Condensed consolidated PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

(Expressed in Hong Kong dollars)

		Unaudited	Unaudited
		Six months	Six months
		ended	ended
		30 Jun 200 l	30 Jun 2000
	Note	\$'000	\$'000
INCOME			
Transaction levy, trading tariff and trading fees	4	193,723	326,000
Stock Exchange listing fees		144,495	125,668
Clearing and settlement fees		119,419	175,848
Depository, custody and nominee services fees		90,790	118,565
Income from sale of information		175,692	171,470
Interest income	5	199,468	228,780
Other income		77,620	80,363
	3	1,001,207	1,226,694
OPERATING EXPENSES			
Staff costs and related expenses		287,483	262,497
Information technology and computer			
maintenance expenses		118,846	96,770
Premises expenses		51,897	47,661
Product marketing and promotion expenses		9,797	19,112
Legal and professional fees		15,875	16,705
Depreciation and amortisation		77,911	100,264
Other operating expenses		35,140	35,124
Merger, listing and integration expenses			21,735
		596,949	599,868

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		Six months	Six months
		ended	ended
		30 Jun 200 l	30 Jun 2000
	Note	\$'000	\$'000
PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION	3	404,258	626,826
ΤΑΧΑΤΙΟΝ	6	(38,705)	(72,428)
PROFIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO			
SHAREHOLDERS		365,553	554,398
		\$	\$
Earnings per share	7	0.35	0.53
Interim dividend declared per share		0.08	0.08

