

## Condensed consolidated interim financial statements for the six-month period ended 30 June 2012 (unaudited)

## **Condensed Consolidated statement of comprehensive income**

	Current quarter 3 months ended		Cumulative quarter 6 months ended		
	N. 4	30 June 2012	30 June 2011	30 June 2012	30 June 2011
	Note	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Revenue		89,549	88,791	171,490	174,619
Other income		2,695	1,964	5,027	3,733
Changes in inventories of finished goods					
and work-in-progress		251	1,666	1,065	1,251
Raw materials and consumables used		(30, 139)	(29,101)	(59,316)	(59,967)
Vendors' commissions		(11,408)	(11,644)	(23,183)	(23,162)
Transportation costs		(3,596)	(3,810)	(7,242)	(7,617)
Employee benefits expense		(32,402)	(30,980)	(63,663)	(61,792)
Depreciation and amortisation		(4,547)	(5,734)	(10,038)	(11,710)
Other expenses		(12,202)	(13,011)	(21,676)	(23,037)
Finance costs		(1,653)	(1,673)	(3,218)	(3,403)
Operating loss		(3,452)	(3,532)	(10,754)	(11,085)
Share of results of associates		1,044	571	1,469	1,231
Loss before tax	6	(2,408)	(2,961)	(9,285)	(9,854)
Income tax	7 .	936	2,488	2,100	2,291
Loss for the period, net of tax		(1,472)	(473)	(7,185)	(7,563)
Other comprehensive income  Net gain on available-for-sale					
financial assets		0.4	050	4.570	4.040
- Gain on fair value changes		81	359	1,570	4,218
- Transfer to profit or loss		-	-	-	-
upon disposal Foreign currency translation		(71)	(56)	72	(219)
Other comprehensive income	•	()	(00)		(=:0)
for the period, net of tax		10	303	1,642	3,999
Total comprehensive income					
for the period	-	(1,462)	(170)	(5,543)	(3,564)



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**Condensed Consolidated statement of comprehensive income (contd.)** 

	_	Current quarter 3 months ended		Cumulative quarter 6 months ended	
	Note	30 June 2012 RM'000	30 June 2011 RM'000	30 June 2012 RM'000	30 June 2011 RM'000
Profit attributable to: Owners of the parent		(1,472)	(473)	(7,185)	(7,563)
Total comprehensive income attributable to:					
Owners of the parent	•	(1462)	(170)	(5543)	(3564)
Earnings per share attributable to owners of the parent (sen):					
Basic, for profit for the year Diluted, for profit for the year	8 8	(1.33) (1.33)	(0.43) (0.43)	(6.49) (6.49)	(6.83) (6.83)

These condensed consolidated statements of comprehensive income should be read in conjuction with the accompanying explanatory notes attached to these interim financial statements.

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## **Condensed Consolidated statement of financial position (unaudited)**

ı	Note	30 June 2012 RM'000	31 December 2011 RM'000 Restated	1 January 2011 RM'000 Restated
Assets				
Non-current assets				
Property, plant and equipment	9	241,763	228,845	242,298
Investment properties		13,971	14,083	7,995
Intangible assets	10	1,681	1,742	2,292
Investments in associates		27,317	27,448	25,238
Investment securities	13	26,499	22,019	19,406
Other investments	13	14,379	14,379	1,379
Deferred tax assets		1,156	1,302	1,171
Long term receivables		583	584	450
Trade and other receivables	_	14,845	14,845	0
	_	342,194	325,246	300,230
Current assets				
Inventories	11	46,982	34,907	73,830
Trade and other receivables		95,920	97,040	93,583
Investment securities		-	-	1,089
Cash and bank balances	12	62,038	67,598	48,557
	_	204,940	199,545	217,059
Total assets	_	547,134	524,791	517,289
Equity and liabilities Equity attributable to owners of the parent				
Share capital		110,734	110,734	110,734
Share premium		50,703	50,703	50,703
Other reserves		11,310	9,438	8,144
Retained earnings		131,754	139,169	120,846
Total equity	_	304,501	310,044	290,427



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## **Condensed Consolidated statement of financial position (contd.)**

	Note	30 June 2012 RM'000	31 December 2011 RM'000 Restated	1 January 2011 RM'000 Restated
Non-current liabilities				
Retirement benefit obligations		3,815	3,910	5,543
Loans and borrowings	15	89,514	83,200	78,671
Deferred tax liabilities		8,693	12,529	17,215
		102,022	99,638	101,430
Current liabilities				
Retirement benefit obligations		557	571	731
Loans and borrowings	15	79,151	56,844	60,667
Trade and other payables		59,031	56,137	61,881
Taxation		1,872	1,557	2,154
		140,611	115,109	125,432
Total liabilities		242,633	214,747	226,862
Total equity and liabilities		547,134	524,791	517,289

These condensed consolidated statements of financial position should be read in conjuction with the accompanying explanatory notes attached to these interim financial statements.

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## Condensed consolidated statement of changes in equity

		[Attributable								
No	Share capital ote RM'000	Share premium RM'000	Retained earnings RM'000	Other reserves RM'000	Fair value adjustment reserve RM'000	Asset	Foreign currency translation reserve RM'000	Share option reserve RM'000	Capital reserve RM'000	Total equity RM'000
At 1 January 2011	110,734	50,703	115,465	13,525	2,597	6,008	77	390	4,453	290,427
Total comprehensive income	-	-	(7,563)	3,999	4,218	-	(219)	-	-	(3,564)
At 30 June 2011	110,734	50,703	107,902	17,524	6,815	6,008	(142)	390	4,453	286,863
At 1 January 2012	110,734	50,703	133,788	14,819	4,844	5,148	(15)	389	4,453	310,044
Total comprehensive income		-	(7,185)	1,642	1,570	-	72	-	-	(5,543)
Transactions with owners										
Forfeiture of share options granted under ESOS	-	-	3	(3)	(3)	-	-	-	-	-
Effect of adopting MFRS optional exemptions - deemed cost	-	-	5,148	(5,148)	-	(5,148)	-	-	-	-
At 30 June 2012	110,734	50,703	131,754	11,310	6,411	-	57	389	4,453	304,501

These condensed consolidated statements of changes in equity should be read in conjuction with the accompanying explanatory notes attached to these interim financial statements.



# Condensed consolidated interim financial statements for the six-month period ended 30 June 2012 (unaudited)

## Condensed consolidated statement of cash flows

	6 months ended			
Note	30 June 2012 RM'000	30 June 2011 RM'000		
Cash flows from operating activities				
Loss before taxation	(9,285)	(9,854)		
Adjustments for:	4 000	070		
Impairment loss on trade and other receivables	1,060	976		
Reversal of impairment loss on trade and other receivables	s (248)	(2)		
Net fair value gain on held for trading investment	-	(22)		
Gain on disposal of held for trading investment  Provision for retirement benefits	324	(27) 334		
Share of results of associates	(1,469)			
Interest income	(813)	, ,		
Interest income Interest expenses	2,944	3,121		
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	9,830	11,047		
Amortisation of intangible assets	208	663		
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(127)	(5)		
Reversal of inventories written down	-	(67)		
Property, plant and equipment written off	-	1		
Dividend income	(834)	(551)		
Operating profit before working capital changes	1,590	4,136		
Decrease/(increase) in receivables	408	1,017		
(Increase)/decrease in inventories	(12,075)	9,490		
(Decrease)/increase in payables	2,751	(1,356)		
Cash (used in)/generated from operations	(7,326)	13,287		
Interest paid	(2,816)	(3,102)		
Taxes paid	(1,335)	(611)		
Real property gains tax paid		(224)		
Net cash used in operating activities	(11,477)	9,350		
Cash flows from investing activities				
Interest received	813	247		
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(22,483)			
Purchase of intangible assets	(147)	• • • • •		
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	127	7		
Proceeds from capital reduction of investment	1,600	-		
Purchase of securities in available for sale investment	(2,910)	(900)		
Proceeds from disposal of held for trading investment	-	1,138		
Dividends received	782	551		
Net cash used in investing activities	(22,218)	(7,773)		
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Condensed consolidated interim financial statements for the three-month period ended 31 March 2012 (unaudited)

Condensed consolidated statement of cash flows (contd.)

	6 months ended		
	30 June 2012	30 June 2011	
	RM'000	RM'000	
Cash flows from financing activities			
Drawdown of short term borrowings	20,285	7,452	
Drawdown of term loan	15,292	-	
Payment of hire purchase payables	(14)	(10)	
Repayment of long term borrowings	(7,082)	(5,933)	
Payment of retirement benefits	(419)	(808)	
Additional of pledged fixed deposits	(126)	-	
Net cash generated from financing activities	27,936	701	
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(5,759)	2,278	
Effects of foreign exchange rate changes	73	(226)	
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January	67,022	46,829	
Cash and cash equivalents at 30 June	61,336	48,881	

These condensed consolidated statements of cash flows should be read in conjuction with the accompanying explanatory notes attached to these interim financial statements.



## Explanatory notes pursuant to MFRS 134 For the six-month period ended 30 June 2012

#### 1. Corporate information

The Company is a public limited liability company, incorporated and domiciled in Malaysia, and is listed on the Main Market of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad.

#### 2. First -time adoption of Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards ("MFRS")

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements, for the period ended 31 March 2012, have been prepared in accordance with MFRS 134 Interim Financial Reporting and paragraph 9.22 of the Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad. These condensed consolidated interim financial statements also comply with IAS 34 Interim Financial Reporting issued by the International Accounting Standards Board. For the periods up to and including the year ended 31 December 2011, the Group prepared its financial statements in accordance with Financial Reporting Standards ("FRS").

The consolidated financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2011 which were prepared under FRS are available upon request from the Company's registered office at Level 7, Menara PGRM, No 8 Jalan Pudu Ulu, 56100 Kuala Lumpur.

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements are the Group's first MFRS condensed consolidated interim financial statements for part of the periods covered by the Group's first MFRS annual financial statements for the year ending 31 December 2012. MFRS 1 First-Time Adoption of Malysia Financial Reporting Standards ("MFRS 1") has been applied.

The explanatory notes attached to these condensed consolidated 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.

In preparing its opening MFRS Statement of Financial Position as at 1 January 2011 (which is also the date of transition), the Group has adjusted the amounts previously reported in financial statements prepared in accordance with FRS. An explanation of how the transition from FRS to MFRS has affected the Group's financial position, financial performance and cash flows is set out in Note 3 below. This note includes reconciliations of equity and total comprehensive income for comparative periods and of equity at the date of transition reported under FRS to those reported for those periods and at the date of transition under MFRS. The transition from FRS to MFRS has not had a material impact on the statement of cash flows.



## Explanatory notes pursuant to MFRS 134 For the six-month period ended 30 June 2012

#### 3. Significant accounting policies and application of MFRS 1

The audited financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2011 were prepared in accordance with FRS. Except for certain differences, the requirements under FRS and MFRS are similar. The significant accounting policies adopted in preparing these condensed consolidated interim financial statements are consistent with those of the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2011 except as discussed below:

## (a) Business combination

MFRS 1 provides the option to apply MFRS Business Combinations, prospectively from the date of transition or from a specific date prior to the date of transition. This provides relief from full retrospective application of MFRS 3 which would require restatement of all business combinations prior to the date of transition.

#### Acquisition before date of transition

The Group has elected to apply MFRS 3 prospectively from the date of transition. In respect of acquisitions prior to the date of transition,

- (i) The classification of former business combinations under FRS is maintained;
- (ii) There is no re-measurement of original fair values determined at the time of business combination (date of acquisition); and
- (iii) The carrying amount of goodwill recognised under FRS is not adjusted.

#### (b) Property, plant and equipment

The Group previously adopted the transitional provisions available on the first application of the MASB Approved Accounting Standard IAS 16 (Revised) Property, Plant and Equipment which was effective for periods ending on or after 1 September 1998. By virtue of this transitional provision, the Group had recorded certain buildings at revalued amounts but had not adopted a policy of revaluation and continued to carry those buildings on the basis of their previous revaluations subject to continuity in its depreciation policy and requirement to write down the assets to their recoverable amounts for impairment adjustments.

Upon transition to MFRS, the Group has elected to measure all its property, plant and equipment using the cost model under MFRS 116 Property, Plant and Equipment. At the date of transition to MFRS, the Group elected to regard the revalued amounts of land, buildings and machines as at 22 July 1986 as deemed cost at the date of the revaluation as these amounts were broadly comparable to fair value at that date. The asset revaluation reserves of RM5,147,994.75 (30 June 2011: RM5,147,994.75; 31 December 2011: RM5,147,994.75) was transfered to retained earnings on date of transition to MFRS.



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## 3. Significant accounting policies and application of MFRS 1 (contd.)

### (c) Quoted equity instruments

The quoted equity instruments at 1 January 2011 and at 31 December 2011 were consistent with those made for the same dates in accordance with FRS. The estimates used by the Group to present these amounts in accordance with MFRS reflect conditions at 1 January 2011, the date of transition to MFRS and as of 31 December 2011.

## (d) Foreign currrency translation reserve

Under FRS, the Group recognised translation differences on foreign operations in a separate component of equity. The Group has not elected to deem cumulative foreign currency translation differences in respect of all foreign operations to be zero at the date of transition to MFRS.

#### (e) Estimates

The estimates at 1 January 2011 and at 31 December 2011 were consistent with those made for the same dates in accordance with FRS. The estimates used by the Group to present these amounts in accordance with MFRS reflect conditions at 1 January 2011, the date of transition to MFRS and as of 31 December 2011.

The reconciliations of equity and total comprehensive income for comparative periods and equity at the date of transition reported under FRS to those reported for those periods and at the date of transition under MFRS are provided below:



## Explanatory notes pursuant to MFRS 134 For the six-month period ended 30 June 2012

## 3. Significant accounting policies and application of MFRS 1 (contd.)

## (i) Reconciliation of equity as at 1 January 2011

	FRS as at 1 January 2011 RM'000	Note 3 (b) Property, plant and equipment RM'000	MFRS as at 1 January 2011 RM'000
Assets Non-current assets Property, plant and equipment Investment properties Intangible assets Investments in associates Investment securities Other investments Deferred tax assets Long term receivables Trade and other receivables	242,298 7,995 2,292 25,238 19,406 1,379 1,171 450	_	242,298 7,995 2,292 25,238 19,406 1,379 1,171 450
Current assets Inventories Trade and other receivables Investment securities Cash and bank balances	73,830 93,583 1,089 48,557 217,059	- -	73,830 93,583 1,089 48,557 217,059
Total assets	517,289		517,289
Equity and liabilities Equity attributable to owners of the parent Share capital Share premium Other reserves Retained earnings Total equity	110,734 50,703 13,525 115,465 290,427	(5,148) 5,148	110,734 50,703 8,377 120,613 290,427
Non-current liabilities Retirement benefit obligations Loans and borrowings Deferred tax liabilities	5,543 78,671 17,215 101,430		5,543 78,671 17,215 101,430
Current liabilities Retirement benefit obligations Loans and borrowings Trade and other payables Taxation	731 60,667 61,881 2,154 125,432		731 60,667 61,881 2,154 125,432
Total liabilities Total equity and liabilities	226,862 517,289		226,862 517,289



## Explanatory notes pursuant to MFRS 134 For the six-month period ended 30 June 2012

## 3. Significant accounting policies and application of MFRS 1 (contd.)

(ii) Reconciliation of equity as at 30 June 2011

	FRS as at 30 June 2011 RM'000	Note 3 (b) Property, plant and equipment RM'000	MFRS as at 30 June 2011 RM'000
Assets Non-current assets Property, plant and equipment Investment properties Intangible assets Investments in associates Investment securities Other investments Deferred tax assets Long term receivables Trade and other receivables	240,761 8,173 1,645 26,475 24,524 1,379 1,295 478	_	240,761 8,173 1,645 26,475 24,524 1,379 1,295 478
Current assets Inventories Trade and other receivables Investment securities Cash and bank balances	64,407 90,717 - 50,216 205,340	- -	64,407 90,717 - 50,216 205,340
Total assets	510,070		510,070
Equity and liabilities Equity attributable to owners of the parent Share capital Share premium Other reserves Retained earnings Total equity	110,734 50,703 17,524 107,902 286,863	(5,148) 5,148 _	110,734 50,703 12,376 113,050 286,863
Non-current liabilities Retirement benefit obligations Loans and borrowings Deferred tax liabilities	5,171 72,629 14,448 92,248		5,171 72,629 14,448 92,248
Current liabilities Retirement benefit obligations Loans and borrowings Trade and other payables Taxation	629 67,825 60,320 2,185 130,959		629 67,825 60,320 2,185 130,959
Total liabilities Total equity and liabilities	223,207 <b>510,070</b>		223,207 <b>510,070</b>



# Explanatory notes pursuant to MFRS 134 For the six-month period ended 30 June 2012

## 3. Significant accounting policies and application of MFRS 1 (contd.)

(iii) Reconciliation of equity as at 31 December 2011

	FRS as at 31 December 2011 RM'000	Note 3 (b) Property, plant and equipment RM'000	MFRS as at 31 December 2011 RM'000
Assets			
Non-current assets Property, plant and equipment Investment properties Intangible assets	228,845 14,083 1,742		228,845 14,083 1,742
Investments in associates Investment securities	27,448 22,019		27,448 22,019
Other investments	14,379		14,379
Deferred tax assets Long term receivables	1,302 584		1,302 584
Trade and other receivables	14,845 325,246	_	14,845 325,246
Current assets		_	
Inventories Trade and other receivables Investment securities	34,907 97,040 -		34,907 97,040
Cash and bank balances	67,598 199,545	_	67,598 199,545
Total assets	524,791		524,791
Equity and liabilities Equity attributable to owners of the parent			
Share capital Share premium	110,734 50,703		110,734 50,703
Other reserves	19,967	(5,148)	14,819
Retained earnings Total equity	128,640 310,044	5,148 _	133,788 310,044
Non-current liabilities		<u> </u>	
Retirement benefit obligations	3,910 83,200		3,910 83,200
Loans and borrowings Deferred tax liabilities	12,529		12,529
	99,638		99,638
Current liabilities			
Retirement benefit obligations Loans and borrowings	571 56,844		571 56,844
Trade and other payables	56,137		56,137
Taxation	1,557		1,557
	115,109		115,109
Total liabilities	214,747		214,747
Total equity and liabilities	524,791		524,791



# Explanatory notes pursuant to MFRS 134 For the six-month period ended 30 June 2012

## 4. Changes in estimates

There were no changes in estimates that have had a material effect in the current interim results.

## 5. Changes in composition of the Group

There were no changes in composition of the Group that have had a material effect in the current interim results.

#### 6. Loss before tax

Included in the loss before tax are the following items:

	Current quarter 3 months ended		Cumulative quarter 6 months ended	
	30 June	30 June	30 June	30 June
	2012	2011	2012	2011
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Interest income	408	154	813	247
Interest expense	1,502	1,566	2,944	3,121
Impairment loss on trade				
receivables	403	625	812	974
Gain on disposal of property,				
plant & equipment	102	5	127	5
Net fair value gain on held for				
trading investment securities	-	4	-	27
Depreciation of property, plant				
and equipment	4,445	5,594	9,830	11,047
Amortisation of intangible				
assets	102	136	208	663



## Explanatory notes pursuant to MFRS 134 For the six-month period ended 30 June 2012

#### 7. Income tax expense

	Current quarter 3 months ended		Cumulative quarter 6 months ended		
	30 June	30 June	30 June	30 June	
	2012	2011	2012	2011	
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	
Current tax:  Malaysian income tax	(709)	(552)	(1,590)	(600)	
Deferred tax	1,645	3,040	3,690	2,891	
	936	2,488	2,100	2,291	

Income tax expense is recognised in each interim period based on the best estimate of the weighted average annual income tax rate expected for the full financial year. The effective tax rates are lower than statutory tax rate (2012: 25% and 2011: 25%) principally due to the increase in unabsorbed capital allowances arising from the upgrade of printing plants and also adjustment of accruals.

### 8. Earnings Per Share

Basic earnings per share amounts are calculated by dividing profit for the period, net of tax, attributable to owners of the parent by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the period, excluding treasury shares held by the Company.

Diluted earnings per share amounts are calculated by dividing profit for the period, net of tax, attributable to owners of the parent by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the period, plus the weighted average number of ordinary shares that would be issued on the conversion of all the dilutive ordinary shares into ordinary shares.



# Explanatory notes pursuant to MFRS 134 For the six-month period ended 30 June 2012

## 8. Earnings Per Share (contd.)

The following reflect the profit and share data used in the computation of basic and diluted earnings per share:

	Current quarter 3 months ended		Cumulative 6 months 6	•
	30 June 2012	30 June 2011	30 June 2012	30 June 2011
Profit net of tax attributable to owners of the parent used in the computation of earnings per				
share (RM'000)	(1,472)	(473)	(7,185)	(7,563)
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue ('000) Effects of dilution - Share options ('000) Weighted average number of ordinary shares for diluted earnings per share computation ('000)	110,734 - 110,734	110,734 - 110,734	110,734 - 110,734	110,734 - 110,734
(1000)	110,734	110,734	110,734	110,734
Basic earnings per share (sen) Diluted earnings per share (sen)	(1.33) (1.33)	(0.43) (0.43)	(6.49) (6.49)	(6.83) (6.83)

## 9. Property, plant and equipment

Acquisitions and disposals

During the six months ended 30 June 2012, the Group acquired assets at a cost of RM22,483,403 (30 June 2011: RM8,800,480). Included in the total assets acquired is an amount for construction work-in-progress of RM20,408,520 (30 June 2011: RM4,784,948). This construction work-in-progress represents the expenditure incurred for the construction of a new corporate head office building. This project is expected to be completed in January 2013.

Assets with nil carrying amount were disposed of by the Group during the six months ended 30 June 2012 (30 June 2011: RM1,500), resulting in a gain on disposal of RM127,161 (30 June 2011: RM5,330), recognised and included in other income in the statement of comprehensive income.



## Explanatory notes pursuant to MFRS 134 For the six-month period ended 30 June 2012

#### 10. Intangible assets

Included in the intangible assets is goodwill arising from acquisition of a subsidiary amounting to RM50,000 (30 June 2011: RM785,613).

Goodwill is tested for impairment annually (31 December) and as at 31 December 2011 it has been allocated to the cash-genarating units ("CGU") of the Publishing, Distributions and Advertisement segments for impairment testing. The key assumptions used to determine the recoverable amount for the different cash generating units were discussed in the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2011.

#### 11. Inventories

There are no write-down of inventories to net realisable value and reversal of written-down inventories during the six months ended 30 June 2012.

#### 12. Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comparised the following amounts

	30 June 2012 RM'000	31 December 2011 RM'000	1 January 2011 RM'000
Cash at bank and in hand	37,598	44,972	34,376
Short Term Deposit	24,440	22,626	14,181
Total cash and cash equivalents	62,038	67,598	48,557

#### 13. Fair value hierarchy

The Group uses the following hierarchy for determining the fair value of all financial instruments carried at fair value:

- Level 1 Quoted priced (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities
- Level 2 Inputs that are based on observable market data, either directly or indirectly
- Level 3 Inputs that are not based on observable market data



# Explanatory notes pursuant to MFRS 134 For the six-month period ended 30 June 2012

## 13. Fair value hierarchy (contd.)

As at reporting date, the Group held the following financial assets that are measured at fair value:

	Total RM'000	Level 1 RM'000	Level 2 RM'000	Level 3 RM'000
30 June 2012 Available-for-sale financial assets				
- Equity instrument	40,878	26,499	-	14,379
31 December 2011 Available-for-sale financial assets - Equity instrument	36,397	22,019	<u>-</u>	14,379
1 January 2011 financial assets - Equity instrument	20,785	19,406	-	1,379

No transfer between any levels of the fair value hierarchy took place during the current interim period and the comparative period. There were also no changes in the purpose of any financial asset that subsequently resulted in a different classification of that asset.

### 14. Share capital, share premium and treasury shares

There are no movement in share capital, share premium and treasury shares during the financial period ended 30 June 2012.



# Explanatory notes pursuant to MFRS 134 For the six-month period ended 30 June 2012

## 15. Interest bearing loans and borrowings

	30 June 2012 RM'000	31 December 2011 RM'000	1 January 2011 RM'000
Short term borrowings			
Secured	13,792	16,170	12,920
Unsecured	65,359	40,674	47,748
	79,151	56,844	60,667
Long term borrowings			
Secured	-	-	-
Unsecured	89,514	83,200	78,671
	89,514	83,200	78,671
	168,665	140,043	139,339
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### 16. Dividends

The directors did not recommend any payment of dividend in respect of the financial year ended 31 December 2011.

## 17. Commitments

	30 June 2012 RM'000	31 December 2011 RM'000	1 January 2011 RM'000
Capital expenditure Approved and contracted for: Property, plant and equipment	-	-	86,000
Approved but not contracted for: Property, plant and equipment	60,640	71,974	-



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## 18. Contingent liabilities

There are two (2) new material litigation against the Group since the last status report for the position as at 31 March 2012. As at 30 June 2012 the contingent liabilities stand at RM447 million.

After taking appropriate legal advice, no provision has been made in the financial results of the Group as at 30 June 2012 as the Directors are of the opinion that most of the claims have no sustainable merit.

### 19. Related party transactions

The following table provides information on the transactions which have been entered into with related parties during the three-month period ended 30 June 2012 and 30 June 2011:

	2012 RM'000	2011 RM'000
Services rendered by Utusan Transport Sdn Bhd and Group, an associate	4,830	5,860
Services rendered by Utusan Printcorp Sdn Bhd and Group, an associate	5,365	-

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#### 20. Segment information

	Publishing, distribution		Information	Investment holding,		Adinatoranta	Per consolidated
	and		technology	management services		Adjustments and	financial
	advertisements 30 June 2012 RM'000	Printing 30 June 2012 RM'000	and multimedia 30 June 2012 RM'000	and others 30 June 2012 RM'000	Total 30 June 2012 RM'000	eliminations 30 June 2012 RM'000	statements 30 June 2012 RM'000
Revenue:							
External customers	164,607	-	5,683	1,200	171,490	-	171,490
Inter-segment	5,347	-	44	275	5,666	(5,666)	-
Total revenue	169,954	-	5,727	1,475	177,156	(5,666)	171,490
Segment profit/(loss) (Note A)	(12,315)	61	433	1,111	(10,710)	1,425	(9,285)
	30 June	30 June	30 June	30 June	30 June	30 June	30 June
	2011	2011	2011	2011	2011	2011	2011
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Revenue:							
External customers	173,839	7,689	2,671	1,414	185,613	-	185,613
Inter-segment	4,795	5,454	135	611	10,995	(10,995)	-
Total revenue	178,634	13,143	2,806	2,025	196,608	(10,995)	185,613
Segment profit/(loss) (Note A)	(7,334)	(2,911)	(326)	1,191	(9,380)	(474)	(9,854)

#### Note A

Segment profit is reconciled to profit before tax presented in the condensed consolidated statement of comprehensive income as follows:

	30 June	30 June
	2012	2011
	RM'000	RM'000
Segment loss	(10,710)	(9,380)
Share of profit of associates	1,469	1,231
Finance costs	(3,218)	(3,403)
Unallocated corporate expenses	3,174	1,698
Loss before tax	(9,285)	(9,854)



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## 20. Segment information (contd)

The Group comprises the following main business segments:

- (i) Publishing, distribution and advertisements publishing and distribution of newspapers, magazines and books and print and online advertising;
- (ii) Printing printing of magazines and books;
- (iii) Information technology and multimedia; and
- (iv) Investment holding, management services and others.



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#### 21. Performance review

Revenue for the current quarter under review of RM89.5 million was 0.9% higher than that of the preceding year's corresponding quarter of RM88.8 million. The increase was mainly derived from information technology & multimedia segment, which posted an increase of 197.8% primarily contributed by e-learning business activities. Accordingly the Group recorded lower loss before tax (LBT) of RM2.4 million as compared with LBT of RM3.0 million for the corresponding quarter last year. On a year-to-date basis the Group registered lower revenue of RM171.5 million for the period ended 30 June 2012 as compared with RM174.6 million last year. Nevertheless, the Group recorded slightly lower LBT of RM9.3 million as compared with LBT of RM9.9 million last year mainly due to higher other income coupled with lower depreciation and other operating expenses.

The performance of the respective operating business segments for the current quarter as compared with the corresponding quarter last year is analysed as follows:-

#### i. Publication, distribution and advertisements

Revenue decreased by 1.8% primarily due to lower net circulation revenue for newspapers and advertisement revenue as compared with the corresponding quarter last year. Hence this segment registered higher LBT by RM4.0 million. However magazines' circulation revenue has increased by 15.5% contributed mainly by a newly issued magazine, Iman.

On a year-to-date basis, this segment's revenue decreased by 2.6% primarily due to the government tenders for distribution of school reference books recognised in the corresponding quarter last year. This segment posted higher year-to-date LBT by 67.9% from RM7.3 million previous year to RM12.3 million this year despite an increase in advertising revenue by 3.2%.

#### ii. Printing

No revenue was recognised for the current quarter and year-to-date under review as the subsidiary namely, Utusan Printcorp Sdn Bhd which was the main contributor for this segment is now an associate to the Group after the disposal of 70% interest in the company in September 2011.

#### iii. Information technology and multimedia

Revenue for both current quarter and six months period ended 30 June 2012 for this segment has increased significantly by 197.8% and 124.1% respectively. As a result this segment which is involved in e-learning and job provision business activities has turned around and posted profit before tax for current quarter and year-to-date as compared with a loss in the same periods last year.

## iv. Investment holding, management services and others

Despite higher revenue for current quarter and year-to-date, this segment registered lower profit due to higher operational costs.



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### 22. Comparison with the immediate preceding quarter results

The Group recorded lower pre-tax loss of RM2.4 million for the current quarter compared with pretax loss of RM6.9 million for the preceding quarter. This is largely due to higher revenue of RM89.5 million compared with RM81.9 million previously.

The Group performance by segments is as follows:-

- i. Publication, distribution and advertisements Advertising revenue increased by 26.3% as advertisers usually start their promotional campaigns towards second quarter onwards. However revenue from publishing and distribution sub-segment declined by 1.35% mainly due to lower newspaper circulation revenue. This segment posted a reduction of 40.1% in its LBT from RM7.7 million in the first quarter to RM4.6 million in the current quarter.
- ii. Information technology and multimedia

  Revenue increased by 66.3% arising from e-learning and job provision business activities thus registering higher PBT (above 100%) by as compared with that of the first quarter.
- iii. Investment holding, management services and others Revenue increased by 52.6% resulting in higher PBT by 121.8%

#### 23. Comment on current year prospects

The year 2012 will continue to post challenges to the Group in view of stiff competition for the market share of advertising expenditure (ADEX) among all media. Nevertheless the Group's advertising revenue which grew by 3.2% in the first half of this year is expected to maintain its positive growth.

Our e-learning and job provision business activities which are currently undertaken by Perfisio Solutions Sdn Bhd posted an increase of RM3.0 million in revenue to RM5.3 million in the first half of this year compared with RM2.3 million in the corresponding period last year. Going forward, this segment is expected to increase its contribution to the Group. The Group will continue to invest in the infrastructural requirements of this segment.

#### 24. Profit forecast or profit guarantee

The group has not provided any profit forecast in a public document.



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### 25. Corporate proposals

There are no corporate proposals announced as at the date of this report.

### 26. Changes in material litigation

There was no material litigation against the Group except as disclosed in Note 18.

#### 27. Dividend payable

No interim ordinary dividend has been declared for the financial period ended 30 June 2012 (30 June 2011: Nil)

### 28. Disclosure of outstanding derivatives

There were no outstanding derivatives as at the end of the reporting period.

### 29. Rationale for entering into derivatives

The group did not enter into any derivatives during the period ended 30 June 2012 or the previous financial year ended 31 December 2011.

### 30. Auditors' report on preceding annual financial statements

The auditors' report on the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2011 was not qualified.



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### 31. Supplementary information

### Breakdown of retained profits into realised and unrealised

	As at 30/6/2012 RM'000	As at 31/12/2011 RM'000
Total retained profits of the Company and its subsidiaries		
- Realised	80,738	87,867
- Unrealised loss	(7,606)	(11,275)
	73,132	76,592
Total share of retained profits from associated companies		
- Realised	24,865	23,759
- Unrealised loss	(36)	(400)
	24,829	23,359
	97,961	99,951
Add: Consolidation adjustments	33,793	33,837
Total group retained profits	131,754	133,788

The determination of realised and unrealised profits is based on the Guidance of Special Matter No.1, Determination of Realised and Unrealised Profits or Losses in the Context of Disclosure Pursuant to Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad Listing Requirements.

Accordingly, the unrealised retained profits of the Group as disclosed above exclude translation gains and losses on monetary items denominated in a currency other than the functional currency and foreign exchange contracts, as these translation gains and losses are incurred in the ordinary course of business of the Group, hence deemed as realised.

The disclosure of realised and unrealised profits above is solely for complying with the disclosure requirements stipulated in the directive of Bursa Malaysia and should not be applied for any other purposes.

#### BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

**Sharina Saidon** 

Company Secretary
Date: 29 August 2012