

PARAMOUNT CORPORATION BERHAD

Interim Financial Report for the quarter ended 30 June 2012

The figures are unaudited

**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT
FOR PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2012**

	3 Months Ended 30 June		6 Months Ended 30 June	
	2012 RM'000	2011 RM'000	2012 RM'000	2011 RM'000
Revenue	118,843	121,999	223,122	225,851
Operating profit	19,730	32,587	38,680	58,293
Interest expense	(804)	(754)	(1,478)	(1,634)
Interest income	938	661	1,749	1,565
Profit before tax	19,864	32,494	38,951	58,224
Taxation	(5,034)	(10,330)	(10,718)	(17,569)
Profit for the period	14,830	22,164	28,233	40,655
Total profit attributable to: Owners of the Parent	14,830	22,164	28,233	40,655
Earnings per share ("EPS") attributable to Owners of the Parent (sen):				
Basic EPS	4.39	6.56	8.36	12.03
Diluted EPS	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

The Condensed Consolidated Income Statement should be read in conjunction with the Annual Financial Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2011.

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**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2012**

	3 Months Ended 30 June		6 Months Ended 30 June	
	2012 RM'000	2011 RM'000	2012 RM'000	2011 RM'000
Profit for the period	14,830	22,164	28,233	40,655
Other comprehensive income	136	-	37	-
Total comprehensive income for the period	14,966	22,164	28,270	40,655
Total comprehensive income attributable to: Owners of the Parent	14,966	22,164	28,270	40,655

The Condensed Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income should be read in conjunction with the Annual Financial Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2011.

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**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 30 JUNE 2012**

	As at 30/6/2012	As at 31/12/2011
	RM'000	RM'000
Non-current assets		
Property, plant and equipment	308,898	274,246
Land held for property development	396,304	232,964
Investment properties	12,489	13,753
Intangible asset	15,674	15,674
Investment in associates	10,148	10,111
Other investments	342	342
Deferred tax assets	13,255	10,872
	<u>757,110</u>	<u>557,962</u>
Current assets		
Property development costs	32,107	24,510
Trade receivables	75,303	76,666
Other receivables	71,370	131,780
Other current assets	17,449	11,589
Tax recoverable	2,218	3,906
Cash and bank balances	168,660	206,198
	<u>367,107</u>	<u>454,649</u>
Assets held for sale	19,125	17,800
	<u>386,232</u>	<u>472,449</u>
Total assets	<u>1,143,342</u>	<u>1,030,411</u>
Current liabilities		
Borrowings	14,460	14,700
Trade payables	62,022	70,853
Other payables	66,785	63,892
Tax payable	11,204	7,134
Other current liabilities	73,000	62,051
	<u>227,471</u>	<u>218,630</u>
Net current assets	<u>158,761</u>	<u>253,819</u>
Non-current liabilities		
Borrowings	214,068	121,298
Deferred tax liabilities	18,436	18,495
	<u>232,504</u>	<u>139,793</u>
Total liabilities	<u>459,975</u>	<u>358,423</u>
Equity attributable to equity holders of the Company		
Share capital	168,906	168,906
Reserves	514,461	503,082
Total equity	<u>683,367</u>	<u>671,988</u>
Total equity and liabilities	<u>1,143,342</u>	<u>1,030,411</u>
Net assets (NA) per share (RM)	<u>2.02</u>	<u>1.99</u>

The Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position should be read in conjunction with the Annual Financial Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2011.

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**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2012**

	Share Capital RM'000	Non Distributable Share Premium RM'000	Translation Reserve RM'000	Distributable Retained Earnings RM'000	Total Equity RM'000
As at 1 January 2011	120,647	89,890	1,401	423,202	635,140
Total comprehensive income	-	-	-	40,655	40,655
Transactions with owners					
Dividend	-	-	-	(18,097)	(18,097)
Issue of ordinary shares pursuant to Bonus Issue	48,259	(48,259)	-	-	-
Total transactions with owners	48,259	(48,259)	-	(18,097)	(18,097)
As at 30 June 2011	168,906	41,631	1,401	445,760	657,698
As at 1 January 2012	168,906	41,631	1,480	459,971	671,988
Total comprehensive income	-	-	37	28,233	28,270
Transactions with owners					
Dividend	-	-	-	(16,891)	(16,891)
As at 30 June 2012	168,906	41,631	1,517	471,313	683,367

The Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity should be read in conjunction with the Annual Financial Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2011.

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**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2012**

	6 Months Ended	
	30/6/2012	30/6/2011
	RM'000	RM'000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Profit before tax	38,951	58,224
Adjustment for:		
Non-cash items	7,195	6,146
Non-operating items	(323)	(60)
Operating profit before working capital changes	45,823	64,310
Increase in receivables	(17,467)	(32,557)
(Increase)/decrease in development properties	(7,597)	12,746
Increase/(decrease) in payables	5,006	(14,730)
Cash generated from operations	25,765	29,769
Taxes paid	(7,396)	(16,622)
Interest paid	(3,563)	(1,534)
Net cash generated from operating activities	14,806	11,613
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
(Increase)/decrease in land held for development	(122,106)	2,602
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(7,704)	(17,161)
Purchase of investment properties	-	(1,458)
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	78	222
Proceeds from disposal of investment properties	-	160
Interest received	1,749	1,565
Net cash used in investing activities	(127,983)	(14,070)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Dividend paid	(16,891)	(54,291)
Drawdown of term loan	100,000	-
Repayment of borrowings	(7,470)	(660)
Net cash generated from/(used in) financing activities	75,639	(54,951)
NET DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(37,538)	(57,408)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF PERIOD	206,198	332,637
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF PERIOD	168,660	275,229
	30/6/2012	30/6/2011
	RM'000	RM'000
Cash and cash equivalents comprise:		
Cash and bank balances	40,896	85,882
Fixed deposits	127,764	189,347
	168,660	275,229
Cash and bank balances held in HDA accounts	33,412	80,527

The Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows should be read in conjunction with the Annual Financial Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2011.

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PART A – EXPLANATORY NOTES PURSUANT TO FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARD (“FRS”) 134

A1. Basis of preparation

The interim financial statements are unaudited and have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of FRS 134 Interim Financial Reporting and paragraph 9.22 of the Listing Requirements of the Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad.

The interim financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements of the Group for the financial year ended 31 December 2011. The explanatory notes attached to the interim financial statements provide an explanation of events and transactions that are significant to an understanding of the changes in the financial position and performance of the Group since the year ended 31 December 2011.

A2. Changes in accounting policies

Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards (MFRS Framework)

On 19 November 2011, the Malaysian Accounting Standards Board (MASB) issued a new MASB approved accounting framework, the Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards (MFRS Framework).

The MFRS Framework is to be applied by all Entities Other Than Private Entities for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2012, with the exception of entities that are within the scope of MFRS 141 Agriculture (MFRS 141) and IC Interpretation 15 Agreements for Construction of Real Estate (IC 15), including its parent, significant investor and venturer (herein called ‘Transitioning Entities’).

Transitioning Entities will be allowed to defer adoption of the new MFRS Framework for an additional one year. On 30 June 2012, MASB announced that the Transitioning Entities are allowed to extend their deferment on the adoption of MFRS Framework for another year. As such, the MFRS Framework will be mandatory for all companies for annual period beginning on or after 1 January 2014. Consequently, adoption of the MFRS Framework by Transitioning Entities will be mandatory for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2014.

The Group falls within the scope definition of Transitioning Entities and accordingly, will be required to prepare financial statements using the MFRS Framework in its first MFRS financial statements for the year ending 31 December 2014. In presenting its first MFRS financial statements, the Group will be required to restate the comparative financial statements to amounts reflecting the application of MFRS Framework. The majority of the adjustments required on transition will be made, retrospectively, against opening retained profits.

The Group has commenced transitioning its accounting policies and financial reporting from the current Financial Reporting Standards to the MFRS Framework by establishing a project team to plan and manage the adoption of the MFRS Framework.

The Group has not completed its quantification of the financial effects of the differences between Financial Reporting Standards and accounting standards under the MFRS Framework due to the ongoing assessment by the project team. Accordingly, the consolidated financial performance and financial position as disclosed in these financial statements for the period ended 30 June 2012 could be different if prepared under the MFRS Framework.

The Group will achieve its scheduled milestones and expects to be in a position to fully comply with the requirements of the MFRS Framework for the financial year ending 31 December 2014.

A3. Audit report qualification

The audit report for the financial year ended 31 December 2011 was not subject to any qualification.

A4. Seasonal or cyclical factors

The operations of the Group were not materially affected by any factor of a seasonal or cyclical nature.

A5. Exceptional or unusual items

There were no items of an exceptional or unusual nature that have affected the assets, liabilities, equity, net income or cash flows of the Group during the current quarter and financial year to date.

A6. Changes in estimates of amounts reported previously

There were no significant changes in estimates in prior periods that have materially affected the current quarter and financial year to date results.

A7. Debt and equity securities

There were no other issuance, cancellation, repurchases, resale and repayments of debt and equity securities for the current quarter and financial year to date.

A8. Dividends paid

	6 months ended	
	30/6/2012	30/6/2011
	RM'000	RM'000
Special interim dividend		
2010 - 40.00 sen less 25% income tax	0	36,194
Final dividend		
2011 - 5.00 sen single tier	16,891	18,097
(2010 - 20.00 sen less 25% income tax)		
	<u>16,891</u>	<u>54,291</u>

A9. Profit before tax

The following items have been included in arriving at profit before tax:

	3 months ended		6 months ended	
	31 March		31 March	
	2012	2011	2012	2011
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Depreciation of:				
- Property, plant and equipment	3,575	3,017	7,033	5,900
- Investment properties	22	154	147	246
Gain on disposal of:				
- Property, plant and equipment	31	131	41	131
Additions of allowance for				
impairment of trade and other receivables	179	141	197	152
Reversal of allowance for				
impairment of trade and other				
receivables	(23)	(84)	(28)	(137)
Bad debts written off	0	14	0	89
Net foreign exchange (gain)/loss	(14)	114	(409)	47

Save for the items disclosed in the Income Statement and the note above, other items pursuant to Appendix 9B Note16 of the Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad are not applicable.

A10. Segment reporting for the current financial year to date

<u>Analysis by Business Segment</u>	Revenue		Profit before tax	
	2012 RM'000	2011 RM'000	2012 RM'000	2011 RM'000
Property development	101,660	125,291	27,484	42,971
Construction	110,935	107,528	57	1,366
Education	53,430	48,517	15,119	11,254
Investment & others	88,684	26,346	79,613	30,157
	<u>354,709</u>	<u>307,682</u>	<u>122,273</u>	<u>85,748</u>
Inter-segment elimination	(131,587)	(81,831)	(83,322)	(27,524)
	<u>223,122</u>	<u>225,851</u>	<u>38,951</u>	<u>58,224</u>

A11. Carrying amount of revalued assets

The valuations of property, plant and equipment and investment properties have been brought forward without amendments from the financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2011.

A12. Subsequent events

- On 6 July 2012, Paramount Corporation Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary company of the Company, incorporated in Hong Kong, has been deregistered.
- On 23 August 2012, the Company acquired a shelf company, Fabulous Knowledge Sdn Bhd (FKSB). FKSB has an authorised share capital of RM100,000 divided into 100,000 ordinary shares of RM1 each and an issued and paid up share capital of RM2.

A13. Changes in composition of the Group

There were no changes in the composition of the Group during the current quarter and financial year to date.

A14. Changes in contingent assets and contingent liabilities

There were no contingent assets or contingent liabilities of the Group since the last annual reporting date.

A15. Capital commitment

The amount of commitments not provided for in the interim financial statements as at 30 June 2012 is as follows:

	RM'000
Approved and contracted for:-	
Property, plant & equipment	420
Land held for property development	46,879
	<u>47,299</u>

A16. Capital expenditure

The major additions and disposals to the property, plant and equipment during the current quarter and financial year to date were as follows:

	Current Quarter RM'000	Financial Year-to-date RM'000
Property, plant and equipment Additions	3,128	7,704

A17. Related party transactions

	Financial Year-to-date RM'000
Purchase of computers and peripherals from ECS ICT Bhd and its subsidiaries, a group of companies in which Dato' Teo Chiang Quan, a director of the Company, has substantial interests	45
Rental charges paid to Damansara Uptown One Sdn Bhd, a company in which a brother of Dato' Teo Chiang Quan has substantial interest	290
Sale of properties to Dato' Teo Chiang Quan	1,460
Sale of property to a child of Mr Ong Keng Siew, a director of the Company	374
Sale of properties to Dato' Liew Yin Chew, Mr Foong Poh Seng, Mr Ooi Hun Peng, Datin Teh Geok Lian and Ms Tay Lee Kong, directors of subsidiaries	1,888
Sale of property to the spouse of Mr Wang Chong Hwa, a director of subsidiary	384
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The directors are of the opinion that all the above transactions have been entered into in the normal course of business and have been established on terms and conditions that are not materially different from those obtainable in transactions with unrelated parties.

PART B – EXPLANATORY NOTES PURSUANT TO APPENDIX 9B OF THE LISTING REQUIREMENTS OF BURSA MALAYSIA SECURITIES BERHAD

B1. Review of performance

Q2 FY12 vs Q2 FY11

The Group's revenue for Q2 FY12 decreased marginally by 3% to RM118.8 million from RM122.0 million in Q2 FY11. Profit before tax (PBT) for Q2 FY12 decreased by 39% to RM19.9 million from RM32.5 million recorded in Q2 FY11.

Revenue for the property development division decreased by 9% to RM57.0 million in Q2 FY12 from RM62.8 million in Q2 FY11 due mainly to lower progressive billings. PBT for the division decreased by 42% to RM13.8 million from RM23.8 million in Q2 FY11 due to the completion of the Surian Industrial Park development and several phases in Kemuning Utama, as the development nears completion.

Revenue for the construction division decreased by 7% to RM58.3 million in Q2 FY12 from RM62.9 million in Q2 FY11 attributed to slower than scheduled progress of work. The division recorded a PBT of RM500,000 in Q2 FY12 compared with RM1.0 million in Q1 FY11 due to lower revenue and rising raw material costs.

Revenue for the education division increased by 10% to RM27.9 million in Q2 FY12 from RM25.4 million in Q2 FY11, boosted by a new stream of income - the new international school. PBT for the division increased marginally by 3% to RM7.1 million from RM6.9 million in Q2 FY11.

1H FY12 vs 1H FY11

The Group's revenue for 1H FY12 decreased marginally by 1% to RM223.1 million from RM225.9 million in 1H FY11. PBT for 1H FY12 decreased by 33% to RM39.0 million from RM58.2 million in 1H FY11.

Revenue for the property development division decreased by 29% to RM101.7 million for 1H FY12 from RM125.3 million in 1H FY11 due to lower progressive billings. PBT for the division decreased by 36% to RM27.5 million from RM43.0 million in 1H FY11 due to the completion of the Surian Industrial Park development and several phases in Kemuning Utama, as the development nears completion.

Revenue for the construction division increased marginally by 3% to RM110.9 million for 1H FY12 from RM107.5 million in 1H FY11 attributed to higher progressive billings stemming from the advance stages of several contracts. The division recorded a lower PBT of RM57,000 in 1H FY12 compared with RM1.4 million in 1H FY11 due to rising raw material costs.

Revenue for the education division increased by 10% to RM53.4 million in 1H FY12 from RM48.5 million in 1H FY11, boosted by a new stream of income - the new international school. PBT for the division increased by 34% to RM15.1 million from RM11.3 million in 1H FY11.

B2. Material changes in Profit Before Tax for the quarter reported on as compared with the immediate preceding quarter

Q2 FY12's PBT of RM19.9 million is comparable with RM19.0 million recorded in Q1 FY12.

B3. Prospects

The property development division's lock-in sales carried forward, new launches from existing development projects and commencement of the Bukit Banyan development project in Sungai Petani will underpin the division's sales for the remaining part of 2012. Bukit Banyan launched its first phase of double storey-linked houses in April, 2012, and has thus far sold more than 60% of the units launched. The higher salary increment for civil servants under the improved Malaysian Remuneration System or Sistem Saraan Malaysia, announced in the 2012 Budget, has positively impacted sales in this northern development. Historically, our customers have always comprised a large percentage of civil servant purchasers. Additionally, we continue to provide tailored incentives to assist new homebuyers.

The construction division will continue to operate in an intensely competitive environment. Given the challenges of rising construction costs - escalating raw material prices and shortage of skilled labour – the sector is facing the challenging task of maintaining profit margins. The division is, however, in negotiations with principals to recover part of the rising raw material costs on finalization of accounts.

Despite the challenging competitive conditions in the education industry, especially in the tertiary sector, the performance of the education division is expected to be stable. The upgrading of the Damansara Jaya campus to university college status and the development of proprietary programmes, and the significant investments in upgrading both the tertiary campus facilities as well as human and technological resources will enable us to remain competitive and grow. The primary and secondary school education with its expansion into international schools has positioned us well to respond to changes in customer preference.

The deferment of the launching of scheduled developments, due to protracted delays in approvals, has resulted in the Group having lower forward lock-in sales at the start of 2012 and a lull of what would have been maintainable progressive billings and earnings in 2012. The performance of the education division will be maintained, driven largely by the primary and secondary school. Overall, the results for 2012 are expected to be lower than those of 2011.

B4. Profit forecast or profit guarantee

There were no profit forecast or profit guarantee for the current quarter and financial year to date.

B5. Taxation

The taxation charge included the following:

	Current Quarter RM'000	Financial Year-to-date RM'000
Current year provision	4,227	9,357
Deferred tax	807	1,361
	5,034	10,718

The effective tax rate for the financial year was higher than the statutory income tax rate in Malaysia due to the losses of certain subsidiaries that were not available for full set off against taxable profits of other subsidiaries and certain expenses which were not deductible for tax purposes.

B6. Corporate proposal

On 1 June 2010, Paramount Property (Cjaya) Sdn Bhd (formerly known as Omni Assets Sdn Bhd), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, entered into a conditional Sale and Purchase Agreement (SPA) with Cyberview Sdn Bhd as a proprietor and Setia Haruman Sdn Bhd as a vendor, for the acquisition of a piece of freehold residential land measuring in area approximately 50.01 acres identified as Block 17 within the Cyberjaya Flagship Zone, Mukim Dengkil, Daerah Sepang, Negeri Selangor Darul Ehsan for a total cash consideration of RM78,423,681.60 on the terms and conditions as contained in the SPA. The Foreign Investment Committee has approved the sale. The disposal is pending the issuance of a separate title from the Land Office.

B7. Borrowings and debts securities

The Group's borrowings and debts securities as at 30 June 2012 were as follows:

	RM'000
<u>Short-term borrowings (Secured)</u>	
Current portion of long term loans	14,460
<u>Long-term borrowings (Secured)</u>	
Term loans	214,068

B8. Realised and unrealised profits

The breakdown of retained profits as at 30 June 2012 and 2011 on a group basis, into realised and unrealised profits, is as follows:

	30/6/2012 RM'000	30/6/2011 RM'000
Total retained profits of the Company and its subsidiaries		
- Realised	612,240	596,917
- Unrealised	(5,183)	(3,572)
	<u>607,057</u>	<u>593,345</u>
Total share of retained profits from associate		
- Realised	431	209
Less: Consolidation adjustments	(136,175)	(147,794)
Total Group retained profits	<u>471,313</u>	<u>445,760</u>

B9. Changes in material litigation

As at 28 August 2012, there were no changes in material litigation, including the status of pending litigation since the last annual reporting date of 31 December 2011.

B10. Dividends payable

The Board of Directors has declared an interim single tier dividend of 3.00 sen per share, (2011: 5.00 sen per share, single tier) in respect of the financial year ending 31 December 2012, which will be paid on 3 October 2012 to shareholders whose names appear on the Record of Depositors on 18 September 2012.

- (a) shares transferred into the Depositor's Securities Account before 4.00 p.m. on 18 September 2012 in respect of ordinary transfers.
- (b) shares bought on Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad on a cum entitlement basis according to the rules of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad.

The total dividend for the current financial year to date is 3.00 sen per share, single tier. (2011: 5.00 sen per share, single tier)

B11. Earnings per share

- (a) Basic EPS

Basic EPS is calculated by dividing the profit for the period attributable to ordinary equity holders of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the period.

	Current Quarter	Financial Year-to-date
Profit for the period (RM'000)	14,830	28,233
Weighted average number of ordinary shares ('000)	337,812	337,812
Basic EPS (sen)	<u>4.39</u>	<u>8.36</u>

- (b) Diluted EPS

Not applicable to the Group.