

Enforcement Actions

13 November 1997

SFC Prosecutes Kwok Ying Chuen for Contravening the Securities (Disclosure of Interests) Ordinance

The Securities and Futures Commission (SFC) announced today that it had successfully prosecuted Mr Kwok Ying Chuen (Kwok), the Chairman of Chung Hwa Development Holdings Limited (Chung Hwa), for contravening Section 28(2)(a) of the Securities (Disclosure of Interests) Ordinance (SDIO).

Kwok pleaded guilty to five summonses before Ms Polly Lo at Western Magistracy for failing on five occasions in the period 23 July to 29 August 1996 to notify The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the Exchange) within five days of his acquisition of interests in a total of 4.58 million Chung Hwa shares.

Kwok was fined \$20,000 and ordered to pay costs of \$22,468 to the SFC.

Mr Mark Dickens, Executive Director, Enforcement, of the SFC, commenting on the prosecution said that all directors and substantial shareholders of publicly listed companies had a duty to submit promptly to the listed company and the Exchange any notifications regarding changes to their shareholdings, in order to maintain an informed market.