

	Financial year ended 31st December,				
	1996 HK\$'000	1997 HK\$'000	1998 HK\$'000	1999 HK\$'000	2000 HK\$'000
<b>Results</b>					
Turnover	357,542	1,272,165	893,929	230,522	<b>265,364</b>
Profit (loss) from operations	117,592	234,251	131,327	69,874	<b>(407,275)</b>
Finance costs	(58,282)	(64,387)	(78,339)	(67,734)	<b>(99,954)</b>
Share of results of associates	234,870	205,500	121,246	156,535	<b>111,952</b>
Share of results of a jointly controlled entity	–	28,243	(9,817)	7,921	<b>15,074</b>
Profit (loss) before taxation	294,180	403,607	164,417	166,596	<b>(380,203)</b>
Taxation	(35,688)	(18,222)	(22,794)	(31,730)	<b>(12,542)</b>
Profit (loss) after taxation	258,492	385,385	141,623	134,866	<b>(392,745)</b>
Minority interests	(4,826)	(3,789)	(3,863)	(4,245)	<b>(3,314)</b>
Profit (loss) attributable to shareholders	253,666	381,596	137,760	130,621	<b>(396,059)</b>
Basic earnings (loss) per share	10.4¢	13.9¢	4.7¢	4.5¢	<b>(13.7¢)</b>
<b>At 31st December,</b>					
	1996 HK\$'000	1997 HK\$'000	1998 HK\$'000	1999 HK\$'000	2000 HK\$'000
<b>Assets and liabilities</b>					
Total assets	8,321,972	9,211,064	7,297,131	7,631,510	<b>7,257,234</b>
Total liabilities	(1,696,631)	(1,957,550)	(1,931,012)	(2,053,025)	<b>(2,259,058)</b>
Minority interests	(30,156)	(13,499)	(14,900)	(15,854)	<b>(18,441)</b>
Shareholders' funds	6,595,185	7,240,015	5,351,219	5,562,631	<b>4,979,735</b>