## CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

For the year ended 31 March 2001

|  | Notes | $\begin{gathered} 2001 \\ H K \$ \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2000 \\ H K \$ \end{gathered}$ |
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| NET CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES | 27 | 19,288,144 | 15,316,970 |
| RETURNS ON INVESTMENTS AND |  |  |  |
| SERVICING OF FINANCE |  |  |  |
| Interest paid |  | $(10,499,985)$ | $(10,808,885)$ |
| Dividends paid |  | $(7,698,866)$ | $(7,699,909)$ |
| Interest received |  | 748,681 | 13,939 |
| NET CASH OUTFLOW FROM RETURNS ON |  |  |  |
| INVESTMENTS AND SERVICING OF FINANCE |  | $(17,450,170)$ | $(18,494,855)$ |
| TAXATION |  |  |  |
| Tax paid |  | $(2,473,552)$ | $(1,176,080)$ |
| Tax refunded |  | 110,225 | 172,108 |
| NET TAX PAID |  | $(2,363,327)$ | $(1,003,972)$ |
| INVESTING ACTIVITIES |  |  |  |
| Purchase of investment in securities |  | $(17,448,868)$ | - |
| Purchase of investment properties |  | $(896,160)$ | - |
| Purchase of properties, plant and equipment |  | $(470,412)$ | $(262,820)$ |
| Repayment from (advance to) an associate |  | 6,750,000 | $(1,250,000)$ |
| Decrease (increase) in bank deposits |  | 42,772 | $(42,772)$ |
| NET CASH OUTFLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES |  | $(12,022,668)$ | $(1,555,592)$ |
| NET CASH OUTFLOW BEFORE FINANCING |  | $(12,548,021)$ | $(5,737,449)$ |
| FINANCING | 28 |  |  |
| New bank loans raised |  | 44,400,000 | 60,000,000 |
| Repayment of bank loans |  | $(46,627,459)$ | $(60,811,681)$ |
| Repurchase of shares |  | $(458,102)$ | - |
| NET CASH OUTFLOW FROM FINANCING |  | $(2,685,561)$ | $(811,681)$ |
| DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS |  | $(15,233,582)$ | $(6,549,130)$ |
| CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT |  |  |  |
| BEGINNING OF THE YEAR |  | $(8,186,496)$ | $(1,637,366)$ |
| CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END |  |  |  |
| OF THE YEAR |  | $(23,420,078)$ | $(8,186,496)$ |
| ANALYSIS OF THE BALANCES OF CASH AND |  |  |  |
| CASH EQUIVALENTS |  |  |  |
| Bank deposits |  | 15,000,000 | 30,000,000 |
| Cash and bank balances |  | 1,142,176 | 10,181,816 |
| Bank overdrafts |  | $(39,562,254)$ | $(48,368,312)$ |
|  |  | $(23,420,078)$ | $(8,186,496)$ |

