

CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

For the year ended 31st March 2001

	<i>Note</i>	2001 HK\$'000	2000 HK\$'000
Net cash inflow from operating activities	20(a)	37,386	36,526
Returns on investments and servicing of finance			
Interest income		5,382	2,028
Dividends from investment securities		5,129	7,276
Dividends from other investments		497	1,324
Interest expenses		(9,220)	(46,090)
Dividends paid to shareholders		—	(501,782)
Distributions to minority shareholders	20(b)	(120)	(12,133)
Net cash inflow from/(outflow to) investments and servicing of finance		1,668	(549,377)
Taxation			
Hong Kong profits tax refunded		—	86
Hong Kong profits tax paid		(839)	—
Overseas profits tax paid		(12,288)	(1,869)
Net tax paid		(13,127)	(1,783)
Investing activities			
Purchase of fixed assets		(916)	(17,216)
Investment in associates		(64,300)	(2,902)
Capital repayment from/(advances to) associates		1,131	(48,880)
Net (advances to)/repayment from associates		(7,668)	61,165
Purchase of subsidiaries		—	(10,214)
Proceeds on disposal of investments		6,140	601,639
Purchase of investments		(14,125)	(35,405)
Proceeds on disposal of fixed assets		43	—
Net cash (outflow to)/inflow from investing activities		(79,695)	548,187
Net cash (outflow)/inflow before financing		(53,768)	33,553

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Financing			
Issue of shares			
- Open Offer	20(b)	163,079	—
- Open Offer expenses	20(b)	(812)	—
Long term loans repaid		—	(63,673)
Bank loans (repaid)/raised	20(b)	(21,298)	21,298
Net cash inflow from/(outflow to) financing		140,969	(42,375)
Increase/(Decrease) in cash and cash equivalents			
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Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		(12,567)	(3,762)
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes		(237)	17
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year		74,397	(12,567)
Analysis of the balances of cash and cash equivalents			
Bank balances, cash and deposits placed with banks of up to three months' maturity		75,520	75,625
Bank overdraft and loans repayable up to three months		(1,123)	(88,192)
		74,397	(12,567)

