

CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

For the year ended 31st December 2000

	<i>Note</i>	2000 HK\$'000	1999 HK\$'000
Net cash inflow from operating activities	24(a)	<u>14,571</u>	<u>53,635</u>
Returns on investments and servicing of finance			
Interest received		659	3,033
Interest paid		(5,059)	(12,413)
Interest element of finance lease rental payments		<u>—</u>	<u>(126)</u>
Net cash outflow from returns on investments and servicing of finance		<u>(4,400)</u>	<u>(9,506)</u>
Taxation			
Hong Kong profits tax (paid)/refunded		<u>(2,209)</u>	<u>1,832</u>
Investing activities			
(Increase)/decrease in pledged time deposits		(515)	113,817
Payments to acquire fixed assets		<u>—</u>	<u>(129)</u>
Net cash (outflow)/inflow from investing activities		<u>(515)</u>	<u>113,688</u>
Net cash inflow before financing activities		<u>7,447</u>	<u>159,649</u>
Financing activities			
Issue of share capital	24(b)	1,723	—
Share issue expenses		(17)	—
Capital element of finance lease rental payments		—	(420)
New bank loan		—	20,000
(Repayment to)/advance from directors		(487)	3,000
Repayments of bank loans		(11,132)	(14,341)
Expired bank loans stated as cash equivalents		<u>(19,344)</u>	<u>—</u>
Net cash (outflow)/inflow from financing activities		<u>(29,257)</u>	<u>8,239</u>
(Decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents		(21,810)	167,888
Cash and cash equivalents at 1st January		<u>(21,195)</u>	<u>(189,083)</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at 31st December		<u>(43,005)</u>	<u>(21,195)</u>
Analysis of the balances of cash and cash equivalents			
Cash and bank balances		3,738	6,928
Trust receipt loans, bank loans and overdrafts repayable within three months from the date of advance		<u>(46,743)</u>	<u>(28,123)</u>
		<u>(43,005)</u>	<u>(21,195)</u>