cheung Shek On ("Mr. Cheung"), the director of the Company and Mr. Chan Yuk Sing ("Mr. Chan"), a director of an operating subsidiary of the Company. Both of them are major shareholders of the Company. The directors of the Company are not aware of any intention of the principal bank to withdraw its bank facilities or require early repayment of the bank borrowings and the directors of the Company believe that the existing bank facilities will be renewed when their current terms expire given the good track records and relationship the Group has with the bank and the pledged bank deposits.

As at 31 December 2022, the Group has amounts due to Mr. Cheung amounted to approximately HK\$3,949,000 in aggregate, which are unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand. Prior to the date of approval of these consolidated financial statements, Mr. Cheung has confirmed not to call for repayment of the amounts due to him amounted to approximately HK\$3,949,000 in aggregate for a period of 12 months so as to enable the Group to meet its liabilities when they fall due and carry on its business without a significant curtailment of operations in the twelve months from 31 December 2022. Up to the date of approval of these consolidated financial statements, Mr. Cheung and Mr. Chan have not indicated their intention to withdraw their financial support to the Group and personal guarantees with the bank provided.

The directors of the Company have assessed the Group's cash flow projections cover a period of not less than twelve months from 31 December 2022. The key factors that are taken into account by management in the cash flow projections include the anticipated cash flows from the Group's operations, capital expenditures, continuous availability of bank facilities and the impact of COVID-19. The Group's ability to achieve the projected cash flows depends on management's ability to successfully implement the aforementioned improvement measures on profitability and liquidity and the continuous availability of bank facilities.

The directors of the Company are of the opinion that, taking into account the above mentioned plans and measures, the Group will have sufficient working capital to finance its operations and to meet its financial obligations as and when they fall due within twelve months from 31 December 2022. Accordingly, the directors of the Company are satisfied that it is appropriate to prepare the consolidated financial statements on a going concern basis.

Should the Group be unable to continue to operate as a going concern, adjustments would have to be made to write down the value of assets to their recoverable amounts, to provide for any future liabilities which might arise and to reclassify non-current assets and liabilities as current assets and liabilities respectively. The effect of these adjustments has not been reflected in the consolidated financial statements.

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except as otherwise stated in the accounting policies below.

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with HKFRSs requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the accounting policies of the Group.

2.2 Changes in accounting policies and disclosures

(i) New and amended standards adopted by the Group

The Group has applied the following new and amended standards for the first time for their annual reporting period commencing 1 January 2022:

Amendments to HKFRS 3	Reference to the Conceptual Framework
Amendments to HKFRS 16	COVID-19-Related Rent Concessions beyond
	30 June 2021
Amendments to HKAS 16	Property, Plant and Equipment - Proceeds before
	Intended Use
Amendments to HKAS 37	Onerous Contracts – Cost of Fulfilling a Contract
Amendments to HKFRSs	Annual Improvements to HKFRSs 2018–2020

The application of the amendments to HKFRSs in the current year had no material impact on the Group's financial performance and positions for the current and prior years and/or on the disclosures set out in these consolidated financial statements.

(ii) New and amended standards in issue but not yet effective and not been early adopted

A number of new and amended standards have been published that are not mandatory for the year ended 31 December 2022 and have not been early adopted by the Group.

HKFRS 17	Insurance Contracts and the related Amendments ¹
Amendments to HKFRS 10 and	Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor
HKAS 28	and its Associate or Joint Venture ²
Amendments to HKFRS 16	Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback ³
Amendments to HKAS 1	Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-
	current and related amendments to Hong Kong
	Interpretation 5 (2020) ³
Amendments to HKAS 1	Non-current Liabilities with Covenants ³
Amendments to HKAS 1 and	Disclosure of Accounting Policies ¹
HKFRS Practice Statements 2	
Amendments to HKAS 8	Definition of Accounting Estimates ¹
Amendments to HKAS 12	Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising
	from a Single Transaction ¹

- Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023.
- ² Effective for annual periods beginning on or after a date to be determined.
- Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2024.

The directors of the Company anticipate that the application of all new and amendments to HKFRSs will have no material impact on the consolidated financial statements in the foreseeable future.

3. REVENUE, OTHER INCOME AND GAINS AND SEGMENT INFORMATION

Revenue and other income and gains recognised during the year are as follows:

	2022 HK\$'000	2021 HK\$'000
Revenue	,	
Provision of concrete demolition services	75,662	101,673
Other income and gains		
Sundry income	35	89
Interest income	11	25
Government grant	1,565	355
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	160	401
	1,771	870

The chief operating decision-maker has been identified as the board of directors of the Company. The board of directors regards the Group's business as a single operating segment and reviews consolidated financial statements accordingly. Since this is the only operating segment of the Group, no further analysis for segment information is presented.

Geographical information

The Group primarily operates in Hong Kong and Macau. The Group's non-current assets are principally located in Hong Kong. The Group's revenue from external customers is derived from the following regions:

	2022	2021
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Revenue (by location of customers)		
- Hong Kong	75,655	79,897
– Macau		21,776
	75,662	101,673

Information about major customers

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

	2022 HK\$'000	2021 HK\$'000
Continue		NT A 1
Customer A	12,667	NA¹
Customer B	8,892	NA^1
Customer C	NA^1	28,080
Customer D	NA^1	13,995
Customer E	NA^1	10,210
Customer F	NA¹	14,018

The corresponding revenue did not contribute over 10% of the total revenue of the Group.

4. FINANCE COSTS

	2022 HK\$'000	2021 HK\$'000
Interest on bank overdrafts	336	139
Interest on lease liabilities	289	401
Interest on borrowings	244	320
	869	860
5. LOSS BEFORE INCOME TAX		
	2022	2021
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Included in cost of sales		
Depreciation of property, plant and equipm	ent 6,875	7,988
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	1,600	1,802
Staff costs	21,667	54,551
Included in administrative and other operatin	g expenses	
Auditors' remuneration	630	600
Depreciation of property, plant and equipm	ent 240	675
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	3,351	3,235
Expense relating to short-term leases not in	cluded in the	
measurement of lease liabilities	720	1,062
Staff cost, including directors' emoluments	14,894	18,704
Impairment of non-financial assets		
Property, plant and equipment	-	1,932
Right-of-use assets		664
6. INCOME TAX (CREDIT)/EXPENSE		
	2022 HK\$'000	2021 HK\$'000
Current tax		
Hong Kong:		
– Under-provision in prior yearMacau:	113	_
– Current year	_	99
 Over-provision in prior year 	(342)	
Income tax (credit)/expense	(229)	99

7. LOSS PER SHARE

The calculation of the basic and diluted loss per share is based on the following data:

Loss

	2022 HK\$'000	2021 HK\$'000
Loss for the year attributable to owners of the Company for the purpose of basic loss per share	(9,032)	(41,003)
Number of ordinary shares		
	2022 '000	2021 '000
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of basic loss per share	806,400	741,962

The diluted loss per share is equal to the basic loss per share as there is no dilutive potential ordinary share in issue during the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2021.

8. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	2022	2021
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Trade receivables	13,094	19,135
Less: allowance for credit losses	(5,618)	(5,420)
	7,476	13,715
Other receivables, deposits and prepayments	5,080	5,074
	12,556	18,789

Notes:

(a) The credit terms granted to customers are varied and are generally the result of negotiations between individual customers and the Group. The Group generally allows a credit period of within 60 days. No interest is charged on overdue receivables.

(b) The ageing analysis of trade receivables, net of allowance for credit losses based on date of payment certificates issued by customers or invoice date, whichever is applicable, are as follows:

		2022	2021
		HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	0 – 30 days	859	2,157
	31 – 60 days	2,642	3,500
	61 – 90 days	3,675	851
	91 – 365 days	300	3,656
	Over 365 days		3,551
		7,476	13,715
9.	SHARE CAPITAL		
		Number of ordinary shares	Share capital HK\$'000
	Ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each		
	Authorised: As at 31 December 2022 and 2021	1,000,000,000	10,000
	As at 31 December 2022 and 2021	1,000,000,000	10,000
	Issued and fully paid:		
	As at 31 December 2022 and 2021	806,400,000	8,064

On 25 June 2021, the Company completed a placing of shares and an aggregate of 134,400,000 new shares of the Company have been placed by the placing agent to not less than six placees at the placing price of HK\$0.161 per placing share. The net proceeds of issuance of placing shares were approximately HK\$21.2 million, of which approximately HK\$1.3 million and HK\$19.9 million were credited to share capital and share premium, respectively.

10. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	2022 HK\$'000	2021 HK\$'000
Trade payables Accruals and other payables	13,581 10,504	17,113 15,068
	24,085	32,181

The ageing analysis of trade payables based on the invoice date is as follows:

	2022	2021
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
0-30 days	1,473	333
31 – 60 days	331	544
61 – 90 days	1,007	164
Over 90 days	10,770	16,072
	13,581	17,113

Trade payables are non-interest bearing.

EXTRACT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The following is an extract of independent auditors' report issued by the Company's external auditors:

Opinion

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements give a true and fair view of the consolidated financial position of the Group as at 31 December 2022 and of its consolidated financial performance and its consolidated cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs") issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA") and have been properly prepared in compliance with the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

Material Uncertainty Related to Going Concern

We draw attention to note 2.1 in the consolidated financial statements, which indicates that the Group incurred a net loss of approximately HK\$9,032,000 during the year ended 31 December 2022 and, as of that date, the Group's current liabilities exceeded its current assets by approximately HK\$3,890,000. As stated in note 2.1, these events or conditions, along with other matters as set forth in note 2.1, indicate that a material uncertainty exists that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

BUSINESS REVIEW AND OUTLOOK

The Group's principal activity is the provision of concrete demolition service in Hong Kong and Macau mainly as a subcontractor. Our services are mainly required in the removal of pieces or sections of concrete from concrete structures and the demolition of the entire concrete structures or buildings by applying a variety of methods, such as core drilling, sawing and crushing. Our services are required in many different situations including, among others, addition and alteration works and redevelopment projects in buildings, roads, tunnels and underground facilities.

We have been operating in the concrete demolition industry in Hong Kong since 1985. We have also been providing concrete demolition services in Macau since 2006. We are a registered subcontractor for general demolition and others (concrete coring and saw cutting) works under the Subcontractor Registration Scheme of the Construction Industry Council and a Registered Minor Works Contractor at the Buildings Department.

In general, our customers are main contractors in various types of construction and civil engineering projects in Hong Kong and construction projects in Macau. We undertake jobs in both public and private sectors. Public sector jobs refer to jobs which the main contractors are employed by the Hong Kong Government, the Macau Government or their respective related organisations or corporations, while private sector jobs refer to jobs that are not public sector jobs.

In the year of 2022, our group experienced a significant increase in profit margin due to the completion of certain sizable projects with relatively lower profit margins in the second half of 2021. Looking forward, it is anticipated that there will still be challenges in the year 2023. On one hand, our Group will continuously strengthen cost control measure and resources management. On the other hand, our Group will endeavor to explore potential opportunity in the market in order to enhance our profitability.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

During the Financial Year 2022, our Group's revenue was mainly derived from concrete demolition business in Hong Kong and Macau. The Group's revenue for the Financial Year 2022 was approximately HK\$75.7 million, representing a decrease of approximately 25.6% from approximately HK\$101.7 million for the Financial Year 2021. The decrease is mainly due to the completion of certain sizable projects during the second half of the Financial Year 2021.

The Group recorded a gross profit of approximately HK\$16.7 million in the Financial Year 2022 compared to the gross loss of HK\$13.9 million for the Financial Year 2021. The Group recorded a gross profit margin of 22.1% for the Financial Year 2022 compared to the gross loss margin of 13.7% for the Financial Year 2021. The increase in profit margin was mainly due to the decrease in staff cost and machinery rental charges.

Administrative and other operating expenses decreased by approximately HK\$4.8 million (representing a decrease of approximately 16.1%) to approximately HK\$25.1 million for the Financial Year 2022, compared with HK\$29.9 million for the Financial Year 2021, which was mainly due to the decrease in indirect staff cost.

The Group had recognised approximately HK\$1.8 million impairment losses on financial assets and contract assets for the Financial Year 2022 (the Financial Year 2021: approximately HK\$5.4 million reversal of impairment losses). Besides, since the Group had reported a loss for the Financial Year 2022, management considered this as an impairment indicator on the non-financial assets and has performed an impairment assessment on these assets as at 31 December 2022 to determine the recoverable amount using value-in-use calculation.

Based on the results of the assessment, it was concluded that no impairment losses was required to be recognised for the Financial Year 2022 (the Financial Year 2021: approximately HK\$2.6 million).

Net loss decreased by approximately HK\$32.0 million to approximately HK\$9.0 million in the Financial Year 2022 compared to approximately HK\$41.0 million for the Financial Year 2021 (representing an decrease of approximately 78.0%). The decrease in net loss was mainly due to the decrease in cost of sales.

LIQUIDITY, FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND CAPITAL STRUCTURE

As at 31 December 2022, the Group's current ratio was approximately 0.9 (31 December 2021: approximately 1.0). The Group had total assets of approximately HK\$60.8 million, which is financed by total liabilities and shareholders' equity of approximately HK\$52.5 million and HK\$8.3 million, respectively. As at 31 December 2022, the Group had cash and bank balances of approximately HK\$3.6 million (31 December 2021: approximately HK\$0.5 million). As at 31 December 2022, the Group had interest-bearing debts of approximately HK\$23.7 million, which included bank and other borrowings and lease liabilities (31 December 2021: approximately HK\$19.9 million).

Gearing ratio

The gearing ratio is calculated based on the total loans and borrowings and lease liabilities divided by total equity as at the respective reporting date. As at 31 December 2022, the Group recorded gearing ratio of approximately 286.7% (31 December 2021: 115.2%).

Capital Expenditure

During the Financial Year 2022, there was capital expenditure of approximately HK\$0.1 million which was used in the purchase of property, plant and equipment, compared to HK\$10.5 million for the Financial Year 2021.

Treasury Policy

The Group adopts a prudent approach in capital management towards its treasury policies. The Group strives to reduce exposure to credit risk by performing ongoing credit assessments and evaluations of the financial status of its customers. To manage liquidity risk, the Board closely monitors the Group's liquidity position to ensure that the liquidity structure of the Group's assets, liabilities and other commitments can meet its funding requirements from time to time.

Capital Structure

The share capital of the Group only comprises of ordinary shares.

As at 31 December 2022, the Company's issued share capital was HK\$8,064,000 (31 December 2021: HK\$8,064,000) and the number of its issued ordinary shares was 806,400,000 (31 December 2021: 806,400,000) of HK\$0.01 each.

Foreign Exchange Exposure

The Group mainly operates in Macau and Hong Kong with most of the Group's monetary assets, liabilities and transactions principally denominated in HK\$ and Macau Pataca ("MOP"). The Group is exposed to currency risk arising from currency exposures primarily with respect to MOP, mainly attributable to the exposure on outstanding receivables and payables denominated in MOP.

Most of the MOP denominated monetary assets and liabilities at the end of the Financial Year 2022 are held under the Group's subsidiary in Macau. As MOP is pegged to HK\$, the foreign currency risk is considered insignificant, and hence the Group does not engage in any hedging activity.

PRINCIPAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

Availability of construction and civil engineering projects in Hong Kong and Macau

Our results of operations are affected by the number and availability of construction and civil engineering projects from the public and private sectors in Hong Kong and construction projects from the private sector in Macau, which in turn are affected by various factors, including but not limited to the general economic conditions in Hong Kong and Macau, changes in government policies relating to the Hong Kong and Macau property markets, the general conditions of the property markets in Hong Kong and Macau, and the amount of investment in the construction of new infrastructure and improvement of existing infrastructure.

In the event that the availability of concrete demolition jobs decreases as a result of the decrease in the number of private and/or public sector projects in Hong Kong and/or Macau, our businesses and results of operations may be adversely and materially affected.

Our business is subject to the risk of cost overrun and job extension or delay

In pricing a tender or quotation, we are required to estimate the job costs based on various factors such as (i) the estimated number and types of workers required; (ii) the estimated number and types of machineries required; and (iii) the need for subcontracting and machinery leasing. Any deviation between the estimated cost by the time we submit the tenders or quotations and the actual costs to complete the jobs may adversely affect our financial performance and profitability. For instance, if the actual progress of a project was slower than we anticipated, or if there is any delay or extension in the project schedule of main contractor, we may have to engage subcontractors and/or lease the required machineries for a longer period, and hence the amounts of subcontracting fees or machinery rental cost incurred may exceed our estimation. Further, in the case of job extension or delay, we may experience decrease in revenue derived given that the progress payment to us is based on works done by us on a monthly basis. There is no assurance that we would not experience cost overrun and job extension or delay, which may in turn adversely affect our profit margin and operating results.

Issue of labour shortage

The construction industry, including the concrete demolition industry in Hong Kong and Macau has been facing the issue of labour shortage. The growing demand for construction works exacerbated the shortage issue and has been pushing up the daily wage of worker in concrete demolition industry in Hong Kong and Macau.

If our Group is unable to recruit or retain sufficient workers or fails to effectively manage our staff costs as a result of shortage of local labour supply, our business operations and financial performance may be materially and adversely affected.

RELATIONSHIPS WITH CUSTOMERS, SUPPLIERS AND SUBCONTRACTORS AND EMPLOYEES

Customers

We have established long-term relationships with a number of our customers who are primarily main contractors in the construction industry. The Group is of the view that a good relationship with customers, concrete demolition contracting service providers have an advantage in gaining new and repeated business. Therefore, our Directors believe that main contractors generally give priority to subcontractors with whom they are familiar and who have a proven track record in providing quality concrete demolition works in a timely manner. We are of the view that our long-term relationships with a number of our customers are our competitive advantages that cannot be easily replicated by other concrete demolition works subcontractors, and have enabled and will continue to enable us to differentiate ourselves in the industry in Hong Kong and Macau.

Suppliers and Subcontractors

During the Financial Year 2022, our suppliers and subcontractors mainly consisted of lessors of machinery, suppliers of consumables and machinery parts, and transportation, courier service providers and subcontractors of concrete demolition works. We have established long-term relationship with a number of our suppliers. We believe our established relationships with these suppliers and subcontractors have been enabling us to take up jobs of various scale and service type and fulfill our customers' requirements. This could also ensure stable and timely delivery of materials or services from these suppliers, which in turn shall minimise potential disruption to our works.

Employees

Our Directors consider that we have maintained good relationship with our employees in general. We had not experienced any significant problems with our employees or any disruption to our operations due to labour disputes nor had we experienced any difficulties in the recruitment and retention of experienced staff or skilled personnel during the Financial Year 2022.

EMPLOYEES

The Group had 85 full-time employees as at 31 December 2022 (31 December 2021: 100 full-time employees). The staff costs, including Directors' emoluments, of the Group were approximately HK\$36.6 million for the Financial Year 2022 as compared to HK\$73.3 million for the Financial Year 2021.

Employees' remuneration is commensurate with their job nature, qualifications and experience. Salaries and wage rates are usually subjected to an annual review that are based on performance appraisals and other relevant factors. The Group strongly encourages internal promotion and a variety of job opportunities is offered to the existing staff when it is best suited. Remuneration package is comprised of salary, a performance-based bonus, and other benefits including training and provident funds.

COMMITMENTS

As at 31 December 2022, the Group had no capital commitment (31 December 2021: Nil).

CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

As at 31 December 2022, there was no significant contingent liabilities for the Group (31 December 2021: Nil).

CHARGE OVER OUR GROUP'S ASSETS

Pledged deposits of approximately HK\$14.6 million have been pledged to banks to secure banking facilities.

As at 31 December 2022, certain of the Group's right-of-use assets with an aggregate carrying amount of approximately HK\$2.9 million (31 December 2021: approximately HK\$5.3 million) was used to secure certain of the lease liabilities of approximately HK\$2.6 million (31 December 2021: approximately HK\$4.9 million). Certain of the Group's property, plant and equipment with an aggregate carrying amount of approximately HK\$0.2 million (31 December 2021: approximately HK\$0.8 million) was used to secure other loan of approximately HK\$0.5 million (31 December 2021: approximately HK\$1.2 million).

SIGNIFICANT INVESTMENTS HELD, MATERIAL ACQUISITIONS OR DISPOSALS OF SUBSIDIARIES AND AFFILIATED COMPANIES

Save as disclosed in this announcement, there was no significant investment, material acquisition and disposal of subsidiaries and associated companies by the Company during the Financial Year 2022.

FUTURE PLANS FOR MATERIAL INVESTMENTS OR CAPITAL ASSETS

Save as disclosed in this announcement, the Group did not have other plans for material investments or capital assets as of 31 December 2022.

PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF LISTED SECURITIES OF THE COMPANY

Neither the Company, nor any of its subsidiaries has purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities during the year ended 31 December 2022.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Company has established an audit committee (the "Audit Committee") on 22 November 2016 with its written terms of reference in compliance with the Corporate Governance Code and Corporate Governance Report (the "CG Code") as set out in Appendix 14 of the Rules (the "Listing Rules") Governing the Listing of Securities of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange"). The primary duties of the Audit Committee are to review and supervise the financial reporting process and internal control system of the Group, nominate and monitor external auditors and to provide advices and comments to the Board on matters related to corporate governance. The Audit Committee consists of three members, namely Mr. Chow Chun To, Mr. Chan Kwok Wing Kelvin and Mr. Tam Tak Kei Raymond, all being independent non-executive Directors.

The Group's consolidated financial statements for the Financial Year 2022 have been reviewed by the Audit Committee. The Audit Committee is of the opinion that the consolidated financial statements of the Group for the Financial Year 2022 comply with applicable accounting standards, the Listing Rules and that adequate disclosures have been made.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICE

The Company has applied the principles and code provisions in the CG Code. In the opinion of the Board, the Company has complied with the CG Code during the Financial Year 2022 except the following deviation:

Provision C.2.1 of the CG Code stipulates that the roles of chairman and chief executive should be separate and should not be performed by the same individual. Mr. Cheung Shek On is the Chairman and the chief executive officer of our Company. In view that Mr. Cheung has been operating and managing our Group since our establishment, our Board believes that it is in the best interest of our Group to have Mr. Cheung taking up both roles for effective management and business development. In addition, major decisions are made after consultation with the Board and appropriate Board committees, as well as senior management. The Board is therefore of the view that there are adequate safeguards in place to ensure the balance of power and authority within the Company.

COMPETING INTERESTS

The Directors are not aware of any business or interest of the Directors nor the controlling shareholder of the Company (the "Shareholders") nor any of their respective associates (as defined in the Listing Rules) that compete or may compete with the business of the Group and any other conflicts of interest which any such person has or may have with the Group during the Financial Year 2022.

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS BY DIRECTORS

The Company has adopted the required standard of dealings set out in the Model Code as set out in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules as the code of conduct regarding securities transactions by the Directors (the "Code of Conduct") in respect of the shares of the Company (the "Share(s)"). The Company has made specific enquiry to all Directors, and all Directors have confirmed that they have fully complied with the required standard of dealings set out in the Code of Conduct during the Financial Year 2022.

CHANGE OF INFORMATION OF DIRECTORS

Pursuant to Rule 13.51B(1) of the Listing Rules, the changes of information of Directors are set out below:

Mr. Chow Chun To was appointed as an independent non-executive director of Quantong Holdings Limited (currently known as "China Hongbao Holdings Limited") (stock code: 8316) in January 2022.

Mr. Tam Tak Kei Raymond resigned as an independent non-executive director of Green Economy Development Limited (stock code: 1315) in February 2023.

FINAL DIVIDENDS

The Board did not recommend payment of final dividend to shareholders of the Company for the Financial Year 2022.

PUBLICATION OF ANNUAL RESULTS AND ANNUAL REPORT

This results announcement is published on the website of the Stock Exchange at www.hkexnews.hk and the Company's website at www.kinglandgroup.com.hk. The annual report of the Company for the Financial Year 2022 will be dispatched to the Shareholders and will be available on the respective websites of the Stock Exchange and the Company in due course.

By order of the Board
Kingland Group Holdings Limited
CHEUNG Shek On

Chairman and Executive Director

Hong Kong, 24 March 2023

As at the date of this announcement, the executive Directors are Mr. Cheung Shek On and Mr. Kwok Shun Tim; and the independent non-executive Directors are Mr. Chow Chun To, Mr. Chan Kwok Wing Kelvin and Mr. Tam Tak Kei Raymond.