e-KONG GROUP LTD: EEI! AH! DON'T RING ME, I'LL RING YOU!

CIT Financial (Hongkong) Ltd of the Hongkong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) of the People's Republic of China (PRC) has sued a company, listed on The Stock Exchange of Hongkong Ltd, for the best part of \$HK6.50 million in respect of an alleged breach of agreement with regard to the leasing of a switching system.

The company at the receiving end of High Court Action Number 3196 is e-Kong Group Ltd, Stock Code Number 524, Main Board.

According to CIT Financial, e-Kong Group came into a purported agreement with it on June 28, 2001 whereby e-Kong Group 'agreed to take on lease one new DMS-GSP SNTOEM Switching System bearing Serial Nos. CR00090755C, CR00089316C and CR00088359C (the "Goods") for a period of 22 months from the date of the Agreement. Rental is to be paid by a first payment of HK\$9,082,150.00 due on the date of the Agreement and by subsequent 21 equal payments of HK\$712,728.00 each due on the 28th day of each month after the date of the Agreement (the "Rental"). '(Paragraph One of the Statement of Claim, attached to the Writ of Summons)

Paragraph 3 of the Statement of Claim alleges that e-Kong Group missed the July 28, 2002 rental instalment in the amount of \$HK712,728, thereby breaching its agreement with the Plaintiff.

Paragraphs 4 through 8, then, go on to state:

'As at 15th August, 2002 the total Rental in arrears under the Agreement was HK\$712,728.00 and the interest at the Overdue Interest Rate calculated up to that date was HK\$12,653.28, making a total of HK\$725,381.28.

'Further in breach of the Agreement, the Defendant has failed to deliver up the Goods and the Goods has not been recovered or repossessed by the Plaintiff.

'The Plaintiff is entitled to claim interest at 2% per month on the said sum of HK\$712,728.00 until payment or judgment.

'The Plaintiff has suffered damages in the sum of HK\$5,470,545.35 as a result of the breach of the Agreement by the Defendant.

Particulars

'The Plaintiff is entitled to claim and does claim interest on the said sum of HK\$5,470,545.35 at 8.125% per annum from 16^{th} August, 2002 to the date of judgment and thereafter at judgment rate until payment in full.'

Service of this Writ was made upon Mr Derrick Francis Bulawa of Baguio Villa, Number 555, Victoria Road, Pokfulam, Hongkong.

Mr Bulawa is listed as being an Executive Director of e-Kong Group in the latest Returns of the company, having been the Chief Executive Officer as far back as 1999 when the company was engaged in property trading and when it was known as Goldtron Holdings Ltd.

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