

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1. Corporate information

Board of Directors

Chairman	XIAO Gang [#]
Vice Chairmen	LI Lihui [#] (appointed on 26 June 2009) SUN Changji [#] (resigned on 26 June 2009) HE Guangbei
Directors	LI Zaohang [#] ZHOU Zaiqun [#] ZHANG Yanling [#] LEE Raymond Wing Hung (resigned on 1 June 2009) GAO Yingxin FUNG Victor Kwok King* KOH Beng Seng* SHAN Weijian* TUNG Chee Chen* TUNG Savio Wai-Hok* YANG Linda Tsao*

[#] Non-executive Directors

* Independent Non-executive Directors

Senior Management

Chief Executive	HE Guangbei
Deputy Chief Executive	LAM Yim Nam
Deputy Chief Executive	GAO Yingxin
Chief Financial Officer	ZHUO Chengwen (appointed on 1 June 2009) LEE Raymond Wing Hung (resigned on 1 June 2009)
Chief Risk Officer	CHEUNG Yau Shing
Deputy Chief Executive	WONG David See Hong
Chief Operating Officer	LEE Alex Wing Kwai (appointed on 2 July 2009)
Company Secretary	YEUNG Jason Chi Wai

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Auditors

PricewaterhouseCoopers

Share Registrar

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Credit Ratings (Long Term)

Standard & Poor's:	A-
Moody's Investors Service:	Aa3
Fitch Ratings:	A

Index Constituent

The Company is a constituent of the following indices:

Hang Seng Index
MSCI Index
FTSE Index Series

Stock Codes

Ordinary shares:
The Stock Exchange of
Hong Kong Limited: 2388
Reuters: 2388.HK
Bloomberg: 2388 HK

Level 1 ADR Programme:
CUSIP No.: 096813209
OTC Symbol: BHKLY

Website

www.bochk.com

2. Dividend and closure of register of members

The Board declared an interim dividend of HK\$0.285 per share (2008: HK\$0.438), payable on Thursday, 24 September 2009 to shareholders whose names appear on the Register of Members of the Company on Thursday, 17 September 2009.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed, for the purpose of determining shareholders' entitlement to the interim dividend, from Monday, 14 September 2009 to Thursday, 17 September 2009 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares will be registered. In order to rank for the interim dividend, shareholders should ensure that all transfer documents, accompanied by the relevant share certificates, are lodged with the Company's Share Registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at Rooms 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai, Hong Kong, not later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, 11 September 2009. Shares of the Company will be traded ex-dividend as from Thursday, 10 September 2009.

3. Substantial interests in share capital

The register maintained by the Company pursuant to section 336 of the SFO recorded that, as at 30 June 2009, the following corporations had the following interests (as defined in the SFO) in the Company set opposite their respective names:

Name of Corporation	No. of shares of HK\$5 each in the Company (% of total issued shares)	
Central Huijin	6,984,274,213	(66.06%)
BOC	6,984,274,213	(66.06%)
BOCHKG	6,984,175,056	(66.06%)
BOC (BVI)	6,984,175,056	(66.06%)

Notes:

- Following the reorganisation of BOC in August 2004, Central Huijin holds the controlling equity capital of BOC on behalf of the State. Accordingly, for the purpose of the SFO, Central Huijin is deemed to have the same interests in the Company as BOC.
- BOC holds the entire issued share capital of BOCHKG, which in turn holds the entire issued share capital of BOC (BVI). Accordingly, BOC and BOCHKG are deemed to have the same interests in the Company as BOC (BVI) for the purpose of the SFO. BOC (BVI) beneficially holds 6,984,175,056 shares of the Company.
- BOC holds the entire issued share capital of BOCI, which in turn holds the entire issued share capital of BOCI Asia Limited and BOCI Financial Products Limited. Accordingly, BOC is deemed to have the same interests in the Company as BOCI Asia Limited and BOCI Financial Products Limited for the purpose of the SFO. BOCI Asia Limited had an interest in 24,479 shares of the Company and an interest in 72,000 shares held under physically settled equity derivatives while BOCI Financial Products Limited had an interest in 2,678 shares of the Company.

All the interests stated above represented long positions. Save as disclosed above, as at 30 June 2009, BOCI Financial Products Limited had an interest in 143,522 shares which represented short positions. BOC and Central Huijin are deemed to be interested in such amount of shares for the purpose of the SFO. Save as disclosed, no other interests or short positions were recorded in the register maintained by the Company under section 336 of the SFO as at 30 June 2009.

4. Directors' rights to acquire shares

On 5 July 2002, the following Directors were granted options by BOC (BVI), the immediate holding company of the Company, pursuant to a Pre-Listing Share Option Scheme to purchase from BOC (BVI) existing issued shares of the Company at a price of HK\$8.50 per share. These options have a vesting period of four years from 25 July 2002 with a valid exercise period of ten years.

Particulars of the outstanding options granted to the Directors under the Pre-Listing Share Option Scheme as at 30 June 2009 are set out below:

Name of Director	Date of grant	Exercise price (HK\$)	Exercisable period	Number of share options					
				Granted on 5 July 2002	Balances as at 1 January 2009	Exercised during the period	Surrendered during the period	Lapsed during the period	Balances as at 30 June 2009
HE Guangbei	5 July 2002	8.50	25 July 2003 to 4 July 2012	1,446,000	723,000	-	-	-	723,000
LI Zaohang	5 July 2002	8.50	25 July 2003 to 4 July 2012	1,446,000	1,446,000	-	-	-	1,446,000
ZHOU Zaiqun	5 July 2002	8.50	25 July 2003 to 4 July 2012	1,446,000	1,084,500	-	-	-	1,084,500
ZHANG Yanling	5 July 2002	8.50	25 July 2003 to 4 July 2012	1,446,000	1,446,000	-	-	-	1,446,000
Total				5,784,000	4,699,500	-	-	-	4,699,500

Note: On 26 June 2009, Mr. Sun Changji retired and resigned as a Vice-Chairman and Non-executive Director of the Company. According to the terms of the Pre-Listing Share Option Scheme, the options of 1,590,600 granted to Mr. Sun Changji on 5 July 2002 could be exercised within three months after his retirement and resignation.

Save as disclosed above, at no time during the period was the Company, its holding companies, or any of its subsidiaries or fellow subsidiaries a party to any arrangements to enable the Directors to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in, or debentures of, the Company or any other body corporate.

5. Directors' and Chief Executive's interests in shares, underlying shares and debentures

As at 30 June 2009, the Directors, the Chief Executive and their respective associates had the following interests in the shares and underlying shares of the Company, as recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company pursuant to section 352 of the SFO or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers:

Name of Director	Number of shares/underlying shares held				Total	% of the issued share capital
	Personal interests	Family interests	Corporate interests	Other interests		
HE Guangbei	723,000 ¹	–	–	–	723,000	0.007%
LI Zaohang	1,446,000 ¹	–	–	–	1,446,000	0.014%
ZHOU Zaiqun	1,085,000 ²	–	–	–	1,085,000	0.010%
ZHANG Yanling	1,446,000 ¹	–	–	–	1,446,000	0.014%
Total	4,700,000	–	–	–	4,700,000	0.045%

Notes:

- Such interests represented the respective Directors' interests in underlying shares in respect of the share options granted to him/her pursuant to the Pre-Listing Share Option Scheme, details of which are set out in the section titled "Directors' rights to acquire shares" above.
- Such interests included Mr. Zhou's interests in 500 shares and interests in 1,084,500 underlying shares in respect of the share options granted to him pursuant to the Pre-Listing Share Option Scheme, details of which are set out in the section titled "Directors' rights to acquire shares" above.

Save as disclosed above, as at 30 June 2009, none of the Directors or the Chief Executive of the Company or their respective associates had any interests or short positions in the shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) as recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company pursuant to section 352 of the SFO or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers.

6. Purchase, sale or redemption of the Company's shares

During the period under review, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's shares.

7. Audit Committee

The Audit Committee consists only of Non-executive Directors, the majority of whom are Independent Non-executive Directors. It is chaired by Independent Non-executive Director Mr. Shan Weijian. Other members include Mr. Zhou Zaiqun, Dr. Fung Victor Kwok King, Mr. Tung Chee Chen, Madam Yang Linda Tsao, Mr. Tung Savio Wai-Hok and Mr. Koh Beng Seng.

Based on the principle of independence, the Audit Committee assists the Board in monitoring the financial reports, internal control, internal audit and external audit of the Group.

7. Audit Committee (continued)

At the request of the Audit Committee of the Company, the Group's external auditors have carried out a review of the interim financial information in accordance with the Hong Kong Standard on Review Engagements 2410 "Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity" issued by the HKICPA. The Audit Committee has reviewed with management the accounting principles and practices adopted by the Group and discussed auditing, internal control and financial reporting matters including the review of the unaudited interim financial reports.

8. Compliance with the Code on Corporate Governance Practices of the Listing Rules

In pursuit of the Company's stated objective to embrace good corporate governance principles and practices, the Company has been continuously enhancing its corporate governance practices in order to attain even higher standards. In conjunction with the implementation of the Code on Corporate Governance Practices (the "CG Code") contained in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules issued by the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong on 1 January 2005, the Company has further strengthened its corporate governance practices by reference to the requirements of the CG Code and international best practices. The Company is pleased to announce that it has been in full compliance with all the code provisions of the CG Code and that it has also complied with nearly all the recommended best practices set out in the CG Code throughout the period under review. For further details, please refer to the section titled "Corporate Governance" contained in the Annual Report 2008 of the Company.

9. Compliance with the Codes for Securities Transactions by Directors

The Company has adopted the "Code for Securities Transactions by Directors" (the "Company's Code") to govern securities transactions by Directors. The terms of the Company's Code are more stringent than the mandatory standards set out in the "Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers" contained in Appendix 10 of the Listing Rules ("Model Code"). Apart from the securities of the Company, the Company's Code applies equally to the Director's dealings in the securities of BOC which was listed on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong in June 2006. In this connection, the Company has made specific enquiry of all directors, who confirmed that they had complied with the standards set out in both the Company's Code and the Model Code throughout the period under review. The Company's Code has been revised in January and March 2009 to reflect changes made to the Model Code, including the extended "black out" period for Directors' dealing in the Company's securities.

10. Compliance with the Banking (Disclosure) Rules and the Listing Rules

The unaudited interim report complies with the requirements set out in the Banking (Disclosure) Rules and the applicable disclosure provisions of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

11. Interim Report

This Interim Report is available in both English and Chinese. The Chinese version of this Interim Report is available by writing to the Company's Share Registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at Rooms 1806-1807, 18th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai, Hong Kong. This Interim Report is also available (in both English and Chinese) on the Company's website at www.bochk.com and the website of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited at www.hkexnews.hk.

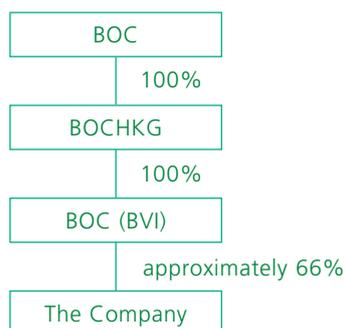
If you have any queries about how to obtain copies of this Interim Report or how to access those documents on the Company's website, please call the Company's hotline at (852) 2846 2700.

12. Reconciliation between HKFRSs vs IFRS/CAS

The Company understands that BOC, an intermediate holding company as well as controlling shareholder of the Company, will prepare and disclose consolidated financial information in accordance with IFRS and CAS for which the Company and its subsidiaries will form part of the interim financial information. CAS is the new set of PRC accounting standards that has been effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2007 for companies publicly listed in PRC. The requirements of CAS have substantially converged with IFRS and HKFRSs.

The consolidated financial information of “BOC Hong Kong Group” for the periods disclosed by BOC in its interim financial information is not the same as the consolidated financial information of the Group for the periods published by the Company pursuant to applicable laws and regulations in Hong Kong. There are two reasons for this.

First, the definitions of “BOC Hong Kong Group” (as adopted by BOC for the purpose of its own financial disclosure) and “Group” (as adopted by the Company in preparing and presenting its consolidated financial information) are different: “BOC Hong Kong Group” refers to BOCHKG and its subsidiaries, whereas “Group” refers to the Company and its subsidiaries (see the below organisation chart). Though there is a difference in definitions between “BOC Hong Kong Group” and “Group”, their financial results for the periods presented are substantially the same. This is because BOCHKG and BOC (BVI) are holding companies only and have no substantive operations of their own.



Second, the Group has prepared its interim financial information in accordance with HK GAAP prior to 1 January 2005 and as from 1 January 2005 onwards in accordance with HKFRSs; whereas the consolidated financial information reported to BOC is prepared in accordance with IFRS and CAS respectively. Despite the fact that HKFRSs have converged with IFRS, there is a timing difference in the initial adoption of HKFRSs and IFRS by the Group and by BOC respectively.

The Board considers that the best way to ensure that shareholders and the investing public understand the material differences between the consolidated financial information of the Group published by the Company on the one hand, and the consolidated financial information of BOC Hong Kong Group disclosed by BOC in its financial statements on the other hand, is to present reconciliations of the profit after tax/net assets of the Group prepared under HKFRSs to the profit after tax/net assets of the Group prepared under IFRS and CAS respectively for the periods presented.

The major differences between HKFRSs and IFRS/CAS, which arise from the difference in measurement basis in IFRS or CAS and the timing difference in the initial adoption of HKFRSs and IFRS relate to the following:

- re-measurement of carrying value of treasury products;
- restatement of carrying value of bank premises; and
- deferred taxation impact arising from the above different measurement basis.

12. Reconciliation between HKFRSs vs IFRS/CAS (continued)

(a) Re-measurement of carrying value of treasury products

Due to the difference in the timing of first adoption of HKFRSs and IFRS, classification and measurement of certain investment securities under HK GAAP/HKFRSs and IFRS were different. Therefore, investment securities were reclassified and re-measured to align with the accounting policies of BOC for the relevant periods. Classification and measurement under IFRS and CAS is basically the same.

(b) Restatement of carrying value of bank premises

The Company has elected for a revaluation basis rather than cost basis to account for bank premises and investment properties under HKFRSs. On the contrary, BOC has elected for the cost convention for bank premises and revaluation basis for investment properties under IFRS and CAS. Therefore, adjustments have been made to the carrying value of bank premises as well as to re-calculate the depreciation charge and disposal gain/loss under IFRS and CAS.

(c) Deferred tax adjustments

These represent the deferred tax effect of the aforesaid adjustments.

Going forward, the differences relating to the restatement of carrying value of bank premises as a result of the election of the different measurement basis allowed under HKFRSs, IFRS and CAS will be recurring in the future, while the timing difference related to the measurement of investment securities will be reversed gradually and eliminated in future years.

**Profit after tax/Net assets reconciliation
HKFRSs Vs IFRS/CAS**

	Profit after tax		Net assets	
	Half-year ended	Half-year ended	At 30 June	At 31 December
	30 June	30 June		
2009	2008	2009	2008	
	HK\$'m	HK\$'m	HK\$'m	HK\$'m
Profit after tax/net assets of BOC Hong Kong (Holdings) Limited prepared under HKFRSs	6,875	7,181	95,966	84,532
Add: IFRS/CAS adjustments				
Re-measurement of carrying value of treasury products	(73)	(51)	(2)	35
Restatement of carrying value of bank premises	65	101	(10,660)	(9,445)
Deferred tax adjustments	31	(18)	1,741	1,534
Profit after tax/net assets of BOC Hong Kong (Holdings) Limited prepared under IFRS/CAS	6,898	7,213	87,045	76,656