

Consolidated Cash Flow Statement

For The Year Ended 31st July 2000

	<i>Note</i>	2000 HK\$'000	1999 HK\$'000
Net cash inflow from operating activities	21(a)	73,899	66,843
Returns on investments and servicing of finance			
Interest received		5,490	3,015
Interest element of finance leases and hire purchase contracts		(92)	(102)
Interest paid		(226)	(397)
Dividends received from associated companies		14,443	5,055
Dividend paid		(22,120)	(18,027)
Dividend paid to minority shareholders		(1,112)	(2,180)
Net cash outflow from returns on investments and servicing of finance		(3,617)	(12,636)
Taxation			
Hong Kong profits tax paid		(975)	(2,235)
Overseas taxation paid		(675)	(26)
Total taxation paid		(1,650)	(2,261)
Investing activities			
Purchase of fixed assets		(4,276)	(5,785)
Increase in pledged bank deposits		(1,422)	(78)
Sale of fixed assets		1,315	996
Acquisition of associated companies		(6,050)	(4,800)
Acquisition of subsidiaries		-	(9,376)
Acquisition of additional interest in a subsidiary		(896)	-
Disposal of associated companies		-	164
Disposal of subsidiaries		-	(43)
Purchase of goodwill		-	(172)

Net cash outflow from investing activities	(11,329)	(19,094)
Net cash inflow before financing	57,303	32,852
Financing	21(b)	
Exercise of share options	1,042	-
Capital contribution from minority shareholders	100	-
Repayment of bank loans	-	(3,500)
Repayment of amounts due to minority shareholders	(1,200)	(900)
Payment of capital element of finance leases and hire purchase contracts	(547)	(500)
Net cash outflow from financing	(605)	(4,900)
Increase in cash and cash equivalent	56,698	27,952
Cash and cash equivalent at the beginning of the year	93,942	65,912
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes	24	78
Cash and cash equivalent at the end of the year	150,664	93,942
Analysis of balances of cash and cash equivalent		
Cash and bank balances	161,921	108,292
Bank overdrafts	(11,257)	(14,350)
	150,664	93,942