## Consolidated Cash Flow Statement

For the year ended 31 March 2003

|  | Note | $\begin{array}{r} 2003 \\ \text { HK\$’000 } \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2002 \\ \text { HK }{ }^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ |
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| Net cash inflow generated from operations | 31(a) | 126,380 | 89,169 |
| Interest paid |  | $(17,767)$ | $(36,473)$ |
| Hong Kong profits tax paid |  | $(7,698)$ | $(6,476)$ |
| Overseas tax paid |  | (172) | (444) |
| Net cash inflow from operating activities |  | 100,743 | 45,776 |
| Investing activities |  |  |  |
| Purchase of fixed assets |  | $(23,356)$ | $(5,618)$ |
| Proceeds from disposal of fixed assets, including investment properties |  | 111,469 | 34,629 |
| Expenditures on property development |  | $(18,913)$ | - |
| Interest received |  | 659 | 315 |
| Dividends received from other investments |  | 24,083 | 24,078 |
| Acquisition of subsidiaries and minority interests in subsidiaries |  | - | $(23,141)$ |
| Acquisition of and amounts advanced to associated companies |  | $(35,178)$ | (32) |
| Acquisition of and amounts advanced to other investments |  | $(132,535)$ | $(1,579)$ |
| Proceeds from disposal of associated companies |  | - | 2,831 |
| Amounts repaid by associated companies |  | - | 27,481 |
| Dividends received from associated companies |  | 122 | - |
| Recovery of debts under liquidation |  | - | 11,774 |
| Net cash (outflow)/inflow from investing activities |  | $(73,649)$ | 70,738 |
| Net cash inflow before financing |  | 27,094 | 116,514 |
| Financing |  |  |  |
| Decrease in minority interests |  | - | $(1,927)$ |
| New long term bank loans |  | - | 175,000 |
| New short term bank loans |  | 379,184 | 242,780 |
| Repayment of long term bank loans |  | $(140,967)$ | $(318,244)$ |
| Repayment of short term bank loans |  | $(197,000)$ | $(218,300)$ |
| Repayment of other long term loans |  | $(3,504)$ | - |
| Dividends paid |  | $(25,968)$ | $(12,984)$ |
| Dividends paid to minority interests |  | - | (401) |
| Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing | 31(d) | 11,745 | $(134,076)$ |
| Increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents |  | 38,839 | $(17,562)$ |
| Cash and cash equivalents at 1 April of the previous year |  | 3,614 | 21,176 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at 31 March |  | 42,453 | 3,614 |
| Analysis of the balances of cash and cash equivalents |  |  |  |
| Cash and bank balances |  | 42,609 | 33,877 |
| Bank overdrafts and loans repayable within 3 months from date of advance | 31(e) | (156) | $(30,263)$ |
|  |  | 42,453 | 3,614 |

