

CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

For the year ended 31 December 2000

	Note	2000		1999	
		HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	(a)		151,977		(1,792,850)
Returns on investments and servicing of finance					
Interest received		7,419		56,412	
Interest paid		(101)		(6,942)	
Dividends received		1,609		1,728	
Dividends paid		(99,757)		(99,757)	
Net cash outflow from returns on investments and servicing of finance			(90,830)		(48,559)
Taxation					
Profits tax paid		(3,816)		(21,232)	
Profits tax refunded		745		9,902	
Tax paid			(3,071)		(11,330)
Investing activities					
Increase in unlisted investments		(1,303)		—	
Purchase of fixed assets		(11,311)		(27,676)	
Decrease in advances to investee companies		2,621		98	
Receipts from sale of fixed assets		167,864		6,913	
Receipts from sale of listed investments		21,018		—	
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from investing activities			178,889		(20,665)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) before financing			236,965		(1,873,404)

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Financing	(b)				
New bank loans		—		800,000	
Repayment of bank loans		<u>(200,000)</u>		<u>—</u>	
Net cash (outflow)/inflow from financing			<u>(200,000)</u>		<u>800,000</u>
Increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents			36,965		(1,073,404)
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January			<u>88,512</u>		<u>1,161,916</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December			<u><u>125,477</u></u>		<u><u>88,512</u></u>
Analysis of the balances of cash and cash equivalents					
Cash at bank and in hand			31,936		18,778
Short term deposits			95,000		72,000
Bank overdraft and loans repayable within three months			<u>(1,459)</u>		<u>(2,266)</u>
			<u><u>125,477</u></u>		<u><u>88,512</u></u>

The notes on pages 29 to 56 form part of these accounts.