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Melco PBL Secures HK\$1.28 Billion Loan for Crown Macau Project

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Largest Syndicated Loan Granted by Macau's Note-Issuing Banks

(Hong Kong, February 13, 2005)--- **Melco PBL Entertainment Limited** ("Melco PBL") today announced that the joint venture, between Melco International Development Limited and Publishing and Broadcasting Limited ("PBL"), has entered into an agreement with a syndicate of 5 Macau banks and 1 Hong Kong bank for a HK\$1,280,000,000 transferable term loan facility for its Crown Macau project. This is the largest syndicated loan arranged in Macau by local banks.

The proceeds of the facility will be used to finance the construction of Crown Macau - Macau's first 6-star casino-hotel. This is the first joint project of Melco's exclusive Pan-Asian joint venture with partner, Australia's PBL. Standing at 160 metres, Crown Macau will be the tallest building on Taipa Island dedicated to serving prestigious elites from around the world. Total construction cost amounts to HK\$1,500,000,000.

The loan facility has a tenure of 7 years and the interest rate for this loan is HIBOR + 2.2% and is the lowest interest margin being offered for similar loan arrangement in the Macau gaming industry. The facility is lead-arranged by two of Macau's note-issuing banks, Bank of China Limited, Macau Branch and Banco Nacional Ultramarino, S.A.. Other participating banks include Banco Comercial de Macau, S.A., Industrial and Commercial Bank of China (Asia) Limited, Banco Espírito Santo do Oriente, S.A. and Liu Chong Hing Bank Limited, Macau Branch.

Mr Lawrence Ho, Director of Melco PBL, said, "We are delighted that the joint venture secured this syndicated loan by six reputable banks. It reflects the banking community's confidence in Melco and PBL and its future development. This term loan gives the joint venture a solid capital foundation thus greater flexibility in allocating resources for our future development."

Details of the bank syndicate and the amount from each bank are listed in the table below.

BANK		TOTAL COMMITMENT (HK\$)
	Bank of China Ltd., Macau	450mil
	Banco Nacional Ultramarino	450mil
	Banco Comercial de Macau	150mil
	ICBC (Asia) Ltd., HK	110mil
	Banco Espirito Santo do Oriente, Macau	70mil
	Liu Chong Hing Bank Limited, Macau Branch	50 mil
TOTAL		1,280mil (US\$165 million)



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About Melco International Development Limited

Melco International Development Limited is an actively managed conglomerate with 3 main lines of business, spearheaded by Leisure, Gaming & Entertainment. The Group's main gaming activities are conducted via an exclusive joint venture with one of Australia's largest conglomerates and gaming groups – Publishing & Broadcasting Ltd. "PBL". The Melco/PBL joint venture's three main gaming assets are, namely, Crown Macau, The City of Dreams and Mocha. "Crown Macau" is the first 6-star casino-hotel in Macau and is targeted at high rollers. The "City of Dreams" is a world-class integrated entertainment resort, to be built on 27 acres of land in Cotai, featuring an underwater casino. It comprises 3 hotels offering a total of 2,000 hotel rooms in addition to time-sharing service apartments, iconic theatres for permanent shows, retail and restaurant outlets, and nightclubs. The Mocha Slot Lounges, on the other hand, presents slot machine parlours in a unique café setting. They have been highly successful and dominate the grind market in Macau.

In Hong Kong, Melco carries on the tradition of operating the world famous floating landmark – Jumbo Kingdom. The Group has two other supporting businesses in the Technology and Investment Banking areas.

The Group's technology business is represented by Elixir Group (Macau), a leading gaming IT infrastructure and system integration specialist, and iAsia – the software developer that is also a leading provider of comprehensive financial trading systems in Asia.

The investment banking and financial services business is conducted via the Group's Hong Kong listed subsidiary - Value Convergence Holdings Ltd. Melco has grown substantially in recent years and has opened offices in Hong Kong, Macau, Beijing, Shanghai, Shenzhen and Manila, employing a total of over 800 staff.

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新濠博亞獲批貸款港幣 12 億 8 千萬以發展澳門皇冠酒店項目

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為澳門發鈔銀行歷來授予最巨額銀團貸款

(二零零六年二月十三日-香港訊)—新濠博亞娛樂有限公司 (「新濠博亞」) 今日宣佈，新濠國際發展有限公司與 **Publishing and Broadcasting Limited** (「PBL」) 成立的聯營企業與由 5 間澳門銀行及 1 間香港銀行組成的銀團達成協議，獲可轉讓定期貸款港幣 12 億 8 千萬。此為當地銀行於澳門歷來授予最大金額銀團貸款。

融資所得款項將用作澳門皇冠酒店的建造開支。該酒店為澳門首家六星級賭場酒店，是新濠及其亞洲獨家聯營企業夥伴，澳洲PBL 的首個合作發展項目。澳門皇冠酒店落成後將樓高160米，為氹仔最高的建築物。酒店的建築成本達港幣 15 億，主要服務對象為高消費客戶。

是項融資貸款為期 7 年，利率為香港銀行同業拆息加 2.2 厘，並為澳門博彩業所取得同類貸款中的最低利率。貸款以兩間澳門發鈔銀行--中國銀行股份有限公司(澳門分行)及澳門大西洋銀行為牽頭銀行。其他參與銀行包括澳門商業銀行、中國工商銀行(亞洲) 有限公司、必利勝銀行股份有限公司及廖創興銀行有限公司(澳門分行)。

新濠博亞董事何猷龍先生表示：「我們對聯營企業成功獲 6 間著名銀行授予銀團貸款感到高興。此舉反映銀行界對新濠，PBL 以至其未來發展均充滿信心。此項定期貸款為聯營企業的資金奠定穩固基礎，讓我們得以更靈活分配資源以作日後發展之用。」

銀團及各銀行授出的金額詳情如下：

銀行		授出總額(港幣)
	中國銀行股份有限公司(澳門分行)	450,000,000
	澳門大西洋銀行	450,000,000
	澳門商業銀行	150,000,000
	香港中國工商銀行(亞洲)有限公司	110,000,000
	必利勝銀行股份有限公司	70,000,000
	廖創興銀行有限公司(澳門分行)	50,000,000
總額		1,280,000,000 (165,000,000 美元)



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有關新濠國際發展有限公司

新濠國際發展有限公司共經營三項主要業務，並以消閒、博彩及娛樂業務為主。集團的博彩業務主要透過與澳洲Publishing and Broadcasting Ltd (「PBL」— 澳洲最大的綜合博彩集團之一)共同成立的亞洲獨家聯營企業經營。新濠與PBL聯營企業的主要博彩業務分別為澳門皇冠酒店、City of Dreams 及摩卡。澳門皇冠酒店主要針對高消費客戶，為澳門首家六星級賭場酒店。City of Dreams 位處澳門路氹，佔地 27 畝，為世界級綜合娛樂渡假村。「City of Dreams」內有三家酒店，提供共 2,000間客房，並設有分時共享酒店服務式住宅 (time sharing service apartments)。其他設施計有水底賭場、劇院、零售店舖、食府和夜總會。而摩卡角子機娛樂場則揉合咖啡室及角子娛樂於一身，於市場具有領導地位。

集團在香港經營舉世知名的珍寶王國海鮮舫。新濠的其他業務包括資訊科技及投資銀行。

集團的資訊科技業務由兩家公司提供，分別為專營博彩科技及系統整合的「御想集團(澳門)」，及提供香港金融產品交易系統及相關服務的「iAsia」。

投資銀行和金融業務則透過集團旗下的上市附屬公司「滙盈控股有限公司」進行。在短短兩年間，新濠已把業務擴展至香港、澳門、北京、上海、深圳及馬尼拉，並於各地設有辦公室，共有僱員約 800 人。

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