Consolidated Profit and Loss Account

For the year ended 31 December 2003

	Note	2003 HK\$'000	2002 HK\$'000
Turnover	2	42,630,510	37,281,360
Cost of sales		(38,853,585)	(33,998,139)
Gross profit		3,776,925	3,283,221
Other revenues	2	166,495	135,887
Total margin		3,943,420	3,419,108
Selling expenses		(585,111)	(496,986)
Merchandising expenses		(1,756,875)	(1,529,451)
Administrative expenses		(281,218)	(245,808)
Core operating profit		1,320,216	1,146,863
Amortisation of goodwill		(26,210)	(12,258)
Net investment loss		(8,054)	-
Operating profit	3	1,285,952	1,134,605
Interest income	2	38,373	49,581
Interest expenses	4	(9,813)	(8,987)
Share of profits less losses of associated companies		2,015	393
Profit before taxation		1,316,527	1,175,592
Taxation	5	(105,513)	(94,896)
Profit after taxation		1,211,014	1,080,696
Minority interests		12,104	(228)
Profit attributable to shareholders	6 & 22	1,223,118	1,080,468
Basic earnings per share	8	42.3 HK cents	37.4 HK cents