10. DIVIDENDS

| 2001 HK\$'000 | 2000 HK\$'000 |
|------------------|-------------------------------|
| | |
| 65,250 | 78,300 |
| | |
| 130,500 | 152,250 |
| 195,750 | 230,550 |
| | HK\$'000 65,250 130,500 |

A final dividend of HK\$0.30 (2000: HK\$0.35) per share has been proposed by the directors and is subject to approval by the shareholders in general meeting.

11. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The calculation of earnings per share is based on the profit attributable to shareholders of HK\$345,887,000 (2000: HK\$456,598,000) and on 435,000,000 (2000: 435,000,000) ordinary shares in issue during the year.

12. CASH AND SHORT-TERM FUNDS

| | THE | THE BANK | | |
|----------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | 2001 | 2000 | 2001 | 2000 |
| | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 |
| Cash and balances with banks | | | | |
| and other financial institutions | 409,020 | 338,616 | 409,015 | 338,613 |
| Money at call and short notice | 13,034,683 | 13,443,296 | 13,034,683 | 13,443,296 |
| Exchange fund bills | 826,136 | 776,408 | 823,118 | 773,391 |
| | 14,269,839 | 14,558,320 | 14,266,816 | 14,555,300 |

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13. INVESTMENTS IN SECURITIES

| | Trading securities | | Held-to-maturity securities | | Other securities | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|----------|-----------------------------|----------|------------------|----------------|----------|----------------|
| | | | | | | | Total | |
| | 2001 | 2000 | 2001 | 2000 | 2001 | 2000 | 2001 | 2000 |
| | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 |
| THE GROUP | | | | | | | | |
| Equity securities: | | | | | | | | |
| Listed in Hong Kong | g 400 | 577 | _ | _ | 98,022 | 133,819 | 98,422 | 134,396 |
| Listed overseas | _ | _ | _ | _ | 3,732 | 5,100 | 3,732 | 5,100 |
| Unlisted | | <u>-</u> | | <u>-</u> | 186,398 | 151,515 | 186,398 | <u>151,515</u> |
| | 400 | 577 | - | - | 288,152 | 290,434 | 288,552 | 291,011 |
| Debt securities: | | | | | | | | |
| Unlisted | 171,935 | 169,213 | 494,874 | 110,573 | _ | - | 666,809 | 279,786 |
| Total: | | | | | | | | |
| Listed in Hong Kong | g 400 | 577 | _ | _ | 98,022 | 133,819 | 98,422 | 134,396 |
| Listed overseas | - | _ | _ | - | 3,732 | 5,100 | 3,732 | 5,100 |
| Unlisted | 171,935 | 169,213 | 494,874 | 110,573 | 186,398 | 151,515 | 853,207 | 431,301 |
| | 172,335 | 169,790 | 494,874 | 110,573 | 288,152 | 290,434 | 955,361 | 570,797 |
| Market value of listed | | | | | | | | |
| securities: | | | | | | | | |
| Listed in Hong Kong | g 400 | 577 | _ | _ | 98,022 | 133,819 | 98,422 | 134,396 |
| Listed overseas | _ | _ | _ | _ | 3,732 | 5,100 | 3,732 | 5,100 |
| | 400 | 577 | | _ | 101,754 | 138,919 | 102,154 | 139,496 |
| | | | | | | | | |

Unlisted other securities are stated at cost. The directors are of the opinion that the cost is not materially different from the fair value as at 31 December 2001.

| securities securities securities T | Total | |
|--|----------|--|
| 2001 2000 2001 2000 2001 2000 2001 | 2000 | |
| HK\$'000 HK\$'000 HK\$'000 HK\$'000 HK\$'000 HK\$'000 HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | |
| THE BANK | | |
| Equity securities: | | |
| Listed in Hong Kong – – – 77,807 82,049 77,807 | 82,049 | |
| Listed overseas – – – 3,732 5,100 3,732 | 5,100 | |
| Unlisted – – – 178,590 151,515 178,590 | 151,515 | |
| <u>- 260,129</u> 238,664 <u>260,129</u> | 238,664 | |
| Debt securities: | | |
| Unlisted 171,935 169,213 494,874 110,573 666,809 | 279,786 | |
| | ===== | |
| Total: | 09.040 | |
| Listed in Hong Kong – – – 77,807 82,049 77,807 | 82,049 | |
| Listed overseas – – – 3,732 5,100 3,732 | 5,100 | |
| Unlisted 171,935 169,213 494,874 110,573 178,590 151,515 845,399 | 431,301 | |
| <u>171,935</u> <u>169,213</u> <u>494,874</u> <u>110,573</u> <u>260,129</u> <u>238,664</u> <u>926,938</u> | 518,450 | |
| Market value of listed | | |
| securities: | | |
| Listed in Hong Kong – – – 77,807 82,049 77,807 | 82,049 | |
| Listed overseas 3,732 | 5,100 | |
| <u>- 81,539</u> <u>87,149</u> <u>81,539</u> | 87,149 | |

13. INVESTMENTS IN SECURITIES - continued

Investments in securities are analysed and reported by issuing entities as follows:

| | Trading securities | | Held-to-maturity securities | | Other securities | | Total | |
|--|--------------------|----------|-----------------------------|----------|------------------|----------|----------|--------------|
| | 2001 | 2000 | 2001 | 2000 | 2001 | 2000 | 2001 | otai 2000 |
| | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 |
| THE GROUP | | | | | | | | |
| Central governments and central banks | - | - | 11,696 | 11,699 | - | - | 11,696 | 11,699 |
| Public sectors entities | 46 | 50 | - | 38,785 | 41,825 | 33,194 | 41,871 | 72,029 |
| Banks and other financial institutions | 42,203 | 67,217 | 217,656 | 8,842 | 183,806 | 157,639 | 443,665 | 233,698 |
| Corporate entities | 107,302 | 79,514 | - | - | 42,953 | 48,803 | 150,255 | 128,317 |
| Others | 22,784 | 23,009 | 265,522 | 51,247 | 19,568 | 50,798 | 307,874 | 125,054 |
| | 172,335 | 169,790 | 494,874 | 110,573 | 288,152 | 290,434 | 955,361 | 570,797 |
| THE BANK | | | | | | | | |
| Central governments and central banks | - | - | 11,696 | 11,699 | - | - | 11,696 | 11,699 |
| Public sectors entities | - | - | - | 38,785 | 41,432 | 32,766 | 41,432 | 71,551 |
| Banks and other financial institutions | 42,172 | 67,179 | 217,656 | 8,842 | 183,735 | 157,548 | 443,563 | 233,569 |
| Corporate entities | 106,979 | 79,025 | - | - | 34,437 | 47,825 | 141,416 | 126,850 |
| Others | 22,784 | 23,009 | 265,522 | 51,247 | 525 | 525 | 288,831 | 74,781 |
| | 171,935 | 169,213 | 494,874 | 110,573 | 260,129 | 238,664 | 926,938 | 518,450 |