CONSOLIDATED_CASH FLOW STATEMENT

For the year ended 31st December 2000

Note .	2000	1999
	HK\$'000	HK\$'ooo
Net cash inflow from operating activities 24(a)	329,531	206,260
Returns on investments and servicing of finance		
Interest received	24,963	33,538
Interest paid	(352)	(7,061)
Dividends paid	(199,760)	(185,967)
Dividends paid to minority shareholders of subsidiaries 24(b)	(1,406)	(2,075)
Net cash outflow from returns on investments		
and servicing of finance	(176,555)	(161,565)
Taxation		
Hong Kong profits tax paid	(674)	_
PRC income tax paid	(21,979)	(37,600)
Total taxation paid	(22,653)	(37,600)
Investing activities		
Additions of fixed assets and		
construction-in-progress, excluding interest capitalised	(141,401)	(127,623)
Purchase of investments	_	(100,878)
Sale of fixed assets	1,832	3,024
Net cash outflow from investing activities	(139,569)	(225,477)
Net cash outflow before financing - carried forward	(9,246)	(218,382)

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For the year ended 31st December 2000

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Note	2000	1999
	HK\$'ooo	HK\$'ooo
Net cash outflow before financing - brought forward	(9,246)	(218,382)
Financing		
Repurchase of shares 24(b)	(14,933)	(24,361)
New loans raised 24(b)	_	70,416
Repayment of bank loans 24(b)	(70,416)	(95,524)
Capital contribution by a minority shareholder of a subsidiary 24(b)	-	6,712
Net cash outflow from financing	(85,349)	(42,757)
Decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(94,595)	(261,139)
Cash and cash equivalents at 1st January	596,945	855,760
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes	60	2,324
Cash and cash equivalents at 31st December	502,410	596,945