

CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

Year ended 31 December 2000

	Notes	2000 HK\$'000	1999 HK\$'000
Net cash inflow from operating activities	30(a)	256,600	522,922
Returns on investments and servicing of finance			
Interest received		36,955	19,116
Interest paid		(42,864)	(65,482)
Interest element of finance lease rental and hire purchase contract payments		(165)	(834)
Dividends received from a jointly-controlled entity		8,100	11,479
Dividends paid		—	(110,000)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from returns on investments and servicing of finance		2,026	(145,721)
Tax			
Hong Kong profits tax paid		(5,176)	(5,565)
Overseas taxes paid		(10,662)	(8,690)
Taxes paid		(15,838)	(14,255)
Investing activities			
Purchases of fixed assets		(179,363)	(125,480)
Proceeds from disposal of fixed assets		434	206
Decrease/(increase) in pledged bank deposits		13,430	(37,438)
Acquisition of subsidiaries	30(b)	(9,811)	—
Disposal of subsidiaries	30(c)	—	(25)
Acquisition of an associate		(1,000)	—
Acquisition/formation of jointly-controlled entities		(49,032)	—
Purchase of a long term investment		(1,682)	—
Net cash outflow from investing activities		(227,024)	(162,737)

	Note	2000 HK\$'000	1999 HK\$'000
Net cash inflow before financing activities		15,764	200,209
Financing activities	30(d)		
New bank loans		129,918	4,920
Repayment of bank and other loans		(139,901)	(34,636)
Proceeds from issue of share capital		12,521	1,050,000
Share issue expenses		—	(51,102)
Capital element of finance lease rental and hire purchase contract payments		(2,997)	(3,024)
Decrease in amount due to the ultimate holding company		—	(78,024)
Repayment of loan from the ultimate holding company		(214,308)	(137,990)
Contribution from minority shareholders		16,162	—
Advance from a minority shareholder		2,306	—
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing activities		(196,299)	750,144
Increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(180,535)	950,353
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		1,181,692	231,339
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes, net		(229)	—
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year		1,000,928	1,181,692
Analysis of balances of cash and cash equivalents			
Cash and bank balances		1,000,928	1,181,692