The directors are pleased to present the Group's interim report and the condensed consolidated financial statements for the six months ended 31 December 2003. The consolidated profit and loss account, the condensed consolidated cash flow statement and the consolidated statement of changes in equity for the six months ended 31 December 2003, and the consolidated balance sheet as at 31 December 2003 of the Group, all of which are unaudited, along with selected explanatory notes, are set out on pages 7 to 23 of this report.

The consolidated profit and loss account for the period ended 31 December 2002 has been restated as set out in note 1 (a) to these financial statements.

## **CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT**

For the six months ended 31 December 2003

		Unaudited six months en 31 December		
		31 De		
		0000	Restated	
	Note	2003 \$000	2002 \$000	
Turnover	2	1,548,800	1,453,714	
Cost of goods sold and services provided		(522,538)	(439,014	
Gross profit		1,026,262	1,014,700	
Other operating expenses		(782,990)	(818,111	
Operating profit	4	243,272	196,589	
Interest income	5	33,421	41,889	
Interest expense	5	(340)	_	
Profit before taxation		276,353	238,478	
Taxation	6	(38,966)	(14,211	
Profit after taxation		237,387	224,267	
Minority interest		(2,241)	(1,122	
Profit attributable to shareholders	17	235,146	223,145	
Dividends				
In respect of the period	7	116,953	116,603	
Attributable to prior years paid in the period	7	2,205,757	40,777	
Earnings per share				
Basic	8	\$0.40	\$0.38	
Diluted	8	\$0.40	N/A	
EBITDA	9	448,327	393,917	

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## **CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET**

As at 31 December 2003 and 30 June 2003

	Note	Unaudited 31 December 2003 \$000	Restated 30 June 2003 \$000
Non-current assets			
Fixed assets	10	1,698,522	1,703,220
Deferred tax assets		8,403	8,417
nterest in an associate		3,050	3,050
nvestments	11	1,488,174	701,092
Deferred expenditure		14,904	7,554
		3,213,053	2,423,333
Current assets			
nventories		56,711	29,605
nvestments		191,445	53,387
rade receivables	12	160,061	103,200
Deposits and prepayments		88,430	100,993
Other receivables		32,075	25,034
Cash and bank balances	13	697,801	3,212,864
		1,226,523	3,525,083
Current liabilities			
rade payables	14	134,376	145,902
Other payables and accruals		301,482	297,482
Customers' deposits		25,545	26,878
Deferred income		70,700	78,058
Insecured bank borrowings		420,000	_
		952,103	548,320
Vet current assets		274,420	2,976,763
otal assets less current liabilities		3,487,473	5,400,096
Non-current liabilities			
Deferred tax liabilities		96,955	58,003
Minority interest		22,712	20,471
Net assets		3,367,806	5,321,622
Capital and reserves			
Share capital	15	58,508	58,301
Reserves	17	3,309,298	5,263,321
Shareholders' funds		3,367,806	5,321,622

# **CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT**

For the six months ended 31 December 2003

		Unaudited six months en 31 December	
		2003	2002
	Note	\$000	\$000
Net cash inflow from operating activities		352,904	407,057
Investing activities			
Purchases of fixed assets, net of disposals		(181,756)	(188,669
Deferred expenditure		(17,599)	(7,607
Purchases of held-to-maturity			
debt securities, net of redemptions		(930,241)	(385,878
Purchase of equity securities, net of repayment		(3,611)	(4,194
Interest received		34,427	42,423
Net cash outflow from investing activities		(1,098,780)	(543,92
Financing activities			
Repurchases of shares		(2,397)	(14,45
Contribution from a minority shareholder			
to a subsidiary company		_	3,26
Decrease in pledges of bank deposits		57,545	105,95
Proceeds from new bank loans		420,000	-
Proceeds from shares issued under option scheme	19,192	-	
Dividends paid	(2,205,757)	(26,28	
Interest paid	(225)	_	
Net cash (outflow)/inflow from financing activities		(1,711,642)	68,48
Decrease in cash and cash equivalents		(2,457,518)	(68,38
Cash and cash equivalents			
at the beginning of the period		2,820,725	2,418,10
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period		363,207	2,349,71
Analysis of cash and cash equivalents			
Cash and bank balances	13	697,801	2,769,16
Less: pledged bank deposits	13	(334,594)	(419,44
		363,207	2,349,71

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## **CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY**

For the six months ended 31 December 2003

	Share capital	Share premium \$000	Capital redemption reserve \$000	Contributed surplus	Retained profits \$000	Total \$000
	ΨΟΟΟ	ΨΟΟΟ	Ψ000	Ψ000	Ψ000	Ψ000
1 July 2003, as						
previously reported	58,301	4,218,517	2,461	199,800	893,016	5,372,095
Adoption of SSAP 12						
(revised) (note 1a)		_	_	_	(50,473)	(50,473)
1 July 2003, restated	58,301	4,218,517	2,461	199,800	842,543	5,321,622
Exercise of share options	207	18,985	_	_	_	19,192
Repurchases of shares	_	_	_	(2,365)	(32)	(2,397)
Cancellation of share premium	_	(4,237,502)	_	4,237,502	_	_
Payment of 2003 final dividend	_	_	_	_	(157,972)	(157,972)
Payment of special cash dividend	_	_	_	(2,047,785)	_	(2,047,785)
Profit for the period	_	_	_	_	235,146	235,146
31 December 2003	58,508	_	2,461	2,387,152	919,685	3,367,806

For the six months ended 31 December 2002

			Capital			
	Share	Share	redemption	Contributed	Retained	
	capital	premium	reserve	surplus	profits	Total
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
1 July 2002, as						
previously reported	58,435	4,229,260	2,150	199,800	642,892	5,132,537
Adoption of SSAP 12						
(revised) (note 1a)	_	_	_	_	(20,993)	(20,993)
1 July 2002, restated	58,435	4,229,260	2,150	199,800	621,899	5,111,544
Repurchases of shares	(182)	(14,270)	182	_	(182)	(14,452)
Issue of new shares in lieu						
of cash dividend	177	14,316	_	_	(14,493)	_
Payment of 2002 final dividend	_	_	_	_	(26,284)	(26,284)
Profit for the period				_	223,144	223,144
31 December 2002, restated	58,430	4,229,306	2,332	199,800	804,084	5,293,952

### NOTES TO CONDENSED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the six months ended 31 December 2003

#### 1 BASIS OF PREPARATION AND THE PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The basis of preparation and principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these unaudited consolidated condensed interim financial statements ('interim financial statements') are set out below:

## (a) Basis of preparation

These interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Statement of Standard Accounting Practice ('SSAP') 25, 'Interim Financial Reporting', issued by the Hong Kong Society of Accountants.

The accounting policies and methods of computation used in the preparation of these interim financial statements are consistent with those used in the annual financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2003 except that the Group has adopted the revised SSAP 12, 'Income Taxes' which is effective for accounting periods commencing on or after 1 January 2003. Pursuant to the revised SSAP 12, the Group has adopted a new accounting policy for deferred taxation which is set out below in note 1b.

The new accounting policy for deferred taxation has been adopted retrospectively and comparative figures have been restated accordingly. The material financial impact of the new accounting policy on these interim financial statements of the Group is as follows:

- The minority interest share of profit after taxation for the six months ended 31 December 2002 has been increased by \$443,000 and for the six months ended 31 December 2003 reduced by \$395,000.
- The profit attributable to shareholders for the six months ended 31 December 2002 and 2003 has been reduced by \$14,654,000 and \$38,571,000 respectively.
- Opening reserves at 1 July 2002 and 2003 have been reduced by \$20,993,000 and \$50,473,000 respectively.
- A deferred tax asset of \$8,403,000 (30 June 2003: \$8,417,000) and deferred tax liability of \$96,955,000 (30 June 2003: \$58,003,000) have been included in the Group's balance sheet at 31 December 2003.

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## NOTES TO CONDENSED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

For the six months ended 31 December 2003

#### 1 BASIS OF PREPARATION AND THE PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

### (b) Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided in full, using the liability method, on temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements. The principal temporary differences arise from depreciation on fixed assets and tax losses carried forward. Taxation rates enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date are used to determine deferred taxation.

Deferred taxation assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilised.

Deferred taxation is provided on temporary differences arising on investments in subsidiaries and associates except where the timing of the reversal of the temporary differences can be controlled and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

In prior years, 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. The adoption of the revised SSAP 12 represents a change in accounting policy.

The interim financial statements should be read in conjunction with the annual financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2003.

## 2 TURNOVER

The Group is principally engaged in the provision of mobile telecommunications and related services and the sale of mobile telephones and accessories. Revenues recognised during the period are as follows:

	Six mon	Six months ended		
	31 December			
	2003	2002		
	\$000	\$000		
Mobile and international telecommunications services	1,216,813	1,180,835		
Mobile telephone and accessory sales	331,987	260,814		
Internet services		12,065		
	1,548,800	1,453,714		