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## **TECHCOMP (HOLDINGS) LIMITED**

**天美（控股）有限公司\***

*(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)*

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By Order of the Board  
**Techcomp (Holdings) Limited**  
**Sin Sheung Nam Gilbert**  
*Company Secretary*

Hong Kong, 14 August 2012

*As at the date of this announcement, the executive Directors are Mr. Lo Yat Keung (Chairman), Mr. Chan Wai Shing and Mr. Xu Guoping, and the independent non-executive Directors are Mr. Seah Kok Khong, Manfred, Mr. Ho Yew Yuen and Mr. Teng Cheong Kwee.*

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**[MEDIA RELEASE]**

**Techcomp (Holdings) Ltd**  
**HY 2012 sees stable revenue growth**  
**on PRC demand for analytical & life science equipment**

**HY2012 Results Financial Highlights**

For the six months ended 30 June (US\$ '000 )	2012	2011	Change (%)
Revenue	68,232	60,811	+12.2%
Gross profit	20,145	18,560	+8.5%
Profit for the period	864	502	+72.1%

[Hong Kong and Singapore, 14 August 2012] Techcomp (Holdings) Ltd (“Techcomp”, the “Group” or the “Company”, HKSE stock code: 1298, SGX stock code: T43), one of China’s leading manufacturers and distributors of analytical and life-science instruments, has released its financial results for the six months ended 30 June 2012 (“The period”). During the period under review, revenue saw stable growth with an increase of 12.2% to US\$68.2 million compared with the same period last year, mainly due to solid demand in China for its products in both the distribution and manufacturing businesses.

During the period under review, profit for the period was up 72.1% at US\$0.86 million compared with same period last year. The gross profit margin stood at 29.5% (HY2011: 30.5%).

The Group’s operations are categorized into two business segments: manufacturing and distribution. During the period under review, the Group revenue for distribution business increased 12.5% to US\$45.8 million (HY2011: US\$40.7 million) mainly due to the increase in revenue in PRC.

The Group manufacturing business increased 11.4% to US\$22.4 million for the six months ended 30 June 2012 (HY2011: US\$20.1 million) benefited from the revenue growth in PRC for the Group products and the consolidation of new acquired subsidiary.

During the period, the Company had further acquired the remaining 20% interests in Precisa Gravimetrics AG from Mr. Jürg Strub as well as 56% interests in IXRF

Systems Inc, companies incorporated in Switzerland and United States of America respectively. These acquisitions are expected to strengthen the Group's global presence in the industry.

Looking ahead, **Richard Lo, President & CEO of Techcomp** commented: "According to Strategic Direct International Inc. (SDI), the global scientific equipment industry ("SE") is expected to have a 2012 sales of US\$43.9bn. Although small in comparison to other health industries such as pharmaceuticals, the SE sector provides a relatively non-cyclical and stable annual growth supported mainly by government funded industries and projects.

In addition, according to SDI, the 2007-2012F CAGR of the global SE sector is expected to grow at 4.0% annually, while the Asia Pacific (excluding Japan and PRC) is forecast to reach a CAGR of 6.3%. The PRC remains the fastest growing country in the world for the SE market with sales CAGR of 8.9% and it is expected that the PRC's SE sector will continue to outpace global trend given strong government support. The increasing demand of SE will support the growth of major industries and the annual growth rate of the PRC's SE market is expected to remain around 8% until 2014Forecast.

In view of the above factors, the Group expects the demand for its products in its core market, the PRC and other emerging markets in Asia such as India and Indonesia will continue to grow. Although the Group believes that trading condition in Europe market will remain challenging, the Group will continue to leverage on the Group's current cost effective manufacturing base to achieve cost savings and operational synergy for manufacturing subsidiaries in Europe."

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#### **About Techcomp (Holdings) Ltd**

Backed by a strong research team, Techcomp (Holdings) Ltd ("Techcomp") is China's leading manufacturer of highly advanced scientific instruments, with cutting edge technological patents in analytical instruments, life science equipment and laboratory instruments. The Techcomp brand of analytical instruments is used in laboratories for diverse industries ranging from materials analysis and testing to pharmaceuticals, biotechnology, medicine, food and beverage, and to forensics. Techcomp has a strong R&D track record and is an original design and original equipment manufacturer for the world's leading brands of analytical instruments used in research

and test applications. Techcomp's strong distribution network for a wide range of the world's leading brands of highly advanced analytical equipment is predominantly in China.

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