UNAUDITED SECOND QUARTER FINANCIAL STATEMENT

PART I - INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS OF QUARTERLY (Q1, Q2 & Q3), HALF-YEAR AND FULL YEAR RESULTS

1(a)(i) An income statement (for the group) together with a comparative statement for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year

		Group					
		Second (Second Quarter Ended 30 June			onths Ended 30 .	June
	Notes	2005	2004	+ / (-)	2005	2004	+ / (-)
		\$'000	\$'000 (restated)	%	\$'000	\$'000 (restated)	%
Revenue	Α	101,552	102,436	(1)	203,808	204,821	-
Cost of sales		(54,930)	(59,127)	(7)	(110,241)	(117,462)	(6)
Gross profit		46,622	43,309	8	93,567	87,359	7
Other operating income	В	34,021	34,136	-	39,580	39,461	-
Marketing and distribution expenses		(3,966)	(4,312)	(8)	(7,729)	(8,141)	(5)
Administrative expenses		(7,923)	(7,996)	(1)	(15,801)	(15,501)	2
Other operating expenses		(12,989)	(12,402)	5	(24,874)	(24,393)	2
Exceptional items	С	-	136	(100)	58	136	(57)
Finance income	D	3,550	909	291	8,333	1,331	526
Finance costs	Е	(10,276)	(6,680)	54	(17,788)	(14,033)	27
Share of results of associated companies		(664)	339	(296)	(35)	699	(105)
Profit before tax	F	48,375	47,439	2	75,311	66,918	13
Income tax expense	G	(11,118)	(9,247)	20	(16,939)	(10,832)	56
Profit for the period		37,257	38,192	(2)	58,372	56,086	4
Attributable to:							
Equity holders of the Company		32,944	35,277	(7)	49,413	49,694	(1)
Minority interest		4,313	2,915	48	8,959	6,392	40
Profit for the period		37,257	38,192	(2)	58,372	56,086	4

1(a)(ii) Notes to the Income Statement

		Group					
		Second Quarter Ended 30 June			Six Months Ended 30 June		
		2005	2004	+ / (-)	2005	2004	+ / (-)
		\$'000	\$'000	%	\$'000	\$'000	%
Α	Turnover	-	(restated)			(restated)	
	Revenue from property development	15,410	19,248	(20)	33,928	37,391	(9)
	Revenue from property investments	23,520	26,216	(10)	48,194	52,860	(9)
	Gross revenue from hotel operations	59,849	52,596	14	117,243	105,641	11
	Revenue from trading, retail						
	and management services	2,773	4,376	(37)	4,443	8,929	(50)
	Revenue	101,552	102,436	(1)	203,808	204,821	-
	Dividend income	27,178	29,491	(8)	27,178	30,251	(10)
	Turnover	128,730	131,927	(2)	230,986	235,072	(2)
В	Other operating income						
	Dividend income	27,178	29,491	(8)	27,178	30,251	(10)
	Service charges	1,518	1,227	24	2,841	2,420	17
	Deferred income	830	2,132	(61)	1,649	4,250	(61)
	Gain on valuation of option	3,038	-	n.m.	4,670	-	n.m.
	Other income	1,457	1,286	13	3,242	2,540	28
		34,021	34,136	-	39,580	39,461	-
С	Exceptional items						
	Gain on disposal of subsidiaries	-	136	(100)	-	136	(100)
	Gain on liquidation of subsidiaries (net)	-	-	-	58	-	n.m.
		-	136	(100)	58	136	(57)
D	Finance income						
	Interest income	3,111	650	379	6,030	1,331	353
	Foreign exchange gain (net)	439	259	69	2,303	-	n.m.
		3,550	909	291	8,333	1,331	526
Е	Finance costs	,			,	,	
	Interest expense	3,102	3,579	(13)	6,232	7,490	(17)
	Dividend attributable to Noteholders	5,.02	5,5.7	(13)	3,232	1,.,0	(,
	upon exercise of Notes *	2,752	-	n.m.	2,752	-	n.m.
	Amortisation of bond discount	4,422	3,101	43	8,804	6,201	42
	Foreign exchange loss (net)	-	-	-	-	342	(100)
		10,276	6,680	54	17,788	14,033	27
F	Profit before tax		•		•	·	
	Profit before tax is stated after charging :						
	Depreciation and amortisation	8,254	8,707	(5)	16,779	17,336	(3)
G	Income tax expense						
	The charge/ (credit) for taxation includes the following :						
	Underprovision of tax						
	in preceding financial years	-	318	(100)	-	318	(100)
	Effect of change in tax rate from 22% to						
	20% on deferred income tax	-	-	-	-	(2,132)	(100)

n.m.: not meaningful

^{*} Pursuant to the terms of the S\$506,220,000 Zero Coupon Exchangeable Notes due September 2005 ("Notes") issued by the Company on 22 December 2004, Noteholders have the right to exchange their Notes for a pro-rata share of the Exchange Property which initially comprise 33,000,000 shares in the capital of United Overseas Bank Limited ("UOB"). The terms also provide inter-alia that any dividends declared during the term of the Notes by UOB in excess of \$0.60 per UOB share shall be added to the Exchange Property. Arising from the distribution in specie by UOB of approximately 19.4% of the issued share capital of UOL to UOB's shareholders, an additional 1,207,228 UOL shares will be included in the Exchange Property. Although Noteholders shall only be entitled to a pro-rata share of the additional UOL shares forming part of the Exchange Property only if they exercise their exchange right, the Company has for prudence, made a provision for the value of the 1,207,228 UOL shares to be transferred to the Exchange Property based on the last done price of \$\$2.28 per UOL share on 30 June 2005. If Noteholders do not exercise their exchange right by maturity date, then the benefit of the 1,207,228 UOL shares shall accrue to the Company.

1(b)(i) A balance sheet (for the issuer and group), together with a comparative statement as at the end of the immediately preceding financial year

	The C	Group	The Company	
	30.06.05	31.12.04	30.06.05	31.12.04
	\$'000	\$'000 (restated)	\$'000	\$'000 (restated)
Non-current Assets		,		,
Property, plant and equipment	623,483	610,540	1,253	1,371
Investment properties	1,502,874	1,500,945	210,649	209,522
Subsidiaries	-	-	1,177,739	1,038,333
Associated companies	49,678	47,238	400	400
Available-for-sale financial assets	371,995	296,309	77,508	48,811
Intangibles	14,566	13,491	-	-
Deferred income tax assets	6,777	6,652		
Current Assets	2,569,373	2,475,175	1,467,549	1,298,437
Properties for sale under development	163,353	144,049	-	-
Developed properties for sale	-	3,733	-	-
Available-for-sale financial assets	375,081	81,881	375,081	81,881
Inventories	4,572	4,581	-	-
Current income tax assets	1,444	1,963	-	-
Trade and other receivables	30,532	27,371	8,400	1,335
Other current assets	18,524	11,432	4,150	165
Cash and cash equivalents	547,826	727,906	465,929	632,962
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Current Liabilities				
Trade and other payables	75,257	85,624	6,732	6,269
Bank overdrafts	242.755	25	-	-
Bank loans	242,755 493,653	304,568 484,849	493,653	484,849
Zero Coupon Exchangeable Notes due September 2005 Derivative - option sold	11,238	15,908	11,238	15,908
Current income tax liabilities	97,734	94,761	78,852	77,543
	920,637	985,735	590,475	584,569
Net Current Assets	220,695	17,181	263,085	131,774
Non-current Liabilities	220,073	17,101	203,003	131,771
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Bank loans Loans from subsidiaries	195,094	266,432	214,860	217 620
Loans from minority shareholders of subsidiaries	5,886	4,669	214,800	217,629
Rental deposits	12,111	12,460	1,232	1,301
Provision for retirement benefits	2,744	2,621	685	652
Deferred liability	1,675	3,268	-	-
Deferred income tax liabilities	118,998	57,741	70,025	11,385
	336,508	347,191	286,802	230,967
Net Assets	2,453,560	2,145,165	1,443,832	1,199,244
Capital & Reserves attributable to the Company's Equity Holders				
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Share capital Share premium	793,116 274,910	793,055 274,856	793,116 274,910	793,055 274,856
Reserves	581,346	274,836 271,154	328,317	64,194
Retained earnings	581,320	578,633	47,489	67,139
	2,230,692	1,917,698	1,443,832	1,199,244
Minority Interest	222,868	227,467		
Total Equity	2,453,560	2,145,165	1,443,832	1,199,244

1(b)(ii) Aggregate amount of group's borrowings and debt securities

	As At 3	0.6.05	As At 31.12.04		
	Secured Unsecured		Secured	Unsecured	
	\$'000 \$'000		\$'000	\$'000	
Amount repayable in one year or less, or on demand	232,715	503,702	294,840	494,678	
Amount repayable after one year	122,102	79,333	138,250	133,362	

Details of any collateral

The borrowings are secured by mortgages on the borrowing subsidiaries' land and buildings, development properties for sale and/or hotel properties; and /or assignment of all rights and benefits with respect to the properties.

1(c) A cash flow statement (for the group), together with a comparative statement for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year

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Notes to the Consolidated Cash Flow Statement

i. Progress billings

Progress billings in the second quarter were lower in the absence of billings from on-going development projects which were sold on a deferred payment basis. Progress billings for second quarter 2004 include those arising from the completion of the Novena Suites development.

ii. Expenditure on properties under development

The decrease in expenditure for properties under development in second quarter 2005 as compared to previous corresponding period is mainly due to the purchase of the properties known as Newton Court at Newton Road and the Princess' Flats at Kim Tian Road in 2004.

iii. Payment to minority shareholders for purchase of shares in subsidiaries

This represents acquisition of additional interest in Hotel Plaza Limited and Success City Pty Ltd.

iv. Purchase of property, plant and equipment and investment properties

The increase in expenditure for property, plant and equipment relates mainly to costs incurred for the conversion of the UOB Building, Xiamen, China, into a 5-star hotel.

v. Cash and cash equivalents

For the purposes of the consolidated cash flow statement, the cash and cash equivalents comprise the following:

	The Group		
	30 Jun 05	30 Jun 04	
	\$'000	\$'000	
Cash at bank and on hand and fixed deposits	547,826	122,737	
Less: Bank overdrafts	-	(112)	
Cash and cash equivalents per consolidated cash flow statement	547,826	122,625	

1(d)(i) A statement (for the issuer and group) showing either (i) all changes in equity or (ii) changes in equity other than those arising from capitalisation issues and distributions to shareholders, together with a comparative statement for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year

Group Statement of Changes in Equity for the second quarter ended 30 June 2005

	Share <u>Capital</u>	Share <u>Premium</u>	Reserves	Retained <u>Earnings</u>	Minority <u>Interest</u>	Total <u>Equity</u>
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
The Group						
Balance at 1 April 2005	793,086	274,885	593,210	595,959	235,916	2,493,056
Currency translation differences	-	-	474	-	3,823	4,297
Profit for the period	-	-	-	32,944	4,313	37,257
Dividends relating to 2004	-	-	-	(47,583)	(2,286)	(49,869)
Acquisition of minority interests	-	-	-	-	(18,869)	(18,869)
Fair value loss on available-for-sale reserves	-	-	(13,075)	-	(29)	(13,104)
Employee share option scheme :						
- value of employee services	-	-	737	-	-	737
- proceeds from shares issued	30	25	-	-	-	55
Balance at 30 June 2005	793,116	274,910	581,346	581,320	222,868	2,453,560

$\underline{\text{Group Statement of Changes in Equity for the second quarter ended 30 June 2004}} \; (\text{restated})$

	Share <u>Capital</u>	Share <u>Premium</u>	<u>Reserves</u>	Retained <u>Earnings</u>	Minority Interest	Total <u>Equity</u>
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
The Group						
Balance at 1 April 2004	701,434	227,958	329,566	531,002	228,251	2,018,211
Currency translation differences	-	-	(2,154)	-	(2,290)	(4,444)
Profit for the period	-	-	-	35,277	2,915	38,192
Dividends relating to 2003	-	-	-	(41,804)	(1,548)	(43,352)
Disposal of subsidiaries	-	-	-	-	(1,174)	(1,174)
Employee share option scheme :						
- value of employee services	-	-	65	-	-	65
- proceeds from shares issued	519	345	-	-	-	864
Proceeds from exercise of Warrants 2004	88,916	22,229	-	-	-	111,145
Transfer from capital reserves upon						
exercise of Warrants 2004	-	22,508	(22,508)	-	-	-
Transfer of capital reserves to retained earnings						
upon expiry of UOL Warrants 2004	-	-	(405)	405	-	-
Balance at 30 June 2004	790,869	273,040	304,564	524,880	226,154	2,119,507

Company Statement of Changes in Equity for the second quarter ended 30 June 2005

	Share <u>Capital</u>	Share <u>Premium</u>	Reserves	Retained <u>Earnings</u>	<u>Total</u>
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
The Company					
Balance at 1 April 2005	793,086	274,885	328,354	66,836	1,463,161
Profit for the period	-	-	-	28,236	28,236
Dividends relating to 2004	-	-	-	(47,583)	(47,583)
Fair value loss on available-for-sale reserves	-	-	(774)	-	(774)
Employee share option scheme :					
- value of employee services	-	-	737	-	737
- proceeds from shares issued	30	25	-	-	55
Balance at 30 June 2005	793,116	274,910	328,317	47,489	1,443,832

Company Statement of Changes in Equity for the second quarter ended 30 June 2004 (restated)

	Share <u>Capital</u>	Share <u>Premium</u>	<u>Reserves</u>	Retained <u>Earnings</u>	<u>Total</u>
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
The Company					
Balance at 1 April 2004	701,434	227,958	84,188	57,176	1,070,756
Profit for the period	-	-	-	25,942	25,942
Dividends relating to 2003	-	-	-	(41,804)	(41,804)
Employee share option scheme :					
- value of employee services	-	-	65	-	65
- proceeds from shares issued	519	345	-	-	864
Proceeds from exercise of Warrants 2004	88,916	22,229	-	-	111,145
Transfer from capital reserves upon exercise of Warrants 2004	-	22,508	(22,508)	_	-
Transfer of capital reserves to retained earnings		,	(==,555)		
upon expiry of UOL Warrants 2004	-	-	(405)	405	-
Balance at 30 June 2004	790,869	273,040	61,340	41,719	1,166,968

1(d)(ii) Details of any changes in the company's share capital arising from rights issue, bonus issue, share buy-backs, exercise of share options or warrants, conversion of other issues of equity securities, issue of shares for cash or as consideration for acquisition or for any other purpose since the end of the previous period reported on. State also the number of shares that may be issued on conversion of all the outstanding convertibles as at the end of the current financial period reported on and as at the end of the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year.

During the period, the issued share capital was increased as follows:

	\$
Issued capital as at 1 April 2005	793,086,154
Issue of ordinary shares of S\$1.00 each arising from the exercise of:	
2001 Options granted under the UOL 2000 Share Option Scheme	4,000
2002 Options granted under the UOL 2000 Share Option Scheme	18,000
2003 Options granted under the UOL 2000 Share Option Scheme	8,000
Issued capital as at 30 June 2005	793,116,154

The following number of ordinary shares of \$1.00 each would be issued upon the exercise of the subscription rights in full by holders of the:

	30.06.05	30.06.04
Options granted under the UOL Executives Share Options Scheme and UOL 2000 Share Option Scheme :		
- 2000 Options during the option period from 15 May 2001 to		
14 February 2005 at the exercise price of \$1.24 per share	-	167,000
- 2001 Options during the option period from 31 May 2002 to		
30 May 2011 at the exercise price of \$1.58 per share	12,000	400,000
- 2002 Options during the option period from 27 June 2003 to		
26 June 2012 at the exercise price of \$1.81 per share	119,000	840,000
- 2003 Options during the option period from 27 June 2004 to		
26 June 2013 at the exercise price of \$2.05 per share	414,000	1,475,000
- 2004 Options during the option period from 21 May 2005 to		
20 May 2014 at the exercise price of \$2.28 per share	1,204,000	1,334,000
- 2005 Options during the option period from 9 May 2006 to		
8 May 2015 at the exercise price of \$2.23 per share	1,378,000	-
	3,127,000	4,216,000

Whether the figures have been audited, or reviewed and in accordance with which standard (e.g. the Singapore Standards on Auditing 910 (Engagements to Review Financial Statements), or an equivalent standard)

The figures have neither been audited nor reviewed by the Company's auditors.

3 Where the figures have been audited or reviewed, the auditor's report (including any qualifications or emphasis of matter)

Not applicable.

Whether the same accounting policies and methods of computation as in the issuer's most recently audited annual financial statements have been applied

Except as disclosed in paragraph 5 below, the Group has applied the same accounting policies and methods of computation in the financial statements for the current financial period as those of the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2004.

If there are any changes in the accounting policies and methods of computation, including any required by an accounting standard, what has changed, as well as the reasons for, and the effect of the change

In 2005, the Group and the Company adopted the new and revised Financial Reporting Standards ("FRS") issued by the Council of Corporate Disclosure and Governance. Arising from the adoption of these FRS, 2004 comparatives have been amended, where required, in accordance with the relevant transitional provisions in the respective FRS.

A brief description of those FRS which have an impact on the financial statements of the Company and of the Group have been set out in the first quarter 2005 financial result announcement.

The adoption of these FRS did not have a material effect on the operating results for the second quarter of 2005 and for the half-year ended 30 June 2005.

Earnings per ordinary share of the group for the current period reported on and the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year, after deducting any provision for preference dividends

	Gr	Group	
	2nd Quarter	2nd Quarter 2004	
	2005		
		(restated)	
Earnings per ordinary share for the period			
(i) Based on weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue	cents 4.15	cents 5.00	
(ii) On a fully diluted basis	cents 4.15	cents 5.00	

Earnings per share is calculated by reference to the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the period.

For the purposes of calculating diluted earnings per share, the weighted average number of shares in issue is adjusted to take into account the dilutive effect arising from the outstanding options granted to employees, where such shares would have been issued at a price lower than market value.

Net asset value (for the issuer and group) per ordinary share based on issued share capital of the issuer at the end of the (a) current period reported on and (b) immediately preceding financial year

	Group		Company	
	30.06.05	31.12.04	30.06.05	31.12.04
		(restated)		(restated)
Net asset value per ordinary share	\$2.81	\$2.42	\$1.82	\$1.51
Net tangible asset backing per ordinary share	\$2.79	\$2.40	\$1.82	\$1.51

A review of the performance of the group, to the extent necessary for a reasonable understanding of the group's business. The review must discuss any significant factors that affected the turnover, costs and earnings of the group for the current financial period reported on, including (where applicable) seasonable or cyclical factors. It must also discuss any material factors that affected the cash flow, working capital, assets or liabilities of the group during the current financial period reported on.

Group revenue in the second quarter of 2005 was \$101.6 million as compared to \$102.4 million in the corresponding period of 2004. While revenue from hotel operations was higher, revenue from property investments and property development declined. Revenue from property investments was lower in the absence of income from the UOB Building in Xiamen, China and the UOL Building along Somerset Road, Singapore, which are undergoing conversion and redevelopment works respectively. Lower progressive revenues were recognised from development properties in the second quarter of 2005.

Dividend income declined following the sale of the 32.8 million ordinary shares in United Overseas Bank Limited ("UOB") in November 2004. Finance income increased benefiting from higher interest income on fixed deposits. The results of the associates were affected by the closure of the 25% owned Marina Mandarin Hotel for major refurbishment works in May 2005.

The Group achieved pre-tax profit of \$48.4 million for the second quarter of 2005 or an increase of 2% as compared to the pre-tax profit of \$47.4 million in the second quarter of 2004.

Group net after tax profit for the second quarter of 2005 was \$37.3 million or 2% lower than the profit of \$38.2 million in the corresponding period of 2004. Income tax expense for the second quarter of 2005 as compared to the second quarter of 2004 was higher due to certain expenses not being allowable for tax purposes.

For the six months ended 30 June 2005, the Group achieved pre-tax profit of \$75.3 million, an increase of 13% as compared to the pre-tax profit of \$66.9 million in the first half year of 2004. Profits from property development and hotel operations were higher while investment income was lower. Net after tax profit of the Group for the first half year of 2005 increased by 4% to \$58.4 as compared to \$56.1 million for the first half year of 2004 which included a credit adjustment of \$2.1 million to deferred taxation to reflect the reduction in Singapore tax rate from 22% to 20%.

9 Where a forecast, or a prospect statement, has been previously disclosed to shareholders, any variance between it and the actual results

Nil.

A commentary at the date of this announcement of the competitive conditions of the industry in which the group operates and any known factors or events that may affect the group in the next reporting period and the next 12 months

As the Singapore economy continues to grow and business outlook remains good, occupancy and rental rates in the office and retail property sectors are expected to continue to improve. The recent relaxation of property-related policies by the Singapore government should help boost demand for residential properties.

The outlook for the hotel industry in Singapore and the region remains good, underpinned by a buoyant tourism sector. Against this background, the Group's hotel operations except for the hotel in Yangon are likely to see further improvement in profits.

So far, none of the holders of the Company's \$506.22 million Zero Coupon Exchangeable Notes due September 2005 ("Notes) have exercised their rights to exchange the Notes into, amongst other things, shares of UOB. Should Noteholders decide to exchange the Notes into UOB Shares, the Group would realise a net gain from the disposal of the UOB Shares and such net gain would include a transfer from the Available-for-sale investment reserve to income statement.

11 <u>Dividend</u>

(a) Current Financial Period Reported On

Any dividend declared for the current financial period reported on?

Name of dividend : N.A.

Dividend Type : N.A.

Dividend Rate : Nil

Par value of shares : N.A.

Tax Rate : N.A.

(b) Corresponding Period of the Immediately Preceding Financial Year

Any dividend declared for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year?

Name of dividend : N.A.

Dividend Type : N.A.

Dividend Rate : Nil

Par value of shares : N.A.

Tax Rate : N.A.

(c) Date payable : N.A.

(d) Books closure date : N.A.

12 <u>If no dividend has been declared/recommended, a statement to that effect</u>

No dividend has been declared or recommended for the second quarter ended 30 June 2005.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Foo Thiam Fong Wellington Company Secretary 26 July 2005