



## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REVIEW REPORT

**To the Board of Directors  
Regal Hotels International Holdings Limited**

### **Introduction**

We have been instructed by the Company to review the interim financial report set out on pages 5 to 17.

### **Directors' responsibilities**

The Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited require the preparation of an interim financial report to be in compliance with SSAP 25 "Interim Financial Reporting" issued by the Hong Kong Society of Accountants and the relevant provisions thereof. The interim financial report is the responsibility of, and has been approved by, the Directors.

### **Review work performed**

We conducted our review in accordance with SAS 700 "Engagements to Review Interim Financial Reports" issued by the Hong Kong Society of Accountants. A review consists principally of making enquiries of management and applying analytical procedures to the interim financial report and based thereon, assessing whether the accounting policies and presentation have been consistently applied unless otherwise disclosed. A review excludes audit procedures such as tests of controls and verification of assets, liabilities and transactions. It is substantially less in scope than an audit and therefore provides a lower level of assurance than an audit. Accordingly we do not express an audit opinion on the interim financial report.

### **Fundamental uncertainties**

In arriving at our review conclusion, we have considered the adequacy of the disclosures made in note 2 to the interim financial report which explain the circumstances giving rise to the fundamental uncertainties relating to:

- (i) the Group securing the ongoing support of the relevant lenders of two loans aggregating HK\$4,901.6 million as at 30th June, 2001 (the "Loans") following the Group's non-compliance with certain loan covenants of the Loans;
- (ii) the outcome of the proposed refinancing arrangement for certain of the Loans and the proposed working capital fund-raising arrangement through equity issues (the "Financing Arrangements"); and
- (iii) the successful implementation of the disposal of certain of the Group's non-core assets (the "Disposal").

The interim financial report has been prepared on a going concern basis, the validity of which depends upon the ongoing support of the relevant lenders of the Loans including the non-issuance of the notice by the agents who act on behalf of the relevant lenders of the Loans to declare the Loans immediately due and repayable (the "Declaration Notice"), the successful outcome of the Financing Arrangements and the successful implementation of the Disposal. The interim financial report does not include any adjustments that would result from the issuance of the Declaration Notice, the failure of the Financing Arrangements or the implementation of the Disposal.

### **Review conclusion**

On the basis of our review which does not constitute an audit, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the interim financial report for the six months ended 30th June, 2001.

Without modifying our review conclusion above, we draw attention to the fact that:

- (i) the comparative condensed consolidated profit and loss account and condensed consolidated statement of recognised gains and losses for the six months ended 30th June, 2000 have not been reviewed in accordance with SAS 700; and
- (ii) as disclosed in note 1 to the interim financial report, a comparative condensed consolidated cash flow statement in respect of the six months ended 30th June, 2000 has not been prepared.

### **Ernst & Young**

*Certified Public Accountants*

Hong Kong  
20th September, 2001