HANNY HOLDINGS LTD: TAIWAN GIANT SUES FOR ABOUT \$HK200 MILLION

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Obviously tired of waiting any longer for its money, RITEK Corporation (錸德科技股份有限公司) of Taiwan has sued publicly listed Hanny Holdings Ltd (錦興集團有限公司) (Code: 275, Main Board, The Stock Exchange of Hongkong Ltd).

RITEK Corporation is the Plaintiff in Action Number 2046, lodged in the High Court of the Hongkong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) of the People's Republic of China (PRC).

It is seeking from Hanny Holdings, \$US5,509,654 (about \$HK42.98 million) plus Liquidated Damages of \$US20 million (about \$HK156 million).

The Indorsement of Claim, attached to Writ of Summons Number 2046, states, inter alia:

'1. The Plaintiff (RITEK Corporation) claims against the Defendant for US\$5,509,654.00, being the balance owed by the Defendant (Hanny Holdings Ltd) to the Plaintiff under the Installment Payment Agreement dated 30th July 2003 ("the Agreement");

'2. Liquidated damages of US\$20,000,000.00;

'3. Alternatively, damages for breach of the Agreement;

'4. Interest;

'5. Further and other relief; and

'6. Costs.'

Hanny Holdings, 2 days after this Writ of Summons was lodged in the HKSAR High Court, put out an announcement to the effect that the Writ of Summons *'was never served and the action has been discontinued* ...'.

The announcement, also, stated that '... the Company does not owe Ritek the alleged amount ... ' (of about \$US25.51 million).

But the official announcement of Hanny Holdings did not state that it had been delinquent in paying one of its suppliers or that it did not owe money to RITEK Corporation.

Since the debt of Hanny Holdings Ltd to RITEK Corporation is claimed to have been outstanding for the past 27 months (that is \$US5,509,654.00), and since an '*Installment Payment Agreement*' had been entered into between the 2 companies, it would appear, prima facie, that Hanny Holdings Ltd has been having trouble in keeping some (or all) of its creditor wolves away from its doors.

Further, it is evident from the wording of the Indorsement of Claim that Hanny Holdings Ltd must have missed one or more payments to RITEK Corporation in accordance with, and in compliance of the purported Installment Payment Agreement. If that be not the case, then, one would have thought that there would have been no reason for the Taiwan electronics giant to employ the services of an HKSAR solicitors' firm in order to twist the arm of Hanny Holdings for its money.

According to the database of **TOLFIN** (The Computerised Online Financial Intelligence Service and Web-Based, Credit-Checking Provider), Hanny Holdings has been ... <u>CLICK TO ORDER FULL ARTICLE</u>

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