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IMS Group Holdings Limited
英馬斯集團控股有限公司
(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 8136)

INTERIM RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT
FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

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The Board of the Company is pleased to announce the unaudited condensed consolidation interim financial statements of the Group for the six months ended 30 September 2023, together with the comparative unaudited figures for the corresponding period in 2022 as follows:

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

FOR THE THREE MONTHS AND SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

	Notes	Three months ended		Six months ended	
		30 September	2022	30 September	2022
		2023	2022	2023	2022
		HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
		(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Revenue	4	28,845	20,717	54,486	45,074
Direct costs		(11,120)	(8,865)	(21,486)	(19,512)
Gross profit		17,725	11,852	33,000	25,562
Other income		336	656	661	1,029
Other gains and losses, net		791	276	787	(338)
Administrative expenses		(7,286)	(6,508)	(13,297)	(12,693)
Reversal of loss allowance on trade receivables		–	24	–	24
Profit from operation		11,566	6,300	21,151	13,584
Finance cost	5(a)	(38)	(55)	(85)	(97)
Profit before income tax expense	5	11,528	6,245	21,066	13,487
Income tax expense	7	(3,121)	(817)	(3,834)	(2,055)
Profit attributable to owners of the Company		8,407	5,428	17,232	11,432
Other comprehensive loss					
<i>Item that are or may be reclassified to profit or loss:</i>					
Exchange differences on translating foreign operations		(525)	(1,517)	(1,125)	(2,276)
Other comprehensive loss for the period attributable to owners of the Company		(525)	(1,517)	(1,125)	(2,276)
Total comprehensive income for the period attributable to owners of the Company		7,882	3,911	16,107	9,156
Earnings per share		HK cents	HK cents	HK cents	HK cents
Basic and diluted	8	0.84	0.54	1.72	1.14

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

		30 September 2023 <i>HK\$'000</i> (unaudited)	31 March 2023 <i>HK\$'000</i> (audited)
	<i>Notes</i>		
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	10	5,674	6,720
Intangible asset		176	239
Right-of-use assets		2,687	4,141
		8,537	11,100
Current assets			
Inventories		7,840	11,225
Trade and other receivables	11	11,244	8,284
Cash and cash equivalents		93,249	79,967
		112,333	99,476
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	12	9,790	9,264
Contract liabilities		10,720	18,786
Lease liabilities		2,335	2,807
Tax payables		4,398	1,115
		27,243	31,972
Net current assets		85,090	67,504
Total assets less current liabilities		93,627	78,604
Non-current liabilities			
Other payables		124	124
Contract liabilities		123	182
Deferred tax liabilities		392	449
Lease liabilities		464	1,432
		1,103	2,187
NET ASSETS		92,524	76,417
Capital and reserves			
Share capital	13	1,000	1,000
Reserves		91,524	75,417
TOTAL EQUITY		92,524	76,417

NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. GENERAL

The Company was incorporated in the Cayman Islands on 15 February 2017, as an exempted company with limited liability under the Companies Law, Cap. 22 (Law 3 of 1961, as consolidated and revised) of the Cayman Islands. The registered office of the Company is located at the offices of Cricket Square, Hutchins Drive, P.O. Box 2681, Grand Cayman KY1-1111, Cayman Islands. The principal place of business is located at Unit 1201, 12/F, Block C, Seaview Estate, 8 Watson Road, North Point, Hong Kong.

The Company, an investment holding company, and its subsidiaries (together referred to the “**Group**”) are principally engaged in the sale of light-emitting diode (“**LED**”) lighting fixtures and visual-audio system, provision of integrated LED lighting solution services, project consultancy and LED lighting system maintenance services, sale of 3D printing materials and provision for 3D printing services.

In the opinion of the directors of the Company, the Company’s immediate and ultimate holding company is The Garage Investment Limited, a company incorporated in British Virgin Islands (the “**BVI**”).

2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

These unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Accounting Standard 34 (“**HKAS 34**”), all applicable Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards, Hong Kong Accounting Standards and Interpretations (hereinafter collectively referred to as the “**HKFRSs**”), issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (“**HKICPA**”) and the applicable disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance and the GEM Listing Rules.

The unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared under historical cost convention.

The principal accounting policies used in the unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements for the six months ended 30 September 2023 are the same as those followed in the preparation of the Group’s annual financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023, except for the new and revised HKFRSs issued by the HKICPA that are adopted for the first time for the current accounting period of the Group.

The adoption of these new and revised HKFRSs has had no material effect on the amounts reported in these unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements and/or disclosures set out in these unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements. The Group has not early adopted any new HKFRSs that have been issued but are not yet effective.

3. SEGMENT INFORMATION

During the period, the Group was principally engaged in sale of LED lighting fixtures and visual-audio system, provision of integrated LED lighting solution services, project consultancy and LED lighting system maintenance services. Information reported to the Group’s chief operating decision maker, for the purpose of resources allocation and performance assessment, focuses on the operating results of the Group as a whole. The Group’s resources are integrated and as a result, no discrete operating segment financial information is available. Accordingly, no operating segment information is presented.

4. REVENUE

Revenue includes the net invoiced value of goods sold, project consultancy and maintenance services rendered and contracts on LED lighting solution projects earned by the Group. The amounts of each significant category of revenue recognised during the respective periods are as follows:

	Three months ended 30 September		Six months ended 30 September	
	2023 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	2022 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	2023 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	2022 HK\$'000 (unaudited)
Revenue from contracts with customers within the scope of HKFRS 15				
Revenue – at a point in time				
Sale of LED lighting fixtures	13,142	15,766	27,140	27,395
Sale of visual-audio systems	133	136	329	199
Sale of 3D printing materials and provision for 3D printing services	504	839	848	2,055
Revenue – over time				
LED lighting system consultation and maintenance services	1,845	801	2,351	1,685
Integrated LED lighting solution services	13,221	3,175	23,818	13,740
	<u>28,845</u>	<u>20,717</u>	<u>54,486</u>	<u>45,074</u>

5. PROFIT BEFORE INCOME TAX EXPENSE

The Group's profit before income tax expense is arrived at after charging:

	Three months ended 30 September		Six months ended 30 September	
	2023 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	2022 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	2023 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	2022 HK\$'000 (unaudited)
(a) Finance costs				
Interest on lease liabilities	<u>38</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>85</u>	<u>97</u>
(b) Other items				
Costs of inventories recognised as expenses	7,624	5,574	15,109	13,222
Auditor's remuneration				
– Audit-related assurance services	153	149	305	299
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment				
– Administrative expenses	448	421	908	944
– Cost of sales	18	14	27	239
Amortisation of intangible assets	29	36	59	72
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	695	613	1,393	1,293
Leases expenses of other premises under short term leases	<u>81</u>	<u>138</u>	<u>113</u>	<u>174</u>

6. EMPLOYEE BENEFIT EXPENSES, INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION

	Three months ended		Six months ended	
	30 September		30 September	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Fees, wages and salaries	4,993	5,345	9,760	10,402
Post-employment benefits				
– payment to defined contribution retirement plan	245	198	476	442
Other benefits	22	241	52	247
	<u>5,260</u>	<u>5,784</u>	<u>10,288</u>	<u>11,091</u>

7. INCOME TAX EXPENSE

The amount of income tax expense in the condensed consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income represents:

	Three months ended		Six months ended	
	30 September		30 September	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Current tax				
Hong Kong profits tax				
– current period	982	840	1,595	1,435
PRC enterprise income tax (“EIT”)				
– current period	2,154	(7)	2,269	652
Deferred income tax	(15)	(16)	(30)	(32)
Income tax expense	<u>3,121</u>	<u>817</u>	<u>3,834</u>	<u>2,055</u>

Hong Kong profits tax

Hong Kong profits tax is calculated at 16.5% (six months ended 30 September 2022: 16.5%) of the estimated assessable profits during the period.

On 21 March 2018, the Hong Kong Legislative Council passed The Inland Revenue (Amendment) (No. 7) Bill 2017 (the “Bill”) which introduces the two-tiered profits tax rates regime. The Bill was signed into law on 28 March 2018 and was gazetted on the following day.

Under the two-tiered profits tax rates regime, the first HK\$2 million of profits of qualifying corporations will be taxed at 8.25%, and profits above HK\$2 million will be taxed at 16.5% (six months ended 30 September 2022: 16.5%). The profits of corporations in Hong Kong not qualifying for the two-tiered profits tax rates regime will continue to be taxed at a flat rate of 16.5%.

PRC EIT

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 subsidiary is 25% for both periods.

8. EARNINGS PER SHARE

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

	Three months ended		Six months ended	
	30 September		30 September	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Earnings				
Earnings for the purpose of basic earnings per share	<u>8,407</u>	<u>5,428</u>	<u>17,232</u>	<u>11,432</u>
Number of shares				
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of basic earnings per share (<i>Note</i>)	<u>1,000,000,000</u>	<u>1,000,000,000</u>	<u>1,000,000,000</u>	<u>1,000,000,000</u>

Note:

Diluted earnings per share is same as basic earnings per share as there was no potential dilutive ordinary shares for the six months ended 30 September 2023 and 2022.

9. DIVIDENDS

No dividend has been paid or declared by the Company for the six months ended 30 September 2023 (six months ended 30 September 2022: nil).

10. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

During the six months ended 30 September 2023, the Group acquired items of property, plant and equipment with a cost of approximately HK\$26,000 (for the year ended 31 March 2023: approximately HK\$488,000).

11. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

		As at 30 September 2023 <i>HK\$'000</i> (unaudited)	As at 31 March 2023 <i>HK\$'000</i> (audited)
Trade receivables			
From third parties		12,680	11,479
Less: Loss allowance		<u>(4,336)</u>	<u>(4,575)</u>
Trade receivables, net	(a)	<u>8,344</u>	<u>6,904</u>
Other receivables			
Prepayment and deposits		2,660	1,273
Other receivables		<u>240</u>	<u>107</u>
	(b)	<u>2,900</u>	<u>1,380</u>
Total trade and other receivables		<u><u>11,244</u></u>	<u><u>8,284</u></u>

Notes:

- (a) The Group generally allows a credit period within 30 (year ended 31 March 2023: 30) days to its trade customers. Application for progress payments on projects are made on regular basis. The Group does not hold any collateral over these balances.

The following is an ageing analysis of trade receivables, net of loss allowance, presented based on the earlier of invoice date or revenue recognition date:

	As at 30 September 2023 <i>HK\$'000</i> (unaudited)	As at 31 March 2023 <i>HK\$'000</i> (audited)
Less than 1 month	3,146	1,036
1 month to 3 months	2,007	822
4 months to 6 months	1,746	1,874
More than 6 months but less than one year	<u>1,445</u>	<u>3,172</u>
	<u><u>8,344</u></u>	<u><u>6,904</u></u>

Movements in loss allowance for impairment of trade receivables are as follows:

	As at 30 September 2023 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	As at 31 March 2023 HK\$'000 (audited)
At beginning of the reporting period	4,575	4,665
Amount written off	–	(241)
(Reversal of) Loss allowance on trade receivables	–	441
Exchange realignment	(239)	(290)
	<u>4,336</u>	<u>4,575</u>

- (b) The above balances of other receivables, prepayments and deposits as at 30 September 2023 and 31 March 2023 were neither past due nor impaired. Financial assets included in these balances are non-interest bearing and relate to receivables for which there was no recent history of default.

12. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	As at 30 September 2023 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	As at 31 March 2023 HK\$'000 (audited)
Trade payables	7,078	6,026
Other payables:		
Provision of warranties	774	774
Staff cost payables	1,842	1,534
Other tax payables	80	250
Other payables and accruals	140	804
	<u>9,914</u>	<u>9,388</u>
Total trade and other payables	9,914	9,388
Less: Non-current portion		
Provision of warranties	(124)	(124)
	<u>9,790</u>	<u>9,264</u>

The credit period of trade payables is normally within 30 (year ended 31 March 2023: 30) days. The ageing analysis of the trade payables based on invoice date is as follows:

	As at 30 September 2023 HK\$'000 (unaudited)	As at 31 March 2023 HK\$'000 (audited)
Current or less than 1 month	579	854
1 to 3 months	686	697
4 to 6 months	1,218	2,069
7 to 12 months	838	2,102
More than 1 year	3,757	304
	<u>7,078</u>	<u>6,026</u>

13. SHARE CAPITAL

	Number of ordinary shares	Amount HK\$
Authorised:		
Ordinary shares of HK\$0.001 each		
As at 31 March 2023 (audited) and 30 September 2023 (unaudited)	<u>10,000,000,000</u>	<u>10,000,000</u>
Issued and fully paid:		
As at 31 March 2023 (audited) and 30 September 2023 (unaudited)	<u>1,000,000,000</u>	<u>1,000,000</u>

14. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

(a) Related party transactions

During the period, the Group does not have any significant transactions with its related parties or transactions which constituted connected transactions as defined in Chapter 20 of the GEM Listing Rules.

(b) Key management compensation

The key management personnel of the Group are the directors and senior management of the Group. The remuneration paid or payable to them during the period are as follows:

	Three months ended 30 September		Six months ended 30 September	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>	<i>HK\$'000</i>
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Fees, wages and salaries	1,413	1,337	2,825	2,674
Post-employment benefits – payment to defined contribution retirement plan	<u>25</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>51</u>
	<u>1,438</u>	<u>1,363</u>	<u>2,875</u>	<u>2,725</u>

15. CAPITAL COMMITMENT

As at 30 September 2023, the Group had capital commitment of approximately HK\$415,000 (as at 31 March 2023: approximately HK\$415,000).

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

FUTURE DEVELOPMENT AND OUTLOOK

The Group will continue its efforts to be one of the leading LED lighting solutions providers in Asia. During the six months ended 30 September 2023, approximately 79.4% of our sales originates from the PRC and we believe that the domestic demand from luxury renowned brands will remain active in the PRC market which will therefore require more renovation of retail stores in the PRC's shopping mall. The Group will continue to look for new luxury renowned brands' customers to expand our customer base through our existing network.

Looking ahead, we believe that the recovery brought about by the resumption of cross-border travel will certainly drive the economy growth again, however, there is still uncertainty and with new challenges. We will continue to focus on strengthening our core businesses, and at the same time explore for new business opportunities.

BUSINESS REVIEW

The Group is principally engaged in sales of light-emitting diode (“LED”) lighting fixtures and provision of integrated LED lighting solution services for retail stores of world-renowned end-user luxury brands mainly in the Asia market.

For the six months ended 30 September 2023, the Group recorded revenue of approximately HK\$54.5 million and profit attributable to the owners of the Company of approximately HK\$17.2 million, as compared to revenue of approximately HK\$45.1 million and profit attributable to owners of the Company of approximately HK\$11.4 million for the six months ended 30 September 2022. The Group considers the increase in the profit attributable to owners of the Company were primary attributable to the increase in completion of the installation work for our LED lighting solution projects, compared to 2022.

The following table sets forth the details of the Group's revenue sources:

	Six months ended 30 September			
	2023			2022
	(unaudited) <i>HK\$' million</i>	%	(unaudited) <i>HK\$' million</i>	%
Revenue from contracts with customers (within the scope of HKFRS 15)				
Revenue – at a point of time				
Sale of LED lighting fixtures	27.1	49.7	27.4	60.7
Sale of visual-audio systems	0.3	0.5	0.2	0.4
Sale of 3D printing materials and provision for 3D printing services	0.9	1.7	2.1	4.7
Revenue – over time				
LED lighting system consultation and maintenance services	2.4	4.4	1.7	3.8
Integrated LED lighting solution services	23.8	43.7	13.7	30.4
	<u>54.5</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>45.1</u>	<u>100.0</u>

Sales of LED lighting fixtures

For the sales of LED lighting fixtures, it has decreased from approximately HK\$27.4 million for the six months ended 30 September 2022 to approximately HK\$27.1 million for the six months ended 30 September 2023, which represents a decrease of approximately 1.1% or HK\$0.3 million, which is directly contributed by the decrease in number of projects in the People's Republic of China (the "PRC") for the six months ended 30 September 2023.

Sales of visual-audio systems

We have recorded revenue of approximately HK\$0.3 million for the six months ended 30 September 2023 (2022: approximately HK\$0.2 million), representing approximately 0.5% of the Group's revenue.

LED lighting system consultation and maintenance services

Our revenue generated from LED lighting system consultation and maintenance service increased from approximately HK\$1.7 million for the six months ended 30 September 2022 to approximately HK\$2.4 million for the six months ended 30 September 2023, which represents an increase of approximately 41.2% or HK\$0.7 million in this segment, which was primarily due to the increase in number of contracts awarded from existing customers.

Integrated LED lighting solution services

Our revenue generated from integrated LED lighting solution services increased from approximately HK\$13.7 million for the six months ended 30 September 2022 to approximately HK\$23.8 million for the six months ended 30 September 2023, which represented an increase of approximately HK\$10.1 million or 73.7% which was due to increase in completion of projects during the period ended 30 September 2023.

Sales of 3D printing materials and provision for 3D printing services

We have recorded revenue generated from sale of 3D printing materials and provision for 3D printing services of approximately HK\$0.9 million for the six months ended 30 September 2023 (2022: HK\$2.1 million), which representing a decrease of approximately 57.1% or HK\$1.2 million which was due to the downturn of 3D printing retail market.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Revenue

Our revenue increased by approximately HK\$9.4 million or 20.8%, from HK\$45.1 million for the six months ended 30 September 2022 to approximately HK\$54.5 million for the six months ended 30 September 2023, primarily because revenue generated from sales of integrated LED lighting solution services has increased by approximately HK\$10.1 million for the six months ended 30 September 2023.

Direct Costs and Gross Profit

Our direct costs comprise of components, staff costs, subcontracting fee and labour costs. The direct costs increased by approximately HK\$2.0 million or 10.3%, from approximately HK\$19.5 million for the six months ended 30 September 2022 to approximately HK\$21.5 million for the six months ended 30 September 2023, which is in line with the increase in revenue for the six months ended 30 September 2023.

Our gross profit increased by approximately HK\$7.4 million from approximately HK\$25.6 million for the six months ended 30 September 2022 to approximately HK\$33.0 million for the six months ended 30 September 2023, and the gross profit margin increased from 56.7% for the six months ended 30 September 2022 to 60.6% for the six months ended 30 September 2023. This was primarily due to the decrease in direct cost relating to the installation work for our LED lighting solution projects.

Administrative Expenses

Our administrative expenses increased by approximately HK\$0.6 million or 4.7%, from approximately HK\$12.7 million for the six months ended 30 September 2022 to approximately HK\$13.3 million for the six months ended 30 September 2023. The increase was mainly due to the increase of oversea travelling expenses.

Income Tax Expense

Income tax expenses increased by approximately HK\$1.7 million or 81.0%, from approximately HK\$2.1 million for the six months ended 30 September 2022 to approximately HK\$3.8 million for the six months ended 30 September 2023. The increase was in line with the increase of profit before tax.

Profit for the period

The Group recorded a profit of approximately HK\$17.2 million attributable to owners of the Company for the six months ended 30 September 2023, representing an increase of approximately HK\$5.8 million as compared with a profit of approximately HK\$11.4 million for the six months ended 30 September 2022. The increase in profit was primary attributable to the decrease in direct cost relating to the installation work for our LED lighting solution projects.

Dividend

The Board does not recommend the payment of an interim dividend for the six months ended 30 September 2023 (six months ended 30 September 2022: nil).

LIQUIDITY AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES

The Group financed its operations primarily through cash generated from its operating activities. As at 30 September 2023 and 31 March 2023, we did not have any bank borrowings.

Liquidity ratios

	30 September 2023	31 March 2023
Current ratio	4.1	3.1
Quick ratio	3.8	2.8

Current ratio: The current ratio is calculated by dividing current assets by current liabilities as at the end of the respective period/year.

Quick ratio: The quick ratio is calculated by dividing current assets minus inventories by current liabilities as at the end of the respective period/year.

Cash and bank balances

As at 30 September 2023, the currency denomination of the Group's cash and bank balances (included fixed bank deposits) are as follows:

Currency denomination	30 September	31 March
	2023	2023
	HK\$' million	HK\$' million
Denominated in:		
HKD	61.0	59.4
RMB	28.9	17.3
EUR	— ⁽¹⁾	— ⁽¹⁾
USD	3.3	3.3
	<u>93.2</u>	<u>80.0</u>

⁽¹⁾ Represents amount less than HK\$2,000

Net current assets

As at 30 September 2023, the Group had net current assets of approximately HK\$85.1 million (as at 31 March 2023: HK\$67.5 million).

Total equity

The equity of the Group mainly comprises share capital, share premium and reserves. As at 30 September 2023, the Group's total equity attributable to owners of the Company amounted to approximately HK\$92.5 million (as at 31 March 2023: approximately HK\$76.4 million).

CAPITAL STRUCTURE

There has been no change in the capital structure of the Group since 31 March 2023 and up to the date of this announcement.

TREASURY POLICY

The Group has adopted a conservative approach towards its treasury policies and thus maintained a healthy liquidity position throughout the period. 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.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE EXPOSURE

Majority of the Group's business operations were conducted in Hong Kong and the PRC. The sales of the Group are denominated in Hong Kong dollars and Renminbi, which are the functional currencies. The purchases of the Group are denominated in Renminbi, Hong Kong dollars and US dollars. During the period, there has been no material impact to the Group arising from the fluctuation in the foreign exchange rates.

The Group has not engaged in any derivatives agreement and has not committed to any financial instruments to hedge its foreign exchange exposure during the period.

PLEDGE OF ASSETS

As at 30 September 2023, the Group did not pledge any assets (as at 31 March 2023: nil).

CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

As at 30 September 2023, the Group did not have any contingent liabilities (as at 31 March 2023: nil).

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

During the six months ended 30 September 2023, the Group acquired items of property, plant and equipment of approximately HK\$26,000 (year ended 31 March 2023: approximately HK\$488,000) and no intangible assets was acquired (year ended 31 March 2023: approximately HK\$Nil).

CAPITAL COMMITMENT

As at 30 September 2023, the Group had capital commitment of approximately HK\$0.4 million (as at 31 March 2023: approximately HK\$0.4 million).

EMPLOYEES AND REMUNERATION POLICY

As at 30 September 2023, including our executive Directors, the Group had a total of 63 (as at 31 March 2023: 63) employees, of which 34 employees were in Hong Kong and 29 employees were in the PRC.

Human resources are vital to our business. In compliance with external competitiveness and internal equity principle, the Group regularly reviews its remuneration plan in accordance with the employees' experience, responsibilities and performance, etc. to ensure that remuneration is in line with market competitiveness. The Group is committed to providing fair market remuneration in form and value to attract, retain and motivate high quality employees. The Group operates the following retirement schemes for its employees:

- (1) a defined scheme under the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance (Chapter 485 of the Laws of Hong Kong) for those employees in Hong Kong who are eligible to participate; and
- (2) a "five social insurance and one housing fund" retirement pension scheme in accordance with the Retirement Policy of the Chinese Government for PRC employees.

Furthermore, the Company has conditionally adopted a share option scheme on 22 December 2017 so as to motivate, attract and retain right employees.

USE OF PROCEEDS FROM THE INITIAL PUBLIC OFFERING (THE “IPO”) AND COMPARISON OF BUSINESS OBJECTIVES WITH ACTUAL BUSINESS PROGRESS

Up to 30 September 2023, we utilised the net proceeds raised from the IPO in accordance with the designated uses set out in the prospectus issued by the Company on 11 January 2018 (the “Prospectus”), the supplemental announcement of the Company issued on 24 August 2020, the change in use of proceeds announcement of the Company issued on 3 December 2021 (the “Change in Use of Proceeds Announcement”) and the interim report for the six month ended 30 September 2022 dated 9 November 2022 (the “Interim Report”) as follows:

Description	Amount	Reallocation	Utilised	Unutilised	Expected date
	designated in the Prospectus (as adjusted based on the actual net proceeds raised) <i>HK\$' million</i>	as stated in the Change in Use of Proceeds Announcement and the Interim Report <i>HK\$' million</i>			
Setting up a factory					
– Rental of factory and staff quarters	2.0	Nil	2.0	Nil	N/A
– Operating expense including staff costs	3.9	Nil	3.9	Nil	N/A
– Purchasing computer numeric control machines, 3D printer and testing equipment	3.7	Nil	3.7	Nil	N/A
– Capital expenditure including renovation and purchasing furniture and equipment	1.0	Nil	1.0	Nil	N/A
Subtotal	10.6	Nil	10.6	Nil	
Recruiting high calibre staff	4.3	Nil	4.3	Nil	N/A
Pursuing suitable acquisitions	13.0	(13.0)	Nil	Nil	N/A
Enhancing our ERP system	3.7	Nil	3.7	Nil	N/A
Purchasing Industrial PolyJet 3D Printer	N/A	3.0	3.0	Nil	N/A
Expanding 3D printing facilities and operating a 3D printing solution workshop	N/A	10.0	5.9	4.1	31 March 2024
Expanding and upgrading the infrastructure of our workshop and office	1.9	Nil	1.9	Nil	N/A
Working capital and general corporate purpose	1.2	Nil	1.2	Nil	N/A
Total	34.7	Nil	30.6	4.1	

Save as disclosed above, the Group has applied the net proceeds according to plans as previously disclosed, and the remaining amount of the unutilised net proceeds are expected to be utilised in the same manner as disclosed in the Prospectus, the Change in Use of Proceeds Announcement and the Interim Report.

The expected timeline for fully utilising the unutilised proceeds disclosed above is based on the best estimation from the Board with latest information as at the date of this interim report. The Board confirms that there is no material change in the business nature of the Group as set out in the Prospectus and the Group considers that the delay in use of net proceeds does not have any material adverse impacts on the operation of the Group. However, due to the unstable geopolitical environment on worldwide economies, the Board will continue to closely monitor the situation and evaluate the impacts on the timeline to utilise the unutilised proceeds and will keep shareholders and potential investors informed if there are any material changes.

OTHER INFORMATION

DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

(a) Interests and short positions of Directors and chief executive in the shares (the “Share(s)”), underlying Shares and debentures of the Company and our associated corporations

As at the date of this announcement, the interests and short positions of the Directors and chief executive of the Company in the Shares, underlying Shares or debentures of the Company or its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Future Ordinance (“SFO”)), which were required (a) to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including any interests or short positions which they are taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO); or (b) pursuant to section 352 of the SFO, to be entered in the register referred to therein; or (c) to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the required standards of dealing by Directors as referred to in Rules 5.46 to 5.67 of the GEM Listing Rules were as follows:

Long position in the Shares of the Company

Name of Directors	Nature of interest	Number of Shares	Approximate percentage of shareholding in our Company
Mr. Tam Yat Ming Andrew	Interest in controlled corporation ⁽¹⁾	510,000,000	51%

Note:

- (1) 510,000,000 Shares are held by Mr. Tam Yat Ming Andrew (“**Mr. Tam**”) indirectly through The Garage Investment Limited (“**Garage Investment**”), which is wholly-owned by Mr. Tam.

Long position in the Shares of associated corporations

Name of Directors	Name of associated corporation	Nature of interest	Number of Shares	Approximate percentage of shareholding
Mr. Tam	Garage Investment	Beneficial owner	1	100.00%

Save as disclosed above and so far as is known to the Directors, as at the date of this announcement, none of the Directors nor chief executive of the Company had or was deemed to have any other interests or short positions in the Shares, underlying Shares or debentures of the Company or its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) which were required (a) to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including any interests or short positions which they are taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO); or (b) pursuant to section 352 of the SFO, to be entered in the register referred to therein; or (c) to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the required standards of dealing by Directors as referred to in Rules 5.46 to 5.67 of the GEM Listing Rules.

(b) Interests and short positions of substantial shareholders in the Shares, Underlying Shares and debentures of the Company

As at the date of this announcement, so far as is known to the Directors, the following entities and individuals (not being Directors or chief executive of the Company) had, or were deemed to have, interests or short positions (directly or indirectly) in the Shares or underlying Shares of the Company that would fall to be disclosed to the Company and the Stock Exchange under the provision of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, or which were recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company pursuant to section 336 of the SFO were as follows:

Long position in the Shares

Name	Nature of interest	Number of Shares	Percentage of shareholding
Garage Investment	Beneficial owner	510,000,000	51.00%
Mr. Wan Man Hung ("Mr. Wan")	Beneficial owner and interest of spouse ⁽¹⁾	56,550,000	5.66%
Ms. Yeung Ngai	Beneficial owner and interest of spouse ⁽¹⁾	56,550,000	5.66%
Ms. Ng Wing Sze	Interest of spouse ⁽²⁾	510,000,000	51.00%

Notes:

- (1) Ms. Yeung Ngai is the spouse of Mr. Wan. By virtue of the SFO, Ms. Yeung Ngai is deemed to be interested in the shares in which Mr. Wan is interested.
- (2) Ms. Ng Wing Sze is the spouse of Mr. Tam. By virtue of the SFO, Ms. Ng Wing Sze is deemed to be interested in the Shares in which Mr. Tam is interested.

Save as disclosed above and so far as is known to the Directors, as at the date of this announcement, none of the substantial or significant shareholders or other persons, other than the Directors and chief executive of the Company whose interests are set out in the section “Disclosure of interests – Interests and short positions of Directors and chief executive in Shares, underlying Shares and debentures of the Company and our associated corporations” above, had any interest or a short position in the Shares or underlying Shares as recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company pursuant to Section 336 of the SFO.

SHARE OPTION SCHEME

A share option scheme (the “**Share Option Scheme**”) was approved and conditionally adopted by the then shareholders of the Company by way of written resolutions on 22 December 2017.

No share options have been granted by the Company under the Share Option Scheme since its adoption.

DIRECTORS’ SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS

The Company has adopted a code of conduct regarding securities transactions by the Directors (the “**Code of Conduct**”) on terms no less exacting than the required standard of dealings set out in Rules 5.46 to 5.67 of the GEM Listing Rules (the “**Required Standard Dealings**”). The Company had also made specific enquiry of all the Directors and each of them was in compliance with the Code of Conduct and Required Standard Dealings up to the date of this announcement.

COMPETING INTERESTS

None of the Directors or the controlling shareholders of the Company or any of their respective associates (as defined in the GEM Listing Rules) has any business or interest in a business that competes 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 six months ended 30 September 2023.

PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF LISTED SECURITIES

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company’s listed securities for the six months ended 30 September 2023.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The Board is committed to maintaining high standards of corporate governance in order to uphold the transparency of the Group and safeguard interests of the shareholders.

The Company has adopted the Corporate Governance Code (the “**CG Code**”) as stated in Appendix 15 of the GEM Listing Rules, except for the deviation from code provision C.2.1 of the CG Code.

Pursuant to code provision C.2.1 of the CG Code, the responsibilities between the chairman and the chief executive officer should be segregated and should not be performed by the same individual. In view of Mr. Tam Yat Ming Andrew, being the founder of the Group and his experience and his roles in the Group, the Board considers it beneficial to the business prospect and operational efficiency of the Group that Mr. Tam Yat Ming Andrew acts as the chairman of the Board (the “**Chairman**”) and continues to act as the CEO.

The Directors consider that the current structure does not impair the balance of power and authority between the Board and the management of the Company given the appropriate delegation of the power of the Board and the effective functions of the independent non-executive Directors. The Board will continue to review the effectiveness of the corporate governance structure of the Group in order to assess whether separation of the roles of Chairman and CEO is necessary.

The Chairman is responsible for the Group’s strategic planning and the management of the operations of the Board, while the CEO takes the lead in the Group’s operations and business development. There is a clear division of responsibilities between the Chairman and CEO which provides a balance of power and authority.

EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

The Group does not have any material subsequent events after the reporting period and up to the date of this announcement.

SUFFICIENCY OF PUBLIC FLOAT

Based on information that is publicly available to the Company and within the knowledge of the Directors, the Company has maintained a sufficient public float as at the date of this announcement.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The financial information in this announcement has not been audited by the auditor of the Company. Pursuant to Rule 5.28 of the GEM Listing Rules, the Company established the audit committee (the “**Audit Committee**”) with written terms of reference aligned with the provision of the code provisions set out in Appendix 15 of the GEM Listing Rules. The primary duties of the Audit Committee are to review and supervise the financial reporting process and internal control procedures of the Group. As at the date of this announcement, the Audit Committee comprises Mr. Li Chun Hung (Chairman), Dr. Wilson Lee and Mr. Ha Yiu Wing, being the independent non-executive Directors.

The Audit Committee has reviewed the unaudited condensed consolidated results of the Company for the six months ended 30 September 2023 and is of the opinion that such results complied with the applicable accounting standards and the requirements under the GEM Listing Rules, and that adequate disclosures have been made.

By Order of the Board
IMS Group Holdings Limited
Tam Yat Ming Andrew
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Hong Kong, 11 November 2023

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises Mr. Tam Yat Ming Andrew (Chairman and Chief Executive Officer) and Mr. Lo King Shun as Executive Directors, Mr. Li Chun Hung, Mr. Ha Yiu Wing and Dr. Wilson Lee as Independent Non-executive Directors.

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