Chairman's Statement

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I am pleased to present the Annual Report and Accounts for the financial year ended April 30, 2001.

During the year, the Group reported a loss before taxation and loss attributable to shareholders of approximately HK\$12.5 million and HK\$12.4 million respectively compared to a loss before taxation of approximately HK\$3.7 million and loss attributable to shareholders of approximately HK\$4.1 million in the preceding year. This is primarily due to the provision for unrealised loss on listed investments of HK\$2.8 million and the provision for impairment in the value of an associate of HK\$3 million.

I wish to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to all employees for their loyal services and contribution. I would also like to thank all our shareholders, business associates and financiers for their continued support.

Tan Sri Dato' Tan Kok Ping Chairman