Consolidated Balance Sheet

at 31 December 2000 (Expressed in Hong Kong dollars)

	Note	2000 <i>\$`000</i>	1999 <i>\$'000</i>
Non-current assets Fixed assets Interest in associates Pre-operating expenses	14(a) 16	234,189 171,160 _	712,396 169,242 16,502
Investment securities	17(a)	405,349	<u>137,648</u> <u>1,035,788</u>
Current assets Inventories Properties held for sale Trade and other receivables Other securities Cash and bank balances	18 19 20 17(b)	102,263 	218,228 52,033 862,228 31,029 190,161
		324,235	1,353,679
Current liabilities Interest-bearing borrowings Trade and other payables Taxation	21 22	8,429 384,696 6,191	3,022,950 647,254 1,015
		399,316	3,671,219
Net current liabilities		(75,081)	(2,317,540)
Total assets less current liabilities		330,268	(1,281,752)
Non-current liabilities Shareholders' loans to subsidiaries contributed by minority shareholders		20,257	33,561
Minority interests		60,640	78,912
		249,371	(1,394,225)
Capital and reserves Share capital Reserves	23 24(a)	90,951 (614,580)	90,951 (1,485,176)
		(523,629)	(1,394,225)
Loan from intermediate holding company	25	773,000	
		249,371	<u>(1,394,225</u>)

Approved by the board of directors on 9 April 2001

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The notes on pages 32 to 72 form part of these accounts.