



## COMMITTED TO BUILDING A BETTER TOMORROW

– *ACHIEVING GROWTH, QUALITY AND EXCELLENCE*

### *Highlights of 2006 Annual Results*

- Profit attributable to shareholders of HK\$14,007 million, up 3.0%
- Net operating income before loan impairment allowances of HK\$21,309 million, up 17.2%
- Operating profit before loan impairment allowances of HK\$14,751 million, up 18.9 %
- Earnings per share of HK\$1.3248, up 3.0%
- Return on average shareholders' funds at 17.02% and return on average total assets at 1.56%
- Final dividend of HK\$0.447 per share, subject to approval by shareholders
- Total dividend of HK\$0.848 per share for 2006, up 5.0%
- Classified loan ratio at 0.57 %, impaired loan ratio at 0.26%, down 0.71 percentage point and 0.30 percentage point respectively
- Total assets of HK\$928,953 million, up 11.8%

"The Group forged ahead with the implementation of the 2006-2011 Strategic Plan and once again delivered impressive financial results in 2006. A key focus is to strengthen our leading position in Hong Kong and drive business growth. Indeed we have made noteworthy progress. The very encouraging growth in operating income demonstrated the effectiveness of our efforts. The acquisition of BOC Life represents a breakthrough in our attempt to enhance business capabilities that can help us develop a full-service business model. The Group also maintained its leadership in conducting RMB banking services in the local market, residential mortgage and loan syndication. The adoption of a dualistic approach in our China business model ensures our bigger presence in the Mainland market.

Our effort in enhancing corporate governance has won us due recognition by the business community and professional institutes, demonstrating our strong commitment to best international practices.

For 2007 and beyond, we will continue to carry out vigorously the various strategic initiatives to maintain our current lead, drive higher growth and better equip ourselves for new opportunities."

Xiao Gang, *Chairman*

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