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**維奧集團控股有限公司**  
**Vital Group Holdings Limited**

*(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)*

**(Stock code: 1164)**

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTERIM RESULTS  
FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2011**

**HIGHLIGHTS**

	<b>(Unaudited)</b>	
	<b>Six months ended 30 June</b>	
	<b>2011</b>	2010
	<b>HK\$'000</b>	<b>HK\$'000</b>
Turnover	<b>189,787</b>	162,700
(Loss)/Profits attributable to owners of the Company	<b>(20,752)</b>	34,995
Basic (loss) earnings per share	<b>HK(1.32) cents</b>	HK2.26 cents
Diluted (loss) earnings per share	<b>HK(1.32) cents</b>	HK2.26 cents
Interim dividend per share	<b>Nil</b>	Nil

- Turnover of the Group was around HK\$190 million, an increase of approximately 16.6% year-on-year;
- Loss attributable to owners of the Company was approximately HK\$20.8 million representing a drop by approximately 159% year-on-year;
- Basic loss per share was approximately HK1.32 cents;
- The Board would not recommend the payment of an interim dividend.

The board of directors (the “Board”) of Vital Group Holdings Limited (the “Company”) are pleased to announce the unaudited condensed consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively the “Group”) for the six months ended 30 June 2011, together with the comparative figures for the corresponding period of 2010 as follows:

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

For the six months ended 30 June 2011

	Notes	Six months ended 30 June	
		2011 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	2010 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)
Turnover	4	189,787	162,700
Cost of sales		<u>(71,747)</u>	<u>(51,104)</u>
Gross profit		118,040	111,596
Other operating income		17,547	10,809
Selling and distribution expenses		(39,612)	(38,253)
Administrative expenses		(37,175)	(45,492)
Impairment loss recognised in respect of goodwill		(25,142)	—
Impairment loss recognised in respect of property, plant and equipment		(39,759)	—
Finance costs	5	<u>(180)</u>	<u>(249)</u>
(Loss) profit before taxation		(6,281)	38,411
Income tax expense	6	<u>(13,010)</u>	<u>(1,815)</u>
(Loss) profit for the period	8	<u>(19,291)</u>	<u>36,596</u>
(Loss) profit for the period attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		(20,752)	34,995
Non-controlling interests		<u>1,461</u>	<u>1,601</u>
		<u>(19,291)</u>	<u>36,596</u>
(Loss) earnings per share	10		
Basic and diluted		<u>HK(1.32) cents</u>	<u>HK2.26 cents</u>

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the six months ended 30 June 2011

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2011 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	2010 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)
(Loss) profit for the period	<u>(19,291)</u>	<u>36,596</u>
Other comprehensive income		
Exchange differences arising during the period	15,297	—
Reclassification adjustments relating to foreign operations disposed of/deregistered during the period	<u>(1,627)</u>	<u>(1,459)</u>
	<u>13,670</u>	<u>(1,459)</u>
Available-for-sale investments		
Net gain arising on revaluation of available-for-sale investments during the period	—	333
Reclassification adjustments relating to available-for-sale investments disposed of during the period	<u>—</u>	<u>(683)</u>
	<u>—</u>	<u>(350)</u>
Gain arising on transfer of property, plant and equipment and prepaid lease payments to investment properties at fair value	—	5,723
Deferred tax liability arising on gain on transfer of property, plant and equipment and prepaid lease payments to investment properties at fair value	<u>—</u>	<u>(1,431)</u>
	<u>—</u>	<u>4,292</u>
Other comprehensive income for the period, net of tax	<u>13,670</u>	<u>2,483</u>
Total comprehensive (expense) income for the period, net of tax	<u>(5,621)</u>	<u>39,079</u>
Total comprehensive (expense) income for the period attributable to:		
Owners of the Company	(7,183)	37,478
Non-controlling interests	<u>1,562</u>	<u>1,601</u>
	<u>(5,621)</u>	<u>39,079</u>

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

*As at 30 June 2011*

	<i>Notes</i>	30 June 2011 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	31 December 2010 <i>HK\$'000</i> (Audited)
<b>Non-current assets</b>			
Intangible assets		343	3,028
Property, plant and equipment		121,420	174,139
Investment properties		98,641	95,409
Prepaid lease payments on land use rights		33,729	32,922
Deposit for acquisition of property, plant and equipment		4,200	4,063
Goodwill		27,213	52,355
		<b>285,546</b>	361,916
<b>Current assets</b>			
Properties under development		259,556	240,561
Inventories		150,204	108,968
Trade and other receivables	11	90,302	69,195
Prepaid lease payments on land use rights		686	672
Income tax recoverable		12,091	8,091
Value added tax recoverable		4,119	—
Held-for-trading investment		2,111	2,173
Bank balances and cash			
— pledged		644	12,138
— unpledged		83,162	68,146
		<b>602,875</b>	509,944
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Trade and other payables	12	59,379	67,148
Value added tax payable		—	3,591
Income tax payable		14,256	7,746
Secured bank borrowings		73,699	71,285
		<b>147,334</b>	149,770
<b>Net current assets</b>		<b>455,541</b>	360,174
		<b>741,087</b>	722,090

	<b>30 June 2011 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)</b>	31 December 2010 HK\$'000 (Audited)
Capital and reserves		
Share capital	<b>16,306</b>	15,511
Reserves	<b>704,505</b>	688,090
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Equity attributable to owners of the Company	<b>720,811</b>	703,601
Non-controlling interests	<b>4,976</b>	3,414
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	<b>725,787</b>	707,015
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Non-current liabilities		
Other payables	<b>951</b>	920
Deferred tax liabilities	<b>14,349</b>	14,155
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	<b>15,300</b>	15,075
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	<b>741,087</b>	722,090
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## 1. GENERAL

Vital Group Holdings Limited (the “Company”) is incorporated in the Cayman Islands as an exempted company with limited liabilities. The shares of the Company are listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “Stock Exchange”).

The principal activities of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to the “Group”) are selling, distributing and manufacturing of pharmaceutical and food products and property investment.

## 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The condensed consolidated financial statements 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 and with Hong Kong Accounting Standard (“HKAS”) 34 “Interim Financial Reporting” issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (the “HKICPA”).

## 3. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the historical costs basis except for certain investment properties and financial instruments, which are measured at fair values.

The accounting policies and methods of computation used in the condensed consolidated financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2011 are the same as those followed in the preparation of the Group’s annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2010, except as described below.

In the current interim period, the Group has applied, for the first time, the following new or revised standards and interpretations (“new or revised HKFRSs”) issued by the HKICPA.

HKFRSs (Amendments)	Improvements to HKFRSs 2010
HKFRS 1 (Amendment)	Limited Exemption from Comparative HKFRS 7 Disclosures for First-time Adopters
HKAS 24 (Revised)	Related Party Disclosures
HKAS 32 (Amendment)	Classification of Rights Issues
HK(IFRIC)-Interpretations (“Int”) 14 (Amendment)	Prepayments of a Minimum Funding Requirement
HK(IFRIC)-Int 19	Extinguishing Financial Liabilities with Equity Instruments

The application of the above new and revised HKFRSs in the current interim period has no material effect on the amounts reported in these condensed consolidated financial statements and/or disclosures set out in these condensed consolidated financial statements.

The Group has not early applied new or revised standards that have been issued but are not yet effective. The following new or revised standards have been issued after the date the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2010 were authorised for issuance and are not yet effective:

HKFRS 10	Consolidated Financial Statements <sup>2</sup>
HKFRS 11	Joint Arrangement <sup>2</sup>
HKFRS 12	Disclosures of Interests in Other Entities <sup>2</sup>
HKFRS 13	Fair Value Measurement <sup>2</sup>
HKAS 1 (Revised)	Presentation of Financial Statements <sup>1</sup>
HKAS 19 (as revised in 2011)	Employee Benefits <sup>2</sup>
HKAS 27 (as revised in 2011)	Separate Financial Statements <sup>2</sup>
HKAS 28 (as revised in 2011)	Investments in Associate and Joint Ventures <sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 July 2012.

<sup>2</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2013.

The five new or revised standards on consolidation, joint arrangements and disclosures were issued by the HKICPA in June 2011 and are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2013. Earlier application is permitted provided that all of the five new or revised standards are applied early at the same time. The directors of the Company anticipate that these new or revised standards will be applied in the Group's consolidated financial statements for financial year ending 31 December 2013 and the potential impact is described below.

HKFRS 10 replaces the parts of HKAS 27 Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements that deal with consolidated financial statements. Under HKFRS 10, there is only one basis for consolidation, that is control. In addition, HKFRS 10 includes a new definition of control that contains three elements; (a) power over an investee, (b) exposure, or rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee, and (c) ability to use its power over the investee to affect the amount of the investor's returns. Extensive guidance has been added in HKFRS 10 to deal with complex scenarios. Overall, the application of HKFRS 10 requires a lot of judgement. The application of HKFRS 10 might result in the Group no longer consolidating some of its investees, and consolidating investees that were not previously consolidated.

The amendments to HKAS 1 have been issued to improve the presentation of other comprehensive income. The amendments require entities to group together the items of other comprehensive income that may be reclassified to profit or loss in the future by presenting them separately from those that would never be reclassified to profit or loss. The application of the amendment to HKAS 1 might result in changes in presentation of the Group's statement of comprehensive income.

Other than disclosed above, the directors of the Company anticipate that the application of the new or revised standards will have no material impact on the results and the financial position of the Group.

#### 4. TURNOVER AND SEGMENT INFORMATION

Turnover represents amount received and receivable from sales of pharmaceutical and food products net of returns, discounts allowed, sales related taxes and rental income during the period.

The following is an analysis of the Group's revenue and results by reportable and operating segments for the period under review:

##### Six months ended 30 June 2011

	Pharmaceutical and food <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	Property investment <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	Total <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)
Turnover	<u>187,448</u>	<u>2,339</u>	<u>189,787</u>
Segment loss	<u>(1,694)</u>	<u>(642)</u>	(2,336)
Other income and gains			7,676
Central administrative costs			(11,441)
Finance costs			<u>(180)</u>
Loss before taxation			<u>(6,281)</u>

##### Six months ended 30 June 2010

	Pharmaceutical and food <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	Property investment <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)	Total <i>HK\$'000</i> (Unaudited)
Turnover	<u>160,854</u>	<u>1,846</u>	<u>162,700</u>
Segment profit	<u>42,710</u>	<u>1,458</u>	44,168
Other income and gains			10,733
Central administrative costs			(16,241)
Finance costs			<u>(249)</u>
Profit before taxation			<u>38,411</u>



The following is an analysis of the Group's assets by reportable and operating segments:

	<b>30 June 2011 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)</b>	31 December 2010 HK\$'000 (Audited)
Pharmaceutical and food	360,796	435,762
Property investment	<u>369,617</u>	<u>345,394</u>
	<b>730,413</b>	781,156
Unallocated corporate assets	<u>158,008</u>	<u>90,704</u>
Total assets	<u><u>888,421</u></u>	<u><u>871,860</u></u>

## 5. FINANCE COSTS

	<b>Six months ended 30 June</b>	
	<b>2011 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)</b>	2010 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)
Interest expenses on:		
— Bank borrowings and overdrafts wholly repayable within five years	2,166	—
— Obligations under finance leases	—	6
— Discounted bills of exchange without resource	<u>174</u>	<u>243</u>
Total borrowing costs	2,340	249
Less: Amounts capitalised into properties under development	<u>(2,160)</u>	<u>—</u>
	<u><u>180</u></u>	<u><u>249</u></u>

Borrowing costs capitalised during the six months ended 30 June 2011 arose on the general borrowing pool are calculated by applying a capitalisation rate of 5.86% (six months ended 30 June 2010: nil) per annum to expenditure on properties under development.

## 6. INCOME TAX EXPENSE

	<b>Six months ended 30 June</b>	
	<b>2011 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)</b>	2010 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)
People's Republic of China (the "PRC") Enterprise Income Tax		
— current period	13,010	2,758
— over provision in prior year	<u>—</u>	<u>(943)</u>
	<u><u>13,010</u></u>	<u><u>1,815</u></u>

Hong Kong Profits Tax has not been provided for in the condensed consolidated financial statements as there was no estimated assessable profit derived from Hong Kong for both periods.

The Hong Kong Profits Tax amounting to HK\$7,791,000 of a subsidiary of the Company in respect of the years of assessment 2000/01 to 2002/03 are under inquiries by the Hong Kong Inland Revenue Department (the “IRD”). The Group lodged objections against the assessments and the IRD held over the payment of the profits tax and the equal amount of tax reserve certificates was purchased and recorded as income tax recoverable as at 30 June 2011 and 31 December 2010.

During the year ended 31 December 2010, the IRD further issued protective profits tax assessments of approximately HK\$5,250,000 to that subsidiary of the Company relating to the year of assessment 2003/04, that is, for the financial year ended 31 December 2003. The Group again lodged objections with the IRD against the protective assessments and the IRD agreed to hold over the tax claim unconditionally.

During the six months ended 30 June 2011, the IRD further issued protective profits tax assessments of approximately HK\$8,750,000 to that subsidiary of the Company relating to the year of assessment 2004/05, that is, for the financial year ended 31 December 2004. The Group again lodged objections with the IRD against the protective assessments and purchased a tax reserve certificate of approximately HK\$4,000,000 during the six months ended 30 June 2011 as demanded by the IRD. The amount was recorded as income tax recoverable as at 30 June 2011.

The directors of the Company believe that that subsidiary has a reasonable likelihood of success in defending its position that the income derived is non-Hong Kong sourced and therefore, are not subject to Hong Kong Profits Tax. Accordingly, no provision for profits tax is required.

During the year ended 31 December 2009, the IRD issued protective profits tax assessments of approximately HK\$599,000 to another subsidiary of the Company relating to the year of assessment 2002/03, that is, for the financial year ended 31 December 2002. The Group lodged objections with the IRD against the protective assessments. The IRD agreed to hold over the tax claim subject to the purchasing of a tax reserve certificate of approximately HK\$300,000. The Group purchased the tax reserve certificate during the year ended 31 December 2009 as demanded by the IRD. The amount was recorded as income tax recoverable as at 30 June 2011 and 31 December 2010.

During the year ended 31 December 2010, the IRD further issued protective profits tax assessments of approximately HK\$5,250,000 to that subsidiary of the Company relating to the year of assessment 2003/04, that is, for the financial year ended 31 December 2003. The Group again lodged objections with the IRD against the protective assessments and the IRD agreed to hold over the tax claim unconditionally.

The directors of the Company believe that that subsidiary has a reasonable likelihood of success in defending its position that the income derived is non-Hong Kong sourced and therefore, are not subject to Hong Kong Profits Tax. Accordingly, no provision for profits tax is required.

Under the Law of the PRC on Enterprise Income Tax (the “EIT Law”) and Implementation Regulation of the EIT Law, the tax rate of the PRC subsidiaries is 25% for both periods.

For the six months ended 30 June 2010, certain PRC subsidiaries obtained approval from the relevant tax bureau and were qualified as a High and New Technology Enterprise which were subject to a tax rate of 15%.

Certain PRC subsidiaries were either in loss-making position for the current and the previous periods or had sufficient tax losses brought forward from previous period to offset the estimated assessable income for the period and accordingly did not have any assessable income for the current and previous periods.

The subsidiary operating in Macau is exempted from the income tax in Macau for the current and previous periods.

Pursuant to the laws and regulations of the Cayman Islands and British Virgin Islands (“BVI”), the Group is not subject to any income tax in the Cayman Islands and BVI for the current and previous periods.

No Australian income tax has been provided as the subsidiary operating in Australia had no estimated assessable profits for the current and previous periods.

## 7. DISPOSAL OF SUBSIDIARIES

On 15 April 2011, the Group entered into sale agreements to dispose of its 100% equity interest in a total of nine inactive subsidiaries, to independent third parties for total consideration of approximately HK\$206. Those disposed subsidiaries include Vital Biotech (Hong Kong) Limited, Medhealth International Limited, Ever Power Holdings Limited, Gainful Plan Limited, Beshabar Trading Limited (BVI), Maxsun International Limited, Farthinghoe Enterprise Limited, AMT Labs (Australia) Pty Limited and Vitapharm Research Pty Limited.

The net assets of those disposed subsidiaries at their respective dates of disposal were as follows:

	<i>HK\$'000</i>
Net assets disposed of	2
Reclassification of cumulative translation reserve upon disposal of subsidiaries to profit or loss	(1,627)
	<u>(1,625)</u>
Gain on disposal of subsidiaries	1,625
	<u>—</u>
Total cash consideration	<u>—</u>
Net cash outflow arising on disposal	
Cash consideration received	—
Bank balances and cash disposed of	(2)
	<u>(2)</u>

The subsidiaries disposed of had no significant impact on the results and cash flows of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2011 and 2010.

## 8. (LOSS) PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD

(Loss) profit for the period has been arrived at after charging (crediting):

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2011 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	2010 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)
Amortisation of intangible assets	295	844
Amortisation of prepaid lease payments on land use rights	336	399
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	6,887	7,461
Impairment loss recognised in respect of trade receivables	—	3,902
Impairment loss recognised in respect of intangible assets (included in administrative expenses)	2,493	—
Write-down of inventories (included in cost of sales)	4,976	—
Written off of other receivables	—	467
Written off of payments for pharmaceutical projects	—	368
Decrease in fair value of held-for-trading investment	151	573
Loss on disposal of available-for-sale investments	—	9
(Gain) loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(9,050)	6,959
Reversal of provision for compensation of staff redundant	—	(1,556)
Research and development costs	809	235
Bank interest income	(319)	(1,260)
Dividend income from held-for-trading investment	—	(332)
Exchange (gain) loss	(5,232)	1,831
Reversal of impairment losses recognised in respect of deposits	—	(2,778)
Write back of long outstanding payables	(500)	(3,219)
Gain on deregistration of a subsidiary	—	(1,585)
Gain on disposal of subsidiaries	(1,625)	—

## 9. INTERIM DIVIDEND

No dividends were paid, declared or purposed during the reporting period. The directors do not recommend the payment of an interim dividend (six months ended 30 June 2010: nil).

## 10. (LOSS) EARNINGS PER SHARE

The calculation of basic and diluted (loss) earnings per share attributable to the owners of the Company is based on the following data:

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2011 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)	2010 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)
<b>Earnings</b>		
(Loss) profit for the period attributable to the owners of the Company for the purpose of basic and diluted earnings per share	(20,752)	34,995
<b>Number of shares</b>		
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of basic and diluted earnings per share	1,566,289,092	1,551,056,993

For the six months ended 30 June 2011, diluted loss per share was same as the basic loss per share, as the effect of the conversion of the Company's share options was anti-dilutive for the six months ended 30 June 2011.

For the six months ended 30 June 2010, the computation of diluted earnings per share does not assume the exercise of the Company's outstanding share options as the exercise price of those options is higher than the average market price for shares. Hence, the diluted earnings per share is the same as basic earnings per share for the six months ended 30 June 2010.

## 11. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

The Group normally grants to its trade customers credit periods ranging from 90 days to 180 days which are subject to periodic review by management.

The aged analysis of the Group's trade and bills receivables, presented based on invoice date, net of allowance for doubtful debts, is as follows:

	<b>30 June 2011 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)</b>	31 December 2010 HK\$'000 (Audited)
Within 30 days	28,535	13,755
31–60 days	10,505	18,381
61–90 days	7,356	10,161
Over 90 days	1,291	263
	<u>47,687</u>	<u>42,560</u>

## 12. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

The following is an analysis of trade and bills payables by age, presented based on the invoice date:

	<b>30 June 2011 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)</b>	31 December 2010 HK\$'000 (Audited)
Within 30 days	6,529	16,448
31–60 days	3,821	946
61–90 days	3,366	1,797
Over 90 days	590	385
	<u>14,306</u>	<u>19,576</u>

## 13. COMMITMENTS

### (a) Capital commitments for the acquisition of property, plant and equipment

	<b>30 June 2011 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)</b>	31 December 2010 HK\$'000 (Audited)
Contracted but not provided for	<u>843</u>	<u>940</u>

**(b) Capital commitments for properties under development**

	<b>30 June 2011 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)</b>	31 December 2010 HK\$'000 (Audited)
Contracted but not provided for	<b>4,088</b>	230
Authorised but not contracted for	<b>770,225</b>	759,439
	<b>774,313</b>	759,669

**14. PLEDGE OF ASSETS**

At 30 June 2011 and 31 December 2010, certain assets of the Group were pledged to secure banking facilities granted to the Group as follows:

	<b>30 June 2011 HK\$'000 (Unaudited)</b>	31 December 2010 HK\$'000 (Audited)
Property, plant and equipment	<b>38,741</b>	62,457
Investment properties	<b>81,129</b>	78,396
Bank balances and cash	<b>644</b>	12,138
Prepaid lease payments on land use rights	<b>16,240</b>	15,875
	<b>136,754</b>	168,866

**15. EVENTS AFTER THE END OF THE INTERIM PERIOD**

- (i) On 25 July 2011, Sichuan Vital Pharmaceutical Company Limited\* (“Sichuan Vital”) 四川維奧製藥有限公司, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, entered into an agreement with an independent third party, Sichuan Hebon Enterprise Company Limited\* (“Sichuan Hebon”) 四川禾邦實業有限公司, pursuant to which Sichuan Vital agreed to dispose of and Sichuan Hebon agreed to acquire the entire equity interest of Chengdu Vital Pharmaceutical Company Limited\* 成都維奧製藥有限公司 at cash consideration of RMB1,500,000 (equivalent to approximately HK\$1,783,000).
- (ii) On 25 July 2011, Chengdu Vital Property Co., Ltd.\* (“Vital Property”) 成都維奧置業有限公司, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, entered into an agreement with an independent third party, Sichuan Hebon, pursuant to which Vital Property agreed to dispose of certain property, plant and equipments to Sichuan Hebon at cash consideration of RMB2,500,000 (equivalent to approximately HK\$2,971,000).
- (iii) On 29 July 2011, Vital Property entered into a conditional agreement with an independent third party, Sichuan Longhe Properties Limited\* (“Sichuan Longhe”) 四川隆禾置業有限公司, pursuant to which Vital Property agreed to dispose of and Sichuan Longhe agreed to acquire the entire equity interest of and the shareholder’s loan owing by Chengdu Wenjiang Vital Property Development Company Limited\* 成都溫江維奧房地產開發有限公司 at an aggregate cash consideration of RMB230,609,000 (equivalent to approximately HK\$274,045,000). The completion of disposal is subject to the passing of an ordinary resolution at an extraordinary general meeting. Details of which are set out in the announcement issued by the Company on 29 July 2011.
- (iv) Subsequent to 30 June 2011, the directors of the Company considers temporarily suspend the production of Osteoform compound calcium amino acid chelate food capsule. Details are set out in the Company’s announcement on 4 August 2011.

- (v) On 16 August 2011, Yugofoil Holdings Limited (“Yugofoil”), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, entered into a conditional agreement with an independent third party, Bright Future Pharmaceutical Holdings Limited (“Bright Future”), pursuant to which Yugofoil agreed to dispose of and Bright Future agreed to acquire the entire equity interest of Sichuan Vital at cash consideration of HK\$51,000,000. Details of which are set out in the Company’s announcement on 16 August 2011.

\* The English transliteration of the Chinese name of the company is for identification purpose only and should not be regarded as the official English name of the company.

## **BUSINESS REVIEW**

### **Results**

I hereby announce the unaudited results of Vital Group Holdings Limited (“Company”) and its subsidiaries (collectively the “Group”) for the six months ended 30 June 2011 (“period under review” or “reporting period”). During the period under review, the consolidated turnover of the Group increased by 16.6% year-on-year to approximately HK\$190 million from HK\$163 million. The loss attributable to owners of the Company was amounted to approximately HK\$20.8 million. It represented a decrease of 159% as comparing to the profit amounted to approximately HK\$35 million in the corresponding period.

For the first quarter of 2011, in regard to the uncertainties of renewing the import drug license of “Osteoform calcium amino acid chelate capsule”, the Group has received a written notification from Pharmco International, Inc, the sole supplier of Osteoform Compound Calcium Amino Acid Chelate Capsules in January 2011. In the written notice, it was mentioned that Pharmco was notified by the Department of Drug Registration of the State Food and Drug Administration in the PRC that they intend to issue a notice of non-renewal of import drug license of Osteoform to Pharmco in the near future.

Furthermore, the Group discovers that since June 2011, there has been a substantial drop in the sales of Osteoform compound calcium amino acid chelate food capsule (“Osteoform Calcium Food”). The food hygiene license (食品衛生許可證) obtained by the Group will expire on 25 November 2011 and the Group considers renewing the food hygiene licence. However, as advised by the Group’s PRC legal adviser, Tahota Law Firm, due to the change of relevant rules and regulations relating to food hygiene, there will be a great difficulty in renewing the food hygiene licence for Osteoform Calcium Food.

Considering the substantial drop in the sales of the Osteoform Calcium Food in June and July of 2011, the uncertainties with the renewal of the food hygiene license and the uncertainties with the renewal of the import drug license for Osteoform Compound Calcium Amino Acid Chelate Capsules, the Group considers to temporarily suspend the production of Osteoform Calcium Food (the “Suspension”) so as to improve production efficiency of the Group’s other products and minimize the adverse impact to the Group.

As a result of the above events, the profits of the Group for the reporting period has been recorded a substantial decrease when compared to the corresponding period in 2010, due to the impairment for goodwill amounted to approximately HK\$25 million and the decrease in sales of Osteoform Calcium Food, in particular, the second quarter.

Furthermore, impairment loss amounted to approximately HK\$37 million has been recognized for the property, plant and equipment of Vital Pharmaceuticals (Sichuan) Co., Ltd., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company due to an integration of production line (the “Integration”), which resulted in the idleness of certain plants and equipment. During the reporting period, the profit of the Group has further reduced, as a result of the Integration.

During the reporting period, the Group has changed its production plan by shifting the manufacturing activities to China. As a result of the relocation of the manufacturing activities, there is idle capacity of the production facilities in Hong Kong. After careful consideration, Vital Pharmaceuticals Company Ltd, the wholly-owned subsidiary of the Group, disposed its property situated in Shatin. The directors believe that the disposal represents a good opportunity for the Company.

In addition, the Directors have been continuing in exploring suitable business opportunities to broaden the revenue base and to diversify the business scope of the Company. In March 2011, Vital Group Holdings Ltd entered into the Subscription Agreement pursuant to which the Company has agreed to (i) allot and issue to China Uranium Development Company Limited the Subscription Shares at a price of HK\$0.23 per Subscription Share and (ii) subscribe for HK\$600,000,000 Convertible Bonds which can be converted into the Conversion Shares at an initial Conversion Price of HK\$0.23 per Conversion Share. The Agreement was passed at the extraordinary general meeting held on 8 June 2011. The Group has explored new investment opportunity through introducing new investor.

## **Pharmaceutical and Food Industry**

### *Product Sales*

“Osteoform Calcium Food”, a food product of the Group

The Group’s food product “Osteoform compound calcium amino acid chelate food capsule” consists of multiple minerals and vitamins. Its nutrition facilitates the absorption of calcium by human body, thus helping the formation of bone matrix and the maintenance of bone density. It has been launched into the market during the fourth quarter of 2009. Turnover for the first half of year 2011 was approximately HK\$118 million.

“Osteoform Vitamins with minerals dispersible tablet”, a compound vitamin and minerals product

“Osteoform Vitamins with minerals dispersible tablet”, a compound vitamin and minerals product, for the prevention and treatment of disease caused by lack of vitamins and minerals, has been launched into the market during the second quarter of year 2009. The sales turnover for the first half of year 2011 was around HK\$8.8 million.



## Madaus products

For the trading of overseas agency products of Madaus GmbH, Germany, which including Legalon (Silymarin) and Uralyt-U (Potassium Sodium Hydrogen Citrate Granules), etc. The Group has recorded sales of approximately HK\$36 million in the first half of 2011, representing a growth of approximately 3% when compare to the corresponding period.

“Taurolite®”, a prescription medication capable of dissolving the cholesterol stones formed in the gallbladder and bile-duct

“Taurolite®” Tauroursodeoxycholic acid capsule, it cures and prevents such liver diseases as cholelithiasis and chronic bile stasis. In the case of cholesterol stone smaller than 2cm, sufferers may simply dissolve it by taking the medication without having to undergo operation. “Taurolite®” has been launched into the market during the second half of year 2009. The sales turnover for the first half of year 2011 was around HK\$6 million.

### *The Production Base in Chengdu, Sichuan Province, the PRC*

During the reporting period, the plant is principally responsible for the production of the Group’s product “Aceclofenac Tablets”, “Aotianping” (Miglitol Tablets), and the new drug to gynaecology called “Hongjinxiaojie Tablet”, and “Mengtuoshisan” which is our new product used for the treatment of diarrhoea. In the 4th quarter of year 2010, “Domperidone Tablets”, which is used for the treatment of plenitude and indigestion, was introduced.

### *The Production Base in Wuhan, Hubei Province, the PRC*

During the period under review, major production included a new drug “Glimepiride orally disintegrating tablets” — medication for diabetes, “Vital Fast” — a slow release flu medication, “Opin” — a gynaecology biological drug and the Group’s food product “Osteoform Calcium Food”.

### *Weiao (Chengdu) Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. (維奧(成都)製藥有限公司)*

Weiao (Chengdu) Pharmaceutical has received GMP certificate at the end of January 2011. Since the launch of the New GMP Standard, existing GMP certificate will be expired in December 2013. Improvement work shall be conducted to comply with the new standard and substantial funding will be required. Furthermore, the state industrial policy restricted the production capacity of new drug and product submission, and classified injection drug as high-risk medication. Taking the cost effectiveness into account, the Company has suspended the production and dismiss the staff of the product line in the 1st quarter. On 25 July 2011, Vital Pharmaceuticals (Sichuan) Company Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, entered into an agreement with Sichuan Hebon Enterprise Company Ltd (四川禾邦實業集團有限公司), pursuant to which Vital Pharmaceuticals (Sichuan) agreed to dispose of and Sichuan Hebon agreed to acquire the entire interest of Weiao (Chengdu) Pharmaceutical Company Limited (維奧(成都)製藥有限公司) at a consideration of RMB1.5 million.

## *Sichuan Hengtai Pharmaceutical Company Limited*

Sichuan Hengtai is the major sales arm of the Group. During the period under review, major sales products included: “Osteoform Calcium Food”, Madaus products, “Osteoform Vitamins with minerals dispersible tablet”, “Taurolite®” and “Vital Fast” etc.

## **Property Investment Industry**

### *Property development*

Chengdu Wenjiang Vital Property Development Company Limited (成都溫江維奧房地產開發有限公司) was incorporated in July 2010 for the purpose of developing the land acquired by auction, which is a tract of state-owned land for construction use, located in the Wancheng Community, Liucheng Street, Wenjiang District, Chengdu, the PRC (中國成都市溫江區柳城街辦萬盛社區) with a total area of approximately 49,595 square meters. Given the government’s austerity measures to curb the real estate market, the property market in the PRC will remain uncertain. In order to lower the risk, on 29 July 2011, Chengdu Vital Property Co., Ltd. (成都維奧置業有限公司) has entered into the Agreement with Sichuan Longhe Properties Limited (四川隆禾置業有限公司) and Chengdu Wenjiang Vital Property Development Company Limited (成都溫江維奧房地產開發有限公司), pursuant to which Chengdu Vital Property Co., Ltd. has agreed to dispose of and Sichuan Longhe Properties Limited has agreed to acquire the Sale Interest and the Sale Loan of Chengdu Wenjiang Vital Property Development Company Limited at an aggregate consideration of RMB230,609,000 (equivalent to approximately HK\$276,730,800). The Agreement was subject to approval at the extraordinary general meeting to be held before 30 September 2011.

The Directors believe that the Disposal represents a good opportunity for the Company to realize the potential value of the Land, thus enabling the Company to obtain profit from the property investment to increase its general working capital and to seek for better investment opportunities.

### *Leased investment property*

Besides property development, property investment industry also includes leased investment properties situated in Sichuan, the PRC. During the reporting period, the investment properties had contributed around HK\$2.3 million rental income to the Group.

## **BUSINESS OUTLOOK**

With regard to the Suspension, the Board intends to conduct a full-scale analysis on the existing business of Osteoform Calcium Food to decide whether to continue or discontinue the production lines and/or re-formulate its current business plans and strategies, including but not limited to, accelerating the sales of the inventory of Osteoform Calcium Food for seeking the best solution for the interest of the Company and shareholders of the Company. The Board is of the view that the Group will continue to diversify product and business development based on the Group’s relevant experiences and expertise, expand and optimize product range and enhance sales & marketing activities in order to promote sales and mitigate the negative effect on the profits of the Group as a result of the Suspension.

In the foreseeable future, consolidation will be seen in the markets of food, pharmaceuticals and properties of the PRC, with substantial pressure existing in the operating environment. The Group will strengthen risk management, and adopt a careful and prudent strategy for its operation and investments as the developing direction and objective for the coming years.

## **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

### **Capital structure**

As at 30 June 2011, the Company had in issue 1,630,586,993 ordinary shares (31 December 2010: 1,551,056,993 shares). During the first half of year 2011, 79,530,000 new shares were issued as a result of exercising share options (Year 2010: nil).

The market capitalization of the Company as at 30 June 2011 was approximately HK\$2,283 million (31 December 2010: approximately HK\$357 million).

### **Liquidity and financial resources**

As at 30 June 2011, the Group has approximately HK\$74 million bank borrowing (31 December 2010: HK\$71 million). Bank balances and cash amounted to approximately HK\$84 million (31 December 2010: approximately HK\$80 million), including pledged bank deposits of approximately HK\$0.6 million (31 December 2010: approximately HK\$12 million).

As at 30 June 2011, the Group has obtained banking facilities of approximately HK\$293 million (31 December 2010: HK\$259 million) from banks in China. Unutilised banking facilities amounted to approximately HK\$220 million (31 December 2010: HK\$187 million). The average cost of financing during the 6 months ended 30 June 2011 was 6% (Year 2010 average: 6% per annum). The Group has maintained sufficient financial resources for business operation purpose. The Group has no seasonality of borrowing requirement.

The Group adopts a conservative funding and treasury policies and objectives. As at 30 June 2011, bank borrowings amounting to HK\$20 million are denominated in Hong Kong dollars and amounting to HK\$54 million are denominated in RMB and will be fully repayable by 31 December 2011, with 48% at fixed rates of interest at approximately 5.6% per annum, and the rest are at floating rates of interest ranging from Hong Kong Interbank Offered Rate plus 5% per annum to the benchmark interest rate of China Central Bank for loan by adding a markup of 10%.

In relation to cash and bank balances amounting to approximately HK\$84 million (31 December 2010: HK\$80 million), approximately 75% (2010: 78%) of which was denominated in RMB, approximately 14% (2010: 9%) was denominated in Hong Kong dollar and approximately 11% (2010: 11%) was denominated in other currencies, as at 30 June 2011.

## **Exposure to foreign exchange risk and Currency policy**

During the reporting period and the corresponding period, the sales receipts of the Group were mainly denominated in RMB. Purchases were denominated as to approximately 30% in RMB (2010: 32%), approximately 37% in USD (2010: 42%) and approximately 33% in EURO (2010: 26%). Operating expenditures including selling and distribution expenses and administrative expenses were denominated as to approximately 73% in RMB (2010: 76%), others are in HKD, AUD, USD and Macau Pataca, etc. For the six months ended 30 June 2011, the Group did not enter into any forward contracts, interest or currency swaps, or other financial derivatives for hedging purpose. During the reporting period, the Group did not experience any material difficulty or negative effect on its operations or liquidity as a result of fluctuations on currency exchange rates.

## **Contingent liabilities**

As at 30 June 2011, the Group had no material contingent liabilities (2010: Nil).

## **Key financial figures and ratios**

### *Profit and loss item:*

Gross profit margin: Due to the increase of raw material cost, packaging material cost and staff cost in the PRC, as well as the impairment recognized on certain inventories of the subsidiaries, the average gross profit margin of the first half of year 2011 was decreased by 7%, to around 62%, when compared with around 69% for the corresponding period.

Selling and Distribution Expenses: The Group had identified that high selling and distribution expense is a business risk, and aimed at tightening the outflow, and has achieved satisfactory outcome in recent years. The selling and distribution expenses to sales turnover ratios were maintained at a low level, the ratio for the reporting period was approximately 21%, whereas the ratios for the corresponding period and for the last whole year were around 24% and around 25% respectively.

Administrative expenses: The Group focused on tightening its budget control and expenses to cut down administrative costs. The total administrative expenses amounted to approximately HK\$37 million, representing a decrease of 18% as comparing to approximately HK\$45 million in the first half of 2010.

Finance costs: Although the Group had bank borrowings in the year 2011, interest expenses amounted to HK\$2 million have been capitalized into property under development. Therefore, the finance costs under the consolidated income statement for the first half of 2011 were approximately HK\$0.18 million while it amounted to HK\$0.25 million for the corresponding period.

<b>Income Statement item:</b>	<b>Six months ended 30 June</b>	
	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>
Turnover (HK\$'million)	<b>190</b>	163
Gross profit margin	<b>62%</b>	69%
Selling and distribution expenses (HK\$'million)	<b>40</b>	38
Gross profit margin after selling and distribution expense	<b>41%</b>	45%
(Loss)/profits attributable to owners of the Company/Turnover	<b>(11%)</b>	22%
EBITDA (HK\$'million)	<b>1.4</b>	47
EBITDA/Turnover	<b>0.7%</b>	29%

*Statement of financial position item:*

Gearing ratio: The debt equity ratio (total bank borrowings/equity attributable to equity holders of the Company, net of intangible assets and goodwill) was 11%, which was consistent with the debt equity ratio in year 2010.

During the reporting period, the Group had increased the demand of a cash on delivery policy to the distributors, the average trade receivable turnover days therefore had dropped to around 43 days. For the average inventory turnover days (exclude goods in transit), because of that sales have been slowed down during the period, therefore inventory turnover days had climbed up to around 307 days.

<b>Statement of financial position item:</b>	<b>As at</b>	<b>As at</b>
	<b>30 June</b>	<b>31 December</b>
	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>
	<i>HK\$'million</i>	<i>HK\$'million</i>
Short-term bank loans	<b>74</b>	71
Long-term bank loans	<b>—</b>	—
Bank balances and cash	<b>84</b>	80
Net tangible assets	<b>698</b>	652
Gearing ratio	<b>11%</b>	11%
Average trade receivable turnover day	<b>43 days</b>	53 days
Average inventory turnover day	<b>307 days</b>	263 days

As of 30 June 2011, the Group had approximately HK\$0.6 million bank balances and cash, approximately HK\$39 million property, plant and equipment, approximately HK\$16 million prepaid lease payments on land use rights and approximately HK\$81 million investment properties were pledged as collateral to banks.

For the 6 months ended 30 June 2011, return on equity (annualized) was on average of approximately -6%.

## **Employee Information**

As at 30 June 2011, the Group had 649 employees (30 June 2010: 1,007), comprising 17 in research and development, 206 in production, 263 in sales, and 163 in general administration and finance. 627 of these employees were located in Mainland China, and 22 in Hong Kong and Macau.

The policy of employee remuneration, bonus, share option scheme and training are commensurate with performance and comparable to market rate. The Group encourages employees to participate in external training programmes to develop themselves on a continuous basis, so as to improve staff quality to meet future challenges and gain a competitive edge. Total staff costs (including director emolument) for the reporting period amounted to approximately HK\$32 million (First half of 2010: HK\$31 million).

## **Purchase, Sale or Redemption of Securities**

During the Reporting Period, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries had purchased, sold or redeemed any of the listed securities of the Company.

## **Major Transaction**

### *Allot and issue Subscription Shares*

On 18 March 2011, Vital Group Holdings Ltd entered into the Subscription Agreement pursuant to which the Company has agreed to (i) allot and issue to China Uranium Development Company Limited the Subscription Shares at a price of HK\$0.23 per Subscription Share and (ii) subscribe for HK\$600,000,000 Convertible Bonds which can be converted into the Conversion Shares at an initial Conversion Price of HK\$0.23 per Conversion Share. The Agreement was passed at the extraordinary general meeting held on 8 June 2011.

### *The Land disposal*

On 29 July 2011, Chengdu Vital Property Co., Ltd. (成都維奧置業有限公司) has entered into the Agreement with Sichuan Longhe Properties Limited (四川隆禾置業有限公司) and Chengdu Wenjiang Vital Property Development Company Limited (成都溫江維奧房地產開發有限公司), pursuant to which Chengdu Vital Property Co., Ltd. has agreed to dispose of and Sichuan Longhe Properties Limited has agreed to acquire the Sale Interest and the Sale Loan of Chengdu Wenjiang Vital Property Development Company Limited at an aggregate consideration of RMB230,609,000 (equivalent to approximately HK\$276,730,800). The Agreement was subject to approval at the extraordinary general meeting to be held before 30 September 2011.

## **Dividend**

The Board would not recommend the payment of an interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2011 (30 June 2010: Nil).

## **Review of Interim Results**

The unaudited interim financial report of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2011 have been reviewed by the Company's audit committee and auditors, SHINEWING (HK) CPA Limited.

## **Audit Committee**

The Audit Committee provides an important link between the Board and the Company's auditors in matters coming within the scope of the group audit. It also reviews the effectiveness of the external and internal audit, internal controls and risk evaluation.

The Audit Committee has reviewed the accounting principles and practices adopted by the Group and discussed auditing, internal control and financial reporting matters with the management. The Group's financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2011 have been reviewed and adopted by the Audit Committee, who is of the opinion that such statements comply with the applicable accounting standards, and the Listing Rules and legal requirements, and that adequate disclosures have been made. The Audit Committee comprises three independent non-executive directors of the Company, namely, Mr. Lui Tin Nang (Audit Committee chairman), Mr. Lee Kwong Yiu and Mr. Chong Cha Hwa.

## **Remuneration Committee**

The Remuneration Committee comprises three independent non-executive directors, the chairman and an executive director of the Company, is responsible for reviewing and evaluating the remuneration packages of the executive directors and senior management and making recommendations to the board of directors from time to time.

## **Model Code**

The Company has adopted the Model Code as set out in Appendix 10 of the Listing Rules as the principle standards of securities transactions for directors of the Company. Save as the following events, all directors have confirmed, following specific enquiry by the Company that they have complied with the required standard set out in the Model Code during the Period.

Reference is made to the Company's announcement dated 31 March 2011 (the "**Joint Announcement**"). The offer period the Company starts on 31 March 2011, the date of the Joint announcement, and ends on 8 June 2011, the date of EGM approving the Subscription Agreement (as defined in the Joint Announcement) and the transactions contemplated thereunder and the Whitewash Waiver (as defined in the Joint Announcement).

*Ms. Zeng Qingling's late submission of disclosure form*

Ms. Zeng Qingling is the wife of Mr. James Liu Jin, an executive director of the Company. Under class (3) of the definition of “associate” of the Hong Kong Code on Takeovers and Mergers and Share Repurchases (the “Takeovers Code”), Ms. Zeng Qingling is an associate of the Company.

On 1 April 2011 and 4 April 2011, Ms. Zeng Qingling bought a total of 1,000,000 shares of the Company. As required by Rule 22 of the Takeover Code (Disclosure of dealings during offer period), Ms. Zeng Qingling is required to disclose any dealing during the offer period from 31 March 2011 to 8 June 2011. Disclosure must be made no later than 10:00 a.m. on the business day following the date of the dealing.

Ms. Zeng Qingling submitted the disclosure of dealing form on 11 April 2011.

*Ms. Tao Bei Di's late submission of disclosure form*

Ms. Tao Bei Di is the daughter of Mr. Tao Lung, who is one of the shareholders of Perfect Develop Holding Inc. Under class (3) of the definition of “associate” of the Takeover Code, Ms. Tao Bei Di is an associate of the Company.

On 6 April 2011, Ms. Tao Bei Di bought 250,000 shares of the Company. As required by Rule 22 of the Takeover Code (Disclosure of dealings during offer period), Ms. Tao Bei Di is required to disclose any dealing during the offer period from 31 March 2011 to 8 June 2011. Disclosure must be made no later than 10:00 a.m. on the business day following the date of the dealing.

Ms. Tao Bei Di submitted the disclosure of dealing form on 12 April 2011.

Save as disclosed above, the Directors have complied with the Model Code.

## **Corporate Governance**

The Company is in compliance with all the code provisions as set out in the Code on Corporate Governance Practices in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules throughout the six months period ended 30 June 2011.

On behalf of the Board  
**XU Xiaofan**  
Chairman

Hong Kong, 17 August 2011

*As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises six executive Directors: Mr. Xu Xiaofan, Mr. Chen Zhiyu, Madam Guo Lin, Mr. Huang Zemin, Mr. Li Ke and Mr. Liu James Jin; and three independent non-executive Directors: Mr. Lee Kwong Yiu, Mr. Lui Tin Nang and Mr. Chong Cha Hwa.*