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GALAXY ENTERTAINMENT GROUP LIMITED

銀河娛樂集團有限公司

(incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 27)

ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTERIM RESULTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2017

LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF GALAXY ENTERTAINMENT GROUP LIMITED ("GEG" or the "Company")

I wish to share with you my personal grief on the devastating impact of Typhoons Hato and Pakhar experienced by everyone in the Macau community, a place where we all call home.

On Wednesday August 23rd, Typhoon Hato, the most powerful and destructive Typhoon in over half a century, swiftly descended on Macau and caused wide spread damage to Macau and significant hardship to its citizens including many of our Team Members. GEG's properties were damaged, but fortunately, there were only minor injuries reported which was such a big relief to me and the whole GEG family.

We greatly appreciate every single person who has contributed their time and effort to help during such a difficult time. However, I would like to express my sincere condolences to the family and friends of the people who perished and the citizens who sustained injury as a result of the devastating destruction brought by the two typhoons plus so many who have suffered.

Macau has endured the storm and is now focused on recovering and rebuilding with the helping hands of many, including GEG, which is a testament to the will, strength and character of the Macau people. The community is rallying around each other and together we will all move forward with a very bright future. We too at GEG will continue to actively support the community in these challenging times. Our teams at Galaxy MacauTM, StarWorld Macau and Broadway MacauTM are contributing to the relief efforts in a variety of ways ranging from substantial donations of goods and services including food, water and trucks for debris removal to a number of team members volunteering to help Macau in areas of need from clean up efforts to delivering food and water to the elderly.

I am pleased to announce a MOP60 million contribution including MOP30 million from the GEG Foundation plus a MOP30 million matching contribution from the Lui family to support the relief efforts of the people of Macau as well as our GEG team members during this challenging and stressful period including materials and resources of K Wah Construction Materials. We look forward to working with the Macau government to determine the most effective way to deploy our contribution during this critically important period.

We can all learn from this traumatizing experience and be better prepared in the future, including GEG. I encourage unity within society to work together to rebuild our community.

I would like to thank all the hearts and souls who have worked to restore Macau including the resilient citizens of Macau, the Macau and Central Governments, the People's Liberation Army, the countless volunteers, and, as always, our family of GEG Team Members.

Thank you!

Dr. Lui Che Woo *GBM, MBE, JP, LLD, DSSc, DBA Chairman*

INTERIM RESULTS

The Board of Directors of GEG is pleased to announce the unaudited results of GEG and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the "Group") for the six months ended 30 June 2017 as follows:

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT (Unaudited) For The Six Months Ended 30 June 2017

	Note	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Revenue	2	28,544,136	25,538,536
Other income/gains, net		221,105	75,970
Special gaming tax and other related taxes to the Macau Government		(10,017,529)	(9,080,382)
Commission and allowances to gaming counterparties		(6,008,686)	(5,624,667)
Raw materials and consumables used		(610,470)	(404,768)
Amortisation and depreciation		(1,659,459)	(1,849,003)
Employee benefit expenses		(3,567,576)	(3,515,829)
Other operating expenses		(2,299,119)	(2,546,594)
Finance costs		(31,596)	(16,391)
Share of profits less losses of: Joint ventures Associated companies	<u>-</u>	118,024 (75)	21,663 834
Profit before taxation	4	4,688,755	2,599,369
Taxation charge	5 _	(44,709)	(40,426)
Profit for the period	=	4,644,046	2,558,943
Attributable to: Equity holders of the Company Non-controlling interests	_	4,630,706 13,340	2,558,080 863
	=	4,644,046	2,558,943
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Earnings per share Basic Diluted	7	108.3 107.2	60.0 59.6

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (Unaudited) For The Six Months Ended 30 June 2017

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Profit for the period	4,644,046	2,558,943
Other comprehensive income/(loss)		
Items that may be subsequently reclassified to profit or loss		
Change in fair value of available-for-sale financial assets	33,554	(38,006)
Translation differences of subsidiaries	47,646	(25,184)
Share of translation differences of joint ventures	39,813	(27,689)
Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the period, net of tax	121,013	(90,879)
Total comprehensive income for the period	4,765,059	2,468,064
Total comprehensive income attributable to:		
Equity holders of the Company	4,739,694	2,475,767
Non-controlling interests	25,365	(7,703)
	4,765,059	2,468,064

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET (Unaudited) As at 30 June 2017

		30 June	31 December
		2017	2016
A CONTINU	Note	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
ASSETS			
Non-current assets		22 5 5 2 40	22 502 151
Property, plant and equipment		32,567,349	33,502,151
Investment properties		-	42,000
Leasehold land and land use rights		5,055,009	5,055,566
Intangible assets		1,026,449	1,138,488
Joint ventures		1,367,012	1,253,450
Associated companies		2,242	2,317
Other non-current assets		11,466,709	3,235,300
		51,484,770	44,229,272
Current assets			
Inventories	_	143,570	158,367
Debtors and prepayments	8	1,916,829	1,583,156
Amounts due from joint ventures		233,728	302,783
Taxation recoverable		23,765	20,382
Other current assets		103,319	11,178
Other cash equivalents		8,335	59,290
Cash and bank balances		18,731,481	19,896,602
		21,161,027	22,031,758
Total assets		72,645,797	66,261,030
EQUITY			
Share capital		20,360,506	20,106,376
Reserves		29,997,949	26,238,974
Equity attributable to owners of the Company		50,358,455	46,345,350
Non-controlling interests		530,912	517,663
Total equity		50,889,367	46,863,013
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LIABILITIES			
Non-current liabilities			
Borrowings		517,549	525,978
Deferred taxation liabilities		257,298	256,783
Retention payable		7,399	-
Non-current deposits		192,127	293,883
-		974,373	1,076,644
Current liabilities		<u> </u>	
Creditors and accruals	9	14,485,571	12,659,706
Amounts due to joint ventures		64,980	15,729
Current portion of borrowings and short-term bank loans		6,175,641	5,608,695
Derivative financial instruments		-	121
Provision for tax		55,865	37,122
		20,782,057	18,321,373
Total liabilities		21,756,430	19,398,017
Total equity and liabilities		72,645,797	66,261,030
Net current assets	_	378,970	3,710,385
Total assets less current liabilities		51,863,740	47,939,657
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NOTES TO THE INTERIM FINANCIAL INFORMATION

1. Basis of preparation and accounting policies

The interim financial information for the six months ended 30 June 2017 has been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Accounting Standard 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA") under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of non-current investments, financial assets and financial liabilities, which are carried at fair values. The interim financial information should be read in conjunction with the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2016, which have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRS").

The financial information relating to the year ended 31 December 2016 that is included in these unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2017 as comparative information does not constitute the statutory annual consolidated financial statements of the Company for that year but is derived from those consolidated financial statements. Further information relating to these statutory financial statements required to be disclosed in accordance with section 436 of the Companies Ordinance (Chapter 622 of the Laws of Hong Kong) (the "Companies Ordinance") is as follows:

The Company has delivered the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2016 to the Registrar of Companies as required by section 662(3) of, and Part 3 of Schedule 6 to, the Companies Ordinance.

The Company's auditor has reported on those consolidated financial statements. The auditor's report was unqualified; did not include a reference to any matters to which the auditor drew attention by way of emphasis without qualifying its report; and did not contain a statement under sections 406(2), 407(2) or (3) of the Companies Ordinance.

The accounting policies used in the preparation of the interim financial information are consistent with those used and as described in the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2016, except as described below:

(a) The adoption of amended standards

In 2017, the Group adopted the following amended standards which are relevant to its operations.

HKAS 7 (Amendment) Disclosure Initiative

HKAS 12 (Amendment) Recognition of Deferred Tax Assets for Unrealised Losses

Annual Improvements to HKFRSs 2014 - 2016 Cycle

HKFRS 12 (Amendment) Disclosure of Interests in Other Entities

The Group has assessed the impact of the adoption of these amended HKFRS and considered that there was no significant impact on the Group's results and financial position.

1. Basis of preparation and accounting policies (Cont'd)

(b) Standards, interpretations and amendments to existing standards that are not yet effective

		Effective for accounting
		periods beginning
New standards, interpretation	ns and amendments	on or after
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HKAS 40 (Amendment)	Transfers of Investment Property	1 January 2018
HK(IFRIC)-Int 22	Foreign Currency Transactions and Advance Consideration	1 January 2018
HK(IFRIC)-Int 23	Uncertainty over Income Tax treatment	1 January 2019
HKFRS 2 (Amendment)	Classification and Measurement of	1 January 2018
	Share-based Payment Transactions	
HKFRS 4 (Amendment)	Applying HKFRS 9 Financial	1 January 2018
	Instruments with HKFRS 4 Insurance	
	Contracts	
HKFRS 9	Financial Instruments	1 January 2018
HKFRS 15 and HKFRS 15 (Amendment)	Revenue from Contracts with Customers	1 January 2018
HKFRS 16	Leases	1 January 2019
HKFRS 10 and HKAS 28	Sale or Contribution of Assets Between	To be determined
(Amendment)	an Investor and its Associate or Joint	
	Venture	
Annual Improvements to Hk	XFRSs 2014 - 2016 Cycle	
HKAS 28 (Amendment)	Investments in Associates and Joint Venture	es
HKFRS 1 (Amendment)	First-time Adoption of Hong Kong Financia	
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The Group has not early adopted the above standards, amendments and interpretation and is in the process of assessing the impact of these new standards and amendments on the Group's accounting policies and financial statements.

Standards

2. Revenue

Revenue comprises turnover from gaming operations, hotel and mall operations, administrative fees from gaming operations and sales of construction materials.

	2017	2016
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Gaming operations		
Net gaming wins	25,395,269	22,985,514
Contributions from City Club Casinos (<i>Note</i>)	44,032	51,280
Tips received	4,787	4,584
Hotel and mall operations	1,628,410	1,496,144
Administrative fees from gaming operations	5,879	10,026
Sales of construction materials	1,465,759	990,988
	28,544,136	25,538,536

2. Revenue (Cont'd)

(*Note*): In respect of the operations of city club casinos (the "City Club Casinos"), the Group entered into agreements (the "Agreements") with third parties for a term equal to the life of the concession agreement with the Government of the Macau Special Administrative Region (the "Macau Government") up to June 2022.

Under the Agreements, the service providers (the "Service Providers") undertake for the provision of a steady flow of customers to the City Club Casinos and for procuring and/or introducing customers to these casinos. The Service Providers also agree to indemnify the Group against substantially all risks arising under the leases of the premises used by these casinos; and to guarantee payments to the Group of certain operating and administrative expenses. Revenue attributable to the Group is determined by reference to various rates on the net gaming wins.

After analysing the risks and rewards attributable to the Group, and the Service Providers under the Agreements, revenue from the City Club Casinos is recognised based on the established rates for the net gaming wins which reflect the gross inflow of economic benefits to the Group. In addition, all relevant operating and administrative expenses relating to the operations of the City Club Casinos are not recognised as expenses of the Group in the interim financial information.

During the period ended 30 June 2017, the Group is entitled to HK\$44,032,000 (2016: HK\$51,280,000), which is calculated by reference to various rates on the net gaming wins. Special gaming tax and other related taxes to the Macau Government, and all relevant operating and administrative expenses relating to the operations of the City Club Casinos are not recognised as expenses of the Group in the interim financial information.

3. Segment information

The Board of Directors is responsible for allocating resources, assessing performance of the operating segment and making strategic decisions, based on a measurement of adjusted earnings before interest, tax, depreciation, amortisation and certain items (the "Adjusted EBITDA"). This measurement basis of Adjusted EBITDA excludes the effects of non-recurring income and expenditure from the operating segments, such as pre-opening expenses, donation and sponsorship, loss on disposal of other investments, certain property, plant and equipment, and impairment charge when the impairment is the result of an isolated, non-recurring event. The Adjusted EBITDA also excludes taxation of joint ventures, the effects of share option expenses and share award expenses.

In accordance with the internal financial reporting and operating activities of the Group, the reportable segments are the gaming and entertainment segment and the construction materials segment. Corporate and treasury management represents corporate level activities including central treasury management and administrative function.

3. Segment information (Cont'd)

The reportable segments derive their revenue from the operation in casino games of chance or games of other forms, provision of hospitality and related services in Macau, and the manufacture, sale and distribution of construction materials in Hong Kong, Macau and Mainland China.

There are no sales or trading transaction between the operating segments.

	Gaming and entertainment <i>HK\$</i> '000	Construction materials <i>HK\$</i> '000	Corporate and treasury management <i>HK\$</i> '000	Total <i>HK\$</i> '000
Six months ended 30 June 2017				
Reportable segment revenue	28,022,400	1,465,759	-	29,488,159
Adjusted for: City Club Casinos arrangement set out in note 2				
Revenue not recognised	(993,934)	-	-	(993,934)
Contributions	44,032	-	-	44,032
Others	5,879			5,879
Revenue recognised under HKFRS	27,078,377	1,465,759		28,544,136
Adjusted EBITDA including share of results of joint ventures and associated companies	6,214,241	321,149	(69,195)	6,466,195
Interest income and gross earnings on				225 500
finance lease Amortisation and depreciation				235,590 (1,659,459)
Finance costs				(31,596)
Taxation charge				(44,709)
Adjusted items:				(44,702)
Taxation of joint ventures				(36,360)
Pre-opening expenses Loss on disposal/write-off of certain				(24,901)
property, plant and equipment				(62,567)
Share option expenses				(60,530)
Share award expenses				(128,505)
Donation and sponsorship				(386)
Others				(8,726)
Profit for the period				4,644,046
Share of results of joint ventures and	21 105	07.874		115.040
associated companies	21,185	96,764		117,949

3. Segment information (Cont'd)

	Gaming and entertainment HK\$'000	Construction materials HK\$'000	Corporate and treasury management HK\$'000	Total <i>HK</i> \$'000
Six months ended 30 June 2016				
Reportable segment revenue	25,620,686	990,988	-	26,611,674
Adjusted for: City Club Casinos arrangement set out in note 2				
Revenue not recognised	(1,134,444)	-	-	(1,134,444)
Contributions	51,280	-	-	51,280
Others	10,026		-	10,026
Revenue recognised under HKFRS	24,547,548	990,988		25,538,536
Adjusted EBITDA including share of results of joint ventures and associated companies	4,572,648	204,978	(71,750)	4,705,876
Interest income and gross earnings on finance lease				46,562
Amortisation and depreciation				(1,849,003)
Finance costs				(16,391)
Taxation charge				(40,426)
Adjusted items:				(0.077)
Taxation of joint ventures Pre-opening expenses				(9,977) (20,798)
Loss on disposal of other investments				(896)
Share option expenses				(100,390)
Share award expenses				(123,249)
Donation and sponsorship				(5,390)
Others				(26,975)
Profit for the period				2,558,943
Share of results of joint ventures and				
associated companies	10,378	12,119		22,497

3. Segment information (Cont'd)

	Gaming and entertainment <i>HK</i> \$'000	Construction materials HK\$'000	Corporate and treasury management HK\$'000	Total <i>HK</i> \$'000
As at 30 June 2017				
Total assets	66,916,506	5,671,402	57,889	72,645,797
Total assets include: Joint ventures Associated companies	88,050	1,278,962 2,242	<u> </u>	1,367,012 2,242
Total liabilities	14,007,072	2,280,012	5,469,346	21,756,430
As at 31 December 2016				
Total assets	60,513,416	5,696,510	51,104	66,261,030
Total assets include: Joint ventures Associated companies	58,684	1,194,766 2,317	- -	1,253,450 2,317
Total liabilities	12,291,216	2,125,796	4,981,005	19,398,017
Six months ended 30 June 2017 Additions to non-current assets	514,414	49,315		563,729
Six months ended 30 June 2016 Additions to non-current assets	372,938	378,350		751,288
Geographical analysis				
Six months ended 30 June		2017 HK\$'000		2016 HK\$'000
Revenue Macau Hong Kong Mainland China		27,226,298 885,885 431,953 28,544,136		24,657,696 755,357 125,483 25,538,536
Non-current assets		As at 30 June 2017 <i>HK\$</i> '000	As a	2016 HK\$'000
Macau Hong Kong Mainland China		48,163,475 550,190 2,771,105 51,484,770		40,999,658 576,608 2,653,006 44,229,272

4. Profit before taxation

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Profit before taxation is arrived at after crediting:		
Rental income from investment properties	-	2,222
Interest income	235,091	46,034
Dividend income from unlisted investments	1,300	600
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment		721
and after charging:		
Depreciation	1,499,852	1,689,751
Amortisation		
Gaming licence	52,732	53,023
Computer software	19,057	17,225
Leasehold land and land use rights	43,855	45,041
Reacquired right	43,963	43,963
Loss on disposal/write off of property, plant and equipment	63,017	
5. Taxation charge		
	2017	2016
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Current taxation		
Hong Kong profits tax	15,467	18,828
Mainland China income tax and withholding tax	7,820	621
Macau complementary tax	3,075	3,026
Net under/(over) provision in prior years	65	(1,478)
Lump sum in lieu of Macau complementary tax on dividend	17,767	17,767
Deferred taxation	515	1,662
Taxation charge	44,709	40,426

Hong Kong profits tax has been provided at the rate of 16.5% (2016: 16.5%) on the estimated assessable profits for the period after setting off available taxation losses brought forward. Taxation assessable on profits generated outside Hong Kong has been provided at the rates of taxation prevailing in the areas in which those profits arose, these rates range from 12% to 25% (2016: 12% to 25%). The weighted average applicable tax rate was 12% (2016: 12%).

6. Dividends

On 28 February 2017, the Board of Directors declared a special dividend of HK\$0.26 per share (2016: HK\$0.15 per share), payable to shareholders of the Company whose names appear on the register of the members of the Company on 31 March 2017. The total amount of the special dividend distributed was HK\$1,112 million and was paid on 28 April 2017.

The Board of Directors does not declare any interim dividend for the period ended 30 June 2017 (2016: nil).

Details of the special dividend declared subsequent to the period end are given in note 10.

7. Earnings per share

Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing the profit attributable to equity holders of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the period.

Diluted earnings per share is calculated by adjusting the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding to assume conversion of all dilutive potential ordinary shares. The Company has two (2016: two) categories of dilutive potential ordinary shares: share options and share award. For the share options, a calculation is done to determine the number of shares that could have been acquired at fair value (determined as the average annual market share price of the Company's shares) based on the monetary value of the subscription rights attached to outstanding share options. The number of shares calculated as above is compared with the number of shares that would have been issued assuming the exercise of the share options and share award, the dilutive effect of the share award scheme is assumed if the award shares are issued by new shares, which is yet to be determined.

The calculation of basic and diluted earnings per share for the period is based on the following:

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Profit attributable to equity holders of the Company	4,630,706	2,558,080
	Number	of shares
	2017	2016
Weighted average number of shares for calculating		
basic earnings per share	4,275,536,212	4,262,732,631
Effect of dilutive potential ordinary shares		
Share options	21,332,953	9,470,794
Share award	23,702,380	22,976,970
Weighted average number of shares for calculating		
diluted earnings per share	4,320,571,545	4,295,180,395

8. Debtors and prepayments

	30 June	31 December
	2017	2016
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Trade debtors, net of provision	703,713	486,408
Other debtors and deposit paid, net of provision	1,017,345	947,829
Prepayments	170,362	125,347
Current portion of finance lease receivable	25,409	23,572
	1,916,829	1,583,156

Trade debtors mainly arise from the sales of construction materials and mall operations. The Group has established credit policies which follow local industry standards. The Group normally allows an approved credit period ranging from 30 to 60 days (2016: 30 to 60 days) for customers in Hong Kong and Macau and 60 to 180 days (2016: 60 to 180 days) for customers in Mainland China. These are subject to periodic reviews by management.

The ageing analysis of trade debtors of the Group based on the invoice dates and net of provision for bad and doubtful debts is as follows:

	30 June	31 December
	2017	2016
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Within one month	483,005	320,527
Two to three months	202,725	145,690
Four to six months	12,031	13,993
Over six months	5,952	6,198
	703,713	486,408

9. Creditors and accruals

	30 June	31 December
	2017	2016
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Trade creditors	2,907,676	2,251,461
Other creditors (note a)	4,305,708	4,974,565
Chips issued	5,301,672	3,258,253
Loans from non-controlling interests	29,827	26,505
Accruals and provision	1,915,607	2,127,876
Deposits received	25,081	21,046
	14,485,571	12,659,706

9. Creditors and accruals (Cont'd)

The ageing analysis of trade creditors of the Group based on the invoice dates is as follows:

	30 June 2017	31 December 2016
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Within one month	2,513,643	1,882,003
Two to three months	76,512	91,372
Four to six months	119,605	95,134
Over six months	197,916	182,952
	2,907,676	2,251,461

Note:

(a) Other creditors mainly represent gaming tax payable to the Macau Government and construction payable to contractors.

10. Post Balance Sheet Event

On 30 August 2017, the Board of Directors declared a special dividend of HK\$0.33 per share, payable to shareholders of the Company whose names appear on the register of members of the Company on 29 September 2017. The total amount of the special dividend to be distributed is estimated to be approximately HK\$1,420 million and will be paid on or about 27 October 2017.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

(All amounts are expressed in Hong Kong dollars unless otherwise stated)

REVIEW OF OPERATIONS

Group Financial Results

The Group's 1H 2017 results posted revenue of \$28.5 billion, up 12% year-on-year and generated Adjusted EBITDA of \$6.5 billion, up 37% year-on-year. Net profit attributable to shareholders was \$4.6 billion, up 81% year-on-year. Galaxy MacauTM's Adjusted EBITDA was \$5.1 billion, up 29% year-on-year. StarWorld Macau's Adjusted EBITDA was \$1.4 billion, up 45% year-on-year. Broadway MacauTM's Adjusted EBITDA was \$7 million (1H 2016: \$9 million).

During 1H 2017, GEG experienced good luck in its gaming operations which increased Adjusted EBITDA by approximately \$20 million.

The Group's total gaming revenue on a management basis¹ in 1H 2017 was \$26.4 billion, up 9% year-on-year, total mass table games revenue was \$11.4 billion, up 15% year-on-year and total VIP revenue was \$13.9 billion, up 5% year-on-year. Total electronic gaming revenue was \$1.1 billion, up 12% year-on-year.

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¹ The primary difference between statutory revenue and management basis revenue is the treatment of City Clubs revenue where fee income is reported on a statutory basis and gaming revenue is reported on a management basis.

Group Gaming 1H 2017 (HK\$'b)	Turnover/ Table Drop/ Slots Handle	Net Win	Win / Hold %
VIP Gaming	396.4	13.9	3.5%
Mass Gaming	28.2	11.4	40.6%
Electronic Gaming	30.3	1.1	3.4%

Group Gaming 1H 2016 (HK\$'b)	Turnover/ Table Drop/ Slots Handle	Net Win	Win / Hold %
VIP Gaming	356.6	13.2	3.7%
Mass Gaming	24.8	10.0	40.1%
Electronic Gaming	27.5	0.9	3.4%

Balance Sheet, Treasury Management and Special Dividends

The Group's balance sheet remains healthy and liquid. As of 30 June 2017, cash and liquid investments were \$29.8 billion and net cash was \$23.3 billion. Total debt increased from \$5.9 billion at 31 December 2016 to \$6.5 billion at 30 June 2017. Our debt primarily reflects a treasury management exercise where interest income on cash holdings exceeds corresponding borrowing costs. Our strong balance sheet combined with substantial cash flow from operations allows us to return capital to shareholders via dividends and to fund our development pipeline and international expansion ambitions.

In 1H 2017, GEG returned capital to shareholders by paying a special dividend of \$0.26 per share on 28 April 2017, a 73% increase compared to April 2016. Subsequently, GEG announced another special dividend of \$0.33 per share to be paid on or about 27 October 2017, a 83% increase compared to October 2016.

Set out below is the segmental analysis of the Group's operating results for 1H 2017.

1H 2017 (HK\$'m)	Gaming and Entertainment	Construction Materials	Corporate	Total
Revenue	27,078	1,466	-	28,544
Adjusted EBITDA	6,214	321	(69)	6,466

1H 2016 (HK\$'m)	Gaming and Entertainment	Construction Materials	Corporate	Total
Revenue	24,547	991	-	25,538
Adjusted EBITDA	4,573	205	(72)	4,706

GAMING AND ENTERTAINMENT DIVISION

Galaxy MacauTM

Financial and Operational Performance

Galaxy MacauTM's revenue for 1H 2017 was \$20.1 billion, up 8% year-on-year. Adjusted EBITDA was \$5.1 billion, up 29% year-on-year.

Galaxy MacauTM experienced bad luck in its gaming operations which decreased its Adjusted EBITDA by approximately \$30 million in 1H 2017. Normalized exclude luck factor ("Normalized") 1H 2017 Adjusted EBITDA was \$5.1 billion, up 35% year-on-year.

Adjusted EBITDA margin for 1H 2017 calculated under HKFRS was 25% (1H 2016: 21%), or 32% under US GAAP (1H 2016: 27%). Adjusted EBITDA margin for Q2 2017 calculated under HKFRS was 25% (Q2 2016: 22%), or 32% under US GAAP (Q2 2016: 27%).

VIP Gaming Performance

VIP rolling chip volume for 1H 2017 was \$264.7 billion, up 8% year-on-year. This translated to revenue of \$9.9 billion, up 1% year-on-year.

VIP Gaming								
HK\$'m	Q2 2016	Q1 2017	Q2 2017	YoY%	QoQ%	1H 2016	1H 2017	YoY%
Turnover	115,296	131,755	132,899	15%	1%	245,832	264,654	8%
Net Win	4,408	5,113	4,830	10%	(6%)	9,866	9,943	1%
Win %	3.8%	3.9%	3.6%	n/a	n/a	4.0%	3.8%	n/a

Mass Gaming Performance

Mass gaming revenue for 1H 2017 was \$7.8 billion, up 20% year-on-year.

Mass Gaming								
HK\$'m	Q2 2016	Q1 2017	Q2 2017	YoY%	QoQ%	1H 2016	1H 2017	YoY%
Table Drop	7,834	8,839	8,930	14%	1%	15,568	17,769	14%
Net Win	3,253	3,968	3,845	18%	(3%)	6,537	7,813	20%
Hold %	41.5%	44.9%	43.1%	n/a	n/a	42.0%	44.0%	n/a

Electronic Gaming Performance

Electronic gaming revenue for 1H 2017 was \$893 million, up 8% year-on-year.

Electronic Gaming									
HK\$'m	Q2 2016	Q1 2017	Q2 2017	YoY%	QoQ%	1H 2016	1H 2017	YoY%	
Slots Handle	11,661	11,385	11,187	(4%)	(2%)	23,203	22,572	(3%)	
Net Win	447	454	439	(2%)	(3%)	828	893	8%	
Hold %	3.8%	4.0%	3.9%	n/a	n/a	3.6%	4.0%	n/a	

Non-Gaming Performance

In 1H 2017, non-gaming revenue for 1H 2017 was \$1.4 billion, up 9% year-on-year. The combined five hotels registered strong occupancy of 97% for 1H 2017. Net rental revenue for the Promenade was \$434 million for 1H 2017, up 22% year-on-year.

Non-Gaming									
HK\$'m	Q2 2016	Q1 2017	Q2 2017	YoY%	QoQ%	1H 2016	1H 2017	YoY%	
Net Rental Revenue	161	222	212	31%	(5%)	357	434	22%	
Hotel Revenue / F&B / Others	478	485	501	5%	3%	948	986	4%	
Total	639	707	713	12%	1%	1,305	1,420	9%	

StarWorld Macau

Financial and Operational Performance

StarWorld Macau's revenue for 1H 2017 was \$6.7 billion, up 20% year-on-year. Adjusted EBITDA was \$1.4 billion, up 45% year-on-year.

StarWorld Macau experienced good luck in its gaming operations which increased its Adjusted EBITDA by approximately \$60 million in 1H 2017. Normalized 1H 2017 Adjusted EBITDA was \$1.4 billion, up 30% year-on-year.

Adjusted EBITDA margin for 1H 2017 calculated under HKFRS was 21% (1H 2016: 17%), or 29% under US GAAP (1H 2016: 24%). Adjusted EBITDA margin for Q2 2017 calculated under HKFRS was 21% (Q2 2016: 17%), or 29% under US GAAP (Q2 2016: 23%).

VIP Gaming Performance

VIP rolling chip volume for 1H 2017 was \$125.8 billion, up 19% year-on-year. This translated to revenue of \$3.8 billion, up 22% year-on-year.

VIP Gaming								
HK\$'m	Q2 2016	Q1 2017	Q2 2017	YoY%	QoQ%	1H 2016	1H 2017	YoY%
Turnover	46,090	63,066	62,698	36%	(1%)	105,290	125,764	19%
Net Win	1,472	1,703	2,102	43%	23%	3,131	3,805	22%
Win %	3.2%	2.7%	3.4%	n/a	n/a	3.0%	3.0%	n/a

Mass Gaming Performance

Mass gaming revenue for 1H 2017 was \$2.7 billion, up 17% year-on-year.

Mass Gaming								
HK\$'m	Q2 2016	Q1 2017	Q2 2017	YoY%	QoQ%	1H 2016	1H 2017	YoY%
Table Drop	3,062	3,442	3,501	14%	2%	6,081	6,943	14%
Net Win	1,141	1,291	1,426	25%	10%	2,319	2,717	17%
Hold %	37.3%	37.5%	40.7%	n/a	n/a	38.1%	39.1%	n/a

Electronic Gaming Performance

Electronic gaming revenue for 1H 2017 was \$70 million, up 67% year-on-year.

Electronic Gaming											
HK\$'m	Q2 2016	Q1 2017	Q2 2017	YoY%	QoQ%	1H 2016	1H 2017	YoY%			
Slots Handle	386	1,594	1,668	332%	5%	795	3,262	310%			
Net Win	18	34	36	100%	6%	42	70	67%			
Hold %	4.7%	2.1%	2.2%	n/a	n/a	5.3%	2.2%	n/a			

Non-Gaming Performance

Non-gaming revenue in 1H 2017 was \$101 million, down 3% year-on-year. Hotel room occupancy was 99% for 1H 2017.

Non-Gaming									
HK\$'m	Q2 2016	Q1 2017	Q2 2017	YoY%	QoQ%	1H 2016	1H 2017	YoY%	
Net Rental Revenue	9	12	11	22%	(8%)	18	23	28%	
Hotel Revenue / F&B / Others	39	39	39	0%	0%	86	78	(9%)	
Total	48	51	50	4%	(2%)	104	101	(3%)	

Broadway MacauTM

Financial and Operational Performance

Broadway MacauTM is a unique family friendly, street entertainment and food resort supported by Macau SMEs, it does not have a VIP gaming component. Broadway MacauTM's revenue in 1H 2017 was \$262 million (1H 2016: \$350 million). Adjusted EBITDA was \$7 million for 1H 2017 (1H 2016: \$9 million).

Broadway MacauTM experienced bad luck in its gaming operations which decreased its Adjusted EBITDA by approximately \$6 million in 1H 2017. Normalized 1H 2017 Adjusted EBITDA was \$13 million, up 63% year-on-year.

Mass Gaming Performance

Mass gaming revenue for 1H 2017 was \$139 million.

Mass Gaming										
HK\$'m	Q2 2016	Q1 2017	Q2 2017	YoY%	QoQ%	1H 2016	1H 2017	YoY%		
Table Drop	503	325	291	(42%)	(11%)	1,103	616	(44%)		
Net Win	115	75	64	(44%)	(15%)	246	139	(43%)		
Hold %	22.9%	23.1%	22.0%	n/a	n/a	22.3%	22.6%	n/a		

Electronic Gaming Performance

Electronic gaming revenue for 1H 2017 was \$16 million.

Electronic Gaming										
HK\$'m	Q2 2016	Q1 2017	Q2 2017	YoY%	QoQ%	1H 2016	1H 2017	YoY%		
Slots Handle	137	201	308	125%	53%	280	509	82%		
Net Win	9	8	8	(5%)	0%	16	16	0%		
Hold %	6.2%	4.0%	2.6%	n/a	n/a	5.6%	3.2%	n/a		

Non-Gaming Performance

Non-gaming revenue in 1H 2017 was \$107 million. Hotel room occupancy was virtually 100% for 1H 2017.

Non-Gaming									
HK\$'m	Q2 2016	Q1 2017	Q2 2017	YoY%	QoQ%	1H 2016	1H 2017	YoY%	
Net Rental Revenue	14	10	10	(29%)	0%	28	20	(29%)	
Hotel Revenue / F&B / Others	31	42	45	45%	7%	60	87	45%	
Total	45	52	55	22%	6%	88	107	22%	

City Clubs

City Clubs contributed \$49 million of Adjusted EBITDA to the Group's earnings for 1H 2017 (1H 2016: \$56 million).

CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS DIVISION

Construction Materials Division ("CMD") achieved a solid performance for the first half of 2017. Revenue was up 48% year-on-year to \$1.5 billion and Adjusted EBITDA was up 57% year-on-year to \$321 million.

Hong Kong and Macau

The demand for construction materials in Hong Kong remains generally stable but market price has declined due to intensifying competition. Despite declining market price, CMD was able to deliver solid results by maintaining disciplined cost management and efficient operations.

In Macau, demand for construction materials remains soft due to the delays of certain casino, infrastructure and property projects.

Mainland China

In Yunnan, improved cement market price and volume, due to growth in infrastructure projects, combined with cost saving measures contributed to improved earnings. However, severe market competition continued to prevail in Northern China, and it may take time for the market to resolve the overcapacity situation.

Benefiting from the rise in cement price, overall Ground Granulated Blast-furnace Slag selling price improved, which contributed to better than expected profit.

DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

Cotai - The Next Chapter

GEG is uniquely positioned for long term growth. We continue to move forward with our plans for Phases 3 and 4, and we look forward to formally announcing our development plans in the future.

Hengqin

We continue to make progress with our concept plan for our Hengqin project. Hengqin will allow GEG to develop a leisure destination resort that will complement our high energy resorts in Macau.

International

GEG and Société Anonyme des Bains de Mer et du Cercle des Étrangers à Monaco ("Monte-Carlo SBM") continue to progress our strategic partnership, which includes a mutual commitment to enhance the respective businesses and brands of each company and to work together on the development and operation of entertainment businesses including Integrated Resort ("IR") projects in the Asia-Pacific region, including opportunities in Japan. The announcement of this agreement follows a strategic investment made by GEG in Monte-Carlo SBM in July 2015.

SUBSEQUENT EVENT

GEG announced a special dividend of \$0.33 per share payable on or about 27 October 2017.

GROUP OUTLOOK

Macau has suffered from the impact of Typhoon Hato in late August 2017, the most powerful typhoon to hit Macau in over a half a century, which was followed by Typhoon Pakhar just a few days after. Macau has endured the storms and is focusing on recovering and rebuilding with the help of many, including GEG, which is a testament to the will, strength, and character of the people of Macau. We are supporting the Macau community in their rebuilding efforts, assisting GEG team members and repairing damages to our properties as quickly as possible. We are doing our best to resume normal operations as quickly as possible and we are confident that Macau and GEG's short and long term prospects remain bright and promising.

LIQUIDITY AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES

The equity attributable to owners of the Company as at 30 June 2017 was \$50,358 million, an increase of 9% over that as at 31 December 2016 of \$46,345 million, while the Group's total assets employed increased to \$72,646 million as at 30 June 2017 as compared to \$66,261 million as at 31 December 2016.

The Group continues to maintain a strong cash position. As at 30 June 2017, total cash and bank balances were \$18,731 million as compared to \$19,897 million as at 31 December 2016. The Group's total borrowings were \$6,693 million as at 30 June 2017 as compared to \$6,135 million as at 31 December 2016. The Group was in a net cash position as at 30 June 2017 and 31 December 2016.

The total borrowings of the Group mainly comprised bank loans and other obligations which were largely denominated in Hong Kong dollar, Renminbi and Euro. The Group's borrowings are closely monitored to ensure a smooth repayment schedule to maturity.

The Group's liquidity position remains strong and the Group is confident that sufficient resources could be secured to meet its commitments and working capital requirements.

TREASURY POLICY

The Group continues to adopt a conservative treasury policy in liquidity and financial management. Cash is generally placed in short-term deposits mostly denominated in Hong Kong dollar, U.S. dollar, Renminbi or in the local currencies of the operating subsidiaries. Forward foreign exchange contracts are utilized and borrowings in foreign currencies are arranged when suitable opportunities arise and when considered appropriate, to hedge against foreign exchange exposure, which are considered necessary for the Group's treasury management activities.

The Group's borrowings were largely denominated in Hong Kong dollar, Renminbi and Euro. Euro bank loan was utilized to fund and hedge the foreign exchange risk on the Euro denominated Monte-Carlo SBM investment in August 2015.

CHARGES ON GROUP ASSETS

Property, plant and equipment and leasehold land and land use rights with net book value of \$1,043 million (31 December 2016: \$1,023 million) and bank deposits of \$630 million (31 December 2016: \$315 million) have been pledged to secure banking facilities.

GUARANTEES

GEG has executed guarantees in favour of banks in respect of facilities granted to subsidiaries amounting to \$790 million (31 December 2016: \$590 million). At 30 June 2017, facility utilized amounted to \$300 million (31 December 2016: \$300 million).

The Group has executed guarantees in favour of banks in respect of facilities granted to joint ventures and an associated company amounting to \$280 million (31 December 2016: \$297 million). At 30 June 2017, facilities utilized amounted to \$255 million (31 December 2016: \$255 million).

DEALINGS IN LISTED SECURITIES

Neither GEG nor any of its subsidiaries has purchased, sold or redeemed any of GEG's shares during the six months ended 30 June 2017.

REVIEW OF INTERIM RESULTS

The Group's interim results for the six months ended 30 June 2017 have been reviewed by the Audit Committee of GEG and by GEG's auditor, PricewaterhouseCoopers, in accordance with Hong Kong Standard on Review Engagements 2410, "Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The report on review of interim financial information by the auditor will be included in the Interim Report 2017 to shareholders.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Throughout the six months ended 30 June 2017, GEG has complied with the Corporate Governance Code as set out in Appendix 14 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules"), except code provision A.4.2.

Given that the other Directors do retire by rotation in accordance with the Articles of Association of GEG, the Board considers that the Group is best served by not requiring the Chairman to retire by rotation as his continuity in office is of considerable benefit to and his leadership, vision and profound knowledge in the widespread geographical business of the Group is an asset of GEG.

DIVIDENDS

On 28 February 2017, the Board of Directors declared a special dividend of HK\$0.26 per share (2016: HK\$0.15 per share) to shareholders whose names appear on the register of members of the Company on 31 March 2017. The total amount of the special dividend distributed was approximately HK\$1,112 million (2016: HK\$640 million) and was paid on 28 April 2017.

The Board of Directors is pleased to announce that it has declared another special dividend of HK\$0.33 per share (2016: HK\$0.18 per share) payable to shareholders whose names appear on the register of members of the Company on 29 September 2017 and expected to be paid on or about 27 October 2017. The total amount of this special dividend distributed was approximately HK\$1,420 million (2016: HK\$769 million). It will be funded by dividends received by the Company from wholly-owned subsidiaries after the date of its last audited financial statements, as a result of which the Company has distributable reserves of approximately HK\$2,751 million. These will be reflected in a special purpose financial statement to be delivered to the Registrar of Companies in Hong Kong for registration, in compliance with the Companies Ordinance, before payment of the special dividend.

CLOSURE OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS

For the purpose of ascertaining the shareholders who are entitled to the special dividend, the register of members of GEG will be closed from Wednesday, 27 September 2017 to Friday, 29 September 2017, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be effected. In order to qualify for the proposed special dividend, all share certificates with completed transfer documents must be lodged with GEG's share registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited at Shops 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong, not later than 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, 26 September 2017.

INTERIM REPORT 2017

The Interim Report 2017 of GEG containing all the information required by the Listing Rules will be available on the respective websites of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited and GEG and dispatched to the shareholders in due course.

By Order of the Board

Galaxy Entertainment Group Limited

Jenifer Sin Li Mei Wah

Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 30 August 2017

As at the date of this announcement, the executive Directors of GEG are Dr. Lui Che Woo (Chairman), Mr. Francis Lui Yiu Tung, Mr. Joseph Chee Ying Keung and Ms. Paddy Tang Lui Wai Yu; the non-executive Director of GEG is Dr. Charles Cheung Wai Bun; and the independent non-executive Directors of GEG are Mr. James Ross Ancell, Dr. William Yip Shue Lam and Professor Patrick Wong Lung Tak.

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