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Regional Market

The Group recorded a turnover of approximately HK\$145,428,000 for the year ended 31st March, 2002, a slight drop of 6.5% when compared to the figure of the corresponding period last year of HK\$155,570,000. Turnover mainly attributed to the export business, of which HK\$48,400,000 (33.3%) from Japan; HK\$19,933,000 (13.7%) from North America; and HK\$9,192,000 (6.3%) from other regions.

Product Range

The ratio analysis for major product range attributable to the Group's turnover for the year ended 31st March, 2002 is as follows: 68.1% for fur garments (2001: 70.7%); 31.9% for fur skin trading (2001: 29.3%). Turnover from fur skin trading recorded a slight increase of 1.6% when compared to the corresponding period last year.

Liquidity and Financial Resources

The Group generally derives cash for operation from internal cash flow and facilities from Hong Kong banks. As at 31st March 2002, the Group had cash and cash equivalents of HK\$73,331,000 (2001: HK\$36,057,000). As at 31st March 2002, the Group had no bank loan (2001: HK\$29,302,000), and shareholders' funds amounted to HK\$225,682,000 (2001: HK\$214,636,000). Accordingly, the gearing ratio is zero (2001: 14%).

As far as financial position is concerned, the Group continues to adopt a cautious policy. There are no long-term debts and the Group has sufficient funds for future business expansions and diversification in investments.

Foreign Exchange Exposure

The Group's businesses are mainly conducted in US Dollars and Renminbi, with minimal exposure to fluctuations in foreign exchanges.

Employees

As at 31st March 2002, the Group employed around 400 employees in both Hong Kong and the Mainland. The Group continues to provide remuneration packages, including share options to its employees based on prevailing market conditions.