

	<i>Notes</i>	2000 HK\$ million	1999 <i>HK\$</i> <i>million</i>
NET CASH (OUTFLOW) / INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	26(a)	(484)	237
RETURNS ON INVESTMENTS AND SERVICING OF FINANCE			
Interest received		54	9
Interest paid		(92)	(64)
Dividend income from an associate		-	2
Dividend paid to minority interests		(2)	(3)
Dividends paid		(84)	(47)
Net cash outflow from returns on investments and servicing of finance		(124)	(103)
TAX			
Hong Kong profits tax paid		(7)	(1)
Overseas taxes paid		(13)	(2)
Taxes paid		(20)	(3)
INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Purchases of property, plant and equipment		(101)	(96)
Purchases of subsidiaries	26(c)	3	(42)
Purchases of additional interests in subsidiaries		(11)	(68)
Payments for other assets		(19)	(5)
Purchases of long term investments		(104)	(57)
Payments for additional interests in associates		(21)	(18)
Advances to associates		-	(70)
Increase in pledged bank deposits with banks		(25)	-
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment		60	8
Proceeds from disposal of investment properties		2	-
Proceeds from disposal of long term investments		39	98
Disposal, deemed disposal and partial divestment of interests in subsidiaries and associates	26(d)	637	108
Net cash inflow / (outflow) from investing activities		460	(142)
NET CASH OUTFLOW BEFORE FINANCING ACTIVITIES		(168)	(11)

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FINANCING ACTIVITIES	26(b)		
Issue of ordinary share capital		596	–
New secured bank loans		349	59
New unsecured bank loans		31	–
Repayment of secured bank loans		(158)	(154)
Repayment of unsecured bank loans		(28)	(78)
(Decrease) / increase in trust receipt loans		(229)	206
Capital element of finance lease rental payments		–	(5)
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Net cash inflow from financing activities		561	28
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INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		393	17
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		288	271
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes, net		(2)	–
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CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR		679	288
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ANALYSIS OF BALANCES OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS			
Cash and bank balances		697	296
Bank overdrafts		(18)	(8)
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