

## ZZ Capital International Limited 中植資本國際有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

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#### HIGHLIGHTS

- The Group's investment advisory and management income in the Second Quarter Fiscal 2016 was recorded at HK\$1.60 million (2015: Nil), leading to a total investment advisory and management income of HK\$188.45 million (2015; Nil) during the Interim Period 2016 resulting from the IAM Agreement. Corporate advisory income reached HK\$9.72 million for the Interim Period 2016 (2015: HK\$10.56 million), 8% lower than that of the corresponding period in 2015 due to a combined effect of decrease in the number of M&As and IPOs projects and improvement in corporate resumption business in the Interim Period 2016.
- In the Second Quarter Fiscal 2016, there were neither placing and underwriting income (2015: HK\$0.51 million) nor securities dealing commission (2015: HK\$0.14 million) earned in association with our existing corporate finance projects. In the meantime, the Group's overall revenue and other income advanced significantly to HK\$198.88 million during the Interim Period 2016 (2015: HK\$14.78 million), mainly as a result of investment advisory and management income generated.
- Operating expenses for the three months and six months ended 30 September 2016 were HK\$23.73 million (2015: HK\$5.21 million) and HK\$57.12 million (2015: HK\$11.80 million) respectively, representing a significant increase versus the corresponding period in 2015. The increase in operating expenses for the Interim Period 2016 was mainly attributable to business expansion, represented by an increase in headcount and related staff cost of HK\$14.73 million, as well as the provision for VAT and surtax amounting to HK\$12.66 million related to the investment advisory and management income from Zhongzhi Capital Management, and increase in recruitment expenses of HK\$10.41 million. Staff cost represented the largest expense component for the Second Quarter Fiscal 2016 and the Interim Period 2016.
- The Group recorded total comprehensive loss of HK\$19.80 million (2015: income of HK\$0.12 million) in the Second Quarter Fiscal 2016, and total comprehensive income of HK\$122.91 million (2015: HK\$2.20 million) for the Interim Period 2016. Basic earnings per share for the Interim Period 2016 was HK3.46 cents (2015: HK0.15 cent).
- Net assets value as at 30 September 2016 advanced to a record level of HK\$1,015.98 million (31 March 2016: HK\$893.06 million), 13.76% higher than net assets value as at 31 March 2016. Net assets value per share as at 30 September 2016 stood at HK0.29 cent (31 March 2016: HK0.25 cent).
- The Group's cash position was HK\$814.09 million and there was no outstanding loan position as at 30 September 2016.
- The Board does not recommend payment of an interim dividend for the Interim Period 2016 (2015: Nil).

The board (the "Board") of directors (the "Directors") of ZZ Capital International Limited 中植資本國際有限公司 (the "Company") is pleased to present the unaudited condensed consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "Group") for the three months (the "Second Quarter Fiscal 2016") and six months ended 30 September 2016 (the "Interim Period 2016"), together with the comparative unaudited figures for the corresponding periods in 2015, as follows:

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the three months and six months ended 30 September 2016

		Three months ended 30 September		Six months ended 30 September		
	Notes	2016 <i>HK</i> \$'000 (Unaudited)	2015 <i>HK</i> \$'000 (Unaudited)	2016 <i>HK</i> \$'000 (Unaudited)	2015 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	
Revenue	3	3,680	4,111	198,171	11,213	
Net investment income/(loss)	3	(1)	(51)	(17)	1,506	
Net interest income	3	411	1,576	723	2,066	
Other income and gains	3	1		1		
Revenue and other income	3	4,091	5,636	198,878	14,785	
Operating expenses		(23,733)	(5,215)	(57,119)	(11,799)	
Profit/(Loss) before tax	5	(19,642)	421	141,759	2,986	
Income tax (expense)/credit	6	(160)	(299)	(18,845)	(786)	
Profit/(Loss) for the period		(19,802)	122	122,914	2,200	
Total comprehensive income/ (loss) for the period		(19,802)	122	122,914	2,200	
Earnings/(Loss) per share attributable to ordinary equity holders of the Company	7					
- Basic (HK cents)		(0.56)	0.01	3.46	0.15	
- Diluted (HK cents)		(0.56)	0.01	3.46	0.14	

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 30 September 2016

	Notes	30 September 2016 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	31 March 2016 <i>HK</i> \$'000 (Audited)
Non-current assets Equipment Intangible asset Deposits	9	2,218 866 100	2,481 866 100
Total non-current assets		3,184	3,447
Current assets Other assets and receivables Investments at fair value through profit or loss Cash held on behalf of clients Trade receivables Cash and bank balances  Total current assets	11 10	3,406 119 215 263,299 814,085	2,019 140 215 128,939 787,856 919,169
Current liabilities Trade payables Other payables and accruals Tax payable Deferred income	12 13	456 33,247 31,872 2,758	645 15,882 13,028
Total current liabilities		68,333	29,555
Net current assets		1,012,791	889,614
Net assets		1,015,975	893,061
<b>Equity</b> Equity attributable to owners of the Company Issued capital Reserves	14	35,505 980,470	35,505 857,556
Total equity		1,015,975	893,061

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the six months ended 30 September 2016

Attributable to ordinary equity holders of the Company

	Issued capital HK\$'000	Share premium account HK\$'000	Contributed surplus HK\$'000	Share option reserve HK\$'000	Retained profits HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
At 1 April 2016	35,505	706,245	9,000	-	142,311	893,061
Total comprehensive income for the period					122,914	122,914
At 30 September 2016 (Unaudited)	35,505	706,245	9,000		265,225	1,015,975
At 1 April 2015	14,515	69,464	9,000	7,969	29,256	130,204
Total comprehensive income for the period Equity-settled share option arrangements		- 	<u>-</u>	305	2,200	2,200
At 30 September 2015 (Unaudited)	14,515	69,464	9,000	8,274	31,456	132,709

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the six months ended 30 September 2016

	Six months ended 30 September		
	2016	2015	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
Net cash flows from/(used in) operating activities	25,846	(11,518)	
Net cash flows (used in)/from investing activities	(167,544)	11,064	
Net cash flows used in financing activities		(85)	
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(141,698)	(539)	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	669,788	75,604	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	528,090	75,065	
Analysis of balances of cash and cash equivalents			
Cash and bank balances	328,091	13,171	
Time deposits	485,994	95,958	
Cash and bank balances as stated in the condensed			
consolidated statement of financial position	814,085	109,129	
Time deposits with original maturity of more than three months when acquired	(285,995)	(34,064)	
Cash and cash equivalents as stated in the condensed			
consolidated statement of cash flow	528,090	75,065	

# NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

30 September 2016

#### 1. CORPORATE INFORMATION

The Company was incorporated in the Cayman Islands on 5 January 2010 as an exempted company with limited liability under the Companies Law, Cap 22 (Law 3 of 1961 as consolidated and revised) of the Cayman Islands. The shares of the Company are listed on the Growth Enterprise Market ("GEM") of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange").

The principal activity of the Company is investments holding. The subsidiaries are principally engaged in the provision of corporate advisory services and related activities, investment advisory and management services, as well as investment in various types of assets globally.

#### 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements for the six months ended 30 September 2016 (the "Interim Financial Statements") have been prepared in accordance with the Hong Kong Accounting Standards 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (the "HKICPA") and the applicable disclosure requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the GEM of the Stock Exchange (the "GEM Listing Rules").

The principal accounting policies used in the preparation of the Interim Financial Statements are consistent with those used in the preparation of the Group's audited annual financial statements for the fifteen months ended 31 March 2016 (the "Annual Financial Statements"). However, the Interim Financial Statements do not include all of the information required for annual financial statements and they should be read in conjunction with the Annual Financial Statements.

The HKICPA has issued a number of new and revised Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs") and interpretations that are first effective or available for early adoption for the current accounting period of the Company. The adoption of these new and revised HKFRSs has no material effect on the Interim Financial Statements, and there have otherwise been no significant changes to the accounting policies applied in these financial statements.

The Interim Financial Statements are presented in Hong Kong dollars ("HK\$"), which is also the Group's functional currency. All values are rounded to the nearest thousand (HK\$'000) except when otherwise indicated.

Inter-company transactions and balances between Group companies are eliminated.

## 3. REVENUE AND OTHER INCOME

An analysis of the Group's revenue and other income is as follows:

		30 Sep	nths ended otember	Six months ended 30 September	
	Note	2016 HK\$'000	2015 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000	2015 <i>HK</i> \$'000
	Note	(Unaudited)		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
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Revenue					
Corporate advisory income		2,078	3,967	9,718	10,563
Placing and underwriting income/arrangement fee		_	144	_	650
Securities dealing commission		_	-	_	-
Investment advisory and management income		1,602	-	188,453	-
		3,680	4,111	198,171	11,213
Net investment income/(loss)					
Net fair value gain/(loss) on financial assets					
measured at fair value through profit or loss		(5)	(51)	(21)	1,326
Realised gain/(loss) on financial assets					
measured at fair value through profit or loss and other investments		_			180
Dividend income		4	_	4	-
		(1)	(51)	(17)	1,506
Net interest income Interest income from financial assets					
Bank deposits		411	209	723	500
- Listed investments		_	-	-	43
- Loans receivables			1,367		1,523
		444	1 576	700	0.066
		411	1,576	723	2,066
Other income and gains					
Gain exchange difference		1		1	
Revenue and other income		4,091	5,636	198,878	14,785
nevenue una otner moonie		4,001		130,070	14,700

#### 4. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION

The Group's principal businesses are in the provision of corporate advisory services and related activities, investment advisory and management services, as well as investment in various types of assets globally. Information reported herewith is focused on the operating results of the Group as a whole, whereby the Group's resources are integrated and deployed optimally. Accordingly, no operating segment analysis is presented.

### 5. PROFIT/(LOSS) BEFORE TAX

The Group's profit/(loss) before tax is arrived at after charging:

	Three months ended 30 September		Six months ended 30 September		
	<b>2016</b> 2015		2016	2015	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
Depreciation	306	285	599	549	
Value-added tax and surtax	108	_	12,664	-	
Minimum lease payments under operating leases on land and					
buildings	844	809	1,600	1,618	
Employee benefit expense					
(including directors' remuneration)	12,022	2,843	21,971	7,241	

## 6. INCOME TAX (EXPENSE)/CREDIT

While Hong Kong profits tax has been provided at the rate of 16.5% for the three months and six months ended 30 September 2015, no Hong Kong profits tax has been provided for the three months and six months ended 30 September 2016 due to the estimated tax losses made for the three months and six months ended 30 September 2016. Taxes on profits assessable elsewhere have been calculated at the rates of tax prevailing in the jurisdictions in which the Group operates.

	Three months ended 30 September		Six months ended 30 September	
	2016 <i>HK</i> \$'000 (Unaudited)	2015 <i>HK</i> \$'000 (Unaudited)	2016 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2015 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)
Current tax Provision for the period Adjustments in respect of prior	(160)	(226)	(18,845)	(700)
periods		(238)		(238)
Total current tax	(160)	(464)	(18,845)	(938)
Deferred tax Origination and reversals of				
temporary differences		165		152
	(160)	(299)	(18,845)	(786)

There was no significant unprovided deferred tax for the relevant periods.

## EARNINGS/(LOSS) PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINARY EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE COMPANY

The calculations of basic earnings/loss per share for the three months and six months ended 30 September 2016 are based on the unaudited consolidated loss of HK\$19,802,000 and profits of HK\$122,914,000 attributable to ordinary equity holders of the Company for the three months and six months ended 30 September 2016 respectively (three months and six months ended 30 September 2015: unaudited consolidated profits of HK\$122,000 and unaudited consolidated profits of HK\$2,200,000 respectively) and the weighted average number of 3,550,496,836 shares in issue for each of the three months and six months ended 30 September 2016 respectively (three months and six months ended 30 September 2015: 1,451,540,000 shares and 1,451,540,000 shares respectively).

Diluted earnings/loss per share is calculated by adjusting the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding to assume conversion of all dilutive, potential ordinary shares. There is no adjustment made to the weighted average number of ordinary shares for the three months and six months ended 30 September 2016, the basic earnings/loss per share is therefore the same as the diluted earnings/loss per share for the three months and six months ended 30 September 2016 respectively.

The calculations of diluted earnings per share for the three months and six months ended 30 September 2015 are based on the unaudited consolidated profits of HK\$122,000 and HK\$2,200,000 attributable to ordinary equity holders of the Company for the three months and six months ended 30 September 2015 respectively and the adjusted weighted average number of 1,519,740,000 shares in issue for each of the three months and six months ended 30 September 2015 respectively.

#### 8. DIVIDENDS

The Board does not recommend the payment of an interim dividend for the Interim Period 2016 (2015: Nii).

## 9. PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

During the six months ended 30 September 2016, the Group acquired items of plant and equipment with a cost of HK\$336,024 (2015: HK\$388,255).

#### 10. TRADE RECEIVABLES

The Group's trade receivables arose generally from the provision of corporate advisory services, placing and underwriting income/arrangement fee, investment advisory and management income and securities dealing commission.

The Group's normal trading term with its customers is that payment is due upon the issuance of invoices apart from the investment advisory and management fee as described in Note (a) below. The Group seeks to maintain strict control over its outstanding receivables. Overdue balances are reviewed regularly by senior management.

An aged analysis of the Group's trade receivables which are not considered to be individually or collectively impaired as at the end of the reporting period, based on the invoice dates and net of provisions, is as follows:

	Note	As at 30 September 2016 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	As at 31 March 2016 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Audited)
Current to 30 days		260,050	128,094
31 to 60 days		161	100
61 to 90 days		-	200
Over 90 days		3,088	545
	(a)	263,299	128,939

#### Notes:

All of the above receivables (except for the receivables in relation to the investment advisory service) that (a) were past due but not impaired relate to a number of independent customers that have good track records with the Group, or have subsequently settled the amounts due to the Group. The invoice dates of the above trade receivables are generally the same as the corresponding due dates apart from the investment advisory and management fee which is due within 90 days after the receipt of the amount realised from the disposal of certain assets in the investment portfolio advised by the Group by 中植資本管理有限公司 (Zhongzhi Capital Management Company Limited\*) ("Zhongzhi Capital Management") in accordance with an investment and advisory management agreement ("IAM Agreement") signed on 2 February 2016 between Zhongzhi Capital Management and Asian Capital (Corporate Finance) Limited ("Asian Capital (Corporate Finance)"). On 18 July 2016, an amount of HK\$60 million receivables in relation to investment advisory service has been settled, with investment advisory and management income receivables of HK\$258.68 million remain outstanding. On 20 July 2016, a side letter to the IAM Agreement was signed between both parties who agreed to settle the amount in Renminbi ("RMB") and to defer the due date for investment advisory and management income receivables to 12 October 2016. After having further assessment of the potential risk of tightening foreign currency control by the PRC government, Asian Capital (Corporate Finance) agreed with Zhongzhi Capital Management to receive the remaining performance fee in Hong Kong dollars by Asian Capital (Corporate Finance). Management considered that it is in the best interest of shareholders of the Company.

The directors are of the opinion that, other than the impairments of HK\$1.38 million that have already been made against other fee receivable due from third parties, no provision for impairment is necessary in respect of these outstanding receivables at 30 September 2016.

- (b) Up to the date of approval of these condensed consolidated financial statements, subsequent settlement of trade receivables as at 30 September 2016 amounted to HK\$1.56 million.
- \* The company name is registered in Chinese only, the translated English name is only used for identification purpose in these condensed consolidated financial statements.

#### 11. CASH HELD ON BEHALF OF CLIENTS

The Group's licensed subsidiary maintains segregated trust accounts with a licensed bank to hold clients' monies arising from its normal course of business. The Group has classified the clients' monies as cash held on behalf of clients under the current assets section of the condensed consolidated statement of financial position, and recognised the corresponding payables to the respective clients on the grounds that it is liable for any loss or misappropriation of clients' monies. The Group is not allowed to use clients' monies to settle its own obligations.

#### 12. TRADE PAYABLES

Included in trade payables are clients' monies which are segregated in the trust accounts as described in Note 11 to the Interim Financial Statements. Aging of the Group's trade payables excluding clients' monies as at the end of the reporting period was current to 30 days (31 March 2016: current to 30 days).

#### 13. OTHER PAYABLES AND ACCRUALS

The Group's other payables and accruals included the followings:

	As at	As at
	30 September	31 March
	2016	2016
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Provision for Bonus	2,675	2,760
Provision for value-added tax and surtax	21,230	8,566
Accrued recruitment expense	3,112	

#### 14. SHARE CAPITAL

	Notes	Number of shares	Nominal value HK\$
Authorised			
As at 31 December 2014, 1 January 2015, 30 September 2015, 31 March 2016, 1 April 2016 and 30 September 2016		10,000,000,000	100,000,000
Issued			
As at 31 December 2014 and			
1 January 2015 (Audited) Allotment of new shares pursuant to:-		1,451,540,000	14,515,400
Pre-IPO share option scheme	а	68,200,000	682,000
New Shares Placing Agreement	b	400,000,000	4,000,000
Subscription Agreement	С	1,630,756,836	16,307,568
As at 31 March 2016 (Audited), 1 April 2016 and			
30 September 2016 (Unaudited)		3,550,496,836	35,504,968

#### Notes:

- (a) Details of the Company's Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme adopted by the Company on 7 June 2010 (the "Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme") and the share options issued under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme are included in Note 24(a) to the Annual Financial Statements.
- (b) The Company entered into a New Shares Placing Agreement on 5 January 2016 (the "New Shares Placing Agreement") with an independent placing agent (the "New Shares Placing Agent") pursuant to which the New Shares Placing Agent procured placees to subscribe for 400,000,000 new shares of the Company (the "New Placing Shares") at the placing price of HK\$0.3876 per New Placing Share, raising a gross proceed of HK\$155,040,000.
- (c) On 28 October 2015, Jinhui Capital Company Limited ("Jinhui") and Kang Bang Qi Hui (HK) Company Limited ("Kang Bang") entered into a Subscription Agreement (as amended and supplemented by the supplemental subscription agreement dated 5 January 2016) (the "Subscription Agreement") with the Company. Pursuant to the Subscription Agreement, Jinhui and Kang Bang subscribed a total of 1,630,756,836 new shares of the Company (the "Subscription Shares") for an aggregate consideration of HK\$485,965,537 in cash at the subscription price of HK\$0.298 per Subscription Share.

#### 15. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

(a) During the period from 1 April 2016 to 30 September 2016, Asian Capital (Corporate Finance) was entitled to total remuneration of HK\$188.45 million in relation to Zhongzhi Capital Management's disposal of an investment included in the investment portfolio being managed by Asian Capital (Corporate Finance) in accordance with IAM Agreement and the side letter signed on 4 March 2016.

On 18 July 2016, Asian Capital (Corporate Finance) has received HK\$60 million from Zhongzhi Capital Management for part of the performance fee due and payable under the IAM Agreement. On 20 July 2016, a side letter in relation to the IAM Agreement (the "Side Letter II") was signed subsequently by Zhongzhi Capital Management and Asian Capital (Corporate Finance). Principal terms extracted from the Side Letter II are set out below:

Asian Capital (Corporate Finance) agrees to accept RMB for settlement of HK\$258,684,383 remains due and payable to Asian Capital (Corporate Finance) in relation to the performance fee under the IAM Agreement (the "Remaining Performance Fee") in the following manner:

- Qianhai Subsidiary, the wholly-owned subsidiary of Asian Capital (Corporate Finance), is to be established under Qualified Foreign Limited Partnership of the PRC with a RMB bank account at a licensed bank in the PRC (or such other bank account as both parties may agree in writing);
- Zhongzhi Capital Management shall pay the Remaining Performance Fee in equivalent RMB to Qianhai Subsidiary within 5 business days after Asian Capital (Corporate Finance) informing Zhongzhi Capital Management in writing the due establishment of the Qianhai Subsidiary and the RMB bank account details of the Qianhai Subsidiary (or such later date as the both parties may agree in writing);
- Zhongzhi Capital Management shall be responsible for all out-of-pocket expenses reasonably incurred by Asian Capital (Corporate Finance) or the Qianhai Subsidiary and all taxes payable under the applicable laws and regulations arising from the payment arrangement described herein for the Remaining Performance Fee; and
- Both parties further agree that subject to the full settlement of the Remaining Performance
  Fee in RMB to the Qianhai Subsidiary, the obligation under the IAM Agreement to pay the
  Remaining Performance Fee by Zhongzhi Capital Management to Asian Capital (Corporate
  Finance) shall be deemed performed in full and final satisfaction.

Please refer Note 10 for details of aged analysis on Remaining Performance Fee.

#### 15. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (Continued)

(b) Compensation of key management personnel of the Group:

	Three months ended 30 September		Six months ended 30 September	
	2016 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2015 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2016 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	2015 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Audited)
Short-term employees benefits Pension scheme contributions Equity-settled share option	6,510 9	1,122 9	9,759 17	2,500 18
expense				302
Total compensation for key management personnel	6,519	1,131	9,776	2,820

#### 16. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

#### 16.1 Financial risk factors

The Group's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: market risk (including currency risk, fair value interest rate risk, cash flow interest rate risk and price risk), credit risk and liquidity risk.

The condensed consolidated financial statements do not include all financial risk management information and disclosures required in the annual financial statements, and should be read in conjunction with the Group's annual financial statements as at 31 March 2016.

There have been no changes in the risk management policies since year end.

## 16.2 Currency risk

During the six months ended 30 September 2016, the Group had minimal exposure to foreign currency risks, except for the receivables arising from investment advisory and management revenue. As at 30 September 2016, the Group had an exposure of HK\$258,684,000 in RMB arising from the investment advisory and management receivables. The Group will continue to monitor its foreign currency exposure and will consider using hedging instruments if available in respect of significant foreign currency exposure should the need arise.

The following table details the Group's sensitivity to a 5% appreciation and depreciation of RMB against Hong Kong dollars. A positive number below indicates an increase in pre-tax profit whereas a negative number indicates a decrease in pre-tax profit. Effects on appreciation and depreciation of RMB against Hong Kong dollars are illustrated below.

	Six months	Six months ended		
	30 September			
	2016	2015		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000		
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)		
Increase by 5%	12,934	_		
Decrease by 5%	(12,934)	_		

## 17. APPROVAL OF THE UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The condensed consolidated financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board on 8 November 2016.

# REPORT ON REVIEW OF CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF ZZ CAPITAL INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

中植資本國際有限公司

(incorporated in Cayman Islands with limited liability)

#### Introduction

We have reviewed the condensed consolidated financial statements set out on pages 3 to 15, which comprise the condensed consolidated statement of financial position of ZZ Capital International Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (together, the "Group") as at 30 September 2016 and the related condensed consolidated statements of comprehensive income, changes in equity and cash flows for the six-month period then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes. The Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Growth Enterprise Market of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited require the preparation of a report on condensed consolidated financial statements to be in compliance with the relevant provisions thereof and Hong Kong Accounting Standard 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation and presentation of these condensed consolidated financial statements in accordance with Hong Kong Accounting Standard 34 "Interim Financial Reporting". Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on these condensed consolidated financial statements based on our review and to report our conclusion solely to you, as a body, in accordance with our agreed terms of engagement and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility towards or accept liability to any other person for the contents of this report.

#### Scope of review

We conducted our review 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. A review of condensed consolidated financial statements consists of making inquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

#### Conclusion

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the condensed consolidated financial statements are not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with Hong Kong Accounting Standard 34 "Interim Financial Reporting".

## **PricewaterhouseCoopers**

Certified Public Accountants

Hong Kong, 8 November 2016

## MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

#### **Business review**

Sentiment remained somewhat subdued with global economic growth for the calendar year expected to further slow before recovering in 2017. There were, however, pockets of optimism. The equity markets in Hong Kong were relatively buoyant as the Hang Seng Index ended up approximately 12% versus the previous quarter and ended at close to a 52-week high. Consumer confidence in the United States rose in September to its highest level in 9 years and Chinese consumer confidence reached its highest point in the last twelve months during the Second Quarter Fiscal 2016. China's gross domestic product growth remained steady from the previous quarter at 6.7%, in line with expectations.

During the Second Quarter Fiscal 2016, the corporate finance team continued to act as the sole sponsors in four initial public offerings ("IPOs"), financial advisers for listed companies in eight corporate resumption cases and other advisory works, and the underwriter in respect of open offer.

#### Financial review

The Group's investment advisory and management income in the Second Quarter Fiscal 2016 was recorded at HK\$1.60 million (2015: Nil), leading to a total investment advisory and management income of HK\$188.45 million (2015: Nil) during the Interim Period 2016 resulting from the IAM Agreement. Corporate advisory income reached HK\$9.72 million for the Interim Period 2016 (2015: HK\$10.56 million), 8% lower than that of the corresponding period in 2015 due to a combined effect of decrease in the number of M&As and IPOs projects and improvement in corporate resumption business in the Interim Period 2016.

In the Second Quarter Fiscal 2016, there were neither placing and underwriting income (2015: HK\$0.51 million) nor securities dealing commission (2015: HK\$0.14 million) earned in association with our existing corporate finance projects. In the meantime, the Group's overall revenue and other income advanced significantly to HK\$198.88 million during the Interim Period 2016 (2015: HK\$14.78 million), mainly as a result of the investment advisory and management income generated.

Operating expenses for the three months and six months ended 30 September 2016 were HK\$23.73 million (2015: HK\$5.21 million) and HK\$57.12 million (2015: HK\$11.80 million) respectively, representing a significant increase versus the corresponding period in 2015. The increase in operating expenses for the Interim Period 2016 was mainly attributable to business expansion, represented by an increase in headcount and related staff cost of HK\$14.73 million, as well as the provision for value-added tax ("VAT") and surtax amounting to HK\$12.66 million related to the investment advisory and management income from Zhongzhi Capital Management, and increase in recruitment expenses of HK\$10.41 million. Staff cost represented the largest expense component for the Second Quarter Fiscal 2016 and the Interim Period 2016.

## MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Continued)

## Financial review (Continued)

With income tax expense rising to HK\$18.85 million (2015: income tax expense of HK\$0.79 million) for the Interim Period 2016, the resultant post-tax profit was HK\$122.91 million, compared to a post-tax profit of HK\$2.20 million for the corresponding six months period in 2015.

Trade receivables as at 30 September 2016, after allowing for debt provisioning, increased to HK\$263.30 million (31 March 2016: HK\$128.94 million), with majority representing the performance fee due and receivables under the IAM Agreement.

Other payables and accruals also increased, compared to the last audited financial period end 31 March 2016, to HK\$33.25 million (31 March 2016: HK\$15.88 million), as the VAT and surtax charged on the investment advisory and management income were booked under other payables.

The Group recorded total comprehensive loss of HK\$19.80 million (2015: income of HK\$0.12 million) in the Second Quarter Fiscal 2016, and total comprehensive income of HK\$122.91 million (2015: HK\$2.20 million) for the Interim Period 2016. Basic earnings per share for the Interim Period 2016 was HK3.46 cents (2015: HK0.15 cent).

Net assets value as at 30 September 2016 advanced to a record level of HK\$1,015.98 million (31 March 2016: HK\$893.06 million), 13.76% higher than net assets value as at 31 March 2016. Net assets value per share as at 30 September 2016 stood at HK0.29 cent (31 March 2016: HK0.25 cent).

## Liquidity and financial resources

The Group continued to adopt a prudent financial management strategy and maintained a healthy liquidity position. The Group's cash and cash at bank maintained at HK\$814.09 million as at 30 September 2016 (31 March 2016: HK\$787.86 million). As at 30 September 2016, the Group had net current assets of HK\$1,012.79 million (31 March 2016: HK\$889.61 million).

The Group's operations and investments were financed principally by revenue generated from business operations and available bank balances. Funds are largely placed with financial institutions with maturities timed to cover any known capital, investment or underwriting commitments. The Group had no borrowing and the gearing ratio of the Group, calculated as total borrowings over shareholders' fund, was nil as at 30 September 2016 (31 March 2016: Nil).

During the six months ended 30 September 2016, the Group had minimal exposure to foreign currency risks, except for the receivables arising from investment advisory and management income. As at 30 September 2016, the Group had an exposure of HK\$258,684,000 in RMB arising from the investment advisory and management income receivables. The Group will continue to monitor its foreign currency exposure and will consider using hedging instruments if available in respect of significant foreign currency exposure should the need arise.

## MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Continued)

### Capital structure

There has been no change in the capital structure of the Company during the six months ended 30 September 2016. The capital of the Company comprises only ordinary shares.

Total equity attributable to owners of the Company amounted to HK\$1,015.98 million as at 30 September 2016 (31 March 2016: HK\$893.06 million). This increase was mainly attributable to the combined effects of the recognition of investment advisory and management income in the Interim Period 2016 and the offsetting effect on related tax provision made for such income.

## Capital commitments

As at 30 September 2016, save as the establishment of a wholly-owned foreign funded equity investment management enterprise (the "Qianhai Subsidiary") in Qianhai, Shenzhen for which there will be a capital contribution of US\$2 million, the Group did not have any significant capital commitments (2015: Nil).

### Dividend

The Board does not recommend the payment of an interim dividend for the Interim Period 2016 (2015: Nil).

## **Employees and remuneration policies**

The Group has placed strong emphasis on attracting, engaging, training and retaining professional talents, and regards human resource as a cornerstone in the Group's ability to secure and deliver its advisory services and manage its assets. Promotion from within has been a key part of the Group's human resources policy.

The Group's policy concerning remuneration of directors is to consider and determine remuneration (including bonuses) and terms of service by reference to the relevant director's qualifications, experience, duties, level of responsibilities, capabilities, workload and performance or achievement of the agreed key performance indicators or targets as adopted by the remuneration committee (the "Remuneration Committee") of the Board from time to time, having regard to market conditions in relation to the intended business activities. The Remuneration Committee, with delegated responsibility, determines the remuneration packages of executive directors and members of senior management.

In addition to other staff benefits including contributions to mandatory provident fund scheme in Hong Kong, medical insurance, education subsidy and training are offered to employees. The Group regularly arranges and conducts professional development and training programs, enabling its executives to refresh their knowledge and sharpen their skills. The Company adopted a share option scheme on 7 June 2010 (the "Share Option Scheme"), however, no options have been granted since then.

As at 30 September 2016, the Group employed 37 employees including Directors (31 March 2016: 25 employees). Total staff costs (including Directors' emoluments) were HK\$21.74 million for the six months ended 30 September 2016 (2015: HK\$6.69 million).

## MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Continued)

## Charge on the Group's assets

As at 30 September 2016, the Group did not have any charge on its assets (2015: Nil).

## **Contingent liabilities**

As at 30 September 2016, the Group had no material contingent liabilities (2015: Nil).

## Material acquisitions and disposals of subsidiaries and affiliated companies

The Group had no material acquisitions and disposals of subsidiaries and affiliated companies during the six months ended 30 September 2016.

## Future plans for material investments or capital assets

The Qianhai Subsidiary was set up in August 2016. The registered capital required for setting up the Qianhai Subsidiary is US\$2 million which will be financed by the Group's internal resources. Save as aforementioned, the Group has no plans for material investments or acquisitions of capital assets, but will actively pursue opportunities for investments and lending to enhance its profitability in the ordinary course of its business.

#### Outlook

Chinese outbound M&A activity in 2016 has already exceeded the robust pace that was set in 2015 and is expected to continue at elevated levels for the foreseeable future. Against this backdrop, during the Second Quarter Fiscal 2016, we evaluated and are continuing to evaluate a number of potential investment opportunities around the world. We are also in active discussions to pursue strategic alliances and partnerships that will enhance our business prospects.

As at the date of this report, the Group has on hand five corporate resumptions. Apart from restructuring work, we are busy with one IPO and a diversified portfolio of M&A engagements.

With the Group's cash position around HK\$814.09 million with no outstanding loan position as at 30 September 2016, we will continue to identify and pursue global investment opportunities in various types of assets and geographies, alongside existing business activities such as underwriting, placement, corporate advisory and asset management in order to diversify our income sources and increase shareholder value over time.

## CHANGE OF COMPANY NAME AND STOCK SHORT NAME

As announced on 2 September 2016, the name of the Company has been changed from "Asian Capital Holdings Limited 卓亞資本有限公司" to "ZZ Capital International Limited 中植資本國際有限公司" with effect from 10 August 2016. The stock short names of the Company for trading in the shares of the Company on the Stock Exchange have been changed from "ASIAN CAPITAL H" to "ZZ CAP INTL" in English and from "卓亞資本" to "中植資本國際" in Chinese, with effect from 9:00 a.m. on 7 September 2016.

### SHARE OPTION SCHEME

The principal terms of the Share Option Scheme were summarised in the section headed "Share Option Scheme" in Appendix V to the Company's prospectus dated 11 June 2010. The purpose of the Share Option Scheme is to enable the Company to grant options to the participants as incentive or rewards for their contributions to the Group.

During the Interim Period 2016, no option was granted, exercised or lapsed under the Share Option Scheme.

# DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN THE SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURES OF THE COMPANY OR ANY ASSOCIATED CORPORATION

As at 30 September 2016, none of the Directors and chief executive of the Company had any interests or short positions in any shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance, Chapter 571 of the laws of Hong Kong ("SFO")) which were required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests or short positions which they were taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO), or which were required, pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO, to be entered in the register referred to therein, or which were required, pursuant to Rules 5.46 to 5.67 of the GEM Listing Rules relating to securities transactions by the Directors to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange.

## SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN THE SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES OF THE COMPANY

As at 30 September 2016, so far as was known to the Directors, the following persons (other than the Directors or chief executive of the Company) had, or were deemed to have, interests or short positions in the shares or underlying shares of the Company which would fall to be disclosed to the Company under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO or which were recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under Section 336 of the SFO, or who were directly or indirectly interested in 5% or more of the nominal value of any class of share capital carrying rights to vote in all circumstances at general meetings of any member of the Group:

## Long positions in shares of the Company

Name of shareholder	Capacity	Number of shares held	Approximate percentage of shareholding in the Company
Jinhui Capital Company Limited ("Jinhui") (Note 1)	Beneficial owner	1,823,282,102	51.35%
Zhongzhi Capital (HK) Company Limited ("Zhongzhi Capital (HK)") (Note 1)	Interest of controlled corporation	1,823,282,102	51.35%
深圳前海中植金輝投資管理 合夥企業(有限合夥) (Shenzhen Qianhai Zhongzhi Jinhui Investment Management Partnership Enterprise (Limited Partnership)*) ("Shenzhen Zhongzhi") (Notes 1 and 3)	Interest of controlled corporation	1,823,282,102	51.35%
Kang Bang Qi Hui (HK) Company Limited ("Kang Bang") (Note 2)	Beneficial owner	455,820,525	12.84%
常州康邦齊輝投資中心(有限合夥) (Notes 2 and 3)	Interest of controlled corporation	455,820,525	12.84%
西藏康邦勝博投資有限公司 (Tibet Kangbang Sheng Bo Investment Company Limited*) ("Tibet Kangbang") (Note 3)	Interest of controlled corporation	2,279,102,627	64.19%

## SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN THE SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES OF THE COMPANY (Continued)

Long positions in shares of the Company (Continued)

Name of shareholder	Capacity	Number of shares held	Approximate percentage of shareholding in the Company
常州京江資本管理有限公司 (Changzhou Jingjiang Capital Management Company Limited*) ("Changzhou Jingjiang") (Note 3)	Interest of controlled corporation	2,279,102,627	64.19%
Zhongzhi Capital Management (Note 3)	Interest of controlled corporation	2,279,102,627	64.19%
中海晟融(北京)資本管理 有限公司 (Note 3)	Interest of controlled corporation	2,279,102,627	64.19%
中海晟豐(北京)資本管理 有限公司 (Note 3)	Interest of controlled corporation	2,279,102,627	64.19%
Mr. XIE Zhikun ("Mr. Xie") (Note 3)	Interest of controlled corporation	2,279,102,627	64.19%
Mr. YEUNG Kai Cheung Patrick	Beneficial owner	10,000,000	0.28%
Master Link Assets Limited (Note 4)	Beneficial owner	326,270,000	9.19%
Mr. YEUNG Kai Cheung Patrick (Note 4)	Interest of controlled corporation	326,270,000	9.19%

#### Notes:

- Jinhui is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Zhongzhi Capital (HK), which in turn is wholly-owned by 1. Shenzhen Zhongzhi. As such, each of Jinhui, Zhongzhi Capital (HK) and Shenzhen Zhongzhi is deemed to be interested in the 1,823,282,102 shares in the Company by virtue of the SFO.
- 2. Kang Bang is a wholly-owned subsidiary of 常州康邦齊輝投資中心 (有限合夥). As such, each of Kang Bang and 常州康邦齊輝投資中心 (有限合夥) is deemed to be interested in the 455,820,525 shares of the Company by virtue of the SFO.

<sup>\*</sup> For identification purpose only

# SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN THE SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES OF THE COMPANY (Continued)

Long positions in shares of the Company (Continued)

- 3. Shenzhen Zhongzhi is owned as to 95% by Tibet Kangbang as limited partner and 5% by Changzhou Jingjiang as general partner, and 常州康邦齊輝投資中心 (有限合夥) is owned as to 99% by Changzhou Jingjiang as limited partner and 1% by Tibet Kangbang as general partner. Tibet Kangbang and Changzhou Jingjiang are wholly-owned subsidiaries of Zhongzhi Capital Management which in turn is owned as to 95% by 中海晟融 (北京) 資本管理有限公司. 中海晟融 (北京) 資本管理有限公司 is owned as to 99.8% by 中海晟豐 (北京) 資本管理有限公司 which is wholly and beneficially owned by Mr. Xie. As such, each of Tibet Kangbang, Changzhou Jingjiang, Zhongzhi Capital Management, 中海晟融 (北京) 資本管理有限公司, 中海晟融 (北京) 資本管理有限公司 and Mr. Xie is deemed to be interested in an aggregate of 2,279,102,627 shares of the Company held by Jinhui and Kang Bang by virtue of the SFO.
- 4. Master Link Assets Limited is an investment holding company, the entire issued share capital of which is wholly and beneficially owned by Mr. YEUNG Kai Cheung Patrick.

Save as disclosed above, as at 30 September 2016, the Directors were not aware of any other person (other than the Directors and chief executive of the Company) who had an interest or short position in the shares or underlying shares of the Company which would fall to be disclosed to the Company under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO or which were recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under Section 336 of the SFO, or who was directly or indirectly interested in 5% or more of the nominal value of any class of share capital carrying rights to vote in all circumstances at general meetings of any member of the Group.

# PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF THE LISTED SECURITIES OF THE COMPANY

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries had purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities during the Interim Period 2016.

## **CHANGES IN INFORMATION OF DIRECTORS**

Pursuant to Rule 17.50A(1) of the GEM Listing Rules, changes in information of Directors are set out below:

Name of Director	Details of changes	
Ms. DUAN Di	-	Entitled to receive a director fee of US\$22,000 per month with effect from 9 August 2016 as approved by the Remuneration Committee on 9 August 2016
Mr. CHO Michael Min-kuk	-	Appointed as director of certain wholly-owned subsidiaries of the Company
Mr. CHEN Jianfeng Peter	-	Appointed as director of a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company
Ms. ZHANG Yun	-	Entitled to receive a director fee of US\$15,000 per month with effect from 9 August 2016 as approved by the Remuneration Committee on 9 August 2016
	-	Appointed as director of certain wholly-owned subsidiaries of the Company

## **DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN COMPETING BUSINESS**

Ms. DUAN Di and Ms. ZHANG Yun, executive Directors up until the date of this report, served certain capacities in Zhongzhi Capital Management and/or its subsidiaries as listed below which provide asset management, investment management and/or investment advisory services that may compete or are likely to compete with the business of the Group:

Ms. DUAN Di

Name of company	Capacity
Zhongzhi Capital Management	Legal representative and director
Shenzhen Zhongzhi	Legal representative

Ms. 7HANG Yun

Name of company

name of company	Capacity
常州康邦齊輝投資中心(有限合夥)	Representative of Managing Partner
常州康成企業管理諮詢有限公司	Legal representative and director

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Zhongzhi Capital Management, through its wholly-owned subsidiaries, Jinhui and Kang Bang, indirectly owns a 64.19% interest in the Company and is the controlling shareholder of the Company. Zhongzhi Capital Management's key services include private equity investments in the primary market, private placement, mergers and acquisitions of overseas businesses and funds which may compete or are likely to compete with the business of the Group.

Save as disclosed above, the Directors are not aware of any business or interest of the Directors, the controlling shareholders of the Company and their respective close associates (as defined under the GEM Listing Rules) that competed or might compete with the businesses of the Group nor any conflict of interest which any such person had or might have with the Group as at 30 September 2016.

## CODE OF CONDUCT REGARDING SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS BY DIRECTORS

The Company has adopted a code of conduct regarding securities transactions by the Directors on terms no less exacting than the required standard of dealings set out in Rules 5.48 to 5.67 of the GEM Listing Rules. The Company had made specific enquiries to all the relevant Directors who confirmed their compliance with the required standard of dealings and the code of conduct regarding securities transactions by the Directors throughout the Interim Period 2016. No incident of non-compliance was noted by the Company during the Interim Period 2016.

## **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

The Company has applied the principles and complied with all code provisions set out in the Corporate Governance Code contained in Appendix 15 of the GEM Listing Rules (the "CG Code") throughout the Interim Period 2016 except for the deviations from code provisions A.2.1 and A.5.1 of the CG Code.

In accordance with code provision A.2.1 of the CG Code, the roles of chairman and chief executive should be separate and should not be performed by the same individual. Following the change of Board compositions on 12 May 2016, the roles of chairman of the Board and the chief executive officer are separated.

Code provision A.5.1 of the CG Code stipulates that the Company should establish a nomination committee which is chaired by the chairman of the board or an independent non-executive director and comprises a majority of independent non-executive directors. However, due to the change of Board composition, the Remuneration Committee and Nomination Committee did not comprise a majority of independent non-executive Directors as required under Rule 5.34 of the GEM Listing Rules and code provision A.5.1 of the CG Code respectively. Furthermore, the numbers of independent non-executive Directors and of members of the Audit Committee fall below the minimum numbers required under Rules 5.05(1) and 5.28 of the GEM Listing Rules respectively and the number of independent non-executive Directors does not represent at least one-third of the Board as required under Rule 5.05A of the GEM Listing Rules. Subsequent to the appointment of Mr. Stephen MARKSCHEID, Mr. Edouard MERETTE and Mr. ZHANG Weidong as our independent non-executive Directors in the Interim Period 2016, the above deviations have been rectified.

#### **REVIEW OF UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS**

The Audit Committee has reviewed the Interim Financial Statements and is of the opinion that the preparation of those statements complies with the applicable accounting standards and that adequate disclosures have been made. In addition, the Interim Financial Statements have been reviewed by our 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 HKICPA and an unqualified review report is issued.

By Order of the Board

ZZ Capital International Limited
中植資本國際有限公司

DUAN Di

Chairman

Hong Kong, 8 November 2016

As at the date of this report, the Board comprises Ms. DUAN Di (Chairman), Mr. CHO Michael Min-kuk (Chief Executive Officer), Mr. CHEN Jianfeng Peter and Ms. ZHANG Yun being executive Directors; and Mr. Stephen MARKSCHEID, Mr. Edouard MERETTE and Mr. ZHANG Weidong, being independent non-executive Directors.