**2014 INTERIM REPORT** 

#### CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2014

		Unaudited Six months ended 30 June		
	Note	2014 HK\$	2013 HK\$	
Turnover	4	1,651,074,024	1,105,826,884	
Other income		100,509,070	100,412,909	
Total income		1,751,583,094	1,206,239,793	
Commission and clearing expenses Staff costs Operating lease rental in respect of leased premises Depreciation Information technology and communications expenses Management fee to related companies Other operating expenses			(244,372,582) (223,995,710) (26,622,492) (1,760,472) (54,470,748) (175,546,893) (44,804,809) (771,573,706)	
Finance costs		(117,486,087)	(75,301,670)	
Profit before taxation		742,914,201	359,364,417	
Income tax expense	5	(112,233,848)	(49,846,432)	
Profit after taxation for the period		630,680,353	309,517,985	
Profit attributable to: Equity holders of the Company		630,680,353	309,517,985	

#### CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2014

	Unaudited Six months ended 30 June		
	2014 HK\$	2013 HK\$	
Profit after taxation for the period	630,680,353	309,517,985	
Total comprehensive income for the period	630,680,353	309,517,985	
Attributable to: Equity holders of the Company	630,680,353	309,517,985	

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AT 30 JUNE 2014

		Unaudited 30 June	Audited 31 December
	Note	2014 HK\$	2013 HK\$
NON-CURRENT ASSETS	_		
Plant and equipment	6	3,070,356	4,302,820
Intangible assets	7	49,715,218	49,715,218
Available-for-sale financial assets	7	355,000	355,000
Statutory deposits and other assets		12,187,888	14,449,575
Deferred income tax assets		1,058,874	970,510
Total non-current assets		66,387,336	69,793,123
CURRENT ASSETS	_		
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	8	1,731,790,704	995,992,670
Held-to-maturity financial assets	9	2,789,732,417	240,039,978
Derivative financial instruments	10	137,946,177	104,115,581
Loans and receivables	11	32,859,059,485	27,330,683,952
Amounts due from the immediate holding company	13	1,234,424,506	1,904,146,027
Amounts due from fellow subsidiaries	12	317,745,075	-
Cash and balances with banks Taxation recoverable		9,341,959,821	8,460,290,387 33,203,843
Total current assets		48,412,658,185	39,068,472,438
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Bank loans and other borrowings-unsecured	10	2,265,208,155	1,500,095,570
Subordinated loans from the immediate holding company	13	2,285,000,000	2,285,000,000
Amounts due to the immediate holding company	13	10,500,841,061	9,075,128,782
Amounts due to fellow subsidiaries	12	1,187,972,287	260,902,371
Accounts and other payables	14 15	14,156,029,846	9,711,154,058
Deposits from customers Derivative financial instruments	13	11,760,750,990 182,816,127	10,276,833,647 174,990,983
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	10 16	387,051,480	791,540,114
Taxation payable	10	178,152,314	55,842,114
Total current liabilities		42,903,822,260	34,131,487,639
NET CURRENT ASSETS		5,508,835,925	4,936,984,799
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		5,575,223,261	5,006,777,922
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Deferred income tax liabilities		746,133	764,184
Accounts and other payables	14	-	62,216,963
Total non-current liabilities		746,133	62,981,147
Net assets		5,574,477,128	4,943,796,775

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (CONTINUED) AT 30 JUNE 2014

	Note	Unaudited 30 June 2014 HK\$	Audited 31 December 2013 HK\$
<b>EQUITY</b> Capital and reserves attributable to the Company's			
equity holders Share capital Reserve for fair value change of available-for-sale	17	2,000,000,000	2,000,000,000
financial assets		15,000	15,000
Retained earnings		3,574,462,128	2,943,781,775
Total equity		5,574,477,128	4,943,796,775

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2014

	Share capital HK\$	Unaudited Reserve for fair value change of available-for-sale financial assets HK\$	Retained earnings HK\$	Total HK\$
Balance at 1 January 2014 Comprehensive income for the period	2,000,000,000	15,000	2,943,781,775 630,680,353	4,943,796,775 630,680,353
Balance at 30 June 2014	2,000,000,000	15,000	3,574,462,128	5,574,477,128
Balance at 1 January 2013	2,000,000,000	15,000	2,195,870,273	4,195,885,273
Comprehensive income for the period			309,517,985	309,517,985
Balance at 30 June 2013	2,000,000,000	15,000	2,505,388,258	4,505,403,258

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOW FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2014

	Unaudited Six months ended 30 June		
	2014 HK\$	2013 HK\$	
Net cash inflow from operating activities	3,419,406,125	741,113,468	
Net cash (outflow)/ inflow from investing activities	(2,546,363,359)	1,390,868	
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	873,042,766	742,504,336	
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January	8,446,346,953	5,901,568,894	
Cash and cash equivalents at 30 June	9,319,389,719	6,644,073,230	
Analysis of balance of cash and cash equivalents Bank and cash balance with original maturity within three months	9,319,389,719	6,644,073,230	

#### NOTES TO CONDENSED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **1** Basis of preparation

The unaudited interim reports of BOCI Asia Limited and its subsidiaries ("the Group") are prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Accounting Standard ("HKAS") 34 "Interim Financial Reporting", issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA").

#### 2 Accounting policies

The accounting policies and methods of computation used in the preparation of the unaudited interim report are consistent with those used in the Group's consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2013 and should be read in conjunction with the Group's consolidated financial statements for 2013.

#### **3** Segment information

The operating business of BOC International Holdings Limited ("the BOCI Group"), the Group's immediate holding company, are organized and managed separately according to the nature of the products and services provided, with each segment reporting a strategic business unit that offers different products. The Group's operating business segment and structure follows that of the BOCI Group.

Business segments have been used as a primary reporting format and no geographical segment analysis is presented as most of the Group's major business activities and assets are conducted in Hong Kong.

The main business segments of the Group are as follows:

Investment banking	•	<ul><li>Provides a wide range of securities origination services for issuer clients, including underwriting and placement of public and private equity, debt and related securities.</li><li>Advises clients on mergers, acquisitions and restructurings.</li></ul>
Brokerage & wealth management	•	Provides brokerage, and margin financing service to individual and institutional clients.
Fixed income & equity market	•	<ul><li>Facilitates client transactions and makes markets in securities, derivatives, currencies, commodities and other financial instruments to satisfy client demands.</li><li>Engages in principal and in proprietary trading activities.</li></ul>
Leveraged & structured finance	•	Provides structured financing and financial advisory services.
Treasury and others	•	Provides central treasury services on behalf of Group companies.
Private banking	•	Provides a range of services for high net-worth individual clients and corporate clients.

## NOTES TO CONDENSED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## **3** Segment information (Continued)

The Group's segment results for six months ended 30 June 2014 are as follows: Unaudited

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<u>Six months ended 30 June</u> 2014	Investments banking HK\$'000	Brokerage & wealth management HK\$'000	Private banking HK\$'000	Fixed income and equity market HK\$'000	Leveraged & structured finance HK\$'000	Treasury and others HK\$'000	Elimination HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Total revenue – external	79,460	1,189,350	273,943	147,501	11,876	49,453	-	1,751,583
Total revenue – inter-segment Commission and clearing	-	-	23,958	-	-	65,244	(89,202)	-
expense	(5)	(309,484)	(7,141)	(25)	(38)	(292)	-	(316,985)
Depreciation	(78)	(1,040)	(70)	(31)	-	(9)	-	(1,228)
Other operating expenses	(71,748)	(166,013)	(79,722)	(41,953)	(6,340)	4,888	-	(360,888)
Finance costs – external	-	(9,522)	(22,976)	(3)	-	(84,985)	-	(117,486)
Finance costs – inter-segment	-	-	(63,916)	-	(1,328)	(23,958)	89,202	-
Segment results Unallocated cost	7,629	703,291	124,076	105,489	4,170	10,341	-	954,996 (212,082)
Operating profits								742,914
Six months ended 30 June 2013								
Total revenue – external Total revenue –	81,164	613,982	293,410	160,355	11,000	46,327	-	1,206,238
inter-segment Commission and clearing	-	-	25,871	-	-	40,436	(66,307)	-
expense	(40)	(238,688)	(5,256)	(90)	(73)	(226)	-	(244,373)
Depreciation	(110)	(1,349)	(176)	(80)	(35)	(10)	-	(1,760)
Other operating expenses	(70,911)	(150,027)	(71,014)	(46,704)	(4,276)	(6,961)	-	(349,893)
Finance costs – external	-	(8,947)	(34,412)	(2)	(1)	(31,939)	-	(75,301)
Finance costs – inter-segment	-	-	(40,248)	-	(188)	(25,871)	66,307	-
Segment results Unallocated cost	10,103	214,971	168,175	113,479	6,427	21,756		534,911 (175,547)
Operating profits								359,364

## NOTES TO CONDENSED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 4 Turnover

	Unaudited Six month ended 30 June	
	2014 LIK¢	2013
	HK\$	HK\$
Fees and commission income	874,384,956	801,509,815
Net realised/unrealised gain on financial assets and		
financial liabilities	359,838,346	8,476,595
Interest income	383,611,561	272,391,027
Dividend income from listed equities held for trading	33,239,161	23,449,447
	1,651,074,024	1,105,826,884

## 5 Income tax expense

Hong Kong profits tax has been provided at the rate of 16.5% (first half of 2013: 16.5%) on the estimated assessable profit for the first half of 2014. The amount of taxation charged to the condensed consolidated income statement represents:

	Unaudited Six months ended 30 June		
	2014 20		
	HK\$		
Current income tax:			
- Hong Kong profits tax	111,117,510	45,301,531	
- Overseas taxation	1,222,752	706,088	
Deferred income tax (credit)/ expense	(106,414)	3,838,813	
	112,233,848	49,846,432	

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## 6 Plant and equipment

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During the six months ended 30 June 2014, the Group did not spend (first half of 2013: Nil) on the acquisitions of plant and equipment.

#### 7 Available-for-sale financial assets

	Unaudited	Audited
	At 30 June	At 31 December
	2014	2013
	HK\$	HK\$
Non-current assets, at fair value		
- Club debentures, unlisted	355,000	355,000

### 8 Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

	Unaudited At 30 June 2014 HK\$	Audited At 31 December 2013 HK\$
Trading securities, at fair value - Equity securities, listed in Hong Kong	1,731,790,704	995,992,670
Held-to-maturity financial assets		
	Unaudited At 30 June 2014 HK\$	Audited At 31 December 2013 HK\$
Certificates of deposits, unlisted	2,789,732,417	240,039,978
Analysed by type of issuers as follows: Banks, unrated	2,789,732,417	240,039,978

#### NOTES TO CONDENSED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **10** Derivative financial instruments

The Group enters into the following equity and foreign exchange derivative financial instruments for trading and risk management purposes. The types of derivatives utilised by the Group are shown in the following table:

Derivatives	Description
Forwards and futures	These instruments are contractual obligations to buy or sell financial instruments or commodities on a future date at a specified price. Forward contracts are tailor-made agreements that are transacted between counterparties in the over-the-counter (OTC) market, whereas futures are standardised contracts transacted on regulated exchanges.
Options	Options are contractual agreements under which, typically, the seller (writer) grants the purchaser the right, but not the obligation, either to buy (call option) or to sell (put option) by or at a set date, a specified quantity of a financial instrument or commodity at a predetermined price. The purchaser pays a premium to the seller for this right. Options involving more complex payment structures are also transacted. Options may be traded OTC or on a regulated exchange, and may be traded in the form of a security (warrant).
Swaps	These are transactions in which two parties exchange cash flows on a specified notional amount for a predetermined period. Most swaps are traded OTC. The major types of swap transactions undertaken by the

Group are interest rate swaps, credit default swaps and equity swaps.

#### NOTES TO CONDENSED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **10 Derivative financial instruments (Continued)**

The contract/notional amounts and fair values of derivative financial instruments held by the Group are set out in the following tables. The contract/notional amounts of these instruments indicate the volume of transactions outstanding at the balance sheet dates and certain of them provide a basis for comparison with fair value instruments recognised in the condensed consolidated statement of financial position. However, they do not necessarily indicate the amounts of future cash flows involved or the current fair values of the instruments and, therefore, do not indicate the Group's exposure to credit or market risks. The derivative financial instruments become favourable (assets) or unfavourable (liabilities) as a result of fluctuations in market interest rates or foreign exchange rates relative to their terms. The aggregate fair values of derivative financial instruments assets and liabilities can fluctuate significantly from time to time.

	Notional	Unaudited At 30 June 2014	
	amount	Assets	Liabilities
	HK\$'000	HK\$	HK\$
Exchange rate contracts	9,976,108	7,591,391	5,673,251
Equity contracts	6,138,858	130,354,786	177,142,876
		137,946,177	182,816,127
	Notional	Audi At 31 Decer	
	amount	Assets	Liabilities
	HK\$'000	HK\$	HK\$
Exchange rate contracts	8,359,567	6,937,156	6,212,087
Equity contracts	4,328,296	97,178,425	168,778,896
		104,115,581	174,990,983

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#### 11 Loans and receivables

	Unaudited At 30 June 2014 HK\$	Audited At 31 December 2013 HK\$
Accounts receivable from dealing in securities Accounts receivable from securities trading Loans to customers Fees and commission receivable Deposits, prepayments and other receivables	11,728,655,920 81,393,981 20,833,836,267 179,235,835 35,937,482	8,702,859,695 612,158,690 17,831,644,068 142,177,583 41,843,916
Gross	32,859,059,485	27,330,683,952

Loans to customers, which include receivables from margin clients of approximately HK\$14,502 million (end of 2013: approximately HK\$12,659 million), were secured by listed securities and a cash deposit. The Group is permitted to sell or re-pledge such collateral.

The receivables have excluded the brokerage client monies maintained in the trust accounts with Hong Kong Futures Exchange Clearing Corporation Limited and the Stock Exchange Options Clearing House.

#### 12 Amounts due from/to fellow subsidiaries

Amounts due to fellow subsidiaries are non-interest bearing with carrying balances approximating their fair value.

During the year, the Group has entered into securities borrowing and lending arrangements with a fellow subsidiary. Under securities borrowing and lending agreements, cash collateral was required for securities borrowed and lent respectively. No interest was charged on the collateral deposits received and placed.

As at 30 June 2014, the Group has borrowed equity securities with market value of HK\$291,209,369 (end of 2013: HK\$295,377,509) from a fellow subsidiary and placed a cash collateral of HK\$289,164,738 (end of 2013: HK\$240,073,945) and lent equity securities with market value of HK\$1,250,194,015 (end of 2013: HK\$519,722,258) to a fellow subsidiary and received a cash collateral of HK\$1,186,549,545 (end of 2013: HK\$490,632,310).

#### NOTES TO CONDENSED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# 13 Amounts due from/to the immediate holding company/subordinated loans from the immediate holding

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Amounts due to the immediate holding company for daily administrative activities, which are unsecured, interest free and repayable upon demand.

Amounts due from/ due to the immediate holding company for cash management and general funding purpose are unsecured and bear prevailing market interest rate and repayable within 1 year.

Subordinated loans were borrowed from the immediate holding company of HK\$2,285,000,000 (end of 2013: HK\$2,285,000,000), which are unsecured and bear interest at commercial interest rates.

The loans were approved by the Hong Kong Securities and Futures Commission as subordinated loans for exclusion from ranking liabilities in accordance with section 53(2) of the Hong Kong Securities and Futures (Financial Resources) Rules in the computation of regulatory liquid capital.

#### 14 Accounts and other payables

	Unaudited At 30 June 2014 HK\$	Audited At 31 December 2013 HK\$
Accounts payable from dealing in securities Accounts payable from securities trading Discretionary bonus payable Others payables and accrued expenses Amount due to an associate company of BOCI	13,206,371,147 54,937 181,045,381 752,343,733	9,131,996,895 219,103 344,987,480 279,952,895
Group	16,214,648 14,156,029,846	16,214,648 9,773,371,021

The carrying amounts of accounts payable approximate their fair value. All accounts payables are non-interest bearing.

Accounts payable represent amounts due to brokerage clients, brokers and clearing houses, and are due within one month. Accounts payable to clients exclude those payables placed in trust accounts with authorized institutions, Hong Kong Futures Exchange Corporation Limited and Stock Exchange Options Clearing House.

#### **15** Deposits from customers

Majority of the deposits from customers are time, call and notice deposits and maturing within three months.

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#### NOTES TO CONDENSED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 16 Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss

	Unaudited At 30 June 2014 HK\$	Audited At 31 December 2013 HK\$
Trading securities, at fair value		
- Equity securities, listed in Hong Kong	387,051,480	791,540,114
Share capital		
-	Unaudited	Audited
	At 30 June	At 31 December
	2014	2013
	HK\$	HK\$
Issued and fully paid:		
200,000 (2013: 200,000) ordinary shares	2,000,000,000	2,000,000,000

#### 18 Contingent liabilities and commitments

Commitments under operating leases

The Group had future aggregate minimum lease payments under non-cancelable operating leases as follows:

	Unaudited	Audited
	At 30 June	At 31 December
	2014	2013
	HK\$	HK\$
Land and buildings:		
Less than one year	38,740,457	38,947,585
Between one and five years	32,029,728	50,273,596
	70,770,185	89,221,181

#### Underwriting commitment

As at 30 June 2014, the Group has a non-cancellable equity underwriting commitment of HK\$1,328,880,076 (end of 2013: HK\$214,929,183) which expires within a month after the end of the reporting period.

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#### **19** Material related-party transactions

Related parties are those parties that have the ability, directly or indirectly, to control the other party or exercise significant influence over the other party in making financial and operating decisions. Parties are also considered to be related if they are subject to common control or common significant influence. Related parties can be individuals or other entities.

During the period, same as disclosed in the above notes, the Group entered into various transactions with related parties. These transactions were conducted on normal commercial terms.

Summary of material transactions entered into during the ordinary course of business with fellow subsidiaries and associates in BOCI Group and other subsidiaries of Bank of China Limited are as follows:

	Unaudited Six months ended 30 June	
Condensed consolidated income statement items:	2014 HK\$'000	2013 HK\$'000
Interest income from bank deposits & others	82,211	36,839
Brokerage commission	241,528	248,931
Corporate finance and loan syndication fees	17,875	-
Dividend income	5,987	999
Underwriting and placement commission	4,527	6,881
Interest expense from loans and customer deposits	(83,218)	(41,507)
Commission expenses arising from brokerage activities	(92,024)	(84,986)
Operating lease rental in respect of leased premises	(26,183)	(23,393)