

CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

For the year ended 31 March 2002

	Note	2002 HK\$'000	2001 HK\$'000
Operating activities			
Net cash inflow from operating activities	23(a)	<u>41,326</u>	<u>60,273</u>
Returns on investments and servicing of finance			
Interest received		1,933	1,709
Interest paid		(16,638)	(17,561)
Interest element of finance leases		(218)	(522)
Dividends paid		<u>(3,463)</u>	<u>(4,836)</u>
Net cash outflow from returns on investments and servicing of finance		<u>(18,386)</u>	<u>(21,210)</u>
Taxation			
Hong Kong profits tax paid		(3,583)	(4,601)
Mainland China income tax paid		<u>(408)</u>	<u>(638)</u>
Total taxation paid		<u>(3,991)</u>	<u>(5,239)</u>
Investing activities			
Acquisition of a business/subsidiary	23(c)	(24,698)	(20,531)
Purchase of fixed assets		(56,203)	(43,777)
Proceed from sale of fixed assets		1,868	387
Decrease/(increase) in pledged deposits with maturity more than three months from date of deposits		3,096	(3,096)
Purchase of other investments		<u>(7,643)</u>	<u>–</u>
Net cash outflow from investing activities		<u>(83,580)</u>	<u>(67,017)</u>
Net cash outflow before financing		<u>(64,631)</u>	<u>(33,193)</u>
Financing	23(d)		
Exercise of share options		270	–
Loans from banks and financial institutions		159,896	59,907
Repayment of loans borrowed from banks and financial institutions		(17,621)	(40,896)
Payment of capital element of finance leases		(2,838)	(3,090)
Contribution from minority shareholders		<u>4,644</u>	<u>–</u>
Net cash inflow from financing		<u>144,351</u>	<u>15,921</u>
Increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		79,720	(17,272)
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 April		(66,023)	(47,502)
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes		<u>(153)</u>	<u>(1,249)</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 March	23(e)	<u><u>13,544</u></u>	<u><u>(66,023)</u></u>