

TOP FORM INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

黛麗斯國際有限公司

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability) (Stock Code: 333)

INTERIM RESULTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2005

The Directors of Top Form International Limited (the "Company") are pleased to announce the unaudited consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group") for the six months ended 31 December 2005 as follows:

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

For the six months ended 31 December 2005

		For the six m	onths ended
		31 Dece	mber
		2005	2004
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
	Notes	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Turnover	3	615,724	656,450
Cost of sales		(442,279)	(443,767)
Gross profit		173,445	212,683
Other operating income	4	3,810	2,040
Selling and distribution expenses		(12,535)	(20,433)
General and administrative expenses		(81,147)	(76,691)
Profit from operations	5	83,573	117,599
Finance costs		(277)	(371)
Profit before taxation		83,296	117,228
Taxation	6	(14,221)	(24,507)
Profit for the period		69,075	92,721

* for identification purposes only

	For the six mo 31 Dece			
		2005	2004	
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
	Notes	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Attributable to:				
Equity holders of the Company		67,510	92,143	
Minority interests		1,565	578	
		69,075	92,721	
Interim dividend	7	26,907	26,938	
Earnings per share	8			
Basic		6.3 cents	8.6 cents	
Diluted		<u>N/A</u>	8.6 cents	

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

At 31 December 2005

	Matar	At 31 December 2005 (Unaudited)	At 30 June 2005 (Audited and restated)
	Notes	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment		174,628	166,157
Prepaid lease payments		2,059	2,209
Interests in associates			
		176,687	168,366
Current assets			
Inventories		297,465	188,039
Debtors, deposits and prepayments	9	150,259	143,227
Bills receivables	9	5,228	6,845
Prepaid lease payments		300	300
Bank balances and cash		83,599	184,084
		536,851	522,495
Current liabilities			
Creditors and accrued charges	10	158,887	139,852
Taxation Bank horrowings and other liabilities		67,485	72,483
Bank borrowings and other liabilities – due within one year		7,393	8,639
Obligations under finance leases			
– due within one year		874	1,503
		234,639	222,477
Net current assets		302,212	300,018
Total assets less current liabilities		478,899	468,384

		At 31 December 2005 (Unaudited)	At 30 June 2005 (Audited and restated)
	Notes	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Non-current liabilities Bank borrowings and other liabilities			
 – due after one year Obligations under finance leases 		674	1,150
– due after one year		388	693
Provision for long service payments		4,989	4,989
Deferred taxation		13,811	6,197
		19,862	13,029
		459,037	455,355
Capital and reserves			
Share capital		107,630	107,752
Share premium and reserves		328,783	326,544
Equity attributable to equity holders			
of the Company		436,413	434,296
Minority interests		22,624	21,059
		459,037	455,355

NOTES TO THE CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the six months ended 31 December 2005

1. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The condensed financial statements of the Group have been prepared in accordance with the applicable disclosure requirements of Appendix 16 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules") and with Hong Kong Accounting Standard ("HKAS") 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA").

2. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The condensed financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, except for certain properties, which are measured at revalued amounts.

The accounting policies used in the condensed financial statements are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the Group's annual financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2005.

In the current period, the Group has applied, for the first time, a number of new Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards (HKFRSs), HKASs and Interpretations (hereinafter collectively referred to as "new HKFRSs") issued by the HKICPA that are effective for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2005. The application of the new HKFRSs has resulted in a change in the presentation of the income statement, balance sheet and the statement of changes in equity. In particular, the presentation of minority interests has been changed. The changes in presentation have been applied retrospectively. The adoption of the new HKFRSs has resulted in changes to the Group's accounting policies in the following areas:

Financial Instruments

In the current period, the Group has applied HKAS 32 Financial Instruments: Disclosure and Presentation and HKAS 39 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement. HKAS 32 requires retrospective application. HKAS 39, which is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2005, generally does not permit to recognise, derecognise or measure financial assets and liabilities on a retrospective basis. The application of HKAS 32 has had no material impact on how financial instruments of the Group are presented for current and prior accounting periods.

The Group has applied the relevant transitional provisions in HKAS 39 with respect to the classification and measurement of financial assets and financial liabilities that are within the scope of HKAS 39.

From 1 July 2005 onwards, the Group has classified and measured its financial assets and financial liabilities other than debt and equity securities (which were previously outside the scope of Statement of Standard Accounting Practice ("SSAP") 24) in accordance with the requirements of HKAS 39. Financial assets under HKAS 39 are classified as "financial assets at fair value through profit or loss", "available-for-sale financial assets", "loans and receivables" or "held-to-maturity financial assets". Financial liabilities are generally classified as "financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss" or "other financial liabilities". Other financial liabilities are carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The change in accounting policy has had no material impact on the results for the current and prior accounting periods.

Owner-occupied Leasehold Interest in Land

In previous years, owner-occupied leasehold land and buildings were included in property, plant and equipment and measured using the revaluation model. Advantage has been taken of the transitional relief provided by paragraph 80 of the SSAP 17 "Property, plant and equipment" issued by the HKICPA from the requirement to make revaluation on a regular basis of the Group's land and buildings which had been carried at revalued amounts prior to 30 September 1995 and accordingly no further

revaluation of land and buildings is carried out. In the current period, the Group has applied HKAS 17 Leases. Under HKAS 17, the land and buildings elements of a lease of land and buildings are considered separately for the purposes of lease classification, unless the lease payments cannot be allocated reliably between the land and buildings elements, in which case, the entire lease is generally treated as a finance lease. To the extent that the allocation of the lease payments between the land and buildings elements can be made reliably, the leasehold interests in land are reclassified to prepaid lease payments under operating leases, which are carried at cost and amortised over the lease term on a straight-line basis. This change in accounting policy has been applied retrospectively.

The cumulative effects of the application of the new HKFRSs as at 30 June 2005 and 1 July 2005 are summarised below:

	At 30 June 2005 (originally stated) <i>HK\$'000</i>	Effect on HKAS 17 <i>HK\$'000</i>	Effect on HKAS 1 <i>HK\$'000</i>	At 30 June 2005 and 1 July 2005 (restated) <i>HK\$'000</i>
Balance sheet items				
Property, plant and equipment	168,666	(2,509)	_	166,157
Prepaid lease payments		2,509	_	2,509
	168,666			168,666
Retained profits	321,786	2,281	_	324,067
Revaluation reserve	2,281	(2,281)	_	-
Minority interests			21,059	21,059
	324,067		21,059	345,126
Minority interests	21,059		(21,059)	

The Group has not early applied the following new standards and interpretations that have been issued but are not yet effective. The directors of the Company anticipate that the application of these standards or interpretations will have no material impact on the financial statements of the Group.

HKAS 1 (Amendment)	Capital disclosures ¹
HKAS 19 (Amendment)	Actuarial gains and losses, group plans and disclosures ²
HKAS 21 (Amendment)	Net investment in a foreign operation ²
HKAS 39 (Amendment)	Cash flow hedge accounting of forecast intragroup
	transactions ²
HKAS 39 (Amendment)	The fair value option ²
HKAS 39 & HKFRS 4 (Amendments)	Financial guarantee contracts ²
HKFRS 6	Exploration for and evaluation of mineral resources ²
HKFRS 7	Financial instruments: Disclosures ¹
HK(IFRIC) – INT 4	Determining whether an arrangement contains a lease ²
HK(IFRIC) – INT 5	Rights to interests arising from decommissioning, restoration
	and environmental rehabilitation funds ²
HK(IFRIC) – INT 6	Liabilities arising from participating in a specific market –
	waste electrical and electronic equipment ³
HK(IFRIC) – INT 7	Applying the restatement approach under HKAS 29
	Financial Reporting in Hyperinflationary Economies ⁴

¹ Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2007.

² Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2006.

³Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 December 2005.

⁴Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 March 2006.

3. SEGMENT INFORMATION

The business activities of the Group can be categorised into manufacturing business and branded business. These activities are the basis on which the Group reports its primary segment information. Segment information in respect of these activities is as follows:

Business segments

Six months ended 31 December 2005

	Manufacturing business HK\$'000	Branded business HK\$'000	Elimination <i>HK\$'000</i>	Consolidated HK\$'000
Turnover				
External sales	605,442	10,282	-	615,724
Inter-segment sales	641		(641)	
Total turnover	606,083	10,282	(641)	615,724
Results				
Segment results	91,709	(2,014)		89,695
Unallocated corporate exp	oenses			(8,905)
Interest income				2,783
Profit from operations				83,573

Six months ended 31 December 2004

	Manufacturing business HK\$'000	Branded business HK\$'000	Elimination <i>HK\$'000</i>	Consolidated <i>HK\$'000</i>
Turnover				
External sales	647,079	9,371	_	656,450
Inter-segment sales	384	_	(384)	
Total turnover	647,463	9,371	(384)	656,450
Results Segment results	127,935	(2,538)		125,397
Unallocated corporate ex Interest income	penses			(8,005)
Profit from operations				117,599

Note: Inter-segment sales are charged at prices determined by management with reference to market prices.

Geographical segments

The following table provides an analysis of the Group's sales by geographical market:

Six months ended 31 December 2005

	Sales	Contribution
	revenue by	to profit
	geographical	from
	market	operations
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
United States of America	446,046	67,565
Europe	108,188	16,388
Australia and New Zealand	34,834	5,276
Asia (excluding Hong Kong)	18,213	2,069
Hong Kong	7,878	(1,689)
South Africa	565	86
	615,724	89,695
Unallocated corporate expenses		(8,905)
Interest income		2,783
Profit from operations		83,573

Six months ended 31 December 2004

	Sales	Contribution
	revenue by	to profit
	geographical	from
	market	operations
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
United States of America	506,957	100,232
Europe	93,676	18,521
Australia and New Zealand	24,551	4,854
Asia (excluding Hong Kong)	23,717	3,229
Hong Kong	7,549	(1,439)
South Africa		
	656,450	125,397
Unallocated corporate expenses		(8,005)
Interest income		207
Profit from operations		117,599

4. OTHER OPERATING INCOME

Other operating income includes:

	For the six mor	nths ended
	31 December	
	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Interest income	2,783	207

5. **PROFIT FROM OPERATIONS**

	For the six months ended 31 December	
	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Profit from operations has been arrived at after charging (credi	ting):	
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	13,849	12,832
Amortisation of prepaid lease payments	150	150
Cost of textile quota entitlements	-	7,050
Impairment loss arising in respect of:		
leasehold improvements	_	3,349
furniture, fixtures and equipment		1,628
(included in cost of sales and general and		
administrative expenses of HK\$3,514,000 and		
HK\$1,463,000, respectively)	-	4,977
Bad debts written off	-	1,157
Loss (gain) on disposals of property, plant and equipment	84	(248)

6. TAXATION

		For the six months ended 31 December	
	2005	2004	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Current tax:			
Hong Kong Profits Tax calculated at 17.5% (2004: 17.5%)			
on the estimated assessable profit for the period	4,900	21,324	
Taxation in other jurisdictions calculated at the rates prevailing			
in the respective jurisdictions	1,707	3,877	
	6,607	25,201	
Deferred tax:			
Current year	7,614	(694)	
	14,221	24,507	

7. DIVIDENDS

	For the six months ended 31 December	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 <i>HK\$'000</i>
Dividend paid:		
2005 final dividend paid: HK\$0.06 (year ended 30 June 2004: HK\$0.05) per share on 1,077,514,125 shares (2004: 1,075,973,083 shares)	64,651	53,798
Dividend:		
Interim dividend (Note)	26,907	26,938

Note: An interim dividend of HK\$0.025 (six months ended 31 December 2004: HK\$0.025) per share on 1,076,298,125 shares (six months ended 31 December 2004: 1,077,514,125 shares) has been declared by the Directors.

8. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The calculation of basic earnings per share is based on the profit attributable to equity holders of the Company of HK\$67,510,000 (for the six months ended 31 December 2004: HK\$92,143,000) and on the weighted average of 1,077,083,745 shares (for the six months ended 31 December 2004: 1,074,021,654 shares) in issue during the period.

The computation of diluted earnings per share is as follows:

	For the six months ended	
	31 December	
	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Profit for the purpose of basic and diluted earnings per share	67,510	92,143
For the six months e		
	31 December	
	2005	2004
Number of shares		
Weighted average number of shares for the purpose		
of basic earnings per share	1,077,083,745	1,074,021,654
Effect of dilutive share options		2,531,355
Weighted average number of shares for the purpose		
	1 077 083 745	1 076 553 000
of diluted earnings per share	1,077,083,745	1,076,553,009

9. DEBTORS AND BILLS RECEIVABLES

Included in the debtors, deposits and prepayment, and bills receivables are trade debtors of HK\$115,018,000 and HK\$5,228,000 (at 30 June 2005: HK\$120,996,000 and HK\$6,845,000), respectively. The Group allows an average credit period of 30 days to its trade customers.

An aged analysis of trade debtors is as follows:

	At 31 December 2005 <i>HK\$'000</i>	At 30 June 2005 <i>HK\$'000</i>
0 - 30 days	106,228	119,360
31 - 60 days	12,658	1,642
61 – 90 days	1,177	2,215
Over 90 days	123	4,624
	120,246	127,841

10. CREDITORS AND ACCRUED CHARGES

Included in the balance are trade creditors of HK\$89,998,000 (at 30 June 2005: HK\$59,193,000).

An aged analysis of trade creditors is as follows:

	At 31 December 2005 <i>HK\$'000</i>	At 30 June 2005 <i>HK\$'000</i>
0 – 30 days	60,821	46,281
31 - 60 days	26,042	6,785
61 – 90 days	2,665	4,924
Over 90 days	470	1,203
	89,998	59,193

11. COMPARATIVE FIGURES

During the period, direct logistics and associated costs have been reclassified from selling and distribution expenses to cost of sales to better reflect the underlying direct cost of the Group. Comparative figures of HK\$5,436,000 have been reclassified accordingly in order to conform with the current period's presentation.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

For the six months ended 31 December 2005, the Group experienced a decrease in both sales turnover and after tax earnings when compared with the same period in the previous year. Sales turnover was down 6% to HK\$615.7 million, after-tax earnings 27% to HK\$67.5 million, and basic earnings per share were HK\$0.063 verses HK\$0.086 in the corresponding period of the previous year.

The performance was attained primarily by our core business, which accounted for 98% of the Group's turnover. Our core business remains fundamentally robust but our manufacturing operation was adversely affected by several negative developments that took place in the period. Global sales were 25.9 million units compared with 27.9 million units in the corresponding period last year. These figures, however, do not give a true picture of the disruption as, in the previous year, some 2.4 million units produced in our first half were recognized as sales in our second half due to the embargo on exports from China to the U.S. caused by the breach of the then existing safeguard limits towards the end of the period.

As anticipated in our 2005 year end results announcements, OEM sales in the first quarter of fiscal 2006 were affected by the caution in inventory management shown by our customers as a result of a generally lackluster consumer market in the U.S. Sales declined by some 12% on a year-to-year comparison.

Business returned and demands for capacity surged in the second quarter as market sentiment started to improve. Unfortunately, the increasingly regimented color/material approval process required by some of our OEM customers created not only hiccups in the supply chain, but further complicated the already challenging operating environment resulting from the trade disputes between China, the E.U. and the U.S. markets. In order to address the threats of embargoes and later the quota implementation fiasco in China, we were compelled to reshuffle production loadings between China and our overseas plants in Thailand and the Philippines with consequential losses of efficiency. Margins were under pressure due to associated logistic costs and the need to utilize overtime to meet scheduled production dates.

Our branded business remains an insignificant part of our portfolio, representing less than 2% of group turnover. Losses, all of which were attributable to the Hong Kong operations where we continue to showcase our products, were tapered to HK\$2.0 million. We continue with our search for suitable M&A opportunities in China but on a cautious basis.

The charges attributable to our corporate cost center increased from HK\$8.0 million during the first half of last financial year to HK\$8.9 million in the current period as we continue to strengthen our back office functions, including the establishment of an internal audit function.

The financial position of the Group remains strong. As at 31 December 2005, shareholders' funds had increased to HK\$436.4 million from HK\$434.3 million at 30 June 2005. Credit facilities available to the Group amounted to HK\$130 million, of which some HK\$6.4 million had been utilized. The level of gearing remained insignificant and, with bank balances standing at HK\$83.6 million we retain the flexibility to finance future requirements.

Your Board of Directors has resolved to declare an interim dividend of HK\$0.025 per share for the half year, equivalent to the interim dividend in the previous year.

In our last annual report, we noted that this fiscal year would present unprecedented challenges to the Group. Our fears were well-founded but we did not anticipate the extent of the disarray caused by the implementation of the E.U. agreement. The dust has settled with regard to both the E.U. and U.S. trade agreements and as a result we are able to plan our production schedules with more certainty. For calendar year 2006, the quota allocation mechanism seems to have stabilized and, through participation in the allocation and auction process, we are confident of acquiring sufficient quota for our needs in China. Our challenge during the first few months of the second half of our fiscal year is rebuilding the efficiency of our plants so that we can fully meet the needs of our existing and new customers.

We are continuing with our expansion in Thailand to accommodate our future growth and, with the flexibility to switch back appropriate production to China, we anticipate a return to a normal level of efficiency in the fourth quarter of our fiscal year.

PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF THE COMPANY'S SHARES

During the period, the Company repurchased certain of its own shares on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited. The directors considered that, as the Company's shares were trading at a discount to the expected net asset value per share, the repurchase would be beneficial to the Company.

These repurchased shares were cancelled upon repurchase and, accordingly, the issued share capital of the Company was reduced by the nominal value of these shares. The aggregate consideration paid on repurchase was charged to retained profits. An amount equivalent to the par value of the shares cancelled was transferred from retained profits to the capital redemption reserve.

	Number of shares	Price per share		Aggregate consideration
Month of repurchase	of HK\$0.10 each	Highest	Lowest	paid
		HK\$	HK\$	HK\$'000
October 2005	1,216,000	1.75	1.68	2,077

Save as disclosed above, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries had purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities during the period.

INTERIM DIVIDEND

The Board of Directors has resolved to declare an interim dividend of HK\$0.025 per share (six months ended 31 December 2004: HK\$0.025 per share) to members whose names appear on the registrar of members on 10 March 2006. The dividend will be paid on or before 31 March 2006.

CLOSURE OF THE REGISTER OF THE MEMBERS

The register of members will be closed from 6 March 2006 to 10 March 2006, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be registered. In order to qualify for the interim dividend of HK\$0.025 per ordinary share, all completed transfer forms accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's share registrar and transfer office, Secretaries Limited at 26/F., Tesbury Centre, 28 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong for registration no later than 4:00 p.m. on 3 March 2006.

EMPLOYEES

As at 31 December 2005, the Group has approximately 13,262 employees (30 June 2005: approximately 14,070 employees). The remuneration policy and package of the Group's employees are structured by reference to market terms and statutory requirements as appropriate. In addition, the Group also provide other staff benefits such as medical insurance, mandatory provident fund and a share option scheme to its employees.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Company formed an Audit Committee, which currently comprises Mr. Marvin Bienenfeld, Mr. Chow Yu Chun, Alexander and Mr. Lam Ka Chung, William, all of whom are independent non-executive Directors of the Company.

The Audit Committee has reviewed with management the accounting principles and practices adopted by the Group and discussed internal controls and financial reporting matters including a review of the unaudited interim financial report for the six months ended 31 December 2005.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The Group is committed to achieving high standards of corporate governance that properly protect and promote the interests of its shareholders.

For the six months ended 31 December 2005, the Company has complied with the Code on Corporate Governance Practices as set out in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules, except for the following deviations:

Code Provision A.4.1 and A.4.2

Code A.4.1 provides, inter alia, that non-executive directors should be appointed for a specific term, subject to re-election.

Non-executive directors of the Company are not appointed for a specific term. However, they are subject to retirement by rotation and re-election at the annual general meetings of the Company at least once every three years in accordance with the Company's Bye-laws.

Code A.4.2 also provides that every director, including those appointed for a specific term, should be subject to retirement by rotation at least once every three years.

Under the Company's Bye-laws, at each annual general meeting one-third of the Directors for the time being or, if their number is not three or a multiple of three, the number nearest to onethird shall retire from office provided that notwithstanding anything herein, the Chairman of the Board and the Group Managing Director shall not, whilst holding such office, be subject to retirement by rotation or be taken into account in determining the number of Directors to retire in each year. In the opinion of the Board, it is important for the stability and growth of the Company that there is, and is seen to be, continuity of leadership in the roles of Chairman and Group Managing Director and, in consequence, the Board is of the view that both should not be subject to retirement by rotation or hold office for a limited term at the present time.

MODEL CODE FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS

The Company has adopted the Model Code as set out in Appendix 10 of the Listing Rules. Following specific enquiry, the directors of the Company confirmed that they had complied with the required standard set out in the Model Code during the period under review.

Employees who are likely to be in possession of unpublished price-sensitive information of the Company are also subject to compliance with guidelines on no less exacting terms than the Model Code.

PUBLICATION OF INTERIM RESULTS ON THE WEBSITE OF THE STOCK EXCHANGE

All information of the Company required by paragraph 46 of Appendix 16 of the Listing Rules will be published on the Stock Exchange's website as soon as practicable.

The unaudited interim financial report for the six month ended 31 December 2005 has been reviewed by the Audit Committee and Messrs. Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu, auditors of the Company.

By Order of the Board Fung Wai Yiu Chairman

Hong Kong, 19 February 2006

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises of Mr. Fung Wai Yiu, Mr. Wong Chung Chong, Eddie and Mr. Leung Tat Yan as executive directors, Mr. Lucas A.M. Laureys, Ms Leung Churk Yin, Jeanny, and Mr. Herman Van de Velde as non-executive directors, Mr. Marvin Bienenfeld, Mr. Chow Yu Chun, Alexander and Mr. Lam Ka Chung, William as independent non-executive directors.

Please also refer to the published version of this announcement in South China Morning Post.