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## Melco Announces 2014 Interim Results

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***Solidifies Position as a Leading International Gaming Operator  
with Overseas Expansion Projects Close to Fruition***

***Profit Attributable to Owners Surges 57.3% to HK\$907.6 million***

### ***Highlights***

- ***Achieved significant financial growth with profit attributable to owners of the Company surging 57.3% to HK\$907.6 million, as compared with HK\$576.9 million last year. Basic earnings per share were HK58.9 cents (1H2013: HK37.6 cents)***
- ***Core Gaming and Macau business units under its major associate Melco Crown Entertainment Limited ("Melco Crown Entertainment") recorded net revenue and Adjusted property EBITDA growth of 4.8% and 8.6% to US\$2,556.9 million and US\$701.1 million respectively in the first half of 2014***
- ***Melco Crown Entertainment's unique and exciting development plans both within and outside Macau remain on schedule -***
  - ***Preparation work for the fifth and final hotel tower at City of Dreams, designed by the award-winning and internationally renowned architect Dame Zaha Hadid, is already underway and is expected to open in early 2017***
  - ***Studio City, a new cinematically-themed integrated resort designed to appeal to a new target demographic, remains on track to open in mid-2015***
  - ***City of Dreams Manila is set to open later this year and marks Melco Crown Entertainment's maturation into an international player in the gaming and entertainment industry***
- ***The casino project in Vladivostok, Russia as part of an investment partnership with Summit Ascent, will open in the last quarter of this year and is expected to generate meaningful synergies with the Group's existing gaming and entertainment assets***
- ***Melco has signed a memorandum of understanding with local partner, Veremonte España S.L.U., to take part in the Barcelona World Project as a casino operator as that market develops, expanding the Group's footprint to Europe***

**(Hong Kong, August 28, 2014) --- Melco International Development Limited** ("Melco" or the "Group," HKEx Code: 200) today announced its interim results for the six-month period ended 30 June 2014. The Group has achieved significant financial growth with profit attributable to owners of the Company increasing 57.3% to HK\$907.6 million, as compared with HK\$576.9 million last year. Basic earnings per share were HK58.9 cents. (1H2013: HK37.6 cents)

For the six-month period ended 30 June 2014, the Group has continued to maintain a healthy balance sheet with net asset value per share attributable to owners of the Company increasing by 8% to HK\$8.20. The gearing ratio is a low 9%.



**Mr. Lawrence Ho, Group Chairman and CEO of Melco**, said: “We are pleased that Melco Group has continued its steady progress towards our strategic objectives as indicated by the solid results of the period under review. Despite the slowing growth of Macau’s gross gaming revenues in the past few months, the gaming sector in Macau overall remains positive as the more profitable mass market segment continues to grow rapidly. The member companies within Melco Group continue to strengthen our presence in Macau while we simultaneously look to expand into other parts of Asia and Europe, including the Philippines, Russia and Spain, as part of our vision of becoming an international leader in the gaming, leisure and entertainment industry.

“In Macau, Melco Crown Entertainment’s City of Dreams continues to lead in the mass market segment of the market. City of Dreams recently launched an innovative lifestyle entertainment and dining district called SOHO and has begun working on a substantial expansion of the property’s luxury retail offering expected to be operational in 2016. The preparation work for the fifth and final hotel tower at City of Dreams, designed by internationally-renowned architect Dame Zaha Hadid, is already underway and is expected to open in early 2017.

“The Group’s other exciting developments are also progressing according to plan. Studio City, our new cinematically-themed integrated resort, remains on track to be the next standalone integrated property to open in Macau in mid-2015. The property is designed to supplement City of Dreams in targeting the premium end of the mass market and complement Altira Macau which caters to more exclusive VIP guests. Beyond Macau, the development of City of Dreams Manila is close to completion. The resort is set to open later this year and marks Melco Crown Entertainment’s maturation into an international player in the gaming and entertainment industry.

“Outside Asia, the integrated resort investment partnership with Summit Ascent in Vladivostok, Russia will open in the last quarter of this year. In addition, we have also signed a memorandum of understanding with Veremonte España S.L.U. earlier this year to take part in the Barcelona World Project as a casino operator.

“While an economic slowdown in China may negatively impact Macau, we believe the Central Government’s strategic direction towards more sustainable and diversified growth are prudent and will have lasting benefits to the long-term economic development in Macau.

“Looking ahead, we expect our existing operations to continue to prosper and are optimistic about the projects in our development pipeline. We anticipate new opportunities will present themselves as the gaming industry continues to grow worldwide. Melco continues to strive to realize our vision to being a global market leader in the gaming, leisure and entertainment industry.”



### ***Expanding footprint with enriched gaming and non-gaming offerings***

The Group operates its gaming business through its major associate, Melco Crown Entertainment. For the six-month period ended 30 June 2014, Melco Crown Entertainment delivered a solid financial performance, driven primarily by its mass market table games business at City of Dreams in Macau. Net revenue and Adjusted property EBITDA amounted to US\$2,556.9 million and US\$701.1 million respectively in the first half of 2014, representing growth of 4.8% and 8.6% respectively. Marking the fifth anniversary of City of Dreams, Melco Crown Entertainment continues to make substantial enhancements to the amenities such as the lifestyle entertainment and dining hotspot SOHO at its flagship integrated entertainment resort.

Entertainment Gaming Asia Inc. ("EGT"), in which the Group has an effective equity interest of approximately 38.04%, operates a gaming machine revenue participation business in Cambodia and the Philippines. EGT recorded consolidated revenue of approximately US\$9.6 million for the six-month period ended 30 June 2014, down 13% year-on-year due to declines in its slot operations and gaming chips and plaques business. As of 30 June 2014, EGT had approximately 1,700 electronic gaming machine seats in operation in Cambodia and the Philippines. EGT continues to seek new gaming project opportunities in more established gaming markets in Indo-China and other Asian regions.

MelcoLot Limited ("MelcoLot"), in which the Group holds an equity interest of 40.65%, recorded a revenue drop of approximately 28% owing to a low pricing strategy in the lottery terminal and hardware distribution business to maintain market share in the face of slow demand. MelcoLot also arranged an open offer and successfully raised gross proceeds of HK\$652.7 million in May 2014. MelcoLot will continue to evaluate business opportunities that support its on-going development, which in turn helps realize its goal of delivering maximum long-term value to shareholders.

### **Other Achievements**

In 2014, Melco has been honored for the fourth year running for "Best Investor Relations by a Hong Kong Company" in the Asia Excellence Recognition Awards presented by *Corporate Governance Asia* magazine. Melco was also selected as one of "Best Managed Companies in Hong Kong," "Best Corporate Governance" and "Best Investor Relations" by *Finance Asia* magazine. Group Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Lawrence Ho was not only honored as the "Best CEO" by both *Corporate Governance Asia* and *Finance Asia* magazines in 2014, but was also selected as the "Best CEO" in the gaming and lodging sector in the annual poll organized by *Institutional Investor* magazine. All of these accolades clearly show that the Group's efforts in corporate governance are widely appreciated.

A number of accolades have also been won by the Group's facilities. In particular, Crown Towers at City of Dreams was granted the Five-Star Award for Lodging and Spa by *Forbes Travel Guide* in 2014. Jade Dragon and The Tasting Room restaurants both received Five-Star Award for Restaurants by *Forbes Travel Guide* in 2014 as well as a coveted Michelin Star each from the Michelin Guide Hong Kong and



Macau. The luxurious Altira Macau garnered the 5-Star Award for Lodging and Spa from Forbes Travel Guide for the fifth consecutive year.

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**About Melco International Development Limited**

Founded in 1910 and listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange in 1927, Melco was among the first one hundred companies established in the city. Today, under the leadership of its Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Lawrence Ho, Melco is a dynamic New Generation Asian leisure and entertainment company focused on Gaming and Macau. Its promising performance and distinctive leadership in the industry are also well recognized worldwide. Melco has been selected as one of the “Best Managed Companies in Hong Kong”, “Best Corporate Governance” and “Best Investor Relations” by *Finance Asia* magazine in 2014. It is also the first entertainment company to receive the “Hong Kong Corporate Governance Excellence Awards 2009” by the Chamber of Hong Kong Listed Companies and the Centre for Corporate Governance and Financial Policy of the Hong Kong Baptist University. For more information about Melco, please visit [www.melco-group.com](http://www.melco-group.com).

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