

Consolidated Cash Flow Statement

Year ended 31 December 2000

	Notes	2000 HK\$'000	1999 HK\$'000
NET CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	24(a)	107,719	59,659
RETURNS ON INVESTMENTS AND SERVICING OF FINANCE			
Interest received		58,050	49,991
Interest paid		(5,703)	(9,908)
Dividends from associates		33,040	14,612
Dividend from a long term investment		–	12,589
Dividends paid		(46,226)	(46,226)
Dividends paid to minority shareholders of subsidiaries		–	(5,757)
Net cash inflow from returns on investments and servicing of finance		39,161	15,301
TAX			
Hong Kong profits tax paid		(1,686)	(705)
Hong Kong profits tax refunded		–	499
Taxes paid		(1,686)	(206)
INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Repayment of amounts due from associates		7,566	–
Disposal of subsidiaries	24(c)	433	–
Proceeds from disposal of fixed assets		12	185
Proceeds from disposal of other investments		9,905	–
Additional consideration paid for prior year's purchase of an associate		–	(3,704)
Purchase of additional interest in subsidiaries		–	(58,191)
Purchase of other investments		(1,763)	–
Purchases of fixed assets		(6,327)	(6,057)
Decrease in amount due from an investee company		–	8,780
Decrease in bank deposits pledged		3,463	3,032
Increase in time deposits with original maturity of more than three months when acquired		(24,557)	(30,690)
Net cash outflow from investing activities		(11,268)	(86,645)
NET CASH INFLOW/(OUTFLOW) BEFORE FINANCING ACTIVITIES		133,926	(11,891)

Consolidated Cash Flow Statement (cont'd)

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NET CASH INFLOW/(OUTFLOW) BEFORE FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
		133,926	(11,891)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
	24(b)		
New bank loans		33,178	29,720
Repayments of bank loans		(29,563)	(78,517)
Advance from/(repayment to) minority shareholders of subsidiaries		(6,511)	4,957
Net cash outflow from financing activities		(2,896)	(43,840)
INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS			
		131,030	(55,731)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		852,025	907,756
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF THE YEAR			
		983,055	852,025
ANALYSIS OF BALANCES OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS			
Cash and bank balances		50,910	109,296
Time deposits with original maturity of less than three months when acquired		932,145	742,729
		983,055	852,025