

**CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT**

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I am pleased to present the Annual Report and Accounts for the financial year ended 30th April 2003.

During the year, the Group reported a loss before taxation and loss attributable to shareholders of approximately HK\$12.15 million and HK\$12.11 million respectively compared to a loss before taxation of approximately HK\$26.34 million and loss attributable to shareholders of approximately HK\$26.33 million in the preceding year. This is primarily due to the revaluation deficit on investment properties and leasehold land and building of HK\$5.03 million, the impairment loss on investment in an associated company of HK\$2.52 million and the share of loss of an associated company of HK\$5.11 million.

I wish to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to all employees for their loyal services and contribution. I would also like to thank all our shareholders, business associates and financiers for their continued support.

**Tan Sri Dato' Tan Kok Ping**

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