

## Comparative Financial Information

A summary of the results and of the assets and liabilities of the Group for the last five financial years, as extracted from the audited financial statements and reclassified as appropriate, is set out below.

	Year ended 31 December				
	2000 HK\$'000	1999 HK\$'000	1998 HK\$'000	1997 HK\$'000	1996 HK\$'000
<b>RESULTS</b>					
Turnover	<u>847,166</u>	<u>1,102,429</u>	<u>1,794,035</u>	<u>731,409</u>	<u>391,563</u>
Operating profit/(loss)	<u>18,459</u>	<u>(25,137)</u>	<u>(114,861)</u>	<u>45,398</u>	<u>31,649</u>
Share of profits less losses of associates and a jointly controlled entity	<u>3,030</u>	<u>3,895</u>	<u>(6,493)</u>	<u>8,478</u>	<u>9,230</u>
Profit/(loss) before tax	<u>21,489</u>	<u>(21,242)</u>	<u>(121,354)</u>	<u>53,876</u>	<u>40,879</u>
Tax	<u>(1,389)</u>	<u>(3,408)</u>	<u>(1,780)</u>	<u>(4,827)</u>	<u>(4,504)</u>
Profit/(loss) after tax	<u>20,100</u>	<u>(24,650)</u>	<u>(123,134)</u>	<u>49,049</u>	<u>36,375</u>
Minority interests	<u>279</u>	<u>(251)</u>	<u>(22)</u>	<u>1,035</u>	<u>1,305</u>
Net profit/(loss) attributable to shareholders	<u>20,379</u>	<u>(24,901)</u>	<u>(123,156)</u>	<u>50,084</u>	<u>37,680</u>
		<b>31 December</b>			
	<u>2000 HK\$'000</u>	<u>1999 HK\$'000</u>	<u>1998 HK\$'000</u>	<u>1997 HK\$'000</u>	<u>1996 HK\$'000</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>					
Fixed assets and other non-current assets	<u>585,500</u>	<u>613,428</u>	<u>635,949</u>	<u>586,057</u>	<u>479,304</u>
Trademarks	<u>121,502</u>	<u>126,298</u>	<u>126,035</u>	<u>120,600</u>	<u>120,054</u>
Interests in associates and a jointly controlled entity	<u>52,060</u>	<u>55,064</u>	<u>88,692</u>	<u>101,922</u>	<u>99,347</u>
Current assets	<u>404,025</u>	<u>435,020</u>	<u>531,098</u>	<u>271,227</u>	<u>180,060</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u>1,163,087</u>	<u>1,229,810</u>	<u>1,381,774</u>	<u>1,079,806</u>	<u>878,765</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>					
Current liabilities	<u>379,089</u>	<u>562,045</u>	<u>646,025</u>	<u>214,689</u>	<u>129,884</u>
Long term portion of bank and other loans	<u>208,004</u>	<u>111,316</u>	<u>143,705</u>	<u>121,989</u>	<u>35,188</u>
Deferred tax	<u>9,854</u>	<u>10,409</u>	<u>9,614</u>	<u>11,074</u>	<u>10,148</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<u>596,947</u>	<u>683,770</u>	<u>799,344</u>	<u>347,752</u>	<u>175,220</u>
Minority interests	<u>7,318</u>	<u>7,597</u>	<u>7,346</u>	<u>7,324</u>	<u>8,359</u>
	<u>604,265</u>	<u>691,367</u>	<u>806,690</u>	<u>355,076</u>	<u>183,579</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<u>558,822</u>	<u>538,443</u>	<u>575,084</u>	<u>724,730</u>	<u>695,186</u>