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## **Media Release**

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# YOMA SEES MYANMAR PROPERTY MARKET RECOVERY IN FY2010

- Higher revenue for sales of land and buildings increased significantly to S\$3.19 million for FY2010 as compared to FY 2009
- The Group's overall revenue increased 11.9% to S\$17.2 million for FY2010 as compared to FY 2009

Singapore, 27 May 2010 – Yoma Strategic Holdings Ltd. and its subsidiaries ("Yoma", "祐玛战略控股有限公司", or collectively, the "Group") continued to see its sales of land and buildings for the year ended 31 March 2010 ("FY2010") increase on the back of favourable market sentiments in Myanmar's property sector. In FY2010, revenue for this segment jumped to S\$3.19 million compared to S\$0.6 million recorded last year.

Mr Serge Pun ("潘继泽"), Chairman and CEO of Yoma said: "I am happy to report that the real estate markets where we operate continued to be buoyant. Specifically, some optimism has returned to the Myanmar property market and this was reflected in the better domestic sales performance in the current financial year."

#### **Results Highlights**

The Group registered overall revenue of S\$17.2 million, representing an increase of 11.9% compared to S\$15.4 million recorded in the year ended 31 March 2009 ("FY2009").

Revenue from sales of house and land development rights increased significantly from S\$0.6 million in previous year to S\$3.19 million in current year. This increase was due to favorable market sentiments in Myanmar. Revenue from the Group's construction-related activities remained stable at S\$13.97 million as compared to S\$13.8 million in FY2009.

For FY2010, the Group recorded a lower profit of S\$0.52 million for FY2010, compared to a net profit of S\$1.5 million for FY2009. The decrease was due mainly to a lower revaluation surplus in the associated company in the current year.

As at 31 March 2010, the Group had lower net current liabilities of S\$0.58 million as compared to S\$1.12 million as at 31 March 2009 as a result from the increase of sale of non-current assets such as the land development rights in Myanmar. For the year under review, the Group generated S\$4.1 million of cash from operations and cash and cash equivalents amounted to \$2.8 million as at 31 March 2010.

The Group's net asset value per ordinary share stood at S\$0.246 for FY2010 compared to S\$0.266 recorded in the last financial year.

## **Going forward**

Sales of land development rights in Myanmar showed a higher level of activity during the financial year. The Group expects this trend to continue into the latter part of this year.

Despite the global financial crisis, the real estate market in China experienced unexpected buoyancy resulting in significant upward price movements. The Central Government has since implemented various measures to curb overheating of its property market in China. However, these measures have not materially affected the second and third tier cities in which Yoma operates or intend to operate.

Commenting on the business outlook, Mr Serge Pun shared: "We are actively looking for business opportunities for our various business segments in China and Myanmar. The Board has also embarked on a strategic review of our different businesses with the objective of positioning the Group for future sustainable growth".

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Note to media: This media release is to be read in conjunction with the Group's results announcement dated 27 May 2010 on the SGXnet.

### About Yoma Strategic Holdings Ltd. (www.yomastrategic.com)

Listed on the Mainboard of the Singapore Exchange, Yoma Strategic Holdings Ltd., is a leading business corporation with principal activities that include the development of land, sale of private residential properties, agriculture, construction, piling as well as design and project management for real estate developments in Myanmar and the People's Republic of China. The Group's long term vision is to be a multinational corporation with a diversified portfolio of businesses across the Asia Pacific.

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