# Australia & International Holdings Limited ABN 98 009 706 414

Interim Financial Report for the half-year ended 31 December 2023

#### Australia & International Holdings Limited Corporate Directory 31 December 2023

Directors

Roger J Burrell Gregory J Vickery Christopher T Burrell Steven S Pritchard

Company secretary

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Registered office

Level 4, 24 Little Edward Street

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Principal place of business

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Share register

Newcastle Capital Markets Registries Pty Limited

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Auditor

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**Bankers** 

**DDH Graham Limited** 

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Stock exchange listing

Australia & International Holdings Limited shares are listed on the National

Stock Exchange (NSX code: AID)

Website

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## Australia & International Holdings Limited Directors' Report

#### For the half-year ended 31 December 2023

The directors present their report, together with the financial statements of Australia & International Holdings Limited (the Company) for the half-year ended 31 December 2023.

#### Directors

The following persons were directors of Australia & International Holdings Limited during the whole of the half-year and up to the date of this report, unless otherwise stated:

Roger J Burrell Gregory J Vickery Christopher T Burrell Steven S Pritchard

#### **Principal Activities**

The Company's principal activity during the half-year consisted of long-term investing in publicly listed Australian and overseas companies and managed funds.

#### **Dividends**

Dividends paid or provided for during the half-year were as follows:

Final dividend		
	31-Dec-23	31-Dec-22
	\$	\$
Final dividend paid	105,133	91,396
Year ended	30/06/2023	30/06/2022
Cents per share	6¢	5.5 ¢
Franking %	100%	100%
Date paid	9/10/2023	14/10/2022
Review of operations		
	31-Dec-23	31-Dec-22
And the first of t	\$	\$
Net profit for the Company for the half year after providing for income		
tax	44,885	85,102

#### Overview

The Company provides investors with a medium to long-term investment vehicle with exposure to Australian and overseas listed equity investments and managed funds. The primary objective is to provide returns from dividends and capital growth.

#### **Market Overview**

The Australian domestic market delivered gains for the six month period to 31 December 2023. As a result the S&P/ASX200 Accumulation Index (The Index) finished the calendar year very close to its all-time high returning 7.57% from the start of the financial year. Over the twelve month calendar year period, the index returned 12.42%. Markets in December were strong, with the index rising 7.3% in the month as they started to factor in a peak in global interest rates as inflation growth showed signs of weakening. This "Santa Rally" was broad-based with almost every sector posting gains, with the strongest contributors being Health Care, up 9.1%, Materials up 8.8%, Information Technology, up 7.4% and Communication Services, up 7.1%. The Real Estate sector led the way, up 11.5% in December benefitting from the fall in bond yields. The weaker sectors in December were Utilities, up 2.5% and Energy, up 3.4%.

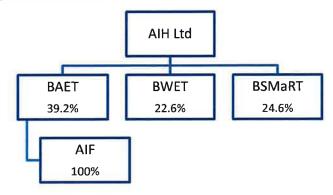
On the global front, the US Federal Reserve Chairman Jerome Powell indicated a monetary policy pivot from a tightening to an easing stance. This was on the back of a trend of slowing inflation with the Fed's preferred measure of inflation, the core PCE Price Index, falling to 3.2% in November, marking its tenth consecutive monthly decline. This steady decline in inflation boosted the market's confidence that measures taken by Central Banks are having the desired effect in curtailing inflationary pressures. Whilst the rally has been strong, we remain vigilant regarding valuations, preferring to focus on company fundamentals such as balance sheet strength, debt levels, pricing power and operating cash flow in an effort to mitigate and manage portfolio risk.

#### Structure

The Company is structured in order to provide investors with the opportunity to invest in a vehicle that holds positions in a strategically balanced and well-diversified set of investment portfolios. The majority of shareholder funds are invested over a medium to long term period in both Australian and international companies and managed funds. This is facilitated through the Company's investments in the Burrell Australian Equities Trust ("BAET"), the Burrell World Equities Trust ("BWET"), and the Burrell Small-caps, Mid-caps and Resources Trust ("BSMaRT").

BAET, BSMaRT and BWET are all registered managed investment schemes, which are open to both wholesale and retail investors. BAET invests in listed Australian equities, managed funds, and holds 100% of the equity in Australian Index Fund Pty Ltd. BWET invests in listed international equities and managed funds, and may use foreign exchange hedging instruments to hedge its exposure to fluctuations in foreign currencies. BSMaRT holds short-term trading and sector overweight positions in the Australian equities market.

As at 31 December 2023, approximately 91.1% of AIH's investment portfolio comprised of investments in BAET, BWET and BSMaRT in the percentages of 55.5%, 24.2% and 11.4% respectively. This was achieved through the following ownership structure, whereby AIH owned 39.2% of the units on issue in BAET, 22.6% of the units on issue in BWET and 24.6% of the units on issue in BSMaRT.



#### **Performance Outcomes**

#### **Net Return**

The post-tax and pre-tax net returns to shareholders are shown in the following table. These 'net returns' are not directly comparable to publicly reported share price or accumulation indices because they are after costs have been deducted for managing and administering the portfolios and the Company. In the case of the post-tax returns, it is also after an allowance for tax at the rate of 30% has been deducted from operating profits and on the increases in value of the investment portfolios. Further, the return shareholders in AIH received from dividends are mostly franked. As such we look at the 'gross returns' from the individual investment portfolios.

Net returns to shareholders for the half-year ended	31-Dec-23	31-Dec-22	
	%	%	
Post-tax return	3.16	5.76	
Pre-tax return	2.62	6.27	

#### **Gross Returns**

For comparative purposes the international portfolio is benchmarked against the "MSCI" World (excluding Australia) Accumulation Index in local currency; and, the Australian long-term portfolio against the ASX All Ordinaries Accumulation Index. The smallcap, midcap and resources portfolio is more difficult to benchmark because it includes a mix of mid-cap shares and some overweight positions in blue-chip shares. However, we feel that the return from this portfolio is related to the performance of the Australian Small Ordinaries Accumulation Index.

The performances of the individual portfolios that the Company invested in for the half-year ended 31 December 2023 and the comparative period are shown in the table below. These returns are expressed on a pre-tax basis and are defined as the movement for the period in the net asset values of the portfolios.

	31-Dec-23	31-Dec-22
	%	%
Burrell Australian Equities Trust (excl. AIF)	5 <i>.</i> 5	8.9
Burrell Australian Equities Trust (incl. AIF)	5.4	8.9
Burrell World Equities Trust	-0.5	6.5
Burrell Small-cap, Mid-cap and Resources Trust	4.0	13.3
Australian All Ordinaries Accumulation Index	8.0	9.7
Australian Small Ordinaries Accumulation Index	6.4	7.0
MSCI World Index ex Australia (in AUD terms)	8.1	3.5

The Company looks through to the investment portfolios of BAET, BWET and BSMaRT to see its investments by industry sector:

	31-Dec-23 %	31-Dec-22 %
Financials	37.7	38.4
Materials	14.1	16.9
Health care	10.7	7.9
Energy	5.1	5.6
Industrials	7.6	6.6
Consumer discretionary	6.9	6.0
Managed funds and LICS	6.2	6.7
Information technology & telecoms	6.5	6.7
Consumer staples	3.3	3.8
Utilities	1.3	1.0
Real estate investment trusts	0.6	0.4

The Company's investments on a look-through basis by geographic area are:

	31-Dec-23	31-Dec-22
	%	%
Australia & New Zealand	77.9	78.6
Americas	7.5	6.3
United Kingdom	0.3	0.2
Europe excl. United Kingdom	3.4	2.5
Asia Pacific excl. Australia	0.2	8.0
Global	10.7	11.6

Securities representing 5% or more of the combined investments and trading portfolio as at 31 December 2023 are:

	31-Dec-23 % of portfolio	31-Dec-22 % of portfolio
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	7.6	8.0
Net Asset Value per Share		
	31-Dec-23	30-Jun-23
Net Asset Value per share post-tax	\$3.20	\$3.16
Net Asset Value per share pre-tax	\$3.46	\$3.43
Earnings Per Share		
	31-Dec-23	31-Dec-22
Earnings Per Share based on the net operating result (cents)	2.56 ¢	5.07 ¢

#### Significant changes in the state of affairs

There were no significant changes in the state of affairs of the entity during the financial half-year.

#### Matters subsequent to the end of the financial half-year

The ongoing conflicts in Ukraine and Gaza along with tensions in the broader middle-east continue to pose potential significant threats to energy prices and supply chains as well as investor confidence. The timing of now-expected rate cuts continue to drive markets as Central Banks have communicated that they are to be "data dependent" in their policy making decisions. This may see the first potential rate cuts pushed back to the second half of the calendar year as wage inflation remains strong with unemployment levels still near all-time lows. Along with this, the 2024 US Election cycle will start to ramp up with the potential for political upheaval towards the end of the calendar year. Corporate earnings to be announced in February will be key to giving Investors confidence about the outlook for the economy for the year ahead.

No other matter or circumstance has arisen since 31 December 2023 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect the company's operations, the results of those operations, or the company's state of affairs in future financial years.

#### Auditor's independence declaration

A copy of the auditor's independence declaration as required under section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001 is set out on page 6.

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of directors, pursuant to section 306(3)(a) of the Corporations Act 2001.

On behalf of the directors

**Christopher T Burrell** 

Director

Roger J Burrell

Director

6 March 2024 Brisbane



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# AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION UNDER SECTION 307C OF THE CORPORATIONS ACT 2001 TO THE DIRECTORS OF AUSTRALIA & INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS LIMITED

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the half-year ended 31 December 2023, there have been:

- (a) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the review; and
- (b) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the review.

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#### **General information**

The financial report covers Australia & International Holdings Limited as an individual entity. The financial report is presented in Australian dollars, which is Australia & International Holdings Limited's functional and presentation currency.

The financial report consists of the financial statements, notes to the financial statements and the directors' declaration.

Australia & International Holdings Limited is a listed public company limited by shares, incorporated and domiciled in Australia. Its registered office and principal place of business is:

Level 4, 24 Little Edward Street Brisbane QLD 4000

A description of the nature of the company's operations and its principal activities are included in the directors' report, which is not part of the financial report.

The financial report was authorised for issue, in accordance with a resolution of directors, on 6 March 2024. The directors have the power to amend and reissue the financial report.

#### Australia & International Holdings Limited Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income For the half-year ended 31 December 2023

	Note	31-Dec-23 \$	31-Dec-22 \$
Continuing operations			
Revenue	4	83,550	116,385
Expenses			
Accounting and audit fees		(8,214)	(7,810)
Legal expenses		(2,980)	(1,998)
Listing fees		(5,144)	(4,963)
Managed portfolio service fees		(1,704)	(1,814)
Secretarial expenses		(6,545)	(6,237)
Stock exchange fees		(7,368)	(6,955)
Other expenses		(1,060)	(1,332)
Profit before income tax expense		50,535	85,276
Income tax expense		(5,650)	(174)
Profit after income tax expense for the half-year attributable to the owners of			
Australia & International Holdings Limited		44,885	85,102
Other comprehensive income			
Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss			
Unrealised changes in the value of equity investments at fair value		(57,709)	182,771
Realised net fair value gain(loss) on equity investments at fair value		186,423	42,245
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Other comprehensive income for the half-year, net of tax		128,714	225,016
Total comprehensive income for the half-year attributable to the owners of			
Australia & International Holdings Limited		173,599	310,118
		Cents	Cents
Basic earnings per share	10	2.56 ¢	5.07 ¢
Diluted earnings per share	10	2.56 ¢	5.07 ¢
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#### Australia & International Holdings Limited Statement of financial position As at 31 December 2023

Current assets         17,563         180,449           Prepayments         7,368         -           Trade and other receivables         101,711         305,090           Total current assets         101,711         305,090           Non-current assets           Financial assets         6,010,362         5,743,657           Total non-current assets         6,010,362         5,743,657           Total assets         2,373         3,302           Provision for income tax         30,919         25,269           Total current liabilities         33,292         28,571           Non-current liabilities         453,362         478,094           Total non-current liabilities         453,362         478,094           Total liabilities         486,654         506,665           Net assets         5,625,419         5,542,082           Equity         7         4,292,866         4,277,995           Reserves         971,616 <td< th=""><th>Assets</th><th>Note</th><th>31-Dec-23 \$</th><th>30-Jun-23 \$</th></td<>	Assets	Note	31-Dec-23 \$	30-Jun-23 \$
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#### Australia & International Holdings Limited Statement of changes in equity For the half-year ended 31 December 2023

	Note	Contributed equity \$	Other Reserves \$	Retained profits \$	Total equity \$
Balance at 1 July 2022		4,017,129	586,860	451,504	5,055,493
Profit after income tax (expense)/benefit for the half-year Other comprehensive income for the half-year, net of tax Total comprehensive income for the half-year			225,016 225,016	85,102 	85,102 225,016 310,118
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:					
Contributions of equity, net of transaction costs Dividends paid	8	247,740	¥ ¥	(91,396)	247,740 (91,396)
Balance at 31 December 2022		4,264,869	811,876	445,210	5,521,955
	Note	Contributed equity \$	Other Reserves \$	Retained profits \$	Total equity \$
Balance at 1 July 2023	Note	equity	Reserves	profits	equity
Balance at 1 July 2023  Profit after income tax (expense)/benefit for the half-year Other comprehensive income for the half-year, net of tax Total comprehensive income for the half-year	Note	equity \$	Reserves \$	profits \$	equity \$
Profit after income tax (expense)/benefit for the half-year Other comprehensive income for the half-year, net of tax	Note	equity \$	Reserves \$ 842,902	profits \$ 421,185 44,885	equity \$ 5,542,082 44,885 128,714
Profit after income tax (expense)/benefit for the half-year Other comprehensive income for the half-year, net of tax Total comprehensive income for the half-year  Transactions with owners in their capacity as	<b>Note</b> 7 8	equity \$	Reserves \$ 842,902	profits \$ 421,185 44,885	equity \$ 5,542,082 44,885 128,714

#### Australia & International Holdings Limited Statement of cash flows For the half-year ended 31 December 2023

	Note	31-Dec-23 \$	31-Dec-22 \$
Cash flows from operating activities		•	•
Dividends received		9,684	9,450
Interest received		1,868	1,901
Trust distributions received from related parties		119,857	137,829
Payments to suppliers		(40,381)	(40,062)
Income taxes paid		<u>u</u>	(23)
Net cash from operating activities		91,028	109,095
Cash flows from investing activities			
Payments for financial assets		(370,732)	(126,897)
Proceeds from sale of financial assets		208,009	47,795
Net cash (used in)/from investing activities		(162,723)	(79,102)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from the issue of shares		14,871	247,740
Dividends paid		(106,062)	(90,939)
Net cash from/(used in) financing activities		(91,191)	156,801
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		(162,886)	186,794
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the half-year		180,449	113,574
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the half-year	5	17,563	300,368

#### Note 1. Significant accounting policies

#### Statement of compliance

These general purpose financial statements for the half-year reporting period ended 31 December 2023 have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standard AASB 134 'Interim Financial Reporting' and the Corporations Act 2001, as appropriate for for-profit oriented entities. Compliance with AASB 134 ensures compliance with International Financial Reporting Standard IAS 34 'Interim Financial Reporting'.

This interim financial report is intended to provide users with an update on the latest annual financial statements of Australia & International Holdings Limited. As such, it does not contain information that represents relatively insignificant changes occurring during the half-year. It is therefore recommended that this financial report be read in conjunction with the annual financial statements of the Company for the year ended 30 June 2023, together with any public announcements made during the following half-year.

#### Basis of preparation

The accounting policies and methods of computation adopted in the preparation of the half-year financial report are consistent with those adopted and disclosed in the Company's annual financial report for the year ended 30 June 2023. These accounting policies are consistent with Australian Accounting Standards and with International Financial Reporting Standards.

#### **Investments in Associates**

AASB 128 - Investments in Associates

This accounting standard is applied in accounting for investments in entities where the investor has significant influence, which is presumed if the investor holds 20% or more of the voting power of the investee, unless it can be shown otherwise. Investments in associates are normally accounted for in the financial statements by applying the equity method of accounting whereby the investment is recognised at cost and adjusted for thereafter for the post acquisition change in the Company's share of the net assets of the associate entity.

#### **Investments in the Trusts**

At the end of the half-year the Company held investments in the Burrell Australian Equities Trust, the Burrell World Equities Trust and the Burrell Smallcaps Midcaps and Resources Trust ("the Trusts") representing 39.2%, 22.6% and 24.6% respectively of the units on issue of each trust. This would normally mean that the investments by the Company in these entities be accounted for by adopting the AASB 128 Investments in Associates Accounting Standard. However, the directors have considered the nature of the company's investment in the Trusts and determined the Company does not have significant influence. Accordingly, the Company, as an investor, has adopted the accounting treatment under AASB 9 and recorded the investments as 'financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income'. This has been done because all three trusts are investment vehicles which invest in the shares of listed companies and managed funds and these assets held by the trusts are accounted for as 'financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income' assets. Therefore, the Company has 'looked through' to the nature of its underlying assets and applied the same accounting treatment to maintain consistency and avoid confusion to the readers of these financial statements. It should be noted that the effect on the net assets of the Company under equity accounting and the current treatment is the same.

#### Note 2. Critical accounting judgements, estimates and assumptions

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts in the financial statements. Management continually evaluates its judgements and estimates in relation to assets, liabilities, contingent liabilities, revenue and expenses. Management bases its judgements, estimates and assumptions on historical experience and on other various factors, including expectations of future events, management believes to be reasonable under the circumstances. There are no critical accounting judgements, estimates and assumptions that are likely to affect the current or future half-years.

#### Note 3. Operating segments

The Company is predominantly invested in the Burrell Australian Equities Trust, the Burrell World Equities Trust, and the Burrell Smallcaps Midcaps and Resources Trust, who in turn invest the majority of their funds in companies listed on the Australian and international stock exchanges and selected managed funds. The Company's allocation of investments and the performance of these investments are in line with the investment portfolios of the three trusts and it follows that an appropriate categorisation of segments for reporting purposes is into: Australian large-cap long-term shares; Australian small and midcap shares; and overseas long-term shares. The Australian long term portfolio is made up of blue chip and quality shares in companies in the ASX All Ordinaries Index, whilst the Australian mid cap and small cap portfolio comprises shares in companies outside of the top 100 companies in the same index. The overseas portfolio consists of shareholdings in stocks traded on stock exchanges with similar corporate governance regimes as Australia. This portfolio is primarily made up of shares in companies operating in the USA, UK, Europe and Asia.

Note 3. Operating segments (continued)

Operating segment information

Operating segment injormation					
	Australian Large-cap Long-Term Shares	Australian Small-Mid- cap Shares	Overseas Long-Term Shares	Intersegment eliminations/ unallocated	Total
31 December 2023	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Revenue Dividend income Interest revenue	9,684 1,868	<b>=</b> 0 <b>=</b> 0	.e. .e.	F	9,684 1,868
Trust distributions from related					
parties	58,930	12,131	937		71,998
Total revenue	70,482	12,131	937		83,550
Segment result	70,482	12,131	937	(33,015)	E0 E3E
Profit/(loss) before income tax	70,462	12,151	957	(55,015)	50,535
benefit	70,482	12,131	937	(33,015)	50,535
Income tax expense					(5,650)
Profit after income tax benefit					44,885
Assets	2 000 204	705 640			
Segment assets	3,899,384	706,610	1,481,148	24,931	6,112,073
Intersegment eliminations Total assets					6,112,073
Liabilities	225 540	(4.044)	433 763	22.202	100.05
Segment liabilities  Total liabilities	325,510	(4,911)	132,763	33,292	486,654
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Note 3. Operating segments (continued)

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	Australian Large-cap Long-Term Shares	Australian Small-Mid- cap Shares	Overseas Long-Term Shares	Intersegment eliminations/ unallocated	Total
31 December 2022	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
	•	•	•	•	·
Revenue					
Dividend income	9,450	1=	2	2	9,450
Interest revenue	1,901	=	₩.		1,901
Trust distributions from related					
parties	74,731	14,467	15,836	2	105,034
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Total revenue	86,082	14,467	15,836	<u>u</u>	116,385
				7.0	
Segment result	86,082	14,467	15,836	(31,109)	85,276
Profit/(loss) before income tax					
benefit	86,082	14,467	15,836	(31,109)	85,276
Income tax benefit					(174)
Profit after income tax benefit					85,102
Assets					
Segment assets	3,669,923	707,703	1,321,707	309,321	6,008,654
Intersegment eliminations				9	
Total assets				9	6,008,654
Liabilities				24 222	405 500
Segment liabilities	355,063	2,265	107,469	21,902	486,699
Total liabilities				9	486,699
Note 4. Revenue				24 5 22	24 0 22
				31-Dec-23	31-Dec-22
				\$	\$
Dividende				0.604	0.450
Dividends				9,684	9,450
Interest				1,868	1,901
Trust distributions from related parties				71,998 83,550	105,034 116,385
Revenue					110,363
Note F. Compart assets and and and asset	.olonto				
Note 5. Current assets - cash and cash equiv	aielits			31-Dec-23	30-Jun-23
				\$	\$
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Cash and cash equivalents				17,563	180,449
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Note 6. Non-current assets - financial assets				
			31-Dec-23	30-Jun-23
			\$	\$
Non-Current				
Equity investments at fair value			6,010,362	5,743,657
			6,010,362	5,743,657
Reconciliation				
Reconciliation of the fair values at the beginning a	and end of the current			
and previous period are set out below:				
Opening fair value			5,743,657	5,223,190
Additions			370,732	220,592
Disposals			(21,586)	(5,550)
Revaluation increments/(decrements)			(82,441)	305,425
Closing fair value			6,010,362	5,743,657
Note 7. Equity - issued capital				
Note 7. Equity - Issued Capital	31-Dec-23	30-Jun-23	24 Dec 22	20 1 22
	Shares	Shares	31-Dec-23 \$	30-Jun-23
Ordinary shares - fully paid	1,758,005	1,752,673	<b>ې</b> 4,292,866	<b>\$</b> 4,277,995
oraliary shares rany para		= 1,732,073	4,232,800	4,277,333
Movements in ordinary share capital				
Wovements in oraliary share capital	Date	No. of shares	Issue price	\$
Balance	30 Jun 2023	1,752,673	issue price	<b>ب</b> 4,277,995
Dividend reinvestment plan	9 Oct 2023	5,332	\$3.10	16,597
DRP cost		2,232	Ψ3.10	(1,726)
Balance	31 Dec 2023	1,758,005		4,292,866
Note 8. Equity - dividends				
Dividends				
Final dividend				
			31-Dec-23	31-Dec-22
			\$	\$
Final dividend paid			105,133	91,396
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Year ended			30/06/2023	30/06/2022
Cents per share			6¢	5.5¢
Franking 9/				
Franking %			100%	100%
Date paid			9/10/2023	14/10/2022

#### Note 9. Events after the reporting period

The ongoing conflicts in Ukraine and Gaza along with tensions in the broader middle-east continue to pose potential significant threats to energy prices and supply chains as well as investor confidence. The timing of now-expected rate cuts continue to drive markets as Central Bankers have communicated that they are to be "data dependent" in their policy making decisions. This may see the first potential rate cuts pushed back to the second half of the calendar year as wage inflation remains strong with unemployment levels still near all-time lows. Along with this, the 2024 US Election cycle will start to ramp up with the potential for political upheaval towards the end of the calendar year. Corporate earnings to be announced in February will be key to giving Investors confidence about the outlook for the economy for the year ahead.

No other matter or circumstance has arisen since 31 December 2023 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect the company's operations, the results of those operations, or the company's state of affairs in future financial years.

Note 10. E	arnings p	er share
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	31-Dec-23	31-Dec-22
Profit after income tax attributable to the owners of	\$	\$
Australia & International Holdings Limited	44,885	85,102
Weighted average number of ordinary shares used in	Number	Number
calculating basic earnings per share	1,755,078	1,678,394
Weighted average number of ordinary shares used in		
calculating diluted earnings per share	1,755,078	1,678,394
	Cents	Cents
Basic earnings per share	2.56 ¢	5.07¢
Diluted earnings per share	2.56 ¢	5.07¢

#### Note 11. Contingencies

At balance date, the Directors were not aware of any material contingent assets or liabilities other than those already disclosed elsewhere in the financial report.

### Australia & International Holdings Limited Directors' declaration

To the Members of Australia & International Holdings Limited

In accordance with a resolution of the directors of Australia & International Holdings Limited ("the company"), the directors of the company declare that:

- 1. The financial statements and notes, as set out on pages 7 to 17, are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:
  - a. complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 Interim Financial Reporting, the *Corporations Regulations 2001* and other mandatory professional reporting requirements, and
  - b. giving a true and fair view of the entity's financial position as at 31 December 2023 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date.
- 2. In the directors' opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

On behalf of the directors

Chris Burnel

Christopher T Burrell

Director

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Brisbane 6 March 2024



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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REVIEW REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF AUSTRALIA & INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS LIMITED

#### Conclusion

We have reviewed the accompanying half-year financial report of Australia & International Holdings Limited ("the company"), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2023, and the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the half-year ended on that date, a statement of accounting policies, other selected explanatory notes, and the directors' declaration.

Based on our review, which is not an audit, we have not become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the half-year financial report of Australia & International Holdings Limited is not in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* including:-

- (a) giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 31 December 2023, and of its financial performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
- (b) complying with the Australian Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

#### **Basis for Conclusion**

We conducted our review in accordance with ASRE 2410 Review of a Financial Report Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity. Our responsibilities are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Review of the Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of the company in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards) (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the annual financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

#### Independence

In conducting our review, we have complied with the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*. In accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, we have given the directors of the company a written Auditor's Independence Declaration.

#### **Responsibility of the Directors for the Financial Report**

The directors of the company are responsible for the preparation of the half-year financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards and the *Corporations Regulations 2001* and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the half-year financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.



#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Review of the Financial Report

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the half year financial report based on our review. ASRE 2410 requires us to conclude whether we have become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the half year financial report is not in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* including giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 31 December 2023 and its performance for the half year ended on that date, and complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

A review of a half-year financial report consists of making enquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

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6 March 2024 Brisbane