## OPERATING ACTIVITIES

| Profit (loss) from operations | 463,252 | $(113,617)$ |
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| Adjustments for: |  |  |
| Interest income | $(54,419)$ | $(23,404)$ |
| (Gain) loss on disposal of investment properties | $(72,857)$ | 364,508 |
| (Write back of) allowance for properties held for sale | $(21,659)$ | 6,403 |
| Realised gain on disposal of investments in securities | $(2,300)$ | (418) |
| Gain on deemed disposal of an associate | $(2,175)$ | - |
| Unrealised holding loss on investments in trading securities | 155 | 5,549 |
| Impairment loss reversed in respect of loan to a jointly controlled entity | - | $(8,403)$ |
| Gain on disposal of a subsidiary | - | $(3,745)$ |
| Impairment loss on investments in non-trading securities | - | 68,017 |
| Loss on dilution of interests in subsidiaries | - | 6,348 |
| Amortisation of transaction costs on bank loans | 1,200 | 1,200 |
| Bad debts written off | 376 | 1,303 |
| Depreciation and amortisation | 3,750 | 3,976 |
| Loss (gain) on disposal of property, plant and equipment | 967 | $(1,244)$ |
| Gain on repurchase of preference convertible promissory notes | $(15,600)$ | - |
| Release of negative goodwill | $(56,510)$ | $(17,240)$ |
| Operating cash flows before movements in working capital | 244,180 | 289,233 |
| Decrease (increase) in inventories | 6,641 | $(1,187)$ |
| Increase in properties held for sale | $(16,582)$ | $(86,662)$ |
| Decrease in other investments | - | 17,613 |
| (Increase) decrease in debtors, deposits and prepayments | $(98,426)$ | 78,936 |
| Decrease in amounts due from associates | - | 796 |
| (Decrease) increase in creditors, deposits received and accrued charges | (556) | 16,278 |
| Increase (decrease) in sales deposits on properties for sale received | 71,902 | $(70,851)$ |
| Cash generated from operations | 207,159 | 244,156 |
| Interest received | 50,809 | 21,284 |
| Interest and facilities charges paid on bank and other borrowings | $(177,109)$ | $(205,915)$ |
| Interest paid on obligations under finance leases | - | (208) |
| Dividends paid | $(20,450)$ | $(51,125)$ |
| Hong Kong Profits Tax paid | $(9,016)$ | $(9,768)$ |
| Overseas tax (paid) refunded | $(5,989)$ | 2,709 |
| CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES | 45,404 | 1,133 |


|  | Notes | $\begin{array}{r} 2003 \\ H K \$^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2002 \\ H K \$ \$^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ |
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| INVESTING ACTIVITIES |  |  |  |
| Proceeds on disposal of investment properties |  | 2,169,815 | 669,149 |
| Decrease in pledged bank deposits |  | 88,089 | 881,202 |
| Repayment of other loans receivable |  | 79,646 | - |
| Dividend received from an associate |  | 5,226 | 2,495 |
| Proceeds on disposal of investments in securities |  | 4,968 | 15,285 |
| Proceeds on disposal of property, plant and equipment |  | 2,369 | 11,023 |
| Repayment from (advance to) jointly controlled entities |  | 66 | (62) |
| Purchase of further interests in subsidiaries |  | $(707,049)$ | - |
| Purchase of property, plant and equipment |  | $(131,730)$ | $(7,868)$ |
| Purchase of investment properties |  | $(15,229)$ | $(75,104)$ |
| Payment of provision for rental guarantees |  | $(9,912)$ | - |
| Loan to an associate |  | $(2,020)$ | - |
| Addition of other loans receivable |  | (480) | $(87,147)$ |
| Purchase of investments in securities |  | (7) | $(11,308)$ |
| Repayment of loan from a jointly controlled entity |  | - | 47,040 |
| Purchase of subsidiaries (net of cash and cash equivalents acquired) | 41 | - | 33,318 |
| Disposal of a subsidiary (net of cash and cash equivalents disposed) | 42 | - | $(4,584)$ |
| NET CASH FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES |  | 1,483,752 | 1,473,439 |
| FINANCING ACTIVITIES |  |  |  |
| Repayment of bank and other loans |  | $(1,854,191)$ | $(2,757,578)$ |
| (Repayment to) advances from minority shareholders |  | $(45,893)$ | 50,576 |
| Dividends paid to minority shareholders |  | $(27,170)$ | $(52,060)$ |
| Repayment to associates |  | $(3,272)$ | $(7,777)$ |
| Repayment of obligations under finance leases |  | $(2,683)$ | $(1,367)$ |
| Funds received from bank and other loans |  | 1,331,836 | 1,680,945 |
| Decrease in other payables |  | - | $(4,715)$ |
| Repurchase of shares of a subsidiary |  | - | $(4,171)$ |
| NET CASH USED IN FINANCING ACTIVITIES |  | $(601,373)$ | $(1,096,147)$ |
| NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS |  | 927,783 | 378,425 |
| CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF THE YEAR |  | 722,825 | 355,971 |
| Effect of foreign exchange rate changes |  | 160,624 | $(11,571)$ |
| CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF THE YEAR represented by bank balances and deposits |  | 1,811,232 | 722,825 |

