

## Consolidated Cash Flow Statement

For The Year Ended 31st March, 2001

	Note	2001 HK\$'000	2000 HK\$'000
Net cash inflow from operating activities	30	<u>587,159</u>	<u>1,215,802</u>
Returns on investments and servicing of finance			
Dividends paid		(52,819)	(38,527)
Dividends received from associates		1,731	7,017
Dividends received from jointly controlled entities		7,500	5,000
Dividends paid to minority shareholders of subsidiaries		(19,227)	(20,553)
Dividends received from investments in securities		811	1,144
Interest received		41,822	41,419
Interest paid		(88,789)	(65,163)
Finance lease charges		(11)	(16)
Net cash outflow from returns on investments and servicing of finance		<u>(108,982)</u>	<u>(69,679)</u>
Taxation			
Profits tax paid		(83,841)	(58,080)
Profits tax refunded		5,745	1,480
Net tax paid		<u>(78,096)</u>	<u>(56,600)</u>
Investing activities			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(140,813)	(22,588)
Disposal of property, plant and equipment		1,357	3,284
Purchase of properties for development		(29,833)	—
Disposal of a property project		—	96,138
Purchase of additional interest in subsidiaries		(14,531)	(8,303)
Purchase of subsidiaries	31	—	(351,997)
Disposal of subsidiaries	32	—	(423)
Advance from a former subsidiary		—	278
Repayment by subsidiary not consolidated		—	595
Purchase of and additional investments in associates		(20,246)	(7)
(Advance to) repayments by associates		(9,667)	4,622
Repayments by (advance to) jointly controlled entities		4,555	(910)
Increase in pledged deposits		(63,000)	—
Withdrawals of fixed deposits with maturity date beyond three months		—	178,813
Withdrawals of deposits with stakeholders		—	255,057
Net cash (outflow) inflow from investing activities		<u>(272,178)</u>	<u>154,559</u>
Net cash inflow before financing		<u>127,903</u>	<u>1,244,082</u>
Financing	33		
New bank and other loans		515,700	208,234
Repayment of bank and other loans raised		(448,491)	(1,615,379)
Issue of new shares		707	705
Share issue expenses		(21)	(22)
Contribution by minority shareholders of subsidiaries		2	9,520
Repayment to minority shareholder of a subsidiary		(24,318)	—
Repayment of finance lease obligations		(116)	(108)
Net cash inflow (outflow) from financing		<u>43,463</u>	<u>(1,397,050)</u>
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		171,366	(152,968)
Cash and cash equivalents at 1st April		293,399	445,581
Effect of changes in foreign exchange rates		(5,155)	786
Cash and cash equivalents at 31st March	34	<u><u>459,610</u></u>	<u><u>293,399</u></u>