

Notes to the Accounts

(Amounts expressed in RMB unless otherwise stated)

1. ORGANISATION AND OPERATIONS

Brilliance China Automotive Holdings Limited (the “Company”) was incorporated in Bermuda on 9th June, 1992 with limited liability. The Company’s ADSs and shares are traded on The New York Stock Exchange Inc. and The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (“SEHK”) respectively. The Company is an investment holding company. The principal activities of the Company’s subsidiaries (together with the Company referred to as the “Group”) are the manufacturing and sales of minibuses, sedans and automotive components in the People’s Republic of China (the “PRC”).

On 18th December, 2002, Huachen Automotive Group Holdings Company Limited (“Huachen”) entered into a principal agreement (the “Principal Agreement”) with the Chinese Financial Education Development Foundation (the “Foundation”), the then substantial shareholder, to purchase from the Foundation a total of 1,446,121,500 ordinary shares, representing approximately 39.446% of the issued share capital of the Company and the Foundation’s entire shareholding interest in the Company. Completion of the Principal Agreement took place upon signing.

2 PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these accounts are set out below:

(a) Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in Hong Kong and comply with accounting standards issued by the Hong Kong Society of Accountants (“HKSA”). They have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

In the current year, the Group adopted the following Statements of Standard Accounting Practice (“SSAPs”) issued by HKSA which are effective for accounting periods commencing on or after 1st January, 2002:

SSAP1 (revised):	Presentation of financial statements
SSAP11 (revised):	Foreign currency translation
SSAP15 (revised):	Cash flow statements
SSAP33:	Discontinuing operations
SSAP34 (revised):	Employee benefits

Other than those disclosed in the respective notes to the accounts, management considers that the consequential changes made to the above SSAPs will not have material impact on the accounts of the Group.

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2 PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

(b) Group accounting

(i) Consolidation

The consolidated accounts of the Group include the accounts of the Company and its subsidiaries made up to 31st December.

Subsidiaries are those entities in which the Company, directly or indirectly, controls more than one half of the voting power; has the power to govern the financial and operating policies; to appoint or remove the majority of the members of the board of directors; or to cast majority of votes at the meetings of the board of directors.

The results of subsidiaries acquired or disposed of during the year are included in the consolidated profit and loss account from the effective date of acquisition or up to the effective date of disposal, as appropriate.

All significant intercompany balances and transactions within the Group, including sales to companies within the Group, are eliminated on consolidation.

Minority interests represent the interests of outside shareholders in the operating results and net assets of subsidiaries.

In the Company's balance sheet the investments in subsidiaries are stated at cost less provision for impairment losses. The results of subsidiaries are accounted for by the Company on the basis of dividends received and receivable.

(ii) Joint ventures

The Group's investments in joint ventures in the PRC are in the form of Sino-foreign equity joint ventures. For Sino-foreign equity joint ventures, the partners' profit-sharing ratios and shares of net assets upon the expiration of the joint venture are in proportion to their equity contribution ratios.

Interests in jointly controlled joint ventures are accounted for using the equity method in the consolidated accounts, whereby the interest is initially recorded at cost and adjusted thereafter to recognise the Group's share of the post-acquisition profits and losses of the jointly controlled joint ventures, distributions received from the jointly controlled joint ventures and other necessary alterations in the Group's proportionate interest in the jointly controlled joint ventures arising from changes in the equity of the jointly controlled joint ventures that have not been included in the profit and loss account and less accumulated impairment losses, if any. The Group's share of post-acquisition results of jointly controlled joint ventures is included in the consolidated profit and loss account.

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2 PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

(b) Group accounting (Cont'd)

(ii) *Joint ventures* (Cont'd)

In the Company's accounts, the Company's interests in jointly controlled joint ventures are included under long-term investments and are stated at cost less accumulated impairment losses, if any. The results of jointly controlled joint ventures are accounted for by the Company to the extent of dividends received and receivable.

Investments made by means of a joint venture structure is accounted for as a subsidiary when the Group can control the board of directors or is in a position to exercise control over the financial and operating policies of the joint venture. A joint venture, not being accounted for as a subsidiary, in which the Group can exercise significant influence over its management, is accounted for as an associated company.

(iii) *Associated companies*

An associated company is a company, not being a subsidiary or a joint venture, in which an equity interest is held for the long-term and significant influence is exercised in its management.

The consolidated profit and loss account includes the Group's share of the results of associated companies for the year, and the consolidated balance sheet includes the Group's share of the net assets of the associated companies and goodwill/negative goodwill (net of accumulated amortisation) on acquisition.

In the Company's balance sheet, the investments in associated companies are stated at cost less provision for impairment losses, if any. The results of associated companies are accounted for by the Company on the basis of dividends received and receivable.

Equity accounting is discontinued when the carrying amount of the investment in an associated company reaches zero, unless the Group has incurred obligations or guaranteed obligations in respect of the associated company.

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2 PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

(b) Group accounting (Cont'd)

(iv) *Translation of foreign currencies*

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated at exchange rates ruling at the transaction dates. Monetary assets and liabilities expressed in foreign currencies at the balance sheet date are translated at rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Exchange differences arising in these cases are dealt with in the profit and loss account.

The balance sheets of subsidiaries, jointly controlled entities and associated companies expressed in foreign currencies are translated at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date whilst the profit and loss is translated at an average rate. Exchange differences are dealt with as a movement in reserves.

Cumulative translation adjustments under shareholders' equity represent exchange differences arising from the Company's change in functional currency in previous years.

(c) Intangibles

(i) *Intangible assets*

Intangible assets are stated at cost less accumulated amortisation. Cost is the amount of cash or cash equivalents paid or the fair value of the other consideration given to acquire an asset at the time of its acquisition or production. Amortisation is calculated on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life of 7 years.

(ii) *Goodwill*

Goodwill represents the excess of the cost of an acquisition over the fair value of the Group's share of the net assets of the acquired subsidiary/joint venture/associated company at the date of acquisition.

Goodwill on acquisitions is amortised using the straight-line method over the shorter of the expected future economic life of 20 years or the remaining lives of the respective joint ventures from their initial recognition. During the year, the directors changed the estimate on the expected future economic lives of the respective joint ventures. In prior years, the shorter of 40 years or the remaining life of the respective joint ventures from their initial recognition were used. Such changes are accounted for as a change in estimate and additional amortisation (including amortisation of goodwill arising from acquisition of subsidiaries and associated companies) of approximately RMB25,617,000 was charged to the consolidated profit and loss account as a result of such changes.

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2 PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

(c) Intangibles (Cont'd)

(iii) *Research and development costs*

Research costs are expensed as incurred. Costs incurred on development projects relating to the design and testing of new or improved products are recognised as an intangible asset where the technical feasibility and intention of completing the product under development has been demonstrated and the resources are available to do so, costs are identifiable and there is an ability to sell or use the asset that will generate probable future economic benefits. Such development costs are recognised as an asset and amortised on a straight-line basis over a period which reflects the pattern in which the related economic benefits are recognised. Development costs that do not meet the above criteria are expensed as incurred. Development costs previously recognised as an expense are not recognised as an asset in a subsequent period.

(iv) *Impairment*

Where an indication of impairment exists, the carrying amount of any intangible asset is assessed and written down immediately to its recoverable amount.

(d) Fixed assets and depreciation

(i) *Construction-in-progress*

Construction-in-progress represents factories and office buildings on which construction work has not been completed and machinery pending installation and which, upon completion, management intends to hold for production purpose. Construction-in-progress is carried at cost which includes development and construction expenditure incurred and interest and other direct costs attributable to the development less any accumulated impairment losses. On completion, the construction-in-progress is transferred to fixed assets at cost less provision for impairment losses. Construction-in-progress is not depreciated until such time as the assets are completed and ready for their intended use.

(ii) *Fixed assets*

Fixed assets, comprising land use rights, buildings, machinery and equipment, furniture, fixtures and office equipment, and motor vehicles, are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and provision for impairment losses.

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2 PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

(d) Fixed assets and depreciation (Cont'd)

(iii) Depreciation

Fixed assets are depreciated at rates sufficient to write off their cost less estimated residual value of 10% of each asset and less accumulated impairment losses over its estimated useful life on a straight-line basis. The principal annual rates are as follows:

Buildings	5%
Machinery and equipment (excluding special tools and moulds)	10%
Furniture, fixtures and office equipment	20%
Motor vehicles	20%

The costs of special tools and moulds included in machinery and equipment are amortised over their estimated productive periods.

Land use rights are amortised on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease.

The useful lives of assets and depreciation method are reviewed periodically.

(iv) Impairment and gain or loss on sale

At each balance sheet date, both internal and external sources of information are considered to assess whether there is any indication that assets included in construction-in-progress and fixed assets are impaired. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated and where relevant, an impairment loss is recognised to reduce the asset to its recoverable amount. Such impairment losses are recognised in the profit and loss account.

The gain or loss on disposal of a fixed asset is the difference between the net sales proceeds and the carrying amount of the relevant asset, and is recognised in the profit and loss account.

(e) Investment securities

Investment securities are stated at cost less provision for impairment losses.

The carrying amounts of individual investments are reviewed at each balance sheet date to assess whether the fair values have declined below the carrying amounts. When a decline other than temporary has occurred, the carrying amount of such securities will be reduced to its fair value. The impairment loss is recognised as an expense in the profit and loss account. This impairment loss is written back to profit and loss account when the circumstances and events that led to the write-downs or write-offs cease to exist and there is persuasive evidence that the new circumstances and events will persist for the foreseeable future.

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2 PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

(f) Operating leases

Leases where substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of assets remain with the lessor are accounted for as operating leases. Payments made under operating leases net of any incentives received from the lessor are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight-line basis over the lease periods.

(g) Inventories

Inventories comprise raw materials, work-in-progress and finished goods and are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost, calculated on the moving-average basis, comprises all costs of purchase, direct labour, and an appropriate proportion of all production overhead and other costs incurred in bringing the inventories to their present location and condition. Net realisable value is determined on the basis of anticipated sales proceeds less estimated selling expenses.

(h) Accounts receivable and other receivables

Provision is made against accounts receivable and other receivables to the extent they are considered to be doubtful. Accounts receivable and other receivables are stated net of such provision.

(i) Cash and cash equivalents and short-term bank deposits

Cash and cash equivalents are carried in the balance sheet at cost. For the purposes of the cash flow statement, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, and short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

Bank deposits with maturity between three and twelve months are classified as short-term deposits.

(j) Provisions

Provision is recognised when the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation, and a reliable estimate of the amount can be made. If the Group expects a provision is to be reimbursed, the reimbursement is recognised as a separate asset but only when the reimbursement is virtually certain.

The Group recognises a provision for repairs or replacement of products still under warranty at the balance sheet date. Minibuses are sold with an eighteen-month or 30,000 kilometers first-to-occur limited warranty. Sedans are sold with twenty-four-month or 40,000 kilometers first-to-occur limited warranty. During the warranty period, the Group pays service stations for parts and labor covered by the warranty.

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2 PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

(j) Provisions (Cont'd)

The costs of the warranty obligation are accrued at the time the sales are recognised, based on the estimated costs of fulfilling the total obligations, including handling and transportation costs. The factors used to estimate warranty expenses are reevaluated periodically in light of actual experience.

(k) Employee benefits

(i) *Employee leave entitlements*

Employee entitlements to annual leave and long service leave are recognised when they accrue to employees. A provision is made for the estimated liability for annual leave and long service leave as a result of services rendered by employees up to the balance sheet date.

Employee entitlements to sick leave and maternity leave are not recognised until the time of leave.

(ii) *Profit sharing and bonus plans*

Provisions for profit sharing and bonus plans are recognised when the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of services rendered by employees and a reliable estimate of the obligation can be made.

(iii) *Pension obligations*

Pursuant to laws and regulations of the PRC, contributions to the basic pension, medical insurance and other benefits for the Group's PRC staff are made monthly to a government agency based on percentages, ranging from 43.8% to 50.4%, of the standard salary set by the provincial government. Part of such contributions, ranging from 34.5% to 43.9% is borne by the Group and the remainder is borne by the staff. The government agency is responsible for the pension liabilities relating to such staff on their retirement. The Group accounts for these contributions on an accrual basis.

Contributions made to the Mandatory Provident Fund Scheme for the Group's employees in Hong Kong are expensed when incurred.

(l) Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation was accounted for at the current taxation rate in respect of timing differences between profit as computed for taxation purposes and profit as stated in the accounts to the extent that a liability or an asset was expected to be payable or recoverable in the foreseeable future.

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2 PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

(m) Contingent liabilities and contingent assets

A contingent liability is a possible obligation that arises from past events and whose existence will only be confirmed by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the control of the Group. It can also be a present obligation arising from past events that is not recognised because it is not probable that outflow of economic resources will be required or the amount of obligation cannot be measured reliably.

A contingent liability is not recognised but is disclosed in the notes to the accounts. When a change in the probability of an outflow occurs so that outflow is probable, they will then be recognised as a provision.

A contingent asset is a possible asset that arises from past events and whose existence will be confirmed only by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain events not wholly within the control of the Group.

Contingent assets are not recognised but are disclosed in the notes to the accounts when an inflow of economic benefits is probable. When inflow is virtually certain, an asset is recognised.

(n) Turnover

Turnover represents the invoiced value of goods, net of consumption tax, discounts and returns.

(o) Revenue recognition

Provided it is probable that the economic benefits associated with a transaction will flow to the Group and the revenue and costs, if applicable, can be measured reliably, turnover is recognised on the following bases:

(i) *Sale of goods*

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised on the transfer of risks and rewards of ownership, which generally coincides with the time when the goods are delivered to customers and title has passed.

(ii) *Interest income*

Interest income is recognised on a time proportion basis, taking into account the principal amounts outstanding and the interest rates applicable.

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2 PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

(o) Revenue recognition (Cont'd)

(iii) Dividend income

Dividend income is recognised when the right to receive payment is established.

(p) Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of an asset that necessarily takes a substantial period of time to get ready for its intended use or sale are capitalised as part of the cost of that asset.

All other borrowing costs are charged to the profit and loss account in the period in which they are incurred.

(q) Segment reporting

In accordance with the Group's internal financial reporting, management has determined that business segments be presented as the primary reporting format. As the whole of the Group's sales and manufacturing is located in the PRC, management considered that secondary reporting format by geographical segments is not necessary.

Unallocated costs represent corporate expenses. Segment assets consist primarily of intangible assets, fixed assets, inventories, receivables and operating cash, and exclude corporate assets. Segment liabilities comprise operating liabilities and exclude corporate liabilities. Capital expenditure comprises additions to intangible assets and fixed assets.

(r) Subsequent events

Post-year-end events that provide additional information about a company's position at the balance sheet date or those that indicate the going concern assumption is not appropriate are reflected in the accounts. Post-year-end events that are not adjusting events are disclosed in the notes when material.

(s) Use of estimates

The preparation of accounts in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in Hong Kong requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

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3. TURNOVER, REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION

The principal activities of the Company's subsidiaries are the manufacturing and sales of minibuses and automotive components and sedans in the PRC.

	2002	2001
	RMB'000	RMB'000
		<i>(Note 37)</i>
Turnover		
Sales of minibuses and automotive components	6,202,172	6,218,436
Sales of sedans	1,117,283	—
	7,319,455	6,218,436
Interest income <i>(Note 5)</i>	43,617	106,285
Other revenue	51,296	38,863
Total revenue	7,414,368	6,363,584

In accordance with the Group's internal financial reporting, the Group determined that business segments be presented as the only reporting format.

In 2001, no business or geographical segmentation analysis was provided as less than 10% of the consolidated turnover and less than 10% of the consolidated operating profits of the Group were attributed to business segments other than the manufacturing and sales of minibuses and automotive components, or markets outside the PRC.

In 2002, the Group was operated in the PRC under two main business segments: 1) manufacturing and sales of minibuses and automotive components; and 2) manufacturing and sales of sedans.

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3. TURNOVER, REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION (Cont'd)

Business segments — 2002

	Manufacturing and sales of minibuses and automotive components RMB'000	Manufacturing and sales of sedans RMB'000	Total RMB'000
Segment sales	6,283,700	1,117,283	7,400,983
Intersegment sales	(81,528)	—	(81,528)
	6,202,172	1,117,283	7,319,455
Segment results	1,287,637	(245,507)	1,042,130
Unallocated costs			<u>(122,310)</u>
Operating profit			919,820
Interest income			43,617
Interest expense			(171,286)
Share of profits less losses of associated companies	81,268	32,160	113,428
Profit before taxation			905,579
Taxation			<u>(146,610)</u>
Profit after taxation			758,969
Minority interests			<u>(108,122)</u>
Profit attributable to shareholders			<u>650,847</u>

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3. TURNOVER, REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION (Cont'd)

Business segments — 2002 (Cont'd)

	Manufacturing and sales of minibuses and automotive components RMB'000	Manufacturing and sales of sedans RMB'000	Total RMB'000
Segment assets	8,584,022	3,905,418	12,489,440
Investments in associated companies	710,262	185,920	896,182
Unallocated assets			491,131
Total assets			13,876,753
Segment liabilities	(6,138,080)	(1,134,191)	(7,272,271)
Unallocated liabilities			(60,475)
Total liabilities			(7,332,746)
Other disclosures:			
Capital expenditure	451,781	315,324	767,105
Depreciation of fixed assets	95,823	117,953	213,776
Amortisation on intangible assets and goodwill	47,230	58,561	105,791
Net reversal of impairment charge on fixed assets	—	25,355	25,355

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4. OPERATING PROFIT

Operating profit is stated at after charging and crediting the following:

	2002 RMB'000	2001 RMB'000
Charging		
Depreciation of fixed assets	213,776	111,922
Loss on disposals of fixed assets	5,147	4,539
Amortisation of goodwill included in		
— General and administrative expenses	24,290	6,200
— Share of profits less losses of associated companies	24,717	11,313
Amortisation of intangible assets included in cost of sales (Note 14)	56,784	—
Net realisable value provision for inventory	40,761	3,000
Provision for impairment losses on fixed assets (tools and moulds)	972	30,950
Provision for impairment losses on investment securities	13,058	—
Staff costs (excluding directors' emoluments) (Note 11)	256,384	169,794
Cost of inventories sold (including depreciation and amortisation)	5,411,134	4,307,988
Provision for doubtful debts	18,921	1,352
Auditors' remuneration	2,558	2,300
Exchange loss, net	2,786	11,608
Research and development costs included in general and administrative expenses	234,554	26,825
Training expenses included in general and administrative expenses	3,361	23,981
Provision for warranty	31,127	36,982
Operating lease rentals on land and buildings and equipment	21,190	2,540
Crediting		
Gain on disposal of an associated company	6,014	—
Provision for doubtful debts written back	265	19,147
Reversal of provision for impairment on fixed assets (tools and moulds)	26,327	—

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5. INTEREST INCOME

	2002 RMB'000	2001 RMB'000
Interest income from		
— Bank deposits	40,266	69,746
— Affiliated companies (Note 35f)	—	39,639
— Others	3,351	1,350
	43,617	110,735
Less: Interest income capitalised in construction-in-progress (Note 18)	—	(4,450)
	43,617	106,285

6. INTEREST EXPENSE

	2002 RMB'000	2001 RMB'000
Interest expense on		
Borrowings wholly repayable within one year	172,086	227,192
Less: Interest expense capitalised in construction-in-progress (Note 18)	(800)	(49,164)
	171,286	178,028

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7. TAXATION

Taxation on overseas profits has been calculated on the estimated assessable profits for the year at the rates of taxation prevailing in the countries in which the Group operates.

The amount of taxation charged to the consolidated profit and loss account represents:

	2002 RMB'000	2001 RMB'000
Current taxation:		
Hong Kong profits tax	—	—
PRC enterprise income tax	175,665	116,250
Deferred taxation:		
PRC enterprise income tax	(38,041)	—
	137,624	116,250
Associated companies:		
Current taxation:		
PRC enterprise income tax	8,986	5,405
	146,610	121,655

Deferred tax asset as of 31st December, 2002 mainly arose from pre-operating expenses and accrued expenses, which were not fully deductible in 2002 but will be available for deduction in future years. As of 31st December, 2002 and 2001, there was no other significant unprovided deferred taxation.

Income Tax

The Company was incorporated under the laws of Bermuda and has received an undertaking from the Ministry of Finance in Bermuda pursuant to the provisions of the Exempted Undertakings Tax Protection Act, 1966, which exempts the Company and its shareholders, other than shareholders ordinarily residing in Bermuda, from any Bermuda taxes computed on profit, income or any capital asset gain or appreciation, or any tax in the nature of estate duty or inheritance tax, at least until year 2016.

The Company also provides for Hong Kong profits tax at rate of 16% based on estimated assessable profit arising in Hong Kong.

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7. TAXATION (Cont'd)

Income Tax (Cont'd)

The subsidiaries are subject to state and local income taxes in the PRC at their respective tax rates, based on the taxable income reported in their statutory accounts in accordance with the relevant state and local income tax laws applicable.

Shenyang Brilliance JinBei Automobile Co., Ltd (formerly Shenyang JinBei Passenger Vehicle Manufacturing Company Limited or “Shenyang Automotive”) is subject to state and local income taxes in the PRC at standard rates of 15% and 3% respectively in accordance with enterprise income tax laws applicable to Sino-foreign equity joint venture enterprises.

Ningbo Yuming Machinery Industrial Co., Ltd. (“Ningbo Yuming”) is subject to state and local income taxes in the PRC at standard rates of 15% and 3% respectively in accordance with enterprise income tax laws applicable to foreign-invested enterprises. Pursuant to the relevant income tax laws in the PRC, Ningbo Yuming is fully exempted from state enterprise income tax for two years starting from the year ended 31st December, 1997, followed by a 50% reduction of enterprise income tax for the next three years thereafter. In addition, Ningbo Yuming is also fully exempted from local enterprise income tax for the five-year period. As a result, the effective tax rate for Ningbo Yuming was 18% for the year ended 31st December, 2002 (2001: 7.5%).

Shenyang XingYuanDong Automobile Component Co., Ltd. (“Xing Yuan Dong”) is subject to state and local income taxes in the PRC at standard rates of 30% and 3% respectively in accordance with enterprise income tax laws. Xing Yuan Dong received official designation by the local tax authorities as a “New and Technologically-Advanced Enterprise” in 1999. During 2001, Xing Yuan Dong was further designated by the local tax authority as a foreign-invested enterprise engaged in manufacturing activities. As a result, the effective enterprise income tax rate for Xing Yuan Dong was 7.5% for the year ended 31st December, 2002 (2001: 7.5%).

Mianyang Brilliance Ruian Automotive Components Co., Ltd. (“Mianyang Ruian”) is subject to state and local income taxes in the PRC at standard rates of 30% and 3% respectively in accordance with enterprise income tax laws. During 2001, Mianyang Ruian received official designation by the local tax authority as a foreign-invested enterprise engaged in manufacturing activities. Pursuant to the relevant income tax laws in the PRC, Mianyang Ruian is exempted from state and local enterprise income taxes for two years starting from the first profitable year followed by a 50% reduction of enterprise income tax for the next three years. As a result, Mianyang Ruian was exempted from income tax for the year ended 31st December, 2002 (2001: Nil).

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7. TAXATION (Cont'd)

Income Tax (Cont'd)

Shenyang Brilliance Dongxing Automotive Component Co., Ltd. (“Dongxing Automotive”) is subject to state and local income taxes in the PRC at standard rates of 15% and 0% respectively in accordance with enterprise income tax laws applicable to “New and Technologically-Advanced Enterprises”. In addition, Dongxing Automotive also received official designation by the local tax authority as a foreign-invested enterprise engaged in manufacturing activities. Pursuant to the relevant income tax laws in the PRC, Dongxing Automotive is exempted from state enterprise income tax for two years starting from the first profitable year in 2001 followed by a 50% reduction of state enterprise income tax for the next three years. In addition, Dongxing Automotive is also exempted from local enterprise income tax for the five-year period. As a result, the effective tax rate for Dongxing Automotive was 7.5% for the year ended 31st December, 2002 (2001: 7.5%).

Other subsidiaries in the PRC are subject to state and local income taxes in the PRC at standard rates of 30% and 3% respectively, based on the taxable income reported in their statutory accounts in accordance with the relevant state and local income tax laws applicable to foreign-invested enterprises.

Value Added Tax (“VAT”) and Consumption Tax

The general VAT rate applicable to sales and purchases of minibuses, sedans and automotive components in the PRC is 17%.

Sales of minibuses and sedans are also subject to consumption tax at standard rates of 3% to 5%.

8. DISTRIBUTION OF PROFIT

As stipulated by the relevant laws and regulations for foreign-invested enterprises in the PRC, the Company’s subsidiaries are required to maintain discretionary dedicated capital, which includes a general reserve fund, an enterprise expansion fund and a staff welfare and incentive bonus fund. The dedicated capital is to be appropriated from statutory net profit as stipulated by statute or by the Board of Directors and recorded as a component of shareholders’ equity. Under generally accepted accounting principles in Hong Kong (“HK GAAP”), the appropriation for the staff welfare and incentive bonus fund is charged to profit and loss and any unutilised balance is included in current liabilities. As of 31st December, 2002, unutilised appropriations to the staff welfare and incentive bonus fund amounted to RMB16.4 million (2001: RMB14.7 million). For the year ended 31st December, 2002, appropriations of approximately RMB60.8 million (2001: RMB66.2 million) to the general reserve fund were made by subsidiaries of the Company. No appropriation to the enterprise expansion fund was made by the subsidiaries (2001: Nil).

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8. DISTRIBUTION OF PROFIT (Cont'd)

Distributions received from the Company's subsidiaries are denominated in U.S. Dollars and are translated at the prevailing unified exchange rate in the PRC. Total accumulated distributable profits of these subsidiaries as of 31st December, 2002 amounted to approximately RMB325.8 million (2001: RMB1,313.6 million). The distributable profits of subsidiaries are different from the amounts reported under HK GAAP.

9. PROFIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The consolidated profit attributable to shareholders includes a profit of approximately RMB1,394.4 million (2001: RMB266.9 million) which has been dealt with in the accounts of the Company.

10. DIVIDENDS

	2002 RMB'000	2001 RMB'000
		<i>(Note 37)</i>
Dividends declared and paid during the year		
— 2002 interim dividends of HK\$0.004 (2001: HK\$0.004) per ordinary share	15,690	15,544
— 2001 final dividends of HK\$0.005 (2000: HK\$0.005) per ordinary share	19,605	19,762
	35,295	35,306

At a meeting held on 28th April, 2003, the directors proposed a final dividend of HK\$0.01 per ordinary share. This proposed dividend is not reflected as a dividend payable in these accounts, but will be reflected in the accounts for the year ending 31st December, 2003.

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11. STAFF COSTS (EXCLUDING DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION)

	2002 RMB'000	2001 RMB'000
Wages and salaries	199,344	138,194
Performance related bonuses	8,931	—
Pension costs — defined contribution plans (Note 29)	26,917	21,200
Staff welfare	21,192	10,400
	256,384	169,794

12. DIRECTORS' AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT'S EMOLUMENTS

(a) Directors' emoluments

The aggregate amounts of emoluments payable to directors of the Company during the year are as follows:

	2002 RMB'000	2001 RMB'000
Executive directors (including ex-director):		
Fees	—	—
Other emoluments		
— Basic salaries, allowances and benefits in kind	17,217	18,630
— Performance related bonuses	12,649	—
— Contributions to pension scheme	61	—
— Compensation paid for loss of office as director	—	—
	29,927	18,630
Independent non-executive directors:		
Fees	248	—
	30,175	18,630

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12. DIRECTORS' AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT'S EMOLUMENTS (Cont'd)

(a) Directors' emoluments (Cont'd)

The emoluments of the directors (including ex-director, executive and non-executive directors) analysed by the number of directors and emolument ranges are as set out below. The emoluments represent the amount paid to or receivable by the directors of the Company in the respective financial year and exclude the benefits derived or to be derived from the share options granted under the Share Option Scheme (see Note 30(b)).

	Number of directors	
	2002	2001
Up to HK\$1,000,000	3	3
HK\$1,000,001–HK\$1,500,000	—	1
HK\$1,500,001–HK\$2,000,000	—	4
HK\$2,000,001–HK\$2,500,000	1	—
HK\$5,000,001–HK\$5,500,000	4	—
HK\$5,500,001–HK\$6,000,000	1	—
HK\$7,000,001–HK\$8,500,000	—	1
	9	9

No directors waived their emoluments during the year (2001: Same).

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12. DIRECTORS' AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT'S EMOLUMENTS (Cont'd)

(b) Five highest paid individuals

Details of emoluments paid to the five highest paid individuals (including directors and other employees) are as follows:

	2002 RMB'000	2001 RMB'000
Basic salaries, allowances and benefits in kinds	16,739	17,388
Performance related bonus	10,986	—
Contributions to pension scheme	61	—
	27,786	17,388
Number of directors	5	5
Number of employees	—	—

The emoluments fell within the following bands:

	Number of individuals	
	2002	2001
Emoluments bands		
HK\$1,500,001–HK\$2,000,000	—	4
HK\$5,000,001–HK\$5,500,000	4	—
HK\$5,500,001–HK\$6,000,000	1	—
HK\$7,000,001–HK\$8,500,000	—	1
	5	5

During the year, no emoluments were paid to the five highest paid individuals as inducement to join or upon joining the Group or as compensation for loss of office (2001: Nil).

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13. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The calculation of basic earnings per share is based on the net profit attributable to shareholders of RMB650,847,000 (2001: RMB900,269,000), divided by the weighted average of 3,666,052,900 shares (2001: 3,533,552,900 shares) outstanding during the year.

No diluted earnings per share has been presented as the effect of the assumed conversion of the potential ordinary shares outstanding is anti-dilutive.

14. INTANGIBLE ASSETS

	Sedan design right	Trademarks	Total
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
At 1st January, 2002	681,100	—	681,100
Addition	—	650	650
Amortisation charge (Note 4)	(56,758)	(26)	(56,784)
At 31st December, 2002	624,342	624	624,966
At 31st December, 2002			
Cost	681,100	650	681,750
Accumulated amortisation	(56,758)	(26)	(56,784)
Net book amount	624,342	624	624,966
At 31st December, 2001			
Cost and net book amount	681,100	—	681,100

Intangible asset of cost amounting to RMB681.1 million represents rights, titles and interest in certain design and engineering agreements and technical assistance agreement relating to a sedan project acquired from an affiliated company of Brilliance Holdings Limited in 2000. No amortisation was charged until the intangible asset was available for its intended use in 2002.

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15. PREPAYMENT FOR AN INTANGIBLE ASSET

Prepayment for an intangible asset represents payments to a third party for the development of an engine project under a contract assumed from an affiliated company of Brilliance Holdings Limited at original cost.

16. GOODWILL

	RMB'000
At 1st January, 2002	414,464
Amortisation charge	(24,290)
At 31st December, 2002	390,174
At 31st December, 2002	
Cost	439,583
Accumulated amortisation	(49,409)
Net book value	390,174
At 31st December, 2001	
Cost	439,583
Accumulated amortisation	(25,119)
Net book value	414,464

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17. FIXED ASSETS

	Land use rights RMB'000	Buildings RMB'000	Machinery and equipment RMB'000	Furniture, fixtures and office equipment RMB'000	Motor vehicles RMB'000	Total RMB'000
Cost						
Beginning of year	20,170	624,783	2,247,392	96,071	67,900	3,056,316
Additions	—	1,817	148,147	33,232	12,477	195,673
Transfer from construction-in-progress	—	163,615	570,764	5,647	685	740,711
Disposals	—	(519)	(21,405)	(10,074)	(5,297)	(37,295)
End of year	20,170	789,696	2,944,898	124,876	75,765	3,955,405
Accumulated depreciation and impairment losses						
Beginning of year	9,370	90,944	495,108	56,874	28,145	680,441
Provision for the year	1,080	39,015	159,650	7,008	7,023	213,776
Provision for impairment losses	—	—	521	8	443	972
Reversal of provision for impairment losses	—	—	(26,327)	—	—	(26,327)
Written-back on disposals	—	(152)	(4,363)	(7,000)	(5,033)	(16,548)
End of year	10,450	129,807	624,589	56,890	30,578	852,314
Net book value						
End of year	9,720	659,889	2,320,309	67,986	45,187	3,103,091
Beginning of year	10,800	533,839	1,752,284	39,197	39,755	2,375,875

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17. FIXED ASSETS (Cont'd)

All the land use rights of the Group are related to land located in the PRC where no individual land ownership right exists. Buildings of the Group are also located in the PRC.

Certain buildings and machinery and equipment of Shenyang Automotive with net book value of RMB150,000,000 were secured against its short-term loans as of 31st December, 2002 (Note 28).

Certain tools and moulds against which provision for impairment was made were modified in 2002 and could be used in normal production. Accordingly, the provision for impairment losses was reversed in 2002.

18. CONSTRUCTION-IN-PROGRESS

	2002 RMB'000	2001 RMB'000
Beginning of year	713,219	1,831,596
Additions	482,095	664,783
	1,195,314	2,496,379
Write-off of construction-in-progress	(1,575)	—
Transfer to fixed assets	(740,711)	(1,783,160)
End of year	453,028	713,219

During the year, the amount of interest expense capitalised was approximately RMB800,000 (2001: RMB49,164,000). No interest income was capitalised during the year (2001: RMB4,450,000).

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19. INVESTMENTS IN SUBSIDIARIES

As of 31st December, 2002, investments in subsidiaries comprised the following:

	2002	2001
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Unlisted shares, at cost	1,992,139	2,062,134
Amounts due from subsidiaries:		
Interest bearing	699,289	1,200,110
Non-interest bearing	2,218,054	669,755
Provision for impairment	(26,696)	—
	4,882,786	3,931,999

In December 2001, the Company entered into an agreement with Brilliance Holdings Limited for the acquisition of the entire issued share capital of Key Choices Group Limited ("Key Choices") at a consideration of approximately RMB278 million. Key Choices is an investment holding company and its principal assets are the 100% equity interest in the registered capital of Dongxing Automotive and 90% equity interest in the registered capital of Shenyang Xingchen Automotive Seats Co., Ltd. ("Xingchen Automotive Seats"). Dongxing Automotive is a foreign-invested enterprise established in the PRC whose principal products are automotive components for the use in passenger vehicles. Xingchen Automotive Seats is a Sino-foreign equity joint venture established in the PRC in December 2001 and principally engaged in the manufacturing of automotive seats. The operations of Xingchen Automotive Seats ceased in 2002.

The amounts due from subsidiaries are unsecured and the interest bearing balances carry interest at rates of 5% to 5.06% (2001: 5.5% to 9%) per annum.

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19. INVESTMENTS IN SUBSIDIARIES (Cont'd)

Details of the Company's principal subsidiaries are as follows:

Name	Place of establishment/ incorporation	Registered capital/issued and fully paid capital	Legal structure	Percentage of equity interest/voting right attributable to the Company		Principal activities
				Directly	Indirectly	
Shenyang Brilliance JinBei Automobile Co., Limited	Shenyang, the PRC	US\$171,160,000	Equity joint venture	51%	—	Manufacturing, assembly and sales of minibuses and sedans
Ningbo Yuming Machinery Industrial Co., Ltd.	Ningbo, the PRC	US\$2,500,000	Equity joint venture	—	51%	Manufacturing and sales of automotive components
Shenyang XingYuanDong Automobile Component Co. Ltd.	Shenyang, the PRC	US\$29,000,000	Wholly foreign owned enterprise	100%	—	Manufacturing and trading of automotive components
Ningbo Brilliance Ruixing Auto Components Co. Ltd.	Ningbo, the PRC	US\$750,000	Wholly foreign owned enterprise	100%	—	Manufacturing of automotive components
Mianyang Brilliance Ruian Automotive Components Co. Ltd.	Mianyang, the PRC	US\$750,000	Wholly foreign owned enterprise	100%	—	Manufacturing and trading of automotive components
Shenyang Brilliance Dongxing Automotive Component Co., Ltd.	Shenyang, the PRC	RMB12,000,000	Wholly foreign owned enterprise	—	100%	Manufacturing and trading of automotive components
Shenyang Xingchen Automotive Seats Co., Ltd.	Shenyang, the PRC	RMB10,000,000	Equity joint venture	—	90%	Ceased operations
Shenyang Jianhua Motors Engine Co., Ltd.	Shenyang, the PRC	RMB155,032,500	Equity joint venture	—	100%	Investment holding

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19. INVESTMENTS IN SUBSIDIARIES (Cont'd)

Name	Place of establishment/ incorporation	Registered capital/issued and fully paid capital	Legal structure	Percentage of equity interest/voting right attributable to the Company		Principal activities
				Directly	Indirectly	
China Brilliance Automotive Components Group Limited	Bermuda	US\$120,000	Company with limited liabilities	100%	—	Investment holding
Southern State Investment Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$1	Company with limited liabilities	100%	—	Investment holding
Beston Asia Investment Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$1	Company with limited liabilities	100%	—	Investment holding
Pure Shine Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$1	Company with limited liabilities	100%	—	Investment holding
Key Choices Group Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$50,000	Company with limited liabilities	100%	—	Investment holding

None of the subsidiaries had any loan capital outstanding as of 31st December, 2002.

20. INVESTMENTS IN ASSOCIATED COMPANIES

Details of investments in associated companies are as follows:

	2002 RMB'000	2001 RMB'000
Share of net assets other than goodwill	496,358	885,618
Goodwill		
— Cost	441,449	452,665
— Accumulated amortisation	(41,625)	(18,685)
Investment in associated companies, unlisted shares	896,182	1,319,598

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20. INVESTMENTS IN ASSOCIATED COMPANIES (Cont'd)

In December 2001, Xing Yuan Dong entered into an agreement with two affiliated companies to establish China Zhengtong Investment Holdings Co., Ltd. (“Zhengtong”). Pursuant to the agreement, Xing Yuan Dong contributed cash amounting to RMB480 million to acquire a 47.06% equity interest in Zhengtong. Zhengtong’s principal activity is investment holding. In December 2002, Xing Yuan Dong disposed of its entire equity interest in Zhengtong to an affiliated company at a consideration of RMB480 million (the “Consideration”). As of 31st December, 2002, other receivables include outstanding Consideration of RMB220 million, of which approximately RMB183 million was received in March 2003 (Note 25).

Since November 2002, certain directors of the Company ceased to be the directors of Compass Pacific Holdings Limited (“Compass Pacific”), a formerly associated company. As such, the directors consider that the Company could not exert significant influence over Compass Pacific and the investment in Compass Pacific was reclassified as investment securities, which was stated at the net book value at the time of reclassification less provision for impairment losses (Note 21).

Details of the Group’s principal associated companies as at 31st December, 2002 are as follows:

Name of company	Place of establishment/ incorporation	Registered capital/issued and paid up capital	Legal structure	Percentage of equity interest/ voting right held indirectly	Principal activities
Mianyang Xincheng Engine Co. Ltd.	Mianyang, the PRC	US\$8,600,000	Equity joint venture	50%	Manufacturing and sales of automotive engines for minibuses
Shenyang Xinguang Brilliance Automotive Engine Co., Ltd. (“Xinguang Brilliance”)	Shenyang, the PRC	RMB60,000,000	Equity joint venture	50%	Manufacturing and sales of automotive engines for minibuses
Shenyang Aerospace Mitsubishi Motors Engine Manufacturing Co., Ltd. (“Shenyang Aerospace”)	Shenyang, the PRC	RMB738,250,000	Equity joint venture	12.77%	Manufacturing and sales of automotive engines for sedans

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20. INVESTMENTS IN ASSOCIATED COMPANIES (Cont'd)

Unaudited combined financial information of the associated companies for the year ended 31st December, 2002 is summarised as follows:

	2002 RMB'000	2001 RMB'000
Balance sheet		
Current assets	1,449,819	2,288,293
Long-term assets	1,242,550	1,344,050
	2,692,369	3,632,343
Current liabilities	(858,212)	(572,000)
Long-term liabilities	(585,402)	(824,336)
Net assets	1,248,755	2,236,007
Profit and loss account		
Turnover	2,087,319	1,732,108
Net profit	391,773	70,678

21. INVESTMENT SECURITIES

	2002 RMB'000	2001 RMB'000
Equity securities listed in Hong Kong		
Cost	30,363	—
Provision for impairment	(13,058)	—
	17,305	—

The open market value of the investment securities as at 31st December, 2002 was not available as the shares were suspended for trading as at 31st December, 2002. The open market value of the investment securities before the suspension of trading was approximately RMB17,305,000.

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22. INVENTORIES

	2002 RMB'000	2001 RMB'000
Raw materials	399,183	319,173
Work-in-progress	126,202	46,783
Finished goods	309,563	273,417
	834,948	639,373
Less: Net realisable value provision for inventory	(46,583)	(12,404)
	788,365	626,969

Included in finished goods are inventories of approximately RMB44.2 million (2001: RMB5.3 million) that are stated at net realisable value.

23. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

An aging analysis of accounts receivable is set out below:

	2002 RMB'000	2001 RMB'000
Less than six months	9,910	19,757
Between six months to one year	5,422	1,896
Between one to two years	624	2,823
Above two years	51,068	52,690
	67,024	77,166
Less: Provision for doubtful debts	(51,749)	(53,059)
	15,275	24,107

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23. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE (Cont'd)

The Group's credit policy is that credit is offered to customers following financial assessment and an established payment record. Security in the form of guarantees or bank notes is obtained from major customers. Credit limits are set for all customers and may be exceeded only with the approval of senior company officers. Customers considered to be of high credit risk are traded on a cash basis. Designated staff monitors accounts receivable and follow up collection with the customers. General credit terms are between 30 days to 90 days.

24. NOTES RECEIVABLE

Notes receivable are primarily notes received from customers for settlement of trade receivable balances. As of 31st December, 2002, all notes receivable were guaranteed by established banks in the PRC and have maturities of between one to six months.

25. OTHER RECEIVABLES

	2002	2001
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Advances to third parties	—	23,350
Receivable from an investment company	500,000	—
Receivable from the disposal of an associated company (<i>Note 20</i>)	220,000	—
Subsidies receivable	39,029	81,950
Others	103,103	67,403
	862,132	172,703
Less: Provision for doubtful debts	(13,986)	—
	848,146	172,703

As of 31st December, 2002, included in other receivables was an amount of RMB500 million deposited with an investment company during the year. This arrangement was terminated during the year and the deposit was fully refunded subsequent to year end at the original amount. The advances to third parties as at 31st December, 2001 were guaranteed by JinBei, had no fixed repayment dates and carried interest at 6.1% per annum.

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26. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

An aging analysis of accounts payable is set out below:

	2002 RMB'000	2001 RMB'000
Less than six months	1,063,477	666,216
Between six months to one year	11,296	—
Between one to two years	819	—
	1,075,592	666,216

27. NOTES PAYABLE

	2002 RMB'000	2001 RMB'000
Bank notes	3,937,403	3,300,000

As of 31st December, 2002, certain notes payable were pledged by short-term bank deposits of approximately RMB1,350.0 million (2001: RMB1,925.8 million).

28. SHORT-TERM BANK LOANS

	2002 RMB'000	2001 RMB'000
Secured	150,000	200,000
Unsecured	—	205,500
	150,000	405,500

As of 31st December, 2002, the short-term bank loans were:

Secured by:

Buildings and machinery and equipment of
Shenyang Automotive (*Note 17*)

150,000	—
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Guaranteed by:

The Company

—	200,000
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29. RETIREMENT PLAN AND EMPLOYEES' BENEFIT

As stipulated by the regulations of the PRC government, the Company's subsidiaries in the PRC have defined contribution retirement plans for their employees. The PRC government is responsible for the pension liability to these retired employees. The Company's subsidiaries are required to make specified contributions to the state-sponsored retirement plan at 23.5% to 25% of the basic salary cost of their staff for 2002 (2001: 20% to 23.5%). Commencing from 1st January, 1992, Shenyang Automotive agreed to pay a Chinese insurance company to assume the responsibility for making pension payments to all employees retiring after 1st January, 1992.

The retirement plan contributions payable for the year ended 31st December, 2002 was approximately RMB26.9 million (2001: RMB21.2 million).

In addition to the pension contributions, pursuant to the relevant laws and regulations of the PRC, the Company's subsidiaries are required to provide benefits such as housing funds, medical insurance and unemployment insurance for their PRC employees. These provisions, which were approximately RMB21.2 million (2001: RMB10.4 million) for 2002, have been calculated at a certain percentage (approximately 11% to 18.9% in 2002 and 9.8% to 10.9% in 2001) of the employees' actual salaries.

The Group's Hong Kong employees are covered by the mandatory provident fund which is managed by an independent trustee. The Group and its Hong Kong employees each makes monthly contributions to the scheme at 5% of the employees' cash income with the maximum contributions by each of the Group and the employees limited to HK\$1,000 per month. The retirement benefit scheme cost charged to the profit and loss account represents contributions payable by the Company to the fund. During the year ended 31st December, 2002, contributions amounting to HK\$146,000 (2001: HK\$160,000) were made.

30. SHARE CAPITAL AND SHARE OPTIONS

	2002		2001	
	Number of Shares '000	Amount '000	Number of Shares '000	Amount '000
Authorised:				
Ordinary shares of US\$0.01 each	5,000,000	US\$50,000	5,000,000	US\$50,000
Issued and fully paid:				
Ordinary shares of US\$0.01 each	3,666,053	RMB303,194	3,666,053	RMB303,194

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30. SHARE CAPITAL AND SHARE OPTIONS (Cont'd)

(a) Share capital

On 25th May, 2001, arrangements were made for a private placement to professional and institutional investors of 318,000,000 ordinary shares of US\$0.01 each at a price of HK\$2.20 per share by Zhuhai Brilliance, a then shareholder, and Mr. Yang Rong, ex-Chairman of the Company. The price of HK\$2.20 per share represented a discount of approximately 12% to the closing market price of the Company's shares of HK\$2.50 per share as quoted on SEHK on 24th May, 2001. On the same date, the Company entered into a subscription agreement with Zhuhai Brilliance and Mr. Yang Rong for the subscription of 318,000,000 new ordinary shares of US\$0.01 each at a price of HK\$2.20 per share. All the shares issued during 2001 rank pari passu with the then existing shares in all respects.

(b) Share options

On 18th September, 1999, the Company approved a share option scheme under which the directors may, at their discretion, at any time during the ten years from the date of approval of the scheme, invite employees of any member company of the Group, including executive directors, to take up share options of the Company. The maximum number of shares on which options may be granted may not exceed 10% of the issued share capital of the Company excluding any shares issued on the exercise of options from time to time. The exercise price in relation to each option offer shall be determined by the directors at their absolute discretion, but in any event shall not be less than the greater of (i) 80 percent of the average of the official closing price of the shares on SEHK for the five trading days immediately preceding the relevant offer date or (ii) the nominal value of the shares. The directors may determine and adjust the period within which the relevant grantee may exercise his or her option and the proportion of the options to be exercised in each period, so long as the period within which the option must be exercised is not more than ten years from the date of grant of the option.

In 2001, share options were granted to certain directors and employees of the Company, entitling them to subscribe for a total of 31,800,000 ordinary shares of the Company at HK\$1.896 per ordinary share. The exercisable period of these options is from 2nd June, 2001 to 1st June, 2011. Up to 31st December, 2002, none of the above share option was exercised. No option was granted under this scheme in 2002.

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30. SHARE CAPITAL AND SHARE OPTIONS

(b) Share options (Cont'd)

A summary of the movements of share options granted under the scheme during the year and balance outstanding as of 31st December, 2002 is as follows:

Exercise price per share	HK\$1.896
	Number of share options
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Beginning of year	31,800,000
Granted during the year	—
Exercised during the year	—
Cancelled/lapsed during the year	(13,972,000)
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Outstanding as of year end	17,828,000
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On 28th June, 2002, the Company adopted a new share option scheme (the “New Scheme”) in compliance with the amendments to Chapter 17 of the listing rules of SEHK which came into effect on 1st September, 2002. The New Scheme has come into effect on 15th July, 2002 and the original share option scheme adopted by the Company on 18th September, 1999 (as described above) was terminated. Any new share option granted after 15th July, 2002 will be in accordance with the terms of the New Scheme, but the outstanding share option granted in 2001 will not be affected. Pursuant to the New Scheme, the Company’s Board of Directors may grant options to the participants (including the Group’s employees, non-executive directors, suppliers and customers, etc.) to subscribe for the Company’s shares at a price which shall not be lower than the higher of:

- (a) the closing price of the shares on the relevant Stock Exchange as stated in such Stock Exchange’s quotation sheet on the date of grant, which must be a trading date;
- (b) the average closing price of the shares on the relevant Stock Exchange as stated in such Stock Exchange’s quotation sheets for the five trading days immediately preceding the date of grant; and
- (c) the nominal value of the shares.

As of 31st December, 2002, no share option was granted under the New Scheme.

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30. SHARE CAPITAL AND SHARE OPTIONS

(b) Share options (Cont'd)

On 18th December, 2002, Huachen entered into the Principal Agreement with the Foundation, the then substantial shareholder, to purchase from the Foundation a total of 1,446,121,500 ordinary shares, representing approximately 39.446% of the issued share capital of the Company and the Foundation's entire shareholding interest in the Company. Completion of the Principal Agreement took place upon signing.

On 18th December, 2002, each of Mr. Wu Xiao An, Mr. Su Qiang, Mr. Hong Xing and Mr. He Tao (the "Management Directors") entered into a call option agreement ("Call Option Agreements") with Huachen, immediately after the Principal Agreement was entered into and after completion of the sale and purchase of the ordinary shares pursuant thereto. Pursuant to the terms of the Call Option Agreements, Huachen granted to each of the Management Directors a call option in respect of a specified number of shares, totalling 346,305,630 shares in aggregate and representing approximately 9.446% of the issued share capital of the Company, at an exercise price of HK\$0.95 per Share. Each call option is exercisable in whole or in part at any time during the period of 3 years commencing from the date falling 6 months after the earlier of: (a) the end of the general offer made to the remaining shareholders by Huachen and the Management Directors dated 18th December, 2002 (the "Offer"); and (b) the close of the Offer in accordance with the Offer Document issued by the Offerors in respect of the Offer as required under the Hong Kong Code on Takeovers and Mergers. The Offer closed on 6th February, 2003.

Under the terms of the Call Option Agreements, the Management Directors may elect to pay the exercise price in full or to pay 10% of the exercise price at the time of exercise of the option. If the Management Directors elect the latter payment option, the balance of the exercise price will be payable within a 3-year period after the date of completion of the purchase of the relevant shares pursuant to the exercise of such option, and the shares will be pledged as security in favour of Huachen until full payment of the exercise price.

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31. EQUITY AND RESERVES

(a) Consolidated

	Ordinary shares RMB'000	Share premium RMB'000	Cumulative translation adjustments reserves RMB'000	Dedicated capital RMB'000	Retained earnings RMB'000	Total RMB'000	Proposed dividend RMB'000
At 1st January, 2001	276,891	1,343,953	39,179	5,191	2,148,348	3,813,562	17,912
Issue of ordinary shares	26,303	689,963	—	—	—	716,266	—
Dividend declared during the year	—	—	—	—	(17,394)	(17,394)	17,394
Distributions during the year	—	—	—	—	—	—	(35,306)
Profit for the year	—	—	—	—	900,269	900,269	—
Transfer to dedicated capital	—	—	—	66,165	(66,165)	—	—
Dividends declared subsequent to year end	—	—	—	—	(19,605)	(19,605)	19,605
At 31st December, 2001	303,194	2,033,916	39,179	71,356	2,945,453	5,393,098	19,605
Dividends declared during the year	—	—	—	—	(15,690)	(15,690)	15,690
Distributions during the year	—	—	—	—	—	—	(35,295)
Profit for the year	—	—	—	—	650,847	650,847	—
Transfer to dedicated capital	—	—	—	60,823	(60,823)	—	—
Dividends declared subsequent to year end	—	—	—	—	(39,210)	(39,210)	39,210
At 31st December, 2002	303,194	2,033,916	39,179	132,179	3,480,577	5,989,045	39,210
Company and subsidiaries	303,194	2,033,916	39,179	132,179	3,232,621	5,741,089	39,210
Associated companies	—	—	—	—	247,956	247,956	—
At 31st December, 2002	303,194	2,033,916	39,179	132,179	3,480,577	5,989,045	39,210

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31. EQUITY AND RESERVES (Cont'd)

(b) Company

	Ordinary shares RMB'000	Share premium RMB'000	Cumulative translation adjustments reserves RMB'000	Retained earnings RMB'000	Total RMB'000	Proposed dividend RMB'000
At 1st January, 2001	276,891	1,343,953	39,179	1,513,902	3,173,925	17,912
Issue of ordinary shares	26,303	689,963	—	—	716,266	—
Dividend declared during the year	—	—	—	(17,394)	(17,394)	17,394
Distributions during the year	—	—	—	—	—	(35,306)
Profit for the year	—	—	—	266,909	266,909	—
Dividends declared subsequent to year end	—	—	—	(19,605)	(19,605)	19,605
At 31st December, 2001	303,194	2,033,916	39,179	1,743,812	4,120,101	19,605
Dividend declared during the year	—	—	—	(15,690)	(15,690)	15,690
Distributions during the year	—	—	—	—	—	(35,295)
Profit for the year	—	—	—	1,394,405	1,394,405	—
Dividends declared subsequent to year end	—	—	—	(39,210)	(39,210)	39,210
At 31st December, 2002	303,194	2,033,916	39,179	3,083,317	5,459,606	39,210

The directors consider that the Company had approximately RMB3,083.3 million (2001: RMB1,743.8 million) available for distribution to shareholders as of 31st December, 2002. Please also refer to Note 8 for details on distribution of profit.

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32. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

(a) Reconciliation of profit before taxation to net cash inflow from operating activities:

	2002 RMB'000	2001 RMB'000
		(Note 37)
Profit before taxation	905,579	1,229,680
Share of profits less losses of associated companies	(113,428)	(45,448)
Interest income	(43,617)	(106,285)
Interest expense	171,286	178,028
Gain on disposal of an associated company	(6,014)	—
Depreciation of fixed assets	213,776	111,922
Amortisation of goodwill of subsidiaries	24,290	6,200
Amortisation of intangible assets	56,784	—
Loss on disposals of fixed assets	5,147	4,539
Provision for doubtful debts	18,921	1,352
Provision for doubtful debts written back	(265)	(19,147)
Net realisable value provision for inventory	40,761	3,000
Provision for impairment losses on fixed assets (tools and moulds)	972	30,950
Reversal of provision for impairment on fixed assets (tools and moulds)	(26,327)	—
Write-off of construction-in-progress	1,575	—
Provision for impairment losses on investment securities	13,058	—
Decrease in accounts receivable	8,279	8,566
Increase in notes receivable	(234,577)	(93,090)
Decrease/(increase) in notes receivable from affiliated companies	473,884	(237,190)
Increase in amounts due from affiliated companies	(163,354)	(477,136)
(Increase)/decrease in other receivables	(14,700)	860,387
Increase in prepayments and other current assets	(66,232)	(109,967)
(Increase)/decrease in inventories	(202,157)	168,639
Increase in accounts payable	409,376	181,361
Decrease in commercial notes payable	—	(350,000)
Increase in amounts due to affiliated companies	237,290	133,968
Increase in customer advances	218,480	45,786
Increase in other payables	69,094	33,251
Increase in accrued expenses and other current liabilities	185,249	8,317
Increase in other taxes payable	45,964	43,739
Net cash inflow generated from operations	2,229,094	1,611,422

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32. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT (Cont'd)

(b) Effect of acquisition of a subsidiary in 2001

The assets and liabilities included in the acquisition in 2001 are as follows:

	RMB'000
Cash and cash equivalents	6,805
Fixed assets, net	2,552
Inventories, net	2,978
Receivables	98,291
Other assets	539
Payables	(21,734)
Taxes payable	(1,485)
Minority interests	(1,000)
Fair value of net assets acquired	86,946
Goodwill	191,267
Total purchase consideration settled by offsetting against advances to affiliated companies (<i>Note 32 (d)</i>)	278,213
Effect on cash flow	
Cash and cash equivalents acquired	6,805

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32. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT (Cont'd)

(c) An analysis of changes in financing during the year is as follows:

	Share capital and share premium RMB'000	Short-term bank loans RMB'000	Advances from affiliated companies RMB'000	Minority interests RMB'000	Bank notes payable RMB'000
Balances as of 1st January, 2001	1,620,844	1,047,229	52,311	527,937	3,217,318
Issuance of shares	716,266	—	—	—	—
Distributions during the year	—	—	—	(214,314)	—
Increase in advances from affiliated companies	—	—	1,965	—	—
Net increase in bank notes payable	—	—	—	—	82,682
Share of profit by joint venture partners	—	—	—	207,756	—
Minority interests acquired	—	—	—	1,000	—
Net decrease in short-term bank loans	—	(641,729)	—	—	—
Balances as of 31st December, 2001	2,337,110	405,500	54,276	522,379	3,300,000
Distributions during the year	—	—	—	(114,749)	—
Increase in advances from affiliated companies	—	—	108,144	—	—
Net increase in bank notes payable	—	—	—	—	637,403
Share of profit by joint venture partners	—	—	—	108,122	—
Net decrease in short-term bank loans	—	(255,500)	—	—	—
Balances as of 31st December, 2002	2,337,110	150,000	162,420	515,752	3,937,403

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32. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT (Cont'd)

(d) Major non-cash transactions for the year ended 31st December, 2001 are as follows:

- (i) Purchase consideration amounting to approximately RMB278 million for the acquisition of an indirect equity interest in a subsidiary was offset against certain receivable balances from affiliated companies.
- (ii) Amounts due from and due to affiliated companies of approximately RMB87 million were offset after agreement among the parties.

33. CONTINGENCIES

- (a) As of 31st December, 2002, the Group had bank notes of approximately RMB1,414 million (2001: RMB1,145 million) which were endorsed or discounted but not yet honored.
- (b) As of 31st December, 2002, subsidiaries in the Group had provided the following guarantees:
 - Corporate guarantees of approximately RMB740 million (2001: RMB1,114 million) for revolving bank loans and notes drawn by affiliated companies of Shanghai Shenhua Holdings Co., Ltd. (formerly known as Shanghai Brilliance Group Co., Ltd.) (“Shanghai Shenhua”);
 - A joint and several proportional guarantee with all the joint venture partners of Shenyang Aerospace on a long-term bank loan of approximately RMB374 million drawn by Shenyang Aerospace (2001: RMB540 million) which will expire in 2008.
- (c) As of 31st December, 2002, subsidiaries of the Group had issued letter of credits amounting to RMB44 million (2001: Nil).
- (d) As of 31st December, 2002, Shenyang Automotive placed bank security deposits amounting to approximately RMB48 million and issued bank guarantees of RMB50 million at the request of the General Administration of Customs, pending the completion of an assessment of the eligibility on the exemption of the VAT and custom duties related to certain imported fixed assets of this operating subsidiary. Subsequent to year end, bank guarantees amounting to RMB30 million were released. The management is currently in discussion with the relevant authorities. Should these fixed assets be not eligible for such exemption, additional VAT and custom duties to be determined by the relevant authorities may be levied. The directors consider additional liabilities in excess of the security deposits would not be significant.

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33. CONTINGENCIES (Cont'd)

- (e) On 21st January, 2003, a writ dated 21st January, 2003 (the “Writ”) brought by Broadsino Finance Company Limited (“Broadsino”) as Plaintiff was filed with the Supreme Court of Bermuda and an ex parte Court Order dated 22nd January, 2003 (the “Court Order”) granted by the Supreme Court of Bermuda in favour of Broadsino was served on the registered office of the Company in Bermuda. The Writ alleged that the interest of the Foundation in certain 1,446,121,500 shares of the Company (the “Sale Shares”) was held in trust for Broadsino. The Court Order restrained the Company from among other things: (a) registering the transfer of the Sale Shares by the Foundation to Huachen and/or Huachen to certain directors of the Company; or (b) if such transfer has already been registered, registering any further dealings in such Sale Shares, in each case pending determination by the Bermuda court of the legal proceedings initiated by Broadsino against the Company, the Foundation, Huachen and certain directors of the Company. Broadsino claims that the Company was aware of the trust arrangement and further alleges that the Company knowingly participated in a breach of that trust arrangement by allowing the transfer of the Sale Shares from the Foundation to Huachen. Broadsino seeks recovery of the Sale Shares and in the alternative damages.

Upon application by the Company, the Court Order was discharged by a judgment of the Supreme Court of Bermuda given on 11th February, 2003. On 26th February, 2003, a Statement of Claim (the “Statement of Claim”) was filed by Broadsino as a procedural step in furtherance of the legal proceedings. On 10th March, 2003, the Company has taken out summons (the “Strikeout Summons”) at the Bermuda court to have the Writ and the Statement of Claim struck out. The directors do not believe this litigation to have any significant impact on the financial position of the Company.

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34. COMMITMENTS

(a) Capital commitments

	2002	2001
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Contracted but not provided for:		
— Construction projects	278,701	6,902
— Investment and acquisition	—	5,000
— Acquisition of equipment and moulds	335,381	107,758
— Others	96,786	11,022
Total	710,868	130,682
Construction projects and acquisition of equipment authorised but not contracted for	225,375	—

(b) Operating lease commitments

As at 31st December, 2002, the Group had future aggregate minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases in respect of leased properties as follows:

	Properties	
	2002	2001
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Not later than one year	10,818	3,408
Later than one year but not later than five years	18,341	2,721
More than five years	56,469	—
Total	85,628	6,129

35. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

An affiliated company is a company in which one or more of the directors or substantial shareholders of the Company have direct or indirect beneficial interest in the company or are in a position to exercise significant influence over the company. Parties are also considered to be affiliated if they are subject to common control or common significant influence.

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35. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (Cont'd)

Save as disclosed elsewhere in the accounts, significant transactions with affiliated parties (these affiliated companies and the Company have certain directors in common and/or other relationships as specified) are detailed as follows:

- (a) Particulars of significant transactions between the companies comprising the Group and affiliated companies in the ordinary course of business during the year are summarised below:

	2002 RMB'000	2001 RMB'000
Sales to Shenyang JinBei Automotive Company Limited (formerly known as Shenyang Brilliance Automotive Company Limited ("JinBei"), the joint venture partner of Shenyang Automotive, and its affiliated companies	56,438	14,923
Purchases from JinBei and its affiliated companies	712,061	317,046
Sales to Shanghai Shenhua and its affiliated companies	1,664,156	907,232
Purchases from Shanghai Shenhua and its affiliated companies	375,402	164,323
Sales to other affiliated companies of Brilliance Holdings Limited	150,390	59,816
Purchases from other affiliated companies of Brilliance Holdings Limited	99,514	274,379
Sales to Shanghai Yuantong Automobile Sales and Service Company Limited ("Shanghai Yuantong")	710,100	2,622,002
Advertising expenses reimbursed by Shanghai Yuantong	—	64,070
Sales to associated companies	102,024	61,683
Purchases from associated companies	1,014,057	635,373
Purchases from affiliated companies of the joint venture partner in Ningbo Yuming	14,580	33,524
Research and development expenses to third parties under contracts assumed from an affiliated company of Brilliance Holdings Limited at original cost	45,618	—
Long-term prepayment for fixed assets to a third party under a contract assumed from an affiliated company of Brilliance Holdings Limited at original costs	18,305	—
Long-term prepayment for an intangible asset to a third party under a contract assumed from an affiliated company of Brilliance Holdings Limited at original cost	70,382	—

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35. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (Cont'd)

The sales and purchases transactions above were carried out after negotiations between the Group and the affiliated companies in the ordinary course of business and on the basis of estimated market value as determined by the directors.

During the year, JinBei allowed Shenyang Automotive to use the technology of components in the manufacturing of Zhonghua sedan (See also Note 36(b)).

- (b) As of 31st December, 2002, amounts due from affiliated companies arising from trading activities consisted of the following:

	2002	2001
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Due from Shanghai Yuantong (i)	655,835	439,411
Due from Shanghai Shenhua and its affiliated companies	63,608	31,874
Due from other affiliated companies of Brilliance Holdings Limited (ii)	41,675	61,125
Due from affiliated companies of JinBei	11,015	35,071
Due from affiliated companies of the joint venture partner of Ningbo Yuming	280	18,281
Due from an associated company	11,376	11,175
	783,789	596,937
Provision for doubtful debts	(9,723)	—
	774,066	596,937

- (i) The amount as of 31st December, 2002 was non-interest bearing. The amount due from Shanghai Yuantong during the year ended 31st December, 2001 carried interest at a rate of 5.4% per annum.

- (ii) As of 31st December, 2001, included in the amounts due from affiliated companies of Brilliance Holdings Limited was an amount of approximately RMB56 million guaranteed by a shareholder of an affiliated company. The amount was fully settled in 2002.

Save as disclosed above, the amounts due from affiliated companies are unsecured, non-interest bearing and have no fixed repayment terms.

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35. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (Cont'd)

The Group's credit policy is that credit is offered to affiliated companies following financial assessment and an established payment record. These affiliated companies are generally required to settle 25% to 33% of the previous month's ending balances. The aging analysis of amounts due from affiliated companies is as follows:

	2002 RMB'000	2001 RMB'000
Less than six months	291,230	530,051
Between six months to one year	472,545	—
Between one to two years	9,549	66,886
Over two years	10,465	—
	783,789	596,937

- (c) As of 31st December, 2002, the notes receivable from affiliated companies arising from trading activities consisted of the following:

	2002 RMB'000	2001 RMB'000
Notes receivable from affiliated companies of JinBei	6,613	—
Notes receivable from Shanghai Shenhua	156,240	536,859
Notes receivable from Shanghai Yuantong	3,325	144,935
Notes receivable from other affiliated companies of Brilliance Holdings Limited	20,807	3,075
Notes receivable from an associated company	26,000	2,000
	212,985	686,869

All the notes receivable from affiliated companies are guaranteed by banks in the PRC and have maturities of between one to six months.

- (d) As of 31st December, 2002, included in prepayments and other current assets were approximately RMB263 million (2001: RMB168 million) of prepayments for purchases of raw materials made to an affiliated company of Brilliance Holdings Limited. Subsequent to 31st December, 2002, an amount of RMB98 million was refunded by this affiliated company.

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35. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (Cont'd)

As of 31st December, 2002, included in other receivables were RMB220 million (2001: Nil) of outstanding proceeds from the disposal of an associated company to an affiliated company (Note 20), approximately RMB183 million was received in March 2003.

- (e) As of 31st December, 2002, amounts due to affiliated companies arising from trading activities consisted of the following:

	2002 RMB'000	2001 RMB'000
Due to associated companies	398,523	169,589
Due to Shanghai Shenhua and its affiliated companies	101,029	173,636
Due to JinBei and its affiliated companies	196,186	107,095
Due to other affiliated companies of Brilliance Holdings Limited	21,839	32,340
Due to affiliated companies of the joint venture partner of Ningbo Yuming	10,225	6,287
Due to affiliated companies of the joint venture partner of Xinguang Brilliance	1,567	3,132
	729,369	492,079

The amounts due to affiliated companies are unsecured and non-interest bearing. Amounts due to affiliated companies are generally settled on a monthly basis at 25% to 33% of the previous month's ending balance. The aging analysis of amounts due to affiliated companies is as follows:

	2002 RMB'000	2001 RMB'000
Less than six months	305,144	469,034
Between six months to one year	423,363	11,461
Between one to two years	853	11,584
Over two years	9	—
	729,369	492,079

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35. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (Cont'd)

- (f) Particulars of other significant transactions between companies comprising the Group and affiliated companies during the year are summarised below:

	2002	2001
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Purchases of fixed assets and other assets from affiliated companies of Brilliance Holdings Limited	—	41,984
Purchases of moulds from an affiliated company of Shanghai Shenhua	—	35,750
Acquisition of Key Choices Group Limited (“Key Choices”) from Brilliance Holdings Limited	—	278,213
Sales of fixed assets to an affiliated company of Brilliance Holdings Limited	—	5,558
Sales of fixed assets to an associated company	—	18,425
Management expenses reimbursed to and consultancy fees paid to Brilliance Holdings Limited	5,182	12,405
Interest income from Brilliance Holdings Limited and affiliated companies	—	23,709
Interest income from Shanghai Yuantong	—	15,930

Pursuant to a trademark license agreement, JinBei granted Shenyang Automotive the right to use the JinBei trademark on its products and marketing materials indefinitely.

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35. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (Cont'd)

(g) As of 31st December, 2002, the advances to affiliated companies consisted of:

	2002 RMB'000	2001 RMB'000
Advances to Brilliance Holdings Limited and its affiliated companies:		
Interest bearing at 5.5% per annum	—	40,000
Non-interest bearing (i)	907,191	256,223
Advance to Zhuhai Brilliance		
Non-interest bearing (ii)	360,000	—
Advances to affiliated companies of JinBei:		
Non-interest bearing	6,613	2,163
Advances to other affiliated companies		
Non-interest bearing (iii)	30,892	—
	1,304,696	298,386
Long-term advances to an affiliated company of Brilliance Holdings Limited:		
Interest bearing at 5.5%	—	39,111
Non-interest bearing	—	5,693
	—	44,804

- (i) Approximately RMB810 million of the advances to Brilliance Holdings Limited and its affiliated companies were settled subsequent to year end.
- (ii) The balance of RMB360 million was settled subsequent to year end.
- (iii) RMB30 million of the advances to other affiliated companies was settled subsequent to year end.

Save as disclosed above, the advances to affiliated companies are unsecured, non-interest bearing and have no fixed repayment terms.

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35. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (Cont'd)

(h) As of 31st December, 2002, the advances from affiliated companies consisted of:

	2002	2001
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Advances from a joint venture partner of Shenyang Aerospace	139,529	—
Advances from affiliated companies of Brilliance Holdings Limited	13,951	54,276
Advances from an associated company	1,264	—
Advances from an affiliated company of Shanghai Shenhua	1,586	—
Advances from affiliated companies of JinBei	2,092	—
Advances from affiliated companies of the joint venture partner of Ningbo Yuming	3,998	—
	162,420	54,276

The advances from affiliated companies are unsecured, non-interest bearing and have no fixed repayment terms.

36. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

(a) On 14th March, 2003, the Company received the formal approval from the PRC government for the feasibility study for the establishment of a joint venture (the "JV") between BMW Holding BV ("BMW"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of BMW AG, and Shenyang JinBei Automotive Industry Holdings Company Limited ("Sjai"), an indirect 81%-owned subsidiary of the Company in the PRC. On 27th March, 2003, Sjai has entered into a joint venture contract ("JV Contract") with BMW in relation to the establishment of the JV in the PRC. The registered capital and total investment cost of the JV is Euro150 million and Euro450 million, respectively. The JV is to be 50%-owned by each of Sjai and BMW and is for a term of 15 years from the date of issuance of business license. The business scope of the JV is to produce and sell BMW passenger cars, engines, parts and components and to provide after-sales services (including repair and maintenance and spare parts) relating to its products. Profits of the JV will be shared as to 50% by each of Sjai and BMW, in proportion to their respective proportionate contribution to the registered capital of the JV.

Prior to the establishment of the JV, the Company will provide a guarantee to BMW guaranteeing the performance by Sjai of its obligations under the JV Contract. A reciprocal guarantee will be provided by BMW AG to Sjai in respect of the obligations of BMW under the JV Contract.

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36. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS (Cont'd)

On 28th April, 2003, the Company, through its indirectly 90%-owned subsidiary, entered into an agreement with the 10% shareholder of SJAI to acquire an additional 9% interests in SJAI. Upon completion, SJAI will be 89.1% indirectly-owned by the Company and 10.9% directly and indirectly owned by the other shareholders. Accordingly, the Company's effective interests in the JV with BMW will increase from 40.50% to 44.55%. The above transactions are subject to the approval by the Company's shareholders.

- (b) Pursuant to the Special General Meeting held on 26th February, 2003, the shareholders of the Company have approved that the registered capital and total investment of Shenyang Automotive will be increased by US\$273 million (the "Increased Amount"). The increase in capital will be contributed by the Company and JinBei in proportion to their current equity interests in Shenyang Automotive. The Company will inject US\$139.23 million by capitalising its share of distributable profit of a subsidiary and dividend receivable from a subsidiary up to the amount of US\$139.23 million, representing 51% of the Increased Amount. JinBei will inject US\$133.77 million, representing 49% of the Increased Amount, by transferring to Shenyang Automotive the technology of components (the "Component Technology") currently used by Shenyang Automotive mainly in the manufacturing of Zhonghua Sedans at RMB820 million and certain training facilities (the "Training Facilities"). The value of the Component Technology and the Training Facilities will be subject to a valuation by a professional valuer before injecting into Shenyang Automotive. In the event the value of the Component Technology and the Training Facilities as valued by the professional valuer is less than US\$133.77 million, JinBei will contribute the balance of its portion of contribution to the Increased Amount by cash. The above capital increase has been approved by the Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Co-operation on 5th December, 2002. The contributions will be made by the Company and JinBei within six months from the date of the issuance of the approval by the relevant authorities in the PRC and the new business license.
- (c) Pursuant to the Special General Meeting held on 26th February, 2003, the shareholders of the Company have approved that Xing Yuan Dong, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, will provide a guarantee (the "Guarantee") in respect of a loan up to the amount of RMB370 million by the banks to JinBei (the "Loan"). In consideration of the provision of the Guarantee, JinBei will provide an indemnity (the "Indemnity") to Xing Yuan Dong to indemnify Xing Yuan Dong of its liabilities under the Guarantee. The Loan will be repaid (i) as to RMB100 million on or before 31st December, 2003; (ii) as to RMB200 million on or before 31st December, 2004; and (iii) as to the remaining RMB70 million on or before 31st December, 2005. The Guarantee and the Indemnity will continue during the term of the Loan until the Loan together with interest therein is repaid in full. A relevant guarantee agreement was entered into in April 2003 with the guarantee amount of RMB300 million.

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37. COMPARATIVE FIGURES

Certain of the 2001 comparative figures have been reclassified to conform to the current year's presentation. The cash flow statement for the year ended 31st December, 2001 has been restated to conform to the current year's presentation and in accordance with the new presentation and disclosure requirements under revised SSAP 15 "Cash flow statements".

38. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS

The accounts set out on pages 26 to 86 were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 28th April, 2003.