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For the year ended 31st March, 2003

Notes	2003 HK\$'000	2002 HK\$'000
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
(Loss)/profit before taxation	(187,249)	29,459
Adjustments for:		
Share of results of associates and jointly-controlled		
entities	238,944	29,418
Interest income	(16,228)	(17,490)
Interest expenses	12,899	21,491
Dividend income from unlisted investments in securities	(435)	-
Depreciation	43,512	40,200
Amortisation of permanent export quota entitlements	2,185	2,439
Gain on disposals of investments in securities	-	(950)
Gain on disposals of permanent textile quota entitlements	-	(1,004)
Gain on disposal of discontinued operation	-	(605)
Loss on write-off of interest in a jointly-controlled entity	5	_
Loss/(gain) on disposals of property, plant and equipment	39	(95)
Release of negative goodwill arising from deemed		· · ·
acquisition of an additional interest in a subsidiary	(1,025)	-
Unrealised loss on investments in securities	831	763
Impairment loss on goodwill arising from an associate		
acquired in previous years	11,129	-
Deficit arising from revaluation of investment properties	100	100
Operating cash flows before movements in working capital	104,707	103,726
(Increase)/decrease in inventories	(26,189)	6,590
Decrease in amounts due from customers for contract work	9,494	28,054
Decrease in retention monies receivable	11,014	4,813
Decrease/(increase) in debtors and prepayments	48,236	(17,459)
Decrease in creditors and accrued charges	(29,582)	(40,418)
Increase in amounts due to customers for contract work	29,210	18,570
Exchange differences	63	(243)
Cash generated from operations	146,953	103,633
Hong Kong profits tax paid	(6,639)	(2,591)
Overseas taxes (paid)/refund	(14)	129
NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	140,300	101,171

CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT (Continued) 25

For the year ended 31st March, 2003

	Notes	2003 HK\$'000	2002 HK\$'000
INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Interest received		16,228	17,490
Dividends received from jointly-controlled entities		4,742	8,263
Dividends received from unlisted investments in securities		435	363
Proceeds from disposals of property, plant and equipment		228	3,624
Purchases of property, plant and equipment		(17,934)	(39,130)
Acquisitions of subsidiaries – net of cash and cash			()
equivalents acquired	31	_	(129,802)
Net cash inflows from disposal of discontinued operation	32	-	17,869
Investments in associates		(206)	(96,039)
Advances to associates		(3,600)	(4,300)
(Advances to)/repayments from jointly-controlled entities, net		(666)	19,883
Consideration paid to a minority shareholder on		(000)	,
repurchase of shares of a subsidiary		(865)	_
Purchases of investments in securities		(000)	(7,568)
Proceeds from disposals of investments in securities		_	7,909
Proceed from disposals of permanent export quota			1,000
entitlements		_	2,074
NET CASH USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES		(1,638)	(199,364)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Interest paid		(12,899)	(21,491)
Dividends paid		(11,008)	
Dividends paid to minority shareholders of a subsidiary		(1,842)	-
New bank borrowings raised		653,423	670,505
Repayments of bank borrowings		(624,019)	(564,798)
Repayments of obligations under hire purchase contracts		(7,216)	(19,355)
(Repayments to)/advances from minority shareholders			
of a subsidiary		(9,135)	12,265
Increase in pledged bank balances		(19,152)	(2,000)
NET CASH (USED IN)/FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		(31,848)	75,126
INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		106,814	(23,067)
INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		100,014	(23,007)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT			
THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR		62,355	85,422
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT			
THE END OF THE YEAR		169,169	62,355
ANALYSIS OF THE BALANCES OF CASH			
AND CASH EQUIVALENTS			
Bank balances and cash		184,067	95,818
Bank overdrafts		(14,898)	(33,463)
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		169,169	62,355