

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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1. GROUP REORGANISATION

The Company was incorporated as an exempted company with limited liability in the Cayman islands on 7th June 2002 under the Companies Law Cap. 22 (Law 3 of 1961, as consolidated and revised) of the Cayman Islands.

Pursuant to a reorganisation scheme to rationalise the structure of the Group in preparation for the listing of the Company's shares on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") on 8th November 2002, the Company became the holding company of the companies now comprising the Group on 19th October 2002 (the "Group Reorganisation"). This was accomplished by acquiring the entire issued share capital of Falcon Vision Limited ("Falcon Vision"), the then holding company of the subsidiaries listed out in note 18 to the financial statements, in consideration of and in exchange for the allotment and issue of 10,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each in the share capital of the Company, credited as fully paid, to the former shareholders of Falcon Vision; and the crediting as fully paid at par the existing 10,000,000 nil paid shares held by the former shareholders of Falcon Vision. Further details of the Group Reorganisation are set out in Appendix 5 of the Company's prospectus dated 28th October 2002 (the "Prospectus").

2. CORPORATE INFORMATION

The registered office of the Company is located at Century Yard, Cricket Square, Hutchins Drive, P.O. Box 2681 GT, George Town, Grand Cayman, British West Indies.

The principal activity of the Company is investment holding. The principal activities of the Company's principal subsidiaries are set out in note 18 to the financial statements.

The directors consider the Company's ultimate holding company at 31st March 2003 to be Star Master International Limited, which is incorporated in the British Virgin Islands.

3. ADOPTION OF NEW AND REVISED STATEMENTS OF STANDARD ACCOUNTING PRACTICE ("SSAPs")

In the current year, the Group adopted the following new and revised SSAPs which are effective for the first time for the current year's financial statements.

SSAP 1 (revised)	"Presentation of financial statements"
SSAP 11 (revised)	"Foreign currency translation"
SSAP 15 (revised)	"Cash flow statements"
SSAP 34	"Employee benefits"

These SSAPs prescribe new accounting measurement and disclosure practices. The major effects on the Group's accounting policies and on the amounts disclosed in these financial statements of adopting these SSAPs, which have had a significant effect on the financial statements, are summarised as follows:

SSAP 1 (revised) prescribed the basis for presentation of financial statements and sets out guidelines for their structure and minimum requirements for the content thereof. The main revision to this SSAP is to change the requirements from presenting a statement of recognised gains and losses to a statement of changes in equity. The consolidated statement of changes in equity for the current financial year and the comparative figures have been presented in accordance with the revised SSAP.

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3. **ADOPTION OF NEW AND REVISED STATEMENTS OF STANDARD ACCOUNTING PRACTICE (“SSAPs”)** (continued)

SSAP 11 (revised) prescribes the basis for the translation of foreign currency transaction and financial statements. The revisions to this SSAP have eliminated the choice of translating the income statements of overseas subsidiaries and associates at the closing rate of that period. They are now required to be translated at an average rate. This change in accounting policy has not had any material effect on the results for the current or prior accounting period.

SSAP 15 (revised) prescribes the revised format for the cash flow statement. The principal impact of the revision of this SSAP is that the consolidated cash flow statement now presents cash flows under three headings, cash flows from operating, investing and financing activities, rather than the five headings previously required. In addition, the definition of cash equivalents for the purpose of the consolidated cash flow statement has been revised to exclude advances from banks repayable within three months from the date of advance that are financing in nature.

SSAP 34 prescribed the recognition and measurement criteria to apply to employee benefits, together with the required disclosures in respect thereof. The adoption of this SSAP has resulted in no material change to the previously adopted accounting treatments for employee benefits. In addition, disclosures are required to be included in the notes to the financial statements in respect of the Company's share option scheme.

4. **SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with all applicable SSAPs and Interpretations issued by the Hong Kong Society of Accountants, accounting principles generally accepted in Hong Kong and the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance. A summary of the significant accounting policies followed by the Group in the preparation of the financial statements is set out below:

(a) **Basis of preparation**

The measurement basis used in the preparation of the financial statements is historical cost as modified for the revaluation of certain properties as explained in the accounting policies set out below.

(b) **Basis of presentation and consolidation**

The consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries for the year ended 31st March 2003. The results of subsidiaries acquired or disposed during the year are consolidated from or to their effective dates of acquisition or disposal, respectively.

The Group Reorganisation involved companies under common control. The consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2003 were therefore prepared using the merger basis of accounting in accordance with SSAP 27 “Accounting for group reconstructions”, as a result of the Group Reorganisation completed on 19th October 2002. Under this basis, the Company has been treated as the holding company of its subsidiaries for the financial years presented rather than from the subsequent date of its acquisition of the subsidiaries. Accordingly, the consolidated results of the Group for the year ended 31st March 2002 and 2003 include the results of the Company and its subsidiaries with effective from 1st April 2001 or since their respective dates of incorporation or establishment, where this is a shorter period. The consolidated balance sheet as at 31st March 2002 has been prepared on the basis that the current group structure was in place at that date.

4. **SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (continued)

(b) **Basis of presentation and consolidation** (continued)

In the opinion of the directors, the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2003 prepared on the above basis present more fairly the results and the state of affairs of the Group as a whole.

All significant intercompany transactions and balances within the Group are eliminated on consolidation.

(c) **Subsidiaries**

A subsidiary is an enterprise controlled by the Company. Control exists when the Company has the power, directly or indirectly, to govern the financial and operating policies of an enterprise so as to obtain benefits from its activities. Subsidiaries are incorporated in the financial statements so long as the controls are not intended to be temporary because the subsidiaries were acquired and held exclusively with a view to its subsequent disposal in the near future.

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

(d) **Associates**

An associate is an enterprise over which the Group is in a position to exercise significant influence, but not control or joint control, through participation in the financial and operating policy decisions of the investee.

The Group's share of post-acquisition results and reserves of associates is included in the consolidated income statement and consolidated reserves, respectively. The Group's interests in associates are stated in the consolidated balance sheet at the Group's share of net assets under the equity method of accounting, less any impairment losses.

Where a group enterprise transacts with an associate of the Group, unrealised profits and losses are eliminated to the extent of the Group's interest in the relevant associate, except where unrealised losses provide evidence of an impairment of the asset transferred.

(e) **Investment in securities**

Investments held on a continuing basis for an identified long-term purpose with no significant influence exercised by the Group are classified as investment securities. Investment securities are recognised on a trade-date basis and are stated in the balance sheet at cost less any provision for diminution in value which is expected to be other than temporary. The amounts of provision or any profits or losses arising from sale of investment securities are accounted for in the income statement.

4. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(f) Property, plant and equipment

i. Valuation

Land and buildings held for use in the production or supply of goods or for administrative purpose are stated in the balance sheet at their revaluated amounts, being the fair value on the basis of their existing use at the date of revaluation, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Any revaluation increase arising on the revaluation of such land and buildings is credited to the revaluation reserve, except to the extent that it reverses a revaluation decrease for the same asset previously recognised as an expense, in which case the increase is credited to the income statement to the extent of the decrease previously charged. A decrease in carrying amount arising on the revaluation of such land and buildings is charged as an expense to the extent that it exceeds the balance, if any, held in the revaluation reserve relating to a previous revaluation of that asset.

On the subsequent sale or retirement of a revaluated property, the attributable revaluation surplus remaining in the revaluation reserve is transferred to retained profits.

Construction in progress is investment in land and buildings on which construction work has not been completed and which, upon completion, management intend to hold for production purposes. These properties are carried at cost except for the land which is revalued at the fair value on the basis of their existing use at the date of valuation, 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 properties are transferred to land and buildings at valuation less accumulated impairment losses.

Property, plant and equipment other than land and buildings and construction in progress are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

The cost of an asset comprises its purchase price and any directly attributable costs of bringing the asset to its working condition and location for its intended use. Expenditure incurred after the property, plant and equipment have been put into operations, such as repairs and maintenance, is normally charged to the income statement in the period in which it is incurred. In situations where it can be clearly demonstrated that the expenditure has resulted in an increase in the future economic benefits expected to be obtained from the use of the property, plant and equipment, the expenditure is capitalised as an additional cost of that asset.

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4. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(f) Property, plant and equipment (continued)

ii. Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on the straight-line basis to write off the cost of each asset over its estimated useful life, and after taking into account their estimated residual value. The principal annual rates used for this purpose are as follows:

Leasehold land	:	Over the unexpired terms of respective leases
Buildings	:	2% to 5%
Construction in progress	:	Nil
Leasehold improvements	:	20%
Plant and machinery	:	6.67%
Furniture and fixtures	:	20%
Office equipment	:	10% to 20%
Motor vehicles	:	10% to 30%

iii. Disposition

Gains or losses arising from the retirement or disposal of property, plant and equipment are determined as the difference between the estimated net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the relevant asset and are recognised in the income statement on the date of retirement or disposal.

(g) Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost of raw materials is determined on the first-in, first-out basis and, in the case of work in progress and finished goods, comprises direct materials, direct labour and an appropriate proportion of manufacturing overheads, and/or, where appropriate, subcontracting charges. Net realisable value is based on estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs of completion and the estimated costs necessary to make the sale.

(h) Leased assets

Assets held under finance leases have been capitalised. The interest element of the rental payments is charged to the income statement over the period of the lease and represents a constant proportion of the balance of capital repayments outstanding. Depreciation is provided in accordance with the Group's depreciation policies.

All other leases are accounted for as operating leases and the rental payments are charged to the income statement on a straight-line basis over the relevant lease term.

4. **SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (continued)

(i) **Current assets and current liabilities**

Current assets are expected to be realised within twelve months of the balance sheet date or in the normal course of the Company's operating cycle. Current liabilities are expected to be settled within twelve months of the balance sheet date or in the normal course of the Company's operating cycle.

(j) **Taxation**

The charge for taxation is based on the results for the year as adjusted for items which are non-assessable or disallowed.

Deferred tax is provided, using the liability method, on all significant timing differences in the recognition of revenue and expenses for tax and for financial reporting purposes, to the extent it is probable that the liability will crystallise in the foreseeable future. A deferred tax asset is not recognised unless its realisation is assured beyond reasonable doubt.

(k) **Cash equivalents**

Cash equivalents represent short term highly liquid investments which are readily convertible into known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value, and have a short maturity of generally within three months when acquired, less bank overdrafts which are repayable on demand and form an integral part of the Group's cash management.

(l) **Recognition of revenue**

Revenue is recognised when it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Group and when the revenue can be measured reliably, on the following bases:

- i. sale of goods is recognised when the significant risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred to the buyer, provided that the Group maintains neither managerial involvement to the degree usually associated with ownership, nor effective control over the goods sold;
- ii. interest income is recognised on a time-apportioned basis taking into account the principal outstanding and the effective interest rate applicable; and
- iii. dividend income from investment in securities is recognised when the shareholder's right to receive payment is established.

(m) **Impairment of assets**

Internal and external sources of information are reviewed at each balance sheet date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment of assets, or whether there is any indication that an impairment loss previously recognised no longer exists or may have decreased. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated. An impairment loss is recognised whenever the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is charged to the income statement in the period in which it arises, unless the asset is carried at a revalued amount, when the impairment loss is accounted for in accordance with the relevant policy for that revalued asset.

4. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**(m) Impairment of assets** (continued)

i. Calculation of recoverable amount

The recoverable amount of an asset is the higher of its net selling price and value in use. The net selling price is the amount obtainable from the sale of an asset in an arm's length transaction while value in use is the present value of estimated future cash flows expected to arise from the continuing use of an asset and from its disposal at the end of its useful life. Where an asset does not generate cash inflows largely independent of those from other assets, the recoverable amount is determined for the smallest group of asset that generates cash inflows independently (i.e. a cash-generating unit).

ii. Reversals of impairment losses

An impairment loss is reversed if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount of an asset, however not to an amount higher than the carrying amount that would have been determined (net of any depreciation/amortisation), had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset in prior years.

(n) Provisions

A provision is recognised when the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of a past event and it is probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation, and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the amount of a provision is the present value at the balance sheet date of the expenditures expected to be required to settle the obligation.

(o) 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 financial statements. 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 financial statements when an inflow of economic benefits is probable. When inflow is virtually certain, an asset is recognised.

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4. **SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (continued)

(p) **Foreign currencies**

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into Hong Kong dollars at the applicable rates of exchange ruling at the transaction dates. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the balance sheet date are translated at the applicable rates of exchange ruling at that date. All gains and losses on translation of foreign currencies are dealt with in the income statement.

On consolidation, the balance sheet items of overseas subsidiaries, jointly-controlled entities and associates are translated into Hong Kong dollars at the applicable rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date whilst the income and expense items are translated at the average rates for that period. The resulting translation differences are dealt with in the exchange reserve.

(q) **Related party transactions**

Parties are considered to be related if one party has the ability, directly or indirectly, to control the other party or exercise significant influence over the other party in making financial and operating decisions. Parties are also considered to be related if they are subject to common control or common significant influence. Related parties may be individuals or corporate entities. A transaction is considered to be a related party transaction when there is a transfer of resources or obligations between related parties.

(r) **Employee benefits**

- i. Salaries, annual bonuses, paid annual leave, leave passage and the cost to the Group of non-monetary benefits are accrued in the year in which the associated services are rendered by employees of the Group. Where payment or settlement is deferred and the effect would be material, these amounts are stated at their present values.
- ii. Contributions to Mandatory Provident Funds as required under the Hong Kong Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance and to the state-managed retirement benefits schemes for the employees of the Group's entities in the People's Republic of China (the "PRC") are recognised as an expense in the income statement as incurred.
- iii. When the Group grants employees options to acquire shares of the Company at nil consideration, no employee benefit cost or obligation is recognised at the date of grant. When the options are exercised, equity is increased by the amount of the proceeds received.
- iv. Termination benefits are recognised when, and only when, the Group demonstrably commits itself to terminate employment or to provide benefits as a result of voluntary redundancy by having a detailed formal plan which is without realistic possibility of withdrawal.

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4. **SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (continued)

(s) **Deferred expenditure**

Material items of expenditure that do not relate solely to revenue which has already been accounted for are deferred to the extent that they are recoverable out of future revenue, and will contribute to the future earning capacity of the Group.

Deferred expenditure is amortised over the period in which the related benefits are expected to be realised. Deferred expenditure is reviewed annually to determine the amount, if any, that is no longer recoverable and any such amount is written off to the income statement in the year of determination.

5. **SEGMENT INFORMATION**

A segment is a distinguishable component of the Group that is engaged either in providing products or services (business segment), or in providing products or services within a particular economic environment (geographical segment), which is subject to risks and rewards that are different from those of other segments.

In accordance with the Group's internal financial reporting system, the Group has determined that business segments as the primary reporting format and geographical segment information as the secondary reporting format.

In determining the Group's geographical segments, revenues and results are based on the country in which the customer is located.

Analysis of assets and liabilities by business segments and by geographical segments have not been prepared as most of the Group's assets and liabilities were unable to be allocated in view of the nature of the Group's business.

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5. SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

(a) Business segments

	Woven wear 2003 HK\$'000	Knitwear 2003 HK\$'000	Sweaters 2003 HK\$'000	Premium 2003 HK\$'000	Consolidated 2003 HK\$'000
Segment revenue	83,763	58,680	11,648	9,021	163,112
Segment results	20,113	10,705	2,796	490	34,104
Finance costs					(1,715)
Share of results of an associate					512
Profit before tax					32,901
Tax					(2,666)
Net profit from ordinary activities attributable to shareholders					30,235
	Woven wear 2002 HK\$'000	Knitwear 2002 HK\$'000	Sweaters 2002 HK\$'000	Premium 2002 HK\$'000	Consolidated 2002 HK\$'000
Segment revenue	73,628	30,246	9,612	13,252	126,738
Segment results	15,347	6,303	2,004	1,414	25,068
Finance costs					(1,793)
Share of results of an associate					718
Profit before tax					23,993
Tax					(1,355)
Net profit from ordinary activities attributable to shareholders					22,638

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5. SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

(b) Geographical segments

	Chile 2003 HK\$'000	Peru 2003 HK\$'000	Australia 2003 HK\$'000	Europe 2003 HK\$'000	Others 2003 HK\$'000	Consolidated 2003 HK\$'000
Segment revenue	126,258	10,446	7,182	8,416	10,810	163,112
Segment results	30,633	2,348	127	423	573	34,104

	Chile 2002 HK\$'000	Peru 2002 HK\$'000	Canada 2002 HK\$'000	Argentina 2002 HK\$'000	Others 2002 HK\$'000	Consolidated 2002 HK\$'000
Segment revenue	107,409	12,698	3,065	1,542	2,024	126,738
Segment results	21,245	2,511	606	305	401	25,068

6. TURNOVER AND REVENUE

Turnover represents the net invoiced value of goods sold, after allowances for returns and trade discounts. All significant intra-group transactions have been eliminated on consolidation.

An analysis of the Group's turnover and other revenue is as follows:

	2003 HK\$'000	2002 HK\$'000
Turnover:		
Sale of goods	163,112	126,738
Other revenue:		
Interest income	320	38
Dividend income from unlisted investments	835	620
Exchange gain	84	346
Sundry income	305	88
Reversal of revaluation deficit	–	33
	1,544	1,125
Total revenue	164,656	127,863

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7. PROFIT FROM OPERATIONS

The Group's profit from operations is arrived at after charging:

	2003 HK\$'000	2002 HK\$'000
Staff costs (excluding directors' remuneration):		
Wages and salaries	4,440	1,779
Retirement benefits contributions	130	68
	4,570	1,847
Cost of inventories (<i>Note</i>)	111,818	84,001
Depreciation		
– owned assets	1,610	1,049
– assets held under finance leases	41	–
Auditors' remuneration	400	300
Rental payment in respect of premises under operating leases	71	–
Amortisation of deferred expenditure	75	–

Note: Cost of inventories includes approximately HK\$391,000 (2002: HK\$14,000) and HK\$1,512,000 (2002: HK\$188,000) relating to depreciation expenses and staff costs respectively, which amount is also included in the respective total amounts disclosed separately above for each of these types of expenses.

8. FINANCE COSTS

	Group	
	2003 HK\$'000	2002 HK\$'000
Interest expenses on:		
Bank loans and overdrafts wholly repayable within five years	145	9
Import and export loans wholly repayable within five years	187	781
Obligations under finance leases	15	–
	347	790
Bank charges	1,368	1,003
	1,715	1,793

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9. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION AND FIVE HIGHEST PAID EMPLOYEES

Directors' remuneration disclosed pursuant to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange (the "Listing Rules") and Section 161 of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance is as follows:

	Group	
	2003 HK\$'000	2002 HK\$'000
Fees	78	–
Other emoluments:		
Basic salaries, housing benefits, other allowances and benefits in kind	1,988	2,677
Mandatory provident fund scheme contribution	22	49
	<u>2,088</u>	<u>2,726</u>

Included in the directors' remuneration were fees of HK\$78,000 (2002: Nil) paid to independent non-executive directors during the year.

The remuneration of all of the directors fell within the nil to HK\$1,000,000 band for both years.

There was no arrangement under which a director waived or agreed to waived any emoluments during the year.

The five highest paid employees during the year included in three (2002: two) directors, detail of whose remuneration are set out above. Details of the remuneration of the remaining two (2002: three) non-director, highest paid employees are as follows:

	Group	
	2003 HK\$'000	2002 HK\$'000
Basic salaries, housing benefits, other allowances and benefits in kind	414	499
Mandatory provident fund scheme contribution	18	–
	<u>432</u>	<u>499</u>

During the year, no emoluments were paid by the Group to the directors or any of the five highest paid individuals as an inducement to join or upon joining the Group or as compensation for loss of office.

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10. TAX

	Group	
	2003 HK\$'000	2002 HK\$'000
Hong Kong:		
Current year provision	2,700	1,355
Over-provision in previous year	(34)	–
	2,666	1,355

Hong Kong profits tax has been provided at the rate of 16% (2002: 16%) on the estimated assessable profits arising in Hong Kong during the year.

There were no significant unprovided deferred tax liabilities in respect of the year.

11. NET PROFIT FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The net profit from ordinary activities attributable to shareholders dealt with in the financial statements of the Company for the period from 7th June 2002 (date of incorporation) to 31st March 2003 was approximately HK\$30,246,000.

12. DIVIDENDS

	2003 HK\$'000	2002 HK\$'000
Special dividend	10,000	9,500
Interim dividend paid at HK1.5 cents (2002: Nil) per ordinary share	3,000	–
	13,000	9,500

An interim dividend of HK1.5 cents per ordinary share was paid by the Company for the year ended 31st March 2003.

The special dividends for the year ended 31st March 2002 and 2003 were declared and paid by a subsidiary of the Company to its then shareholders prior to the Group Reorganisation as explained in note 1 to the financial statements, which was completed on 19th October 2002. The dividend rates and the number of shares ranking for dividends are not presented as such information is not meaningful for the purpose of these financial statements.

13. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The calculation of basic earnings per share is based on the net profit from ordinary activities attributable to shareholders for the year of HK\$30,235,000 (2002: HK\$22,638,000) and the weighted average of 187,375,342 (2002: 164,000,000) ordinary shares in issue during the year.

The weighted average number of shares used to calculate the basic earnings per share for the year ended 31st March 2002 included the pro forma issued share capital of the Company deemed to have been issued throughout the year, comprising the 20,000,000 shares in issue as at the date of the Prospectus and the capitalisation issue of 144,000,000 shares, as set out in detail in note 27 to the financial statements.

There were no potential dilutive shares in existence for the two years ended 31st March 2002 and 2003 and, accordingly, no diluted earnings per share has been presented.

14. EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

(a) Retirement benefits scheme

The Group operates a Mandatory Provident Fund Scheme (the "MPF Scheme") under the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance (Chapter 485 of the Laws of Hong Kong) for employees employed under the jurisdiction of the Hong Kong Employment Ordinance. The MPF Scheme is a defined contribution retirement scheme administered by independent trustees. Under the MPF Scheme, the employer and its employees are each required to make contributions to the scheme at 5% of the employees' relevant income, subject to a cap of monthly relevant income of HK\$20,000. Contributions to the scheme vest immediately.

The employees of the Company's subsidiary in the People's Republic of China (the "PRC") are members of the state-sponsored retirement benefit scheme organised by the relevant local government authority in the PRC. The subsidiary is required to contribute, based on a certain percentage of the basic salary of its employees, to the retirement benefit scheme and has no further obligations for the actual payment of pensions or post-retirement benefits beyond the annual contributions. The state-sponsored retirement benefit scheme represent for the entire pension obligations payable to retired employees.

The Group does not have any other pension schemes for its employees in respect of its subsidiaries outside Hong Kong and the PRC. In the opinion of the directors of the Company, the Group did not have any significant contingent liabilities as at 31st March 2003 in respect of the retirement of its employees.

14. EMPLOYEE BENEFITS (continued)**(b) Equity compensation benefits**

Share option scheme

The Company operates a share option scheme (the "Scheme") for the purpose of providing incentives or rewards to eligible persons for their contributions to the Group. Eligible persons of the Scheme include any full-time or part-time employees of the Company or any member of the Group, including any directors, advisors or consultants of the Group. The Scheme became effective upon the listing of the Company's shares on the Stock Exchange on 8th November 2002, and unless otherwise cancelled or amended, will remain in force for a period of 10 years from that date.

The maximum number of unexercised share options currently permitted to be granted under the Scheme must not exceed 30% of the shares in issue from time to time.

Share options granted to a director, chief executive or substantial shareholder of the Company, or to any of their associates, are subject to approval by all independent non-executive directors. In addition, any share options granted to a substantial shareholder or an independent non-executive director of the Company, or to any of their associates, in excess of 0.1% of the shares of the Company in issue at any time or with an aggregate value (based on the closing price of the Company's shares at the date of the grant) in excess of HK\$5 million, within any 12-month period, are subject to shareholders' approval in advance in a general meeting.

The offer of a grant of share options may be accepted for a period of 28 days from the date of the offer, upon payment of a nominal consideration of HK\$1 in total by the grantee. The exercisable period of the share options granted is determined by the directors, which the share options must be exercised in any event not later than 10 years from the date of grant. The Scheme does not require a minimum period for which the share options must be held or a performance target which must be achieved before the share options can be exercised.

The exercise price of the share options is determined by the directors of the Company, and shall not be less than the highest of (i) the closing price of the Company's shares as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotations sheet on the date of the offer; (ii) the average closing price of the Company's shares as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotations sheets for the 5 trading days immediately preceding the date of the offer; and (iii) the nominal value of the Company's shares.

The financial impact of share options granted is not recorded in the balance sheet of the Company nor the Group until such time as the options are exercised, and no charge is recorded in the income statement or balance sheet for their cost. Upon the exercise of the share options, the resulting shares issued are recorded by the Company as additional share capital at the nominal value of the shares, and the excess of the exercise price per share over the nominal value of the shares is recorded by the Company in the share premium account. Options which are cancelled prior to their exercisable date are deleted from the register of outstanding options.

Share options do not confer rights on the holders to dividends or to vote at shareholders' meetings.

During the year and up to the date of approval of these financial statements, no options were granted or agreed to be granted under the Scheme.

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15. DEFERRED EXPENDITURE

Deferred expenditure represents expenditure incurred for obtaining the right to establish a brand in the PRC. Such expenditure is deferred and written off on straight-line basis over a period of not more than 20 years to reflect the pattern in which the related economic benefits are recognised.

	Group 2003 HK\$'000
Cost:	
Expenditure incurred during the year and at 31st March 2003	1,500
Amortisation:	
Charged for the year and at 31st March 2003	(75)
Net book value:	
At 31st March 2003	1,425

16. DEPOSITS AND PREPAYMENTS

During the year, the Group has appointed an independent third party in the PRC to pursue and arrange for the establishment of a new subsidiary to engage in the manufacture and sale of garment products in the PRC.

The amount of deposits and prepayments was paid to the independent third party in respect of the acquisition costs of land use right, building construction, leasehold improvements and plant and machinery.

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17. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Group

	Land and buildings HK\$'000	Construction in progress HK\$'000	Leasehold improvements HK\$'000	Plant and machinery HK\$'000	Furniture and fixtures HK\$'000	Office equipment HK\$'000	Motor vehicles HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
At cost or valuation:								
At 1st April 2002	22,350	-	2,045	786	744	709	675	27,309
Additions	1,015	3,000	3,180	1,294	671	171	817	10,148
Exchange realignment	(28)	-	-	(4)	(1)	-	(1)	(34)
At 31st March 2003	23,337	3,000	5,225	2,076	1,414	880	1,491	37,423
Depreciation:								
At 1st April 2002	-	-	1,082	13	463	577	168	2,303
Charge for the year	464	-	573	106	158	132	218	1,651
At 31st March 2003	464	-	1,655	119	621	709	386	3,954
Carrying amount:								
At 31st March 2003	22,873	3,000	3,570	1,957	793	171	1,105	33,469
At 31st March 2002	22,350	-	963	773	281	132	507	25,006

As at 31st March 2003, land and buildings which are situated in Hong Kong and the PRC and motor vehicles with carrying amounts of approximately HK\$22,873,000 (2002: HK\$15,500,000) and HK\$774,000 (2002: Nil) respectively were pledged to banks under fixed charges for general banking facilities granted to the Group.

As at 31st March 2002, the Group's land and buildings were revalued by an independent valuer, DTZ Debenham Tie Leung Limited, on their open market value. DTZ Debenham Tie Leung Limited is a member of the Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors. The directors consider that there was no material impairment loss in respect of the Group's land and buildings existed as at 31st March 2003.

Apart from the Group's land and buildings brought forward at 1st April 2002 which are stated at valuation, all other property, plant and equipment are stated at cost.

At 31st March 2003, had the Group's land and buildings been carried at historical cost less accumulated depreciation, their carrying amount would have been approximately HK\$21,048,000 (2002: HK\$20,519,000).

The carrying amount of the Group's land and buildings comprises:

	2003 HK\$'000	2002 HK\$'000
In Hong Kong, held under long-term leases	15,269	15,500
Outside Hong Kong, held under medium-term leases	7,604	6,850
	22,873	22,350

The carrying amount of the Group's motor vehicles includes an amount of HK\$774,000 (2002: Nil) in respect of assets held under finance leases.

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18. INVESTMENTS IN SUBSIDIARIES

	Company 2003 HK\$'000
Unlisted shares, at cost	42,769
Due from subsidiaries	27,023
	69,792

The balances with subsidiaries are unsecured, interest-free and have no fixed terms of repayment.

Particulars of the principal subsidiaries of the Company are as follows:

Name of company	Place of incorporation/ establishment and operation	Particulars of issued and paid-up share capital/ registered capital	Percentage of equity attributable to the Company	Principal activities
Falcon Vision Limited	British Virgin Islands	Ordinary US\$1,000	100%	Investment holding
Rontex Holdings Limited	Hong Kong	Ordinary HK\$100,000	100%	Trading of garment products
Ronco Trading Company Limited	Hong Kong	Ordinary HK\$1,000,000	100%	Trading of premium products and investment holding
Take Luck Development Limited	Hong Kong	Ordinary HK\$10,000	100%	Property holding and investment holding
Sunexpress Limited	British Virgin Islands	Ordinary US\$1	100%	Provision of marketing and sales support services

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18. INVESTMENTS IN SUBSIDIARIES (continued)

Name of company	Place of incorporation/ establishment and operation	Particulars of issued and paid-up share capital/ registered capital	Percentage of equity attributable to the Company	Principal activities
寧波朗迪紡織品有限公司* (Rontex Co., Ltd.)	People's Republic of China	Registered capital US\$700,000	100%	Manufacture and sale of garment products
湖州朗迪毛衫有限公司** (Huzhou Ronco Sweater Co., Ltd.)	People's Republic of China	Registered capital US\$1,209,000	52%	Manufacture and sale of garment products

* Rontex Co., Ltd. was formed as a wholly foreign-owned enterprise in the People's Republic of China.

** Huzhou Ronco Sweater Co., Ltd. ("Huzhou Ronco") was formed as a Chinese-foreign equity joint venture in the People's Republic of China. As at 31st March 2003, its paid-up capital was Nil and the percentage of voting power held by the Company is 57%. Huzhou Ronco has not commenced business as at 31st March 2003 and up to the date of approval of these financial statements.

Except Falcon Vision Limited, which is directly owned by the Company, all other subsidiaries are indirectly held.

The above table lists the subsidiaries of the Company which, in the opinion of the directors, principally affected the results for the year or formed a substantial portion of the net assets of the Group. To give details of other subsidiaries would, in the opinion of the directors, result in particulars of excessive length.

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19. INTERESTS IN AN ASSOCIATE

	Group	
	2003 HK\$'000	2002 HK\$'000
Share of net assets	9,309	8,797
Loans to an associate	3,286	2,854
	12,595	11,651

The balances with the associate are unsecured. Other than an amount of approximately HK\$1,891,000 at 31st March 2003 which carries interest at 5% per annum for the setting up of production facilities, the balances are interest-free and have no fixed repayment terms and are used for general working capital purposes. In the opinion of the directors, the amounts are unlikely to be repaid within one year from the balance sheet date and are therefore classified as non-current.

Particulars of the associate are as follows:

Name of company	Business structure	Place of establishment/ registration and operation	Percentage of equity interest attributable to the Group	Principal activities
北京朗迪服装有限公司 (Beijing Rontex Garments Co., Limited)	Corporate	People's Republic of China	40%	Manufacture and sale of garment products

Note: As at 31st March 2002, the land and buildings of the associate was valued on an open market basis by an independent valuer, DTZ Debenham Tei Leung Limited, at a total of HK\$20,600,000. Based on the revaluation, the directors consider that a revaluation surplus of HK\$15,478,000 existed as at 31st March 2002. Of this amount, approximately HK\$6,191,000 is attributable to the Group's share in the associate for the year ended 31st March 2002 and 2003. The directors consider that there was no material impairment loss in respect of the land and buildings of the associate existed as at 31st March 2003.

20. INVESTMENT IN SECURITIES

	Group	
	2003 HK\$'000	2002 HK\$'000
Investments securities:		
Unlisted equity securities, at cost	600	600

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21. INVENTORIES

	Group	
	2003 HK\$'000	2002 HK\$'000
Raw materials	4,160	461
Work in progress	981	–
Finished goods	2,740	–
	7,881	461

As at 31st March 2003, no inventories were stated at net realisable value (2002: Nil).

22. TRADE RECEIVABLES

An ageing analysis of trade receivables (net of provisions for bad and doubtful debts) at the balance sheet date is as follows:

	Group	
	2003 HK\$'000	2002 HK\$'000
0 – 30 days	5,427	3,701
31 – 60 days	866	1,933
61 – 90 days	393	243
Over 90 days	423	656
	7,109	6,533

More than 90% of the sales to the Group's customers were covered by at sight letters of credit. The remaining portion of sales to the Group's customers were on open account basis with average credit terms of 30 days.

23. INTEREST-BEARING BANK BORROWINGS

	Group	
	2003 HK\$'000	2002 HK\$'000
Bank overdrafts, secured	–	209
Short-term bank loans, secured	2,876	–
	2,876	209
Bank loans and overdrafts repayable within one year	2,876	209

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24. AMOUNT DUE TO A DIRECTOR

The balance with a director was unsecured, interest-free and fully settled during the year.

25. TRADE PAYABLES

An ageing analysis of trade payables at the balance sheet date is as follows:

	Group	
	2003 HK\$'000	2002 HK\$'000
0 – 30 days	4,777	2,597
31 – 60 days	404	256
61 – 90 days	570	85
Over 90 days	42	22
	<u>5,793</u>	<u>2,960</u>

26. FINANCE LEASE PAYABLES

The Group leases certain of its plant and machinery for its manufacturing of garment products business. These leases are classified as finance leases and have remaining lease terms of two years.

At 31st March 2003, the total future minimum lease payments under finance leases and their present values were as follows:

Group

	Minimum lease payments		Present value of minimum lease payments	
	2003 HK\$'000	2002 HK\$'000	2003 HK\$'000	2002 HK\$'000
Amounts payable:				
Within one year	232	–	208	–
In the second year	236	–	225	–
	<u>468</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>433</u>	<u>–</u>
Less: Future finance charges	(35)	–	–	–
	<u>433</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>433</u>	<u>–</u>
Portion classified as current liabilities			208	–
Non-current portion			225	–

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27. SHARE CAPITAL

The following movements in the Company's authorised and issued share capital took place during the period from 7th June 2002 (date of incorporation) to 31st March 2003:

- (a) On incorporation, the authorised share capital of the Company was HK\$200,000 divided into 20,000,000 shares of HK\$0.01 each. On 20th June 2002, 10,000,000 shares were allotted and issued at nil paid.
- (b) On 19th October 2002, the authorised share capital of the Company was increased from HK\$200,000 to HK\$100,000,000 by the creation of 9,980,000,000 additional shares of HK\$0.01 each, ranking pari passu with the then existing share capital of the Company.
- (c) On 19th October 2002, as part of the Group Reorganisation described in note 1 to the financial statements, the Company (i) issued an aggregate of 10,000,000 new shares of HK\$0.01 each in the share capital of the Company, credited as fully paid at par; and (ii) credited as fully paid at par the existing 10,000,000 shares issued nil paid on 20th June 2002 as set out in (a) above, in consideration of and in exchange for the acquisition of the entire issued share capital of Falcon Vision. The excess of the fair value of the shares of Falcon Vision, determined on the basis of the consolidated net assets of Falcon Vision at that date over the nominal value of the Company's shares issued in exchange therefore and the capitalisation of the 10,000,000 shares allotted and issued nil paid, amounting of HK\$42,569,000, was credited to the Company's contributed surplus as detailed in note 28 to the financial statements.
- (d) On 4th November 2002, a total of 144,000,000 shares of HK\$0.01 each were allotted as fully paid at par to the holders of the shares whose names appeared on the register of members of the Company in proportion to their then respective shareholdings at the close of business on 19th October 2002, by way of capitalisation of the sum of HK\$1,440,000 standing to the credit of the share premium account of the Company, conditional on the share premium account being credited as a result of the new issue and placing of shares to the public and placees as detailed in (e) below.
- (e) On 6th November 2002, a total of 36,000,000 shares of HK\$0.01 each were issued to the public at a price of HK\$1.00 each for a total cash consideration, before related expenses, of HK\$36,000,000.

A summary of the above movements in the issued share capital of the Company is as follows:

	Notes	Number of shares issued	Par value HK\$'000
Shares allotted and issued nil paid	(a)	10,000,000	–
Shares issued as consideration for the acquisition of the entire share capital of Falcon Vision	(c)	10,000,000	100
Application of contributed surplus to paid up nil paid shares	(c)	–	100
Capitalisation issue credited as fully paid conditional on the share premium account of the Company being credited as a result of the issue of new shares to the public	(d)	144,000,000	–
Pro forma issued share capital as at 1st April 2001 and 31st March 2002		164,000,000	200
New issue and placing of shares to the public	(e)	36,000,000	360
Capitalisation of the share premium account as set out above	(d)	–	1,440
Issued share capital as at 31st March 2003		200,000,000	2,000

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27. SHARE CAPITAL (continued)

Share option scheme

The Company operates a share option scheme (the "Scheme"), further details of which are set out under the heading "Equity compensation benefits" in note 14 to the financial statements.

28. RESERVES

Group

	Share premium HK\$'000	Contributed surplus HK\$'000 <i>(note 28(a))</i>	Exchange reserve HK\$'000	Revaluation reserve HK\$'000	Retained profits HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
At 1st April 2001	–	918	73	11,332	15,987	28,310
Profit for the year	–	–	–	–	22,638	22,638
Dividends paid <i>(note 12)</i>	–	–	–	–	(9,500)	(9,500)
Exchange realignment	–	–	(12)	–	–	(12)
Dilution of interests in an associate <i>(note 28(b))</i>	–	–	–	(3,010)	–	(3,010)
Deficits on revaluation	–	–	–	(300)	–	(300)
At 31st March 2002	–	918	61	8,022	29,125	38,126
At 1st April 2002	–	918	61	8,022	29,125	38,126
Issue of shares	35,640	–	–	–	–	35,640
Share issue expenses	(8,129)	–	–	–	–	(8,129)
Capitalisation issue <i>(note 27(d))</i>	(1,440)	–	–	–	–	(1,440)
Profit for the year	–	–	–	–	30,235	30,235
Dividends paid <i>(note 12)</i>	–	–	–	–	(13,000)	(13,000)
Exchange realignment	–	–	(39)	–	–	(39)
At 31st March 2003	26,071	918	22	8,022	46,360	81,393
Reserves retained by:						
Company and subsidiaries	26,071	918	22	1,831	45,130	73,972
Associate	–	–	–	6,191	1,230	7,421
At 31st March 2003	26,071	918	22	8,022	46,360	81,393
Company and subsidiaries	–	918	61	1,831	28,407	31,217
Associate	–	–	–	6,191	718	6,909
At 31st March 2002	–	918	61	8,022	29,125	38,126

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28. RESERVES (continued)

Company

	Share premium HK\$'000	Contributed surplus HK\$'000 <i>(note 28(a))</i>	Retained profits HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Arising on acquisition of				
Falcon Vision <i>(note 27(c))</i>	–	42,569	–	42,569
Issue of shares	35,640	–	–	35,640
Share issue expenses	(8,129)	–	–	(8,129)
Capitalisation issue <i>(note 27(d))</i>	(1,440)	–	–	(1,440)
Profit for the year	–	–	2,800	2,800
Interim dividend paid <i>(note 12)</i>	–	–	(3,000)	(3,000)
At 31st March 2003	26,071	42,569	(200)	68,440

Notes:

- (a) The contributed surplus of the Group represents the difference between the nominal value of share capital of the subsidiaries acquired pursuant to the Group Reorganisation, as set out in note 1 to the financial statements, over the nominal value of the shares of the Company issued in exchange therefor.

The contributed surplus of the Company represents the excess of the fair value of the subsidiaries acquired pursuant to the Group Reorganisation over the nominal value of the shares of the Company issued in exchange therefor.

Under the Companies Law (2001 Second Revision) of the Cayman Islands, the contributed surplus account is distributable to the shareholders of the Company under certain circumstances.

- (b) On 6th March 2002, the registered and paid-up capital of Beijing Rontex Garments Co., Limited ("Rontex (Beijing)") increased from US\$444,550 to US\$611,255 while the capital contribution by the Group remained unchanged. Accordingly, the Group's interest in Rontex (Beijing) was diluted from 55% to 40% with effect from the same date.

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29. OPERATING LEASE ARRANGEMENTS

The Group leases office properties under operating arrangement which is negotiated for terms of two years.

At 31st March 2003, the Group had total future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases falling due as follows:

	Group	
	2003 HK\$'000	2002 HK\$'000
Within one year	180	–

As at 31st March 2003, the Company did not have any significant operating lease commitments.

30. DISPOSAL OF A SUBSIDIARY

	2003 HK\$'000	2002 HK\$'000
Net assets disposed of:		
Cash on hand	8	–
Gain or loss on disposal	–	–
Consideration satisfied by cash	8	–
Net cash flow arising on disposal	–	–

During the year, the Group disposed a subsidiary, Ever Gold Limited, which did not contribute significantly to the Group's cash flows. The subsidiary disposed did not have material impact on the Group's results as a whole, as the Group has assigned all operations of marketing and sales support services to a newly incorporated subsidiary, Sunexpress Limited.

31. NON-CASH TRANSACTIONS

During the year, the Group entered into the following major non-cash transactions:

- (a) the Group Reorganisation in preparation for the public listing of the Company's shares involved the acquisition of Falcon Vision by the issue of the shares of the Company, further details of which are set out in notes 1 and 27 to the financial statements; and
- (b) the Group entered into finance lease arrangements in respect of assets with a total capital value at the inception of the leases of HK\$532,000 (2002: Nil).

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32. PLEDGE OF ASSETS

As at 31st March 2003, the Group had obtained aggregate banking facilities which were secured/guaranteed by the followings:

- (1) legal charges on the Group's certain land and buildings located in Hong Kong and in the PRC with an aggregate net book value of approximately HK\$22,873,000 (2002: HK\$15,500,000);
- (2) cross guarantees among the subsidiaries of the Group;
- (3) assignment of documentary credit issued in favour of a subsidiary;
- (4) an unlimited joint and several guarantee provided by the directors

Subsequent to 31st March, 2003, the Group received confirmation from the relevant banks and lessor to the effect that (a) the guarantee stated in (4) above will be released subject to several conditions and (b) a corporate guarantee provided by the Company.

33. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

As at 31st March 2003, the Group had contingent liabilities in respect of the following:

	2003 HK\$'000	2002 HK\$'000
Contingent liabilities arising from bills of exchange discounted with recourse	2,842	8,160
Long service payment	46	80
	2,888	8,240

The Group is liable to make long service payment upon the termination of employment of certain employees who have completed the required number of years of services and met the required circumstances under the Employment Ordinance. No provision has been made for this account in the financial statements as it is expected that the amounts will not crystallise in the foreseeable future.

As at 31st March 2003, the Company did not have any material contingent liabilities.

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34. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

At 31st March, 2003, the Group had the following commitments which were not provided for in the consolidated balance sheet:

	Group	
	2003	2002
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Authorised and contracted for in respect of capital contribution in a subsidiary in the PRC	4,893	1,007
Authorised and contracted for in respect of acquisition of fixed assets	–	1,669
	4,893	2,676

As at 31st March 2003, the Company did not have any significant capital commitments.

35. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On 28th July 2003, the directors of the Company proposed to grant bonus shares on the basis of one bonus ordinary share for every one existing share in the issued share capital of the Company held by the shareholders whose names appeared on the register of members of the Company on 18th September 2003.

36. AUTHORISATION FOR ISSUE OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board of directors on 28th July 2003.