

Consolidated Cash Flow Statement ∴ 21

For the year ended 31 December 2000

	2000	2000	1999
Note	US\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(Note 27)		
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	21(a) 33,344	259,412	(142,007)
Returns on investments and servicing of finance			
Interest received	3,265	25,401	11,599
Interest paid	(1,438)	(11,186)	(8,786)
Dividends received from an associated company	2,267	17,640	10,780
Dividends paid	(28,611)	(222,596)	(19,832)
Dividends received from other investments	136	1,060	4,141
Net cash outflow from returns on investments and servicing of finance	(24,381)	(189,681)	(2,098)
Taxation			
Hong Kong profits tax paid	(3,404)	(26,480)	(985)
Overseas tax paid	(247)	(1,926)	(114)
Hong Kong profits tax refunded	-	-	880
Overseas tax refunded	484	3,769	611
Net tax (paid)/refunded	(3,167)	(24,637)	392
Investing activities			
Purchases of other investments	(13,273)	(103,261)	-
Purchases of fixed assets	(3,675)	(28,596)	(40,186)
Deposit paid for purchase of investment property	(465)	(3,617)	-
Deposit paid for purchase of a subsidiary	(3,252)	(25,300)	-
Investment in and advance to an associated company	(1,671)	(13,000)	-
Proceeds from disposal of investment securities	44,092	343,034	7,397
Proceeds from disposal of other investments	8,594	66,864	78,087
Proceeds from disposal of fixed assets	161	1,251	369
Net cash inflow from investing activities	30,511	237,375	45,667
Net cash inflow/(outflow) before financing	36,307	282,469	(98,046)
Financing			
Repurchase of own shares	21(b) (221)	(1,720)	-
Exercise of share options	21(b) 1,010	7,860	-
Net cash inflow from financing	789	6,140	-
Increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	37,096	288,609	(98,046)
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January	270	2,102	104,857
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes	160	1,244	(4,709)
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December	21(c) 37,526	291,955	2,102

The notes on pages 23 to 48 form an integral part of these accounts.