



中銀香港(控股)有限公司

BOC HONG KONG (HOLDINGS) LIMITED

(HK Stock Code: "2388", ADR OTC Symbol: "BHKLY")

MOVING FORWARD WITH A STRATEGY FOR BROADER FRONTIERS

Highlights of 2005 Annual Results

- Profit attributable to shareholders of HK\$13,494 million, up 12.8%
- Operating profit before impairment on advances of HK\$12,166 million, up 17.52%
- Earnings per share of HK\$1.2763, up 12.8%
- Return on average shareholders' funds at 18.24%, and return on average total assets at 1.66%
- Final dividend of HK\$0.480 per share subject to approval by shareholders
- Total dividend of HK\$0.808 per share for the year, up 13.01%
- Impaired loan ratio at 1.28%, down 1.67 percentage points
- Total assets of HK\$822,105 million, up 3.18%

"2005 was a year of strong financial performance for the Group, representing the third consecutive year of double-digit growth since IPO. We succeeded in further strengthening our business strategy, refining our business model and fostering a new corporate culture while improving the Group's corporate governance and risk management.

Looking ahead, the growth momentum of the local economy is likely to remain steady whereas the outlook of the Chinese economy is also sanguine. All these are favourable to the Group's growth and expansion. Approved by the Board, the strategic plan for 2006-2011 will steer the Group towards realizing the objective of becoming a top-quality financial services group with a powerful base in Hong Kong, a solid presence in China and a strategic foothold in the region. It will also ensure that we can continue to grow our business on all fronts and deliver higher value to shareholders and customers."

Xiao Gang, Chairman

BOC Hong Kong (Holdings) Limited is a leading commercial banking group in Hong Kong offering a comprehensive range of financial products and services to retail and corporate customers. Our extensive branch network in Hong Kong and the Mainland of China allows us to meet the cross-border financial service needs of Hong Kong and Mainland customers.

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