NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 30th June, 2004

1. GENERAL

The Company is a listed public limited liability company incorporated in Hong Kong. Its ultimate holding company is Tsim Sha Tsui Properties Limited, a public limited company incorporated in Hong Kong and listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

The Company acts as an investment holding company. The principal activities of its principal subsidiaries are set out in note 43.

2. ADOPTION OF HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS

In the current year, the Group adopted, for the first time, the following Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standard ("HKFRS") issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA"). The term of HKFRS is inclusive of Statements of Standard Accounting Practice ("SSAP(s)") and Interpretations approved by the HKICPA.

SSAP 12 (Revised)

Income taxes

SSAP 12 (Revised) requires the adoption of a balance sheet liability method, whereby deferred tax is recognised in respect of all temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the financial statements and the corresponding tax bases used in the computation of taxable profit, with limited exceptions. In the absence of any specific transitional requirements in SSAP 12 (Revised), the revised accounting policy has been applied retrospectively. Comparative amounts have been restated accordingly. As a result of this change in accounting policy, the balance of retained profits at 30th June, 2003 has been decreased by HK\$102,765,004 (at 30th June, 2002: HK\$86,883,006, representing the cumulative effect of the change in policy on the results for periods prior to 1st July, 2002). The Group's interests in associates at 30th June, 2004 have been decreased by HK\$81,832,306 (at 30th June, 2003: HK\$70,520,521). This change in accounting policy has also resulted in an increase in taxation and share of taxation attributable to associates for the year ended 30th June, 2004 of HK\$7,770,860 (2003: HK\$3,948,549) and HK\$7,651,845 (2003: HK\$8,273,509), respectively. The goodwill arising from the acquisition of an associate for the year ended 30th June, 1997 has been increased from HK\$179,717,551 to HK\$252,916,351 and the net amortisation charge of goodwill for the year ended 30th June, 2004 has been increased by HK\$3,659,940 (2003: HK\$3,659,940).

3. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified for the revaluation of investment properties and investments in securities.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in Hong Kong. The principal accounting policies adopted are as follows:

Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries made up to 30th June each year.

The results of subsidiaries acquired or disposed of during the year are included in the consolidated income statement from the effective date of acquisition or up to the effective date of disposal as appropriate.

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

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3. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Goodwill

Goodwill arising on consolidation represents the excess of the cost of acquisition over the Group's interest in the fair value of the identifiable assets and liabilities of an associate at the date of acquisition. Goodwill arising on the acquisition of an associate is included within the carrying amount of the associate and amortised on a straight line basis over its useful economic life.

Negative goodwill

Negative goodwill represents the excess of the Group's interest in the fair value of the identifiable assets and liabilities of an associate at the date of acquisition over the cost of acquisition.

Negative goodwill arising on the acquisition of an associate is deducted from the carrying value of that associate and is released to income based on an analysis of the circumstances from which the balance resulted.

To the extent that the negative goodwill is attributable to losses or expenses anticipated at the date of acquisition, it is released to income in the period in which those losses or expenses arise. The remaining negative goodwill is recognised as income on a straight line basis over the remaining average useful life of the identifiable acquired depreciable assets. To the extent that such negative goodwill exceeds the aggregate fair value of the acquired identifiable non-monetary assets, it is recognised in income immediately.

Investments in subsidiaries

Investments in subsidiaries are included in the Company's balance sheet at cost less any identified impairment loss.

Interests in associates

The consolidated income statement includes the Group's share of the post-acquisition results of its associates for the year. In the consolidated balance sheet, interests in associates are stated at the Group's share of the net assets of the associates plus the premium paid and less any discount on acquisition in so far as it has not already been amortised or released to income, less any identified impairment loss.

In the Company's balance sheet, investments in associates are stated at cost, less any identified impairment loss.

Where the accounting dates of the associates are different from the Group's accounting date, their results accounted for in the Group's financial statements are based on their latest audited financial statements and/ or management accounts made up to 30th June in each year.

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3. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Investments in securities

Investments in securities are recognised on a trade date basis and are initially measured at cost.

All securities other than held-to-maturity debt securities are measured at subsequent reporting dates at fair value.

Where securities are held for trading purposes, unrealised gains and losses are included in the profit or loss for the year. For other securities, unrealised gains and losses are dealt with in equity, until the security is disposed of or is determined to be impaired, at which time the cumulative gain or loss previously recognised in equity is included in the net profit or loss for the year.

Investment properties

Investment properties are completed properties which are held for their investment potential, any rental income being negotiated at arm's length.

Investment properties are stated at their open market value based on independent professional valuations at the balance sheet date. Any surplus or deficit arising on the revaluation of investment properties is credited or charged to the investment property revaluation reserve unless the balance of this reserve is insufficient to cover a deficit, in which case the excess of the revaluation deficit over the balance of the investment property revaluation reserve is charged to the income statement. Where a deficit has previously been charged to the income statement and a revaluation surplus subsequently arises, this surplus is credited to the income statement to the extent of the deficit previously charged.

On disposal of an investment property, the balance of the investment property revaluation reserve attributable to that property is transferred to the income statement.

No depreciation is provided on investment properties except where the unexpired term of the relevant lease, including the renewable period, is twenty years or less.

Hotel property

Hotel property is stated at cost and no depreciation is provided on hotel property held on leases of more than twenty years. It is the Group's practice to maintain the properties in a continual state of sound repair and maintenance, and accordingly, the Directors consider that depreciation is not necessary due to their high residual value. The related maintenance expenditure is dealt with in the income statement in the year of expenditure.

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3. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost less depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation is provided to write off the cost of items of property, plant and equipment over their estimated useful lives, using the straight line method, at the following rates per annum:

| Computer system | 20% |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| Furniture, fixtures and equipment | 10% - 20% |
| Leasehold improvements | 20% |
| Motor vehicles | 20% |
| Plant and machinery | 10% – 20% |

The gain or loss arising on the disposal or retirement of an asset is determined as the difference between the sales proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset and is recognised in the income statement.

Impairment

At each balance sheet date, the Group reviews the carrying amounts of its assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If the recoverable amount of an asset is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset is reduced to its recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognised as an expense immediately.

Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but so that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised as income immediately.

Properties under development

Properties under development which are developed for sale are included in current assets at the lower of cost and estimated net realisable value.

Stocks of unsold properties

Stocks of unsold properties are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is determined by apportionment of the total land and development costs attributable to the unsold properties.

Hotel inventories

Hotel inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is calculated using weighted average cost method.

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3. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Other non-current assets

Other non-current assets represent club memberships and are stated at cost less any identified impairment loss.

Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of qualifying assets are capitalised as part of the cost of those assets. Capitalisation of such borrowing costs ceases when the assets are substantially ready for their intended use or sale. Investment income earned on the temporary investment of specific borrowings pending their expenditure on qualifying assets is deducted from the borrowing costs capitalised.

All other borrowing costs are recognised as expenses in the year in which they are incurred.

Deferred loan arrangement fees

Deferred loan arrangement fees are deferred and amortised to the income statement over the repayment term of the loan on a straight line basis to provide a constant periodic rate of charge.

Convertible notes

Convertible notes are stated at the aggregate of the net proceeds from the issue plus finance costs provided.

The net proceeds represent the amount received on the issue of the convertible notes after deduction of direct issue costs. Direct issue costs are amortised to the income statement on a straight line basis over the period from the date of issue to the date on which the noteholders can exercise their redemption option (the "noteholders' redemption date"). If any of the convertible notes are purchased and cancelled, redeemed or converted prior to the noteholders' redemption date, any remaining unamortised costs attributable to the convertible notes purchased will be written off immediately to the income statement.

Finance costs represent the premium that is to be paid to the noteholders upon redemption on or before the noteholders' redemption date. The estimated premium is provided for at a constant rate over the period when the noteholders' redemption option is outstanding and is charged to the income statement. If any of the convertible notes are purchased and cancelled prior to the noteholders' redemption date, any provision of such redemption premium in previous years in respect of the convertible notes purchased or converted will be taken to the income statement.

The gain or loss on purchase of convertible notes, representing the difference between the consideration paid and the nominal value of the convertible notes purchased, is recognised in the income statement.

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3. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Revenue and profit recognition

- (a) Revenue and profit on the sales of properties are recognised upon completion of the sales agreements or transfer of risk and reward of ownership, whichever is earlier.
- (b) Income from properties developed for sale is recognised on the execution of a binding sale agreement or when the relevant occupation permit is issued by the respective building authority, whichever is later. Payments received from the purchasers prior to this stage are recorded as deposits received on sales of properties and presented as current liabilities.
- (c) Sales of listed investments are recognised on a trade date basis.
- (d) Rental income under operating leases is recognised on a straight line basis over the term of the relevant lease.
- (e) Building management and service fee income is recognised on an appropriate basis over the relevant period in which the services are rendered.
- (f) Interest income is accrued on a time basis by reference to the principal outstanding and at the interest rate applicable.
- (g) Where properties are sold under deferred terms, the difference between the sales prices with and without such terms is treated as deferred interest income and is released to the income statement on a straight line basis over the repayment period commencing from the completion of the relevant sales agreements.
- (h) Dividend income from investments is recognised when the Group's rights to receive payment have been established.
- (i) Hotel income is recognised when services are provided.

Taxation

Income tax expense represents the sum of the tax currently payable and deferred tax.

The tax currently payable is based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit differs from net profit as reported in the income statement because it excludes items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years and it further excludes income statement items that are never taxable or deductible.

Deferred tax is the tax expected to be payable or recoverable on differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the financial statements and the corresponding tax bases used in the computation of taxable profit, and is accounted for using the balance sheet liability method. Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognised for all taxable temporary differences, and deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which deductible temporary differences can be utilised. Such assets and liabilities are not recognised if the temporary difference arises from goodwill (or negative goodwill) or from the initial recognition (other than in a business combination) of other assets and liabilities in a transaction that affects neither the taxable profit nor the accounting profit.

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3. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Taxation (Continued)

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for taxable temporary differences arising on investments in subsidiaries and associates, except where the Group is able to control the reversal of the temporary difference and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at each balance sheet date and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the asset to be recovered.

Deferred tax is calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period when the liability is settled or the asset is realised. Deferred tax is charged or credited in the income statement, except when it relates to items charged or credited directly to equity, in which case the deferred tax is also dealt with in equity.

Foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are initially recorded at the rates of exchange prevailing on the dates of the transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are re-translated into Hong Kong dollars at the rates prevailing on the balance sheet date. Profits and losses arising on exchange are included in the net profit or loss for the year.

On consolidation, the assets and liabilities of the Group's operations outside Hong Kong are translated at exchange rates prevailing on the balance sheet date. Income and expense items are translated at the average exchange rates for the period. Exchange differences arising, if any, are classified as equity and transferred to the Group's exchange reserve. Such translation differences are recognised as income or as expenses in the period in which the operation is disposed of.

Retirement benefits costs

Payments to the retirement benefits schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

4. TURNOVER

| | 2004 <i>HK\$</i> | 2003 <i>HK\$</i> |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|
| | | |
| Sales of properties held for sale | 2,592,400,047 | 2,523,490,191 |
| Gross rental income from properties | 830,446,466 | 830,293,109 |
| Building management and service fee income | 421,210,100 | 392,981,569 |
| Hotel operations | 253,072,006 | 196,670,559 |
| Interest income from loans receivable | 54,277,759 | 102,321,162 |
| Sales of investment properties | 19,727,900 | 92,233,000 |
| Dividend income | | |
| listed investments | 49,824,480 | 34,955,519 |
| unlisted investments | 9,282,031 | 10,529,661 |
| | 4,230,240,789 | 4,183,474,770 |

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5. BUSINESS AND GEOGRAPHICAL SEGMENTS

Business segments

For management purposes, the Group is currently organised into five operating divisions – property, security, financing, hotel and building management and services. These operating divisions are the basis on which the Group reports its primary segment information as follows:

INCOME STATEMENT

For the year ended 30th June, 2004

| Building management Property Security Financing Hotel and services Elimin. HK\$ HK\$ HK\$ HK\$ HK\$ HK\$ | tion Consolidated HK\$ HK\$ |
|---|--------------------------------|
| REVENUE Turnover | |
| Property rental 830,446,466 — — — — — | — 830,446,466 |
| Property sales 2,612,127,947 — — — — — | - 2,612,127,947 |
| Hotel operations — — — — — — 253,072,006 — | — 253,072,006 |
| Management services 66,054,225 — — — 355,155,875 Share investment and | — 421,210,100 |
| dealing — 59,106,511 — — — — | — 59,106,511 |
| Financing | 54,277,759 |
| 3,508,628,638 59,106,511 54,277,759 253,072,006 355,155,875 | — 4,230,240,789 |
| Other operating income 12,278,730 3,768,818 481,324 — 19,167,511 | — 35,696,383 |
| Inter-segment sales * | ,618) |
| Total revenue 3,520,907,368 62,875,329 54,759,083 253,072,006 399,017,004 (24,69) | ,618) 4,265,937,172 |
| SEGMENT RESULT 1,123,056,933 124,502,009 54,759,083 120,590,142 145,681,172 | — 1,568,589,339 |
| Unallocated corporate expenses | (344,679,005) |
| Profit from operations | 1,223,910,334 |
| Net finance costs Results attributable to | (74,626,117) |
| associates 465,822,625 (22,195) (1,151,350) 43,365,281 2,124,794 | — 510,139,155 |
| Loss on disposal of associates — — — — — (7,558,625) | — (7,558,625) |
| Profit before taxation | 1,651,864,747 |
| Income tax expense | (235,781,904) |
| | 1 114 000 010 |
| Profit before minority interests Minority interests | 1,416,082,843 (7,256,218) |
| | (7,230,210) |
| Net profit for the year | 1,408,826,625 |

* Inter-segment sales were charged at cost plus margin basis as agreed between both parties.

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5. **BUSINESS AND GEOGRAPHICAL SEGMENTS** (Continued)

Business segments (Continued)

BALANCE SHEET

At 30th June, 2004

| | Property <i>HK\$</i> | Security HK\$ | Financing HK\$ | Hotel HK\$ | Building management and services HK\$ | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|---------------|--|----------------|
| ASSETS | | | | | | |
| Segment assets | 29,457,891,299 | 1,922,451,855 | 1,106,466,770 | 1,653,660,691 | | 35,516,541,907 |
| Interests in associates | 9,735,247,727 | 3,873,567 | (3,840,887) | 775,240,936 | (43,033,858) | 10,467,487,485 |
| Unallocated corporate assets | | | | | | 180,398,723 |
| Consolidated total assets | | | | | | 46,164,428,115 |
| LIABILITIES | | | | | | |
| Segment liabilities | 7,241,176,280 | 23,018,095 | 52,810,654 | 271,554,117 | 72,939,762 | 7,661,498,908 |
| Borrowings | | | | | | 6,651,252,792 |
| Unallocated corporate liabilities | | | | | | 157,666,152 |
| Consolidated total liabilities | | | | | | 14,470,417,852 |

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| | | | | | Building management | |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| | Property HK\$ | Security HK\$ | Financing HK\$ | Hotel HK\$ | and services HK\$ | Consolidated HK\$ |
| | Πιτφ | ΠΑφ | Tπφ | ΠΑφ | TIKφ | $\Pi K \varphi$ |
| Amortisation of goodwill | 308,611 | _ | _ | 12,645,817 | _ | 12,954,428 |
| Capital additions | 867,430 | _ | — | 763,328 | 5,316,171 | 6,946,929 |
| Depreciation | 471,566 | 855,441 | _ | 6,379,174 | 6,907,014 | 14,613,195 |
| Hotel property additions | _ | _ | _ | 768,013 | _ | 768,013 |
| Impairment loss on investments in | | | | | | |
| other securities | _ | 17,621,750 | _ | _ | _ | 17,621,750 |
| Investment property additions | 3,375,364 | _ | _ | _ | | 3,375,364 |

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5. **BUSINESS AND GEOGRAPHICAL SEGMENTS** (Continued)

Business segments (Continued)

INCOME STATEMENT

For the year ended 30th June, 2003

| | Property HK\$ | Security HK\$ | Financing HK\$ | Hotel HK\$ | Building management and services HK\$ | Elimination HK\$ | Consolidated HK\$ (As restated) |
|---|------------------|------------------|-------------------|---------------|--|---------------------|---------------------------------------|
| REVENUE | | | | | | | |
| Turnover Property rental | 830,293,109 | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | 830,293,109 |
| Property sales | 2,615,723,191 | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | 2,615,723,191 |
| Hotel operations | | _ | _ | 196,670,559 | _ | _ | 196,670,559 |
| Management services Share investment and | 61,551,606 | — | — | — | 331,429,963 | — | 392,981,569 |
| dealing | _ | 45,485,180 | _ | _ | — | _ | 45,485,180 |
| Financing | | | 102,321,162 | | | | 102,321,162 |
| | 3,507,567,906 | 45,485,180 | 102,321,162 | 196,670,559 | 331,429,963 | _ | 4,183,474,770 |
| Other operating income | 22,509,300 | 753,799 | 273,909 | — | 32,159,374 | _ | 55,696,382 |
| Inter-segment sales * | | | | | 23,919,078 | (23,919,078) | |
| Total revenue | 3,530,077,206 | 46,238,979 | 102,595,071 | 196,670,559 | 387,508,415 | (23,919,078) | 4,239,171,152 |
| SEGMENT RESULT | 969,201,285 | (330,499,085) | 102,595,071 | 77,064,213 | 178,957,395 | | 997,318,879 |
| Unallocated corporate expens | es | | | | | | (394,326,211) |
| Profit from operations | | | | | | | 602,992,668 |
| Net finance costs | | | | | | | (432,845,575) |
| Results attributable to associates | (104,642,853) | 69,209 | (1,434,347) | 22,389,580 | 5,287,586 | _ | (78,330,825) |
| Profit on disposal of an associate | 30,528,060 | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | 30,528,060 |
| Profit before taxation | | | | | | | 122,344,328 |
| Income tax expense | | | | | | | (88,957,165) |
| Profit before minority interests | 5 | | | | | | 33,387,163 |
| Minority interests | | | | | | | 1,650,987 |
| Net profit for the year | | | | | | | 35,038,150 |

* Inter-segment sales were charged at cost plus margin basis as agreed between both parties.

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5. BUSINESS AND GEOGRAPHICAL SEGMENTS (Continued)

Business segments (Continued)

BALANCE SHEET

At 30th June, 2003

| | | | | | Building management | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| | Property | Security | Financing | Hotel | and services | Consolidated |
| | HK\$ | HK\$ | HK\$ | HK\$ | HK\$ | HK\$ (As restated) |
| ASSETS | | | | | | |
| Segment assets | 24,663,663,755 | 1,395,674,936 | 1,048,918,082 | 1,680,301,405 | 832,973,295 | 29,621,531,473 |
| Interests in associates | 10,347,546,727 | 3,850,761 | (2,644,980) | 740,810,525 | (41,359,746) | 11,048,203,287 |
| Unallocated corporate assets | | | | | | 21,620,306 |
| Consolidated total assets | | | | | | 40,691,355,066 |
| LIABILITIES | | | | | | |
| Segment liabilities | 5,550,272,792 | 15,249,497 | 402,007,720 | 264,186,275 | 120,889,457 | 6,352,605,741 |
| Borrowings | , , , | | , , | , , | , , | 8,479,446,530 |
| Convertible notes | | | | | | 1,489,378,714 |
| Unallocated corporate liabilities | | | | | | 137,854,254 |
| Consolidated total liabilities | | | | | | 16,459,285,239 |

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For the year ended 30th June, 2003

| | | | | | Building management | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|-------------|-----------|------------|------------------------|---------------|
| | Property | Security | Financing | Hotel | and services | Consolidated |
| | HK\$ | HK\$ | HK\$ | HK\$ | HK\$ | HK\$ |
| | | | | | | (As restated) |
| Amortisation of goodwill | 308,611 | _ | _ | 12,645,817 | _ | 12,954,428 |
| Capital additions | 794,428 | _ | _ | 2,282,809 | 5,439,097 | 8,516,334 |
| Depreciation | 414,895 | 873,415 | _ | 7,968,960 | 7,421,572 | 16,678,842 |
| Hotel property additions | _ | _ | _ | 24,349,375 | _ | 24,349,375 |
| Impairment loss on investments in | | | | | | |
| other securities | _ | 252,397,016 | _ | _ | _ | 252,397,016 |
| Investment property additions | 27,797,214 | — | _ | _ | _ | 27,797,214 |
| Unrealised holding loss on | | | | | | |
| investments in trading securities | | 124,091,924 | | _ | | 124,091,924 |

Geographical segments

Most of the activities of the Group are based in Hong Kong and more than 90% of the Group's turnover, profit before taxation, assets and liabilities are derived from activities in Hong Kong.

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6. **PROFIT FROM OPERATIONS**

7.

| | 2004 НК\$ | 2003 <i>HK\$</i> |
|--|--------------|---------------------|
| Profit from operations has been arrived at after charging (crediting): | | |
| Staff costs including Directors' remuneration | 432,861,515 | 407,718,679 |
| Retirement benefits scheme contributions | 20,074,613 | 20,078,446 |
| Total staff costs | 452,936,128 | 427,797,125 |
| Auditors' remuneration | 1,815,454 | 1,946,193 |
| Cost of hotel inventories recognised | 43,146,687 | 19,909,539 |
| Depreciation | 14,613,195 | 16,678,842 |
| Loss on disposal of investment properties | 4,152,457 | 17,927,321 |
| Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment | 1,495,281 | 31,353 |
| Net exchange (gain) loss | (296,621) | 3,715,761 |
| Profit on disposal of investments in other securities | (20,136) | |
| FINANCE INCOME | | |
| | 2004 | 2003 |
| | HK\$ | HK\$ |
| Interest income on: | | |
| advances to associates | 61,243,187 | 63,939,858 |
| advances to investee companies | 6,861,545 | 6,972,510 |
| bank deposits | 14,524,911 | 26,759,589 |
| | 82,629,643 | 97,671,957 |

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8. FINANCE COSTS

9.

| | 2004 <i>HK\$</i> | 2003 <i>HK\$</i> |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|
| Interest on: | | |
| bank loans and overdrafts wholly repayable | | |
| within five years | 105,429,514 | 158,012,092 |
| other loans wholly repayable within five years | 46,854,001 | 198,506,843 |
| convertible notes | 21,718,750 | 56,250,000 |
| Provision for premium on redemption of convertible notes Write-back of premium on redemption of convertible notes | 8,423,671 | 16,710,000 |
| upon conversion | (27,010,685) | _ |
| Amortisation of issue costs of convertible notes | 3,787,405 | 7,513,059 |
| Write-off of unamortised issue costs of convertible notes | -,, | .,, |
| upon conversion | 25,420,895 | _ |
| Amortisation of loan arrangement fees | 9,081,698 | 20,094,129 |
| Write-off of deferred loan arrangement fees upon early | -, | - , , |
| repayment of loans | 1,240,556 | 7,590,415 |
| Commitment fees | 19,615,465 | 4,514,314 |
| Finance costs upon early repayment of loans | | 107,999,777 |
| | 214,561,270 | 577,190,629 |
| Less: Amounts capitalised to properties under development | (57,305,510) | (46,673,097) |
| | 157,255,760 | 530,517,532 |
| RESULTS ATTRIBUTABLE TO ASSOCIATES | | |
| | 2004 | 2003 |
| | HK\$ | HK\$ |
| | | (As restated) |
| Results attributable to associates comprises: | | |
| Share of profits (losses) of associates | 517,965,185 | (70,504,794) |
| Amortisation of goodwill arising on acquisition of associates Release of negative goodwill arising on acquisition of | (12,954,428) | (12,954,428) |
| an associate | 5,128,398 | 5,128,397 |
| | 510,139,155 | (78,330,825) |

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10. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION

| 2004 | 2003 |
|------------|--|
| НК\$ | HK\$ |
| | |
| 130,000 | 190,000 |
| 360,000 | 120,000 |
| 490,000 | 310,000 |
| | |
| | |
| 12,427,473 | 14,320,948 |
| 115,500 | 112,500 |
| 13,032,973 | 14,743,448 |
| | НК\$ 130,000 360,000 490,000 12,427,473 115,500 |

Note: During the year, each Independent Non-executive Director received a director's fee of HK\$60,000 and an additional fee of HK\$120,000 for acting as a member of the Audit Committee.

The remuneration of the Directors was within the following bands:

| | Number of Directors | |
|-----------------------|---------------------|------|
| | 2004 | 2003 |
| HK\$ | | |
| Nil – 1,000,000 | 3 | 5 |
| 1,000,001 – 1,500,000 | 1 | 2 |
| 2,000,001 - 2,500,000 | 2 | 1 |
| 2,500,001 - 3,000,000 | 1 | |
| 3,000,001 - 3,500,000 | _ | 1 |
| 3,500,001 - 4,000,000 | 1 | |
| 4,000,001 - 4,500,000 | _ | 1 |
| | | |

11. EMPLOYEES' EMOLUMENTS

Of the five individuals with the highest emoluments in the Group, three (2003: two) are Executive Directors of the Company whose emoluments are included in note 10 above. The emoluments of the remaining two (2003: three) individuals disclosed pursuant to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Listing Rules") are as follows:

| | 2004 <i>HK\$</i> | 2003 <i>HK\$</i> |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|
| Salaries and other emoluments (including basic salaries, housing allowances, other allowances and | | |
| benefits in kind) | 5,113,060 | 8,286,889 |
| Retirement benefits scheme contributions | 18,000 | 36,000 |
| | 5,131,060 | 8,322,889 |

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11. EMPLOYEES' EMOLUMENTS (Continued)

The emoluments were within the following bands:

| | Number of individuals | | |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|------|--|
| | 2004 | 2003 | |
| HK\$ | | | |
| 2,000,001 – 2,500,000 | 1 | 1 | |
| 2,500,001 – 3,000,000 | 1 | 2 | |

For the years ended 30th June, 2004 and 2003, no emoluments were paid by the Group to these five highest paid individuals, including Directors, as an inducement to join or upon joining the Group or as compensation for loss of office. In addition, no Director waived any emoluments.

12. INCOME TAX EXPENSE

| | 2004 HK\$ | 2003 HK\$ (As restated) |
|---|--------------------------|-------------------------------|
| The charge comprises: | | |
| Taxation attributable to the Company and its subsidiaries | | |
| Hong Kong Profits Tax Provision for the year (Over)underprovision in previous years | 97,458,759 (415,276) | 60,056,282 1,862,356 |
| Taxation in other jurisdiction | 97,043,483 13,473,449 | 61,918,638 |
| | 110,516,932 | 61,918,638 |
| Deferred taxation (Note 31) | 7,770,860 | 3,948,549 |
| Share of taxation attributable to associates | | |
| Hong Kong Profits Tax | 109,842,267 | 14,816,469 |
| Deferred taxation | 7,651,845 | 8,273,509 |
| | 117,494,112 | 23,089,978 |
| | 235,781,904 | 88,957,165 |

Hong Kong Profits Tax is calculated at 17.5% (2003: 17.5%) of the estimated assessable profit for the year. Taxation in other jurisdiction is provided for in accordance with the respective local requirements.

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12. INCOME TAX EXPENSE (Continued)

The tax charge for the year can be reconciled to the profit per the income statement as follows:

| | 2004 <i>HK\$</i> | 2003 <i>HK\$</i> |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|
| Profit before taxation | 1,651,864,747 | 122,344,328 |
| Tax at the Hong Kong Profits Tax rate of 17.5% | | |
| (2003: 17.5%) | 289,076,331 | 21,410,257 |
| Tax effect of results attributable to associates | 28,219,760 | 36,797,873 |
| Tax effect of expenses not deductible for tax purpose | 6,679,380 | 49,480,462 |
| Tax effect of income not taxable for tax purpose | (11,874,177) | (14,944,952) |
| (Over)underprovision in previous years | (415,276) | 1,862,356 |
| Tax effect of tax losses not recognised | 65,771,859 | 48,498,618 |
| Tax effect of deferred tax assets not recognised | 272,624 | 18,984,129 |
| Utilisation of tax losses previously not recognised | (112,644,917) | (59,961,361) |
| Utilisation of deferred tax assets previously not recognised Effect of different tax rates of subsidiaries operating | (31,551,231) | (15,867,849) |
| in other jurisdiction Increase in opening deferred tax liabilities resulting from | 2,247,551 | 44,888 |
| an increase in Hong Kong Profits Tax rate | | 2,652,744 |
| Tax expense for the year | 235,781,904 | 88,957,165 |

Details of deferred taxation are set out in note 31.

The Inland Revenue Department ("IRD") initiated tax inquiries for the years of assessment 1995/96, 1996/ 97 and 1997/98, respectively, on a wholly-owned subsidiary, Sing-Ho Finance Company Limited ("Sing-Ho Finance"). Notices of assessment for additional tax in an aggregate sum of approximately HK\$165,514,000 were issued to Sing-Ho Finance for the years under review and objections were properly lodged with the IRD by Sing-Ho Finance. IRD also initiated a tax inquiry for the years of assessment 1998/99 to 2001/02 on a wholly-owned subsidiary, City Empire Limited ("City Empire"). Notices of assessment for additional tax of approximately HK\$263,438,000 were issued to City Empire for the years under review and objections were properly lodged with the IRD by City Empire. In the opinion of the Directors, in view of the tax inquiries are still at the stage of collation of evidence, the ultimate outcome of these tax inquiries cannot presently be determined with an acceptable degree of reliability, and accordingly, no provision for any liabilities that may result has been made.

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13. DIVIDENDS

| | 2004 HK\$ | 2003 <i>HK\$</i> |
|---|--------------|---------------------|
| Final dividend paid for the year ended 30th June, 2003: HK2 cents (2002: HK2 cents) per share | 77,726,686 | 77,288,637 |
| Interim dividend paid for the year ended 30th June, 2004: HK5 cents (2003: HK2 cents) per share | 208,453,423 | 77,369,560 |
| | 286,180,109 | 154,658,197 |

During the year, scrip dividends were offered in respect of the 2003 final and 2004 interim dividends. These scrip alternatives were accepted by the majority of shareholders, as follows:

| | 2004 Interim <i>HK\$</i> | 2003 Final <i>HK\$</i> |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Dividends: | | |
| Cash | 66,994,104 | 11,296,429 |
| Scrip alternatives | 141,459,319 | 66,430,257 |
| | 208,453,423 | 77,726,686 |

A final dividend of HK7 cents per share for the year ended 30th June, 2004 has been proposed by the Directors and is subject to approval by the shareholders in the forthcoming annual general meeting.

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14. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The calculation of the basic and diluted earnings per share is based on the following data:

| | 2004 <i>HK\$</i> | 2003 HK\$ (As restated) |
|---|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| Earnings for the purposes of basic earnings per share | 1,408,826,625 | 35,038,150 |
| Effect of dilutive potential ordinary shares: Reduction of finance costs, net of tax | 24,867,498 | |
| Earnings for the purposes of diluted earnings per share | 1,433,694,123 | |
| | Number of shares | Number of shares |
| Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purposes of basic earnings per share | 3,988,279,742 | 3,871,889,199 |
| Effect of dilutive potential ordinary shares: Convertible notes | 285,386,856 | |
| Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purposes of diluted earnings per share | 4,273,666,598 | |

No diluted earnings per share had been compiled and presented for the year ended 30th June, 2003 as the effect of the assumed conversion of the Group's outstanding convertible notes resulted in an increase in net profit per share.

The adjustment to comparative basic earnings per share, arising from the changes in accounting policy shown in note 2 above, is as follows:

| | HK cents |
|--|----------------|
| Reconciliation of basic earnings per share for the year ended 30th June, 2003 | |
| Reported figure before adjustments Adjustments arising from the adoption of SSAP 12 (Revised) | 1.32 (0.42) |
| As restated | 0.90 |

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15. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

| | Investment properties in Hong Kong held under long leases HK\$ | Investment properties in Hong Kong held under medium- term leases HK\$ | Investment property in Singapore held under a long lease HK\$ | Total <i>HK\$</i> |
|----------------------------------|--|--|--|-----------------------------|
| THE GROUP | | | | |
| VALUATION | | | | |
| At 1st July, 2003 | 883,000,000 | 12,074,815,500 | 335,091,650 | 13,292,907,150 |
| Exchange realignment | | _ | 9,339,350 | 9,339,350 |
| Transfer from properties | | | | |
| under development | | 71,340,167 | 72,862,859 | 144,203,026 |
| Additions | | 3,167,506 | 207,858 | 3,375,364 |
| Disposals | | (22,432,617) | _ | (22,432,617) |
| Surplus (deficit) on revaluation | 124,000,000 | 3,359,249,564 | (34,978,017) | 3,448,271,547 |
| At 30th June, 2004 | 1,007,000,000 | 15,486,140,120 | 382,523,700 | 16,875,663,820 |

The investment properties of the Group located in Hong Kong and in Singapore are stated at independent professional valuations on an open market value basis at 30th June, 2004 conducted by Chesterton Petty Limited and Knight Frank Pte. Ltd., Chartered Surveyors, respectively. The net surplus on revaluation has been credited to the investment property revaluation reserve.

16. HOTEL PROPERTY

| | Hotel property in Singapore held under a long lease HK\$ |
|--------------------|---|
| THE GROUP | |
| COST | |
| At 1st July, 2003 | 1,178,578,081 |
| Additions | 768,013 |
| At 30th June, 2004 | 1,179,346,094 |

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17. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

| | Computer system HK\$ | Furniture, fixtures and equipment <i>HK\$</i> | Leasehold improvements HK\$ | Motor vehicles HK\$ | Plant and machinery HK\$ | Total HK\$ |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|
| THE GROUP | | | | | | |
| COST | | | | | | |
| At 1st July, 2003 | 38,405,487 | 71,913,662 | 18,789,270 | 13,085,514 | 6,387,434 | 148,581,367 |
| Additions | 1,618,907 | 2,210,901 | 678,237 | 1,747,648 | 691,236 | 6,946,929 |
| Disposals | (8,681,828) | (402,537) | — | (1,537,012) | (18,700) | (10,640,077) |
| At 30th June, 2004 | 31,342,566 | 73,722,026 | 19,467,507 | 13,296,150 | 7,059,970 | 144,888,219 |
| DEPRECIATION | | | | | | |
| At 1st July, 2003 | 25,515,219 | 20,761,845 | 16,156,693 | 9,593,433 | 4,725,393 | 76,752,583 |
| Provided for the year | 3,755,064 | 7,655,426 | 1,428,178 | 731,471 | 1,043,056 | 14,613,195 |
| Eliminated on disposals | (7,260,275) | (310,063) | | (1,537,012) | (16,495) | (9,123,845) |
| At 30th June, 2004 | 22,010,008 | 28,107,208 | 17,584,871 | 8,787,892 | 5,751,954 | 82,241,933 |
| NET BOOK VALUES At 30th June, 2004 | 9,332,558 | 45,614,818 | 1,882,636 | 4,508,258 | 1,308,016 | 62,646,286 |
| At 30th June, 2003 | 12,890,268 | 51,151,817 | 2,632,577 | 3,492,081 | 1,662,041 | 71,828,784 |

18. INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES

| | THE COMPANY | | |
|--|----------------|----------------|--|
| | 2004 | 2003 | |
| | НК\$ | HK\$ | |
| At cost, less impairment losses recognised | 80,137,850 | 90,612,522 | |
| Advances to subsidiaries, less allowances | 23,694,005,740 | 22,116,970,480 | |
| | 23,774,143,590 | 22,207,583,002 | |

The advances to subsidiaries are unsecured and have no fixed repayment terms. At 30th June, 2004, of the advances, HK\$15,530,371,016 (2003: HK\$12,426,176,217) bears interest at prevailing market rates and the remaining balance is interest-free. In the opinion of the Directors, the Company will not demand for repayment within twelve months from the balance sheet date and the advances are therefore shown as non-current.

The carrying amount of the investments in subsidiaries is reduced to their recoverable amounts which are determined by reference to the carrying value of the underlying assets of the respective subsidiaries.

Particulars of the Company's principal subsidiaries at 30th June, 2004 are set out in note 43.

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19. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES

| | THE COMPANY | | THE GROUP | |
|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|
| | 2004 | 2003 | 2004 | 2003 |
| | HK\$ | HK\$ | HK\$ | HK\$ |
| | | | | (As restated) |
| Unlisted shares, at cost | 516,687,714 | 516,687,714 | _ | |
| Share of net assets | _ | _ | 2,517,969,742 | 1,595,730,713 |
| Goodwill (Note) | _ | _ | 155,453,144 | 168,407,572 |
| Negative goodwill (Note) | | | (89,746,946) | (94,875,344) |
| Advances to associates, | 516,687,714 | 516,687,714 | 2,583,675,940 | 1,669,262,941 |
| less allowances | 2,840,000 | 76,520,443 | 7,883,811,545 | 9,378,940,346 |
| | 519,527,714 | 593,208,157 | 10,467,487,485 | 11,048,203,287 |

Note:

| | THE GROUP | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|------------------------------|--|
| | Goodwill HK\$ | Negative goodwill HK\$ | |
| GROSS AMOUNTS | | | |
| At 1st July, 2003 | | | |
| – as originally stated | 185,889,768 | (102,567,940) | |
| – prior period adjustment (Note 2) | 73,198,800 | | |
| – as restated and at 30th June, 2004 | 259,088,568 | (102,567,940) | |
| AMORTISATION | | | |
| At 1st July, 2003 | | | |
| – as originally stated | 65,061,416 | (7,692,596) | |
| – prior period adjustment (Note 2) | 25,619,580 | | |
| – as restated | 90,680,996 | (7,692,596) | |
| Charged for the year | 12,954,428 | _ | |
| Released for the year | | (5,128,398) | |
| At 30th June, 2004 | 103,635,424 | (12,820,994) | |
| CARRYING AMOUNTS | | | |
| At 30th June, 2004 | 155,453,144 | (89,746,946) | |
| At 30th June, 2003 (as restated) | 168,407,572 | (94,875,344) | |

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19. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES (Continued)

The amortisation period adopted for goodwill and negative goodwill is twenty years.

The investment properties of the Group's principal associates are stated at independent professional valuations on an open market value basis at 30th June, 2004 conducted by Chesterton Petty Limited and Debenham Tie Leung, Chartered Surveyors. The carrying value of the interests in associates shown above includes the Group's attributable share of the revaluation reserve.

The advances to associates are unsecured and have no fixed repayment terms. At 30th June, 2004, of the Group's advances, HK\$1,787,233,502 (2003: HK\$1,924,961,754) bears interest at prevailing market rates and the remaining balance is interest-free. The advances to associates of the Company are interest-free. In the opinion of the Directors, the Group will not demand for repayment within twelve months from the balance sheet date and the advances are therefore shown as non-current.

The amounts due from associates of the Group and the Company grouped under current assets are unsecured and due within one year. At 30th June, 2004, of the amounts due from associates of the Group, HK\$451,511,280 (2003: HK\$795,542,954) bears interest at prevailing market rates and the remaining balance is interest-free.

The amounts due to associates of the Group and the Company grouped under current liabilities are unsecured and due within one year. At 30th June, 2004, of the amounts due to associates of the Group, HK\$204,500,000 (2003: Nil) bears interest at prevailing market rates and the remaining balance is interest-free.

Particulars of the principal associates at 30th June, 2004 are set out in note 44.

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19. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES (Continued)

Information in respect of the operating results and financial position of the Group's significant associates, which have been extracted from the audited consolidated financial statements of Million Success Limited and the audited financial statements of Greenroll Limited and Grace Sign Limited which have been adjusted to conform with the Group's accounting policies, are summarised as follows:

| | Million Suco | cess Limited | Greenrol | Greenroll Limited | | Grace Sign Limited | |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|--------------------|--|
| | 2004 | 2003 | 2004 | 2003 | 2004 | 2003 | |
| | HK\$ | HK\$ | HK\$ | HK\$ | HK\$ | HK\$ | |
| | | (As restated) | | (As restated) | | | |
| Results for the year | | | | | | | |
| Turnover | 195,263,792 | 209,303,037 | 480,127,000 | 370,144,000 | 4,599,470,380 | | |
| Profit (loss) from ordinary activities before taxation | 106,273,741 | 87,264,694 | 169,609,000 | 99,690,000 | 1,684,537,325 | (76,000) | |
| Profit (loss) from ordinary activities before taxation attributable to the Group | 26,568,435 | 21,816,174 | 50,882,700 | 29,907,000 | 505,361,198 | (22,800) | |
| | | | | | | | |
| Financial position | | | | | | | |
| Non-current assets | 10,962,243,344 | 10,938,919,541 | 3,375,862,000 | 3,380,422,000 | | | |
| Current assets | 307,432,628 | 301,628,135 | 177,175,000 | 93,864,000 | 2,228,382,721 | 3,134,262,801 | |
| Current liabilities | (219,176,404) | (215,747,054) | (158,400,000) | | (479,644,806) | (43,336,735) | |
| | 88,256,224 | 85,881,081 | 18,775,000 | (32,647,000) | 1,748,737,915 | 3,090,926,066 | |
| Non-current liabilities | (5,696,976,059) | (5,754,789,345) | (1,017,176,780) | (1,110,140,880) | (359,205,636) | (3,091,182,510) | |
| Net assets (liabilities) | 5,353,523,509 | 5,270,011,277 | 2,377,460,220 | 2,237,634,120 | 1,389,532,279 | (256,444) | |
| Net assets (liabilities) attributable to | | | | | | | |
| the Group | 1,338,380,877 | 1,317,502,819 | 713,238,066 | 671,290,236 | 416,859,684 | (76,933) | |

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19. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES (Continued)

The IRD initiated tax inquiries for the years of assessment 1994/95 to 2002/03 on a wholly-owned subsidiary, Wide Harvest Investment Limited ("WHI"), of the Group's associate, Million Success Limited ("MSL") and for the years of assessment 1994/95 to 1997/98 on a wholly-owned subsidiary, Murdoch Investments Inc. ("MII"), of the Group's associate, Erleigh Investment Limited. Notices of assessment for additional tax in the aggregate amounts of approximately HK\$396,088,000 and HK\$37,759,000 were issued to WHI and MII for the years under review, respectively, and objections were properly lodged with the IRD by WHI and MII. The effective share of the amount attributable to the Group as at 30th June, 2004 is estimated to be approximately HK\$99,022,000 and HK\$16,992,000, respectively. In view of the tax inquiries are still at the stage of collation of evidence, the management of WHI and of MII are of the opinion that the ultimate outcome of the tax inquiries cannot presently be determined with an acceptable degree of reliability, and accordingly, no provision for any liabilities that may result has been made in the financial statements of WHI and MII.

The Directors of the Company have taken note of the above matters and have made due inquiries. Nothing has come to the attention of the Board of Directors of the Company which indicates that there has been material subsequent development or change in status in respect of the above matters.

20. INVESTMENTS IN SECURITIES

| | Trading se | ecurities | Other see | curities | То | Total | |
|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|--|
| | 2004 | 2003 | 2004 | 2003 | 2004 | 2003 | |
| | HK\$ | HK\$ | HK\$ | HK\$ | HK\$ | HK\$ | |
| Equity securities: | | | | | | | |
| Listed | 439,365,162 | 360,227,955 | 857,926,311 | 669,987,264 | 1,297,291,473 | 1,030,215,219 | |
| Unlisted | | | 19,949,305 | 19,949,305 | 19,949,305 | 19,949,305 | |
| | 439,365,162 | 360,227,955 | 877,875,616 | 689,936,569 | 1,317,240,778 | 1,050,164,524 | |
| Total: | | | | | | | |
| Listed | | | | | | | |
| Hong Kong | 439,323,176 | 360,205,485 | 499,563,742 | 366,050,980 | 938,886,918 | 726,256,465 | |
| Elsewhere | 41,986 | 22,470 | 358,362,569 | 303,936,284 | 358,404,555 | 303,958,754 | |
| Unlisted | | | 19,949,305 | 19,949,305 | 19,949,305 | 19,949,305 | |
| | 439,365,162 | 360,227,955 | 877,875,616 | 689,936,569 | 1,317,240,778 | 1,050,164,524 | |
| Market value of | | | | | | | |
| listed securities | 439,365,162 | 360,227,955 | 857,926,311 | 669,987,264 | 1,297,291,473 | 1,030,215,219 | |
| Carrying value analysed f | or | | | | | | |
| reporting purposes as: | | | | | | | |
| Current | 439,365,162 | 360,227,955 | _ | _ | 439,365,162 | 360,227,955 | |
| Non-current | | | 877,875,616 | 689,936,569 | 877,875,616 | 689,936,569 | |
| | 439,365,162 | 360,227,955 | 877,875,616 | 689,936,569 | 1,317,240,778 | 1,050,164,524 | |

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20. INVESTMENTS IN SECURITIES (Continued)

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| | Trading s | ecurities | Other se | curities | Total | |
|--|-------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| | 2004 | 2003 | 2004 | 2003 | 2004 | 2003 |
| | HK\$ | HK\$ | HK\$ | HK\$ | HK\$ | HK\$ |
| Equity securities: Listed | 441,090,161 | 361,634,955 | 1,366,968,602 | 936,495,675 | 1,808,058,763 | 1,298,130,630 |
| Unlisted | | | 40,663,618 | 66,918,469 | 40,663,618 | 66,918,469 |
| | | | | | | |
| | 441,090,161 | 361,634,955 | 1,407,632,220 | 1,003,414,144 | 1,848,722,381 | 1,365,049,099 |
| Total: Listed | | | | | | |
| Hong Kong | 441,048,176 | 361,612,485 | 923,142,642 | 571,552,122 | 1,364,190,818 | 933,164,607 |
| Elsewhere | 41,985 | 22,470 | 443,825,960 | 364,943,553 | 443,867,945 | 364,966,023 |
| Unlisted | | | 40,663,618 | 66,918,469 | 40,663,618 | 66,918,469 |
| | 441,090,161 | 361,634,955 | 1,407,632,220 | 1,003,414,144 | 1,848,722,381 | 1,365,049,099 |
| Market value of | | | | | | |
| listed securities | 441,090,161 | 361,634,955 | 1,366,968,602 | 936,495,675 | 1,808,058,763 | 1,298,130,630 |
| Carrying value analysed for reporting purposes as: | | | | | | |
| Current | 441,090,161 | 361,634,955 | _ | _ | 441,090,161 | 361,634,955 |
| Non-current | | | 1,407,632,220 | 1,003,414,144 | 1,407,632,220 | 1,003,414,144 |
| | 441,090,161 | 361,634,955 | 1,407,632,220 | 1,003,414,144 | 1,848,722,381 | 1,365,049,099 |

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21. ADVANCES TO INVESTEE COMPANIES

The advances to investee companies of the Group are unsecured and have no fixed repayment terms. At 30th June, 2004, of the advances, HK\$19,592,325 (2003: HK\$22,175,697) bears interest at prevailing market rates and the remaining balance is interest-free. In the opinion of the Directors, the Group will not demand for repayment within twelve months from the balance sheet date and the advances are therefore shown as non-current.

22. LONG-TERM LOANS RECEIVABLE

| | THE GROUP | | |
|--|---------------|--------------|--|
| | 2004 | | |
| | HK\$ | HK\$ | |
| Total loans receivable | 698,390,620 | 595,682,276 | |
| Less: Current portion shown under current assets | (126,700,514) | (22,097,946) | |
| | 571,690,106 | 573,584,330 | |

The Group offers loans to buyers of properties sold by the Group and the repayment of the loans is specified in the respective loan agreements.

23. STOCKS OF UNSOLD PROPERTIES

At 30th June, 2004, the amount of stocks of unsold properties of the Group carried at net realisable value is HK\$156,108,032 (2003: HK\$263,338,168).

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24. ACCOUNTS AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

At 30th June, 2004, included in accounts and other receivables of the Group are trade receivables of HK\$97,659,576 (2003: HK\$404,488,915) mainly comprising sales proceeds receivables and rental receivables which are billed in advance and settlements are expected upon receipt of billings.

The following is an aged analysis of trade receivables at the reporting date:

| | THE GROUP | | |
|--------------|------------|-------------|--|
| | 2004 | 2003 | |
| | HK\$ | HK\$ | |
| 0 – 30 days | 46,899,315 | 343,569,680 | |
| 31 – 60 days | 5,607,267 | 10,672,402 | |
| 61 – 90 days | 5,531,392 | 8,474,451 | |
| Over 90 days | 39,621,602 | 41,772,382 | |
| | 97,659,576 | 404,488,915 | |

Trade receivables over 90 days amounting to HK\$39,621,602 (2003: HK\$41,772,382) are sufficiently covered by rental deposits received from the respective tenants and no allowance is required for these receivables under the Group's allowance policy.

25. ACCOUNTS AND OTHER PAYABLES

At 30th June, 2004, included in accounts and other payables of the Group are trade payables of HK\$54,121,726 (2003: HK\$97,654,470).

The following is an aged analysis of trade payables at the reporting date:

| | THE GROUP | | |
|--------------|------------|------------|--|
| | 2004 | 2003 | |
| | НК\$ | HK\$ | |
| 0 – 30 days | 48,246,869 | 35,316,475 | |
| 31 – 60 days | 1,419,455 | 9,028,714 | |
| 61 – 90 days | 336,045 | 799,531 | |
| Over 90 days | 4,119,357 | 52,509,750 | |
| | 54,121,726 | 97,654,470 | |

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26. LONG-TERM BORROWINGS

| | THE GROUP | | |
|---|---------------|---------------|--|
| | 2004 | 2003 | |
| | HK\$ | HK\$ | |
| Unsecured bank loans | | | |
| Within one year | 13,102,740 | 13,100,640 | |
| More than one year but not exceeding two years | 82,984,020 | 13,100,640 | |
| More than two years but not exceeding five years | | 82,970,720 | |
| | 96,086,760 | 109,172,000 | |
| Less: Current portion shown under current liabilities | (13,102,740) | (13,100,640) | |
| | 82,984,020 | 96,071,360 | |
| Secured bank loans | | | |
| Within one year | 212,000,000 | 277,753,200 | |
| More than one year but not exceeding two years | 1,848,728,000 | 1,858,747,765 | |
| More than two years but not exceeding five years | 2,488,307,765 | 3,854,966,300 | |
| | 4,549,035,765 | 5,991,467,265 | |
| Less: Current portion shown under current liabilities | (212,000,000) | (277,753,200) | |
| | 4,337,035,765 | 5,713,714,065 | |
| Unsecured other loan | | | |
| Within one year | _ | 300,000,000 | |
| More than one year but not exceeding two years | — | 300,000,000 | |
| More than two years but not exceeding five years | 500,000,000 | 750,000,000 | |
| | 500,000,000 | 1,350,000,000 | |
| Less: Current portion shown under current liabilities | | (300,000,000) | |
| | 500,000,000 | 1,050,000,000 | |
| Total bank and other loans | 4,920,019,785 | 6,859,785,425 | |
| Less: Deferred loan arrangement fees (Note 27) | (12,686,553) | (18,695,841) | |
| | 4,907,333,232 | 6,841,089,584 | |
| Convertible notes (Note 28) | | 1,489,378,714 | |
| | 4,907,333,232 | 8,330,468,298 | |

The Company does not have any long-term borrowings at the balance sheet date.

At 30th June, 2004, unsecured other loan of the Group in an amount of HK\$500,000,000 (2003: HK\$1,350,000,000) bears interest at prevailing market rates and is repayable by instalments over a period of three years.

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27. DEFERRED LOAN ARRANGEMENT FEES

| | THE GROUP | | |
|---|--------------|--------------|--|
| | 2004 | 2003 | |
| | HK\$ | HK\$ | |
| COST | | | |
| At 1st July | 57,701,262 | 90,311,612 | |
| Additions | 4,312,966 | 9,621,667 | |
| Write-off upon early repayment of loans | (16,275,000) | (42,232,017) | |
| At 30th June | 45,739,228 | 57,701,262 | |
| AMORTISATION | | | |
| At 1st July | 39,005,421 | 53,552,894 | |
| Provided for the year | 9,081,698 | 20,094,129 | |
| Eliminated upon early repayment of loans | (15,034,444) | (34,641,602) | |
| At 30th June | 33,052,675 | 39,005,421 | |
| Deferred loan arrangement fees at 30th June | 12,686,553 | 18,695,841 | |

28. CONVERTIBLE NOTES

| | THE GROUP | | |
|--|-----------------|---------------|--|
| | 2004 | 2003 | |
| | HK\$ | HK\$ | |
| Principal amount | | | |
| At 1st July | 1,500,000,000 | 1,500,000,000 | |
| Conversion | (1,500,000,000) | | |
| At 30th June | | 1,500,000,000 | |
| Add: Provision for premium on redemption | | | |
| At 1st July | 18,587,014 | 1,877,014 | |
| Provided for the year | 8,423,671 | 16,710,000 | |
| Write-back upon conversion | (27,010,685) | | |
| At 30th June | | 18,587,014 | |
| Less: Issue costs | | | |
| At 1st July | 29,208,300 | 36,721,359 | |
| Amortised for the year | (3,787,405) | (7,513,059) | |
| Write-off upon conversion | (25,420,895) | | |
| At 30th June | | 29,208,300 | |
| Carrying value at 30th June | | 1,489,378,714 | |

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28. CONVERTIBLE NOTES (Continued)

In 2002, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, Golden Million Finance Corporation ("Golden Million"), issued HK\$1,500,000,000 3.75% guaranteed convertible notes due in May 2007 ("2007 Notes"). The 2007 Notes carried a right to convert at any time from 20th June, 2002 to 14th May, 2007 into ordinary shares of the Company at an initial conversion price of HK\$4.00 per share (subject to adjustment). All or some of the 2007 Notes were redeemable at the option of the relevant holder at a premium of 3.184% of their outstanding principal amount on 21st May, 2005. Golden Million could redeem all or some of the 2007 Notes at any time during the period from 21st May, 2004 to 21st May, 2007, both dates inclusive, upon satisfying certain requirements. The 2007 Notes were redeemable at a premium of 5.57% of their outstanding principal amount on 21st May, 2007. Notes were converted into ordinary shares of the Company by the noteholders during the year.

29. SHARE CAPITAL

| | 20 | 004 | 2003 | |
|---|---|---------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| | Number of ordinary shares of HK\$1.00 each | Nominal value <i>HK\$</i> | Number of ordinary shares of HK\$1.00 each | Nominal value <i>HK\$</i> |
| Authorised: | | | | |
| At 1st July and at 30th June | 6,000,000,000 | 6,000,000,000 | 6,000,000,000 | 6,000,000,000 |
| Issued and fully paid: | | | | |
| At 1st July | 3,886,334,280 | 3,886,334,280 | 3,874,211,830 | 3,874,211,830 |
| Issued in lieu of cash dividends Issued upon conversion of | 44,688,695 | 44,688,695 | 51,548,450 | 51,548,450 |
| convertible notes Cancellation upon repurchase | 375,000,000 | 375,000,000 | — | — |
| of own shares | | | (39,426,000) | (39,426,000) |
| At 30th June | 4,306,022,975 | 4,306,022,975 | 3,886,334,280 | 3,886,334,280 |

During the year, a total of HK\$1,500,000,000 of convertible notes of the Group were converted into 375,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$1.00 each of the Company at an initial conversion price of HK\$4.00 per share.

On 17th December, 2003 and 18th May, 2004, the Company issued and allotted a total of 16,649,187 ordinary shares and 28,039,508 ordinary shares of HK\$1.00 each at an issue price of HK\$3.99 and HK\$5.045 each, respectively, in lieu of cash for the 2003 final and 2004 interim dividends. These shares rank pari passu in all respects with the existing shares.

During the year ended 30th June, 2003, the Company repurchased on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited a total of 39,426,000 ordinary shares of HK\$1.00 each of the Company at an aggregate consideration of HK\$90,262,382, all of these shares were subsequently cancelled. The nominal value of the cancelled shares was credited to the capital redemption reserve and the aggregate consideration was paid out of the retained profits.

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30. SHARE PREMIUM AND RESERVES

| | | Other | | | |
|---------------------------------|----------------|--------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|
| | | security | Capital | | |
| | Share | revaluation | redemption | Retained | |
| | premium | reserve | reserve | profits | Total |
| | HK\$ | HK\$ | HK\$ | HK\$ | HK\$ |
| THE COMPANY | | | | | |
| At 1st July, 2002 | 9,283,178,408 | (34,709,215) | 124,820,000 | 10,340,701,563 | 19,713,990,756 |
| Premium on issue of shares upon | | | | | |
| scrip dividends | 68,644,731 | _ | _ | _ | 68,644,731 |
| Shares issue expenses | (260,100) | _ | _ | _ | (260,100) |
| Cancellation upon repurchase of | | | | | |
| own shares | _ | _ | 39,426,000 | (90,262,382) | (50,836,382) |
| Impairment loss charged to | | | | | |
| income statement | _ | 13,500,000 | _ | _ | 13,500,000 |
| Surplus on revaluation | _ | 62,883,155 | _ | _ | 62,883,155 |
| Net profit for the year | _ | _ | _ | 97,406,425 | 97,406,425 |
| Final dividend – 2002 | _ | _ | _ | (77,288,637) | (77,288,637) |
| Interim dividend – 2003 | | | | (77,369,560) | (77,369,560) |
| At 30th June, 2003 and | | | | | |
| 1st July, 2003 | 9,351,563,039 | 41,673,940 | 164.246.000 | 10,193,187,409 | 19.750.670.388 |
| Premium on issue of shares upon | 5,551,655,655 | ,0,0,0,0 10 | ,2, | 10,100,100 | , , |
| scrip dividends | 163,200,881 | | _ | _ | 163,200,881 |
| Premium on issue of shares upon | 103,200,001 | | | | 103,200,001 |
| conversion of convertible notes | 1,125,000,000 | | _ | _ | 1,125,000,000 |
| Shares issue expenses | (482,065) | | _ | _ | (482,065) |
| Surplus on revaluation | (102)(003) | 173,681,583 | _ | _ | 173,681,583 |
| Net profit for the year | _ | | _ | 442,774,566 | 442,774,566 |
| Final dividend – 2003 | | | _ | (77,726,686) | |
| Interim dividend – 2004 | | _ | _ | (208,453,423) | |
| At 30th June, 2004 | 10,639,281,855 | 215,355,523 | 164,246,000 | 10,349,781,866 | 21,368,665,244 |

Note: The reserve available for distribution by the Company to the shareholders at 30th June, 2004 is HK\$10,349,781,866 (2003: HK\$10,193,187,409).

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31. DEFERRED TAXATION

The following are the major deferred tax liabilities and assets recognised and movements thereon during the current and prior reporting periods:

| | Accelerated | _ | | |
|---|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| | tax | Тах | | T (1 |
| | depreciation | losses | Others | Total |
| | HK\$ | HK\$ | HK\$ | HK\$ |
| At 1st July, 2002 | | | | |
| as originally stated | — | — | — | — |
| adjustment on adoption of | | | | |
| SSAP 12 (Revised) | 31,387,933 | (8,249,556) | 5,157,557 | 28,295,934 |
| | | | | |
| – as restated | 31,387,933 | (8,249,556) | 5,157,557 | 28,295,934 |
| Charge (credit) to income | | | | |
| for the year | 3,804,949 | 3,131,934 | (5,641,078) | 1,295,805 |
| Effect of change in tax rate charge | | | | |
| (credit) to income statement | 2,942,619 | (773,396) | 483,521 | 2,652,744 |
| - | | | | |
| At 30th June, 2003 and 1st July, 2003 | 38,135,501 | (5,891,018) | _ | 32,244,483 |
| Exchange realignment | _ | _ | 108,609 | 108,609 |
| Charge (credit) to income | | | | |
| for the year | 13,128,167 | (4,970,835) | (386,472) | 7,770,860 |
| - | | | | |
| At 30th June, 2004 | 51,263,668 | (10,861,853) | (277,863) | 40,123,952 |

For the purpose of balance sheet presentation, certain deferred tax assets and liabilities have been offset.

At 30th June, 2004, the Group had unused tax losses of approximately HK\$2,298,217,000 (2003: HK\$2,537,658,000) available for offset against future profits. A deferred tax asset has been recognised in respect of approximately HK\$62,068,000 (2003: HK\$33,663,000) of such losses. No deferred tax asset has been recognised in respect of the remaining HK\$2,236,149,000 (2003: HK\$2,503,995,000) due to the unpredictability of future profit streams. The losses may be carried forward indefinitely.

At 30th June, 2004, the Group had deductible temporary differences of approximately HK\$292,609,000 (2003: HK\$471,343,000). No deferred tax asset has been recognised in relation to such deductible temporary difference as it is not probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences can be utilised.

32. ADVANCES FROM SUBSIDIARIES

The advances from subsidiaries of the Company are unsecured, interest-free and have no fixed repayment terms. The advances will not be repayable within twelve months from the balance sheet date and the advances are therefore shown as non-current.

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33. ADVANCES FROM ASSOCIATES

The advances from associates of the Group are unsecured and have no fixed repayment terms. At 30th June, 2004, of the advances, HK\$368,749,611 (2003: HK\$383,086,114) bears interest at prevailing market rates and the remaining balance is interest-free. The advances will not be repayable within twelve months from the balance sheet date and the advances are therefore shown as non-current.

34. ADVANCES FROM INVESTEE COMPANIES

The advances from investee companies of the Group were unsecured, interest-free and were fully repaid during the year.

35. ADVANCES FROM MINORITY SHAREHOLDERS

The advances from minority shareholders of the Group are unsecured, bear interest at cost of funds plus a margin and have no fixed repayment terms. The advances will not be repayable within twelve months from the balance sheet date and the advances are therefore shown as non-current.

36. ACQUISITION OF A SUBSIDIARY

On 26th June, 2003, the Group acquired the entire equity interest in Jade Bird Development Limited at a consideration of HK\$100,000.

The acquisition had been accounted for using the acquisition method and particulars of the acquisition were:

| | 2004 <i>HK\$</i> | 2003 <i>HK\$</i> |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|
| Net assets acquired: | | |
| Investment properties | _ | 11,000,000 |
| Stocks of unsold properties | _ | 84,000,000 |
| Accounts and other receivables | _ | 988,249 |
| Bank balances and cash | _ | 222,321 |
| Accounts and other payables | — | (3,345,160) |
| Unsecured loan payable | _ | (92,765,410) |
| | | 100,000 |
| Satisfied by: | | |
| Cash | | 100,000 |
| Net cash inflow arising on acquisition: | | |
| Cash consideration | _ | (100,000) |
| Bank balances and cash acquired | | 222,321 |
| | | 122,321 |

The subsidiary acquired during the year ended 30th June, 2003 did not contribute significantly to the turnover, operating results or cash flows of the Group for that year.

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37. MAJOR NON-CASH TRANSACTIONS

During the year, properties under development of HK\$144,203,026 (2003: HK\$164,235,090) and HK\$1,899,072,383 (2003: HK\$2,526,157,276) were transferred to investment properties and stocks of unsold properties, respectively.

On 17th December, 2003 and 18th May, 2004, the Company issued and allotted a total of 16,649,187 ordinary shares and 28,039,508 ordinary shares of HK\$1.00 at HK\$3.99 and HK\$5.045 each, respectively, in the Company in lieu of cash for the 2003 final and 2004 interim dividends.

During the year, a total of HK\$1,500,000,000 of convertible notes of the Group were converted into 375,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$1.00 each of the Company at an initial conversion price of HK\$4.00 per share.

38. PLEDGE OF ASSETS

- (a) At 30th June, 2004, the aggregate facilities of bank loans, overdrafts and other loans amounting to HK\$11,918,419,585 (2003: HK\$12,616,308,971) were secured by certain of the Group's listed investments, properties, bank deposits and bank balances. At that date, the facilities were utilised to the extent of HK\$5,849,473,585 (2003: HK\$6,805,030,371).
- (b) At 30th June, 2004, investments and the benefits in the advances to certain associates were pledged or assigned to secure loan facilities made available by banks or financial institutions to such associates. The Group's attributable portion of these facilities amounted to HK\$2,699,860,049 (2003: HK\$3,952,733,333), of which HK\$2,537,624,606 (2003: HK\$2,894,146,090) was utilised by the associates and was guaranteed by the Company.

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39. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

At the balance sheet date, the Company and the Group had commitments and contingent liabilities as follows:

| | | THE COMPANY | | THE GROUP | |
|-----|---|------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| | | 2004 | 2003 | 2004 | 2003 |
| | | HK\$ | HK\$ | HK\$ | HK\$ |
| (a) | Commitments in respect of property development expenditure: Authorised but not | | | | |
| | contracted for Contracted but not | - | — | 46,056,752 | 1,184,813,547 |
| | provided for | | | 2,760,051,382 | 973,447,137 |
| | | | | 2,806,108,134 | 2,158,260,684 |
| (b) | Guarantees in respect of banking facilities and other liabilities of: Subsidiaries – Utilised | 6,514,053,016 | 9,572,286,964 | _ | _ |
| | – Not utilised | 6,603,510,000 | 6,299,842,600 | | |
| | | 13,117,563,016 | 15,872,129,564 | | |
| | Associates – Utilised – Not utilised | 2,537,624,606 164,740,443 | 2,894,146,090 1,061,092,243 | 2,537,624,606 164,740,443 | 2,894,146,090 1,061,092,243 |
| | | 2,702,365,049 | 3,955,238,333 | 2,702,365,049 | 3,955,238,333 |
| | | 15,819,928,065 | 19,827,367,897 | 2,702,365,049 | 3,955,238,333 |

(c) On 19th December, 1996, the Company and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Mariner International Hotels Limited (collectively referred to as "Mariner"), entered into an agreement (the "Agreement") with Hang Lung Development Company Limited and its subsidiary, Atlas Limited (collectively referred to as "Hang Lung") to acquire a company which owned a property in Yau Kom Tau, Tsuen Wan, New Territories, which was to be developed into a hotel. The total consideration payable by Mariner for the purchase was HK\$1,070,000,000, in respect of which a deposit and part payments in the total sum of HK\$321,000,000 were paid by Mariner to Hang Lung pursuant to the Agreement. On 30th June, 1998, Mariner terminated the Agreement. This termination gave rise to litigation between Mariner and Hang Lung. There has been a trial of the issue of which party repudiated the Agreement. On this issue the trial judge gave judgment for Hang Lung on the 2nd day of August, 2004.

Mariner will appeal against the judgment on legal advice. The Directors have been advised that the appeal will not be heard until some time in the year of 2005 at the earliest. On the basis of the uncertainty of the outcome of the intended appeal, the Directors are of the opinion that no provision in respect of the deposit and other liabilities contingent upon the outcome of the appeal should be made for the year ended 30th June, 2004.

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40. OPERATING LEASE ARRANGEMENTS

The Group as lessor

Property rental income earned during the year, net of outgoings of HK\$104,574,547 (2003: HK\$100,367,039), was HK\$725,871,919 (2003: HK\$729,926,070). Most of the properties held have committed tenants with rental fixed for an average term of two years.

At the balance sheet date, the Group had contracted with tenants for the following future minimum lease payments, which fall due:

| | 2004 <i>HK\$</i> | 2003 <i>HK\$</i> |
|--|---|--------------------------------------|
| Within one year In the second to fifth year inclusive After five years | 586,523,233 484,163,674 2,672,936 | 583,954,180 576,630,421 60,000 |
| | 1,073,359,843 | 1,160,644,601 |

The Company did not have any significant operating lease commitment at the balance sheet date.

41. RETIREMENT BENEFITS SCHEME

The Group operates a Mandatory Provident Fund Scheme ("MPF Scheme") for all qualifying employees in Hong Kong. The MPF Scheme is registered with the Mandatory Provident Fund Scheme Authority under the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance. The assets of the MPF Scheme are held separately from those of the Group in funds under the control of an independent trustee. Under the rules of the MPF Scheme, the employees are each required to make contributions to the scheme at rates specified in the rules. The only obligation of the Group with respect to MPF Scheme is to make the required contributions under the scheme. No forfeited contribution is available to reduce the contribution payable in the future years.

The Group is also required to make contributions to state pension scheme, the Central Provident Fund, based on certain percentages of the monthly salaries of the employees of the Group's subsidiaries operating in Singapore. The Group has no other obligations under this state pension scheme other than the contribution payments.

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42. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

In the ordinary course of business, the Group had the following transactions with related parties:

| | | 2004 <i>HK\$</i> | 2003 <i>HK\$</i> |
|----|---|---------------------|---------------------|
| a) | Related companies | | |
| | Service fees received therefrom (Note 1) | 46,037,604 | 45,006,588 |
| | Management fees received therefrom (Note 1) | 630,265 | 640,914 |
| | Rental paid thereto (Note 2) | 19,400,000 | 18,200,000 |

Mr. Robert Ng Chee Siong, Director of the Company, was interested in these transactions as a director of the related companies.

(b) Associates

(a

| Service fees paid thereto (Note 1) | 11,129,240 | 11,431,592 |
|---|------------|------------|
| Management fees received therefrom (Note 1) | 12,009,900 | 17,679,215 |
| Management fees paid thereto (Note 1) | 813,000 | 7,488,675 |
| Interest income received therefrom (Note 3) | 61,243,187 | 63,939,858 |
| Interest expenses paid thereto (Note 3) | 3,964,958 | 7,068,668 |

(c) Awarding of construction contract

During the year, a construction contract was awarded by an associate to a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company. The contract was awarded, after a highly competitive tendering process, on 22nd August, 2003 at the same price as the lowest tender on a back-to-back basis. The construction contract was for the interior fitting-out works for tenancy areas at NKIL5846, 12 Kai Shun Road, Kowloon Bay, Kowloon and the contract sum was approximately HK\$58.3 million.

(d) Advances to a non wholly-owned subsidiary

During the year ended 30th June, 2004, the Group made advances totalling HK\$17,185,240 to Firm Wise Investment Limited ("Firm Wise"), a 70% owned subsidiary of the Company, to finance the operating cost of the property, the Centrium. The advances are unsecured, bear interest at cost of funds plus a margin and have no fixed repayment terms. The advances made are proportional to the shareholding interest of the Group in Firm Wise, the remaining share interests in which are held by an independent third party which is connected to the Group only through its substantial shareholding in Firm Wise.

Details of the balances with associates at the balance sheet date are set out in the balance sheets and in notes 19 and 33.

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42. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (Continued)

Notes:

- (1) Service and management fees were charged on a cost-plus-profit margin basis or at a fee with reference to the size and type of the buildings as agreed between the Group and the related party.
- (2) Rental expenses were charged on normal commercial terms with reference to the prevailing market rental value of the particular premises.
- (3) Interest income and expenses were charged at cost of funds plus margin basis.

43. PRINCIPAL SUBSIDIARIES

The Directors are of the opinion that a complete list of the particulars of all subsidiaries will be of excessive length and therefore the following list contains only the particulars of subsidiaries at 30th June, 2004, which materially affect the results or assets and liabilities of the Group.

A complete list of all the subsidiaries will be annexed to the Company's next annual return.

| Name of subsidiary | Place of incorporation/ operation | Class of shares held | Issued share capital | Proportionate share of issued capital held by the Company % | Principal activities |
|--|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|----------------------|
| Direct: | | | | | |
| Best Result Cleaning Services Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Cleaning services |
| Fu King Investment Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$1,000,000 | 100 | Investment holding |
| Glorypark Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$1,000 | 100 | Property investment |
| Golden Million Finance Corporation | British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong | Ordinary | US\$1 | 100 | Financing |
| King Chance Development Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Investment holding |
| Landscape Investment Limited | Hong Kong/ PRC | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Property development |
| Prime Reward Finance Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$2 | 100 | Financing |
| Serenity Park Building Management Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$10 | 60 | Building management |

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| Name of subsidiary | Place of incorporation/ operation | Class of shares held | Issued share capital | Proportionate share of issued capital held by the Company % | Principal activities |
|---|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| Direct (Continued): | | | | | |
| Sharp Rise Company Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Property trading |
| Sing-Ho Finance Company Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$30,000,000 |) 100 | Financing |
| Sino Security Services Limited (formerly known as Sing-Ho Security Services Limited) | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$2 100 | | Security services |
| Sino Administration Services Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$3 100 | | Administration services |
| Sino Estates Management Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Building management |
| Sino Estates Services Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$20 | 100 | Building management |
| Indirect: | | | | | |
| Ackerley Estates Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$20,000,000 |) 100 | Property investment |
| Active Success Development Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Property development |
| Advance Profit Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$2 | 100 | Property development |
| Alfaso Investment Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$20,000 | 100 | Property investment |
| Allways Success Finance Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$10 | 60 | Mortgage loan financing |
| Apex Speed Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Property trading and investment |
| Beauty Plaza Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$20,000 | 100 | Property investment |

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| Name of subsidiary | Place of incorporation/ operation | Class of shares held | Issued share capital | Proportionate share of issued capital held by the Company % | Principal activities |
|---|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| Indirect (Continued): | | | | | |
| Bestone Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$2 | 100 | Property development |
| Best Origin Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$2 | 100 | Property investment |
| Better Sino Limited | Hong Kong/ PRC | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Property development |
| Century Profit Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$2 | 100 | Property investment |
| Cheer Result Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Property trading and investment |
| e.Sino Company Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$2 | 100 | Investment holding |
| Elegant Lane Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$2 | 100 | Property investment |
| Entertainment City Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$4,500,000 | 100 | Property investment |
| Ever Champion Development Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Property trading |
| Famous General Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$2 | 100 | Property investment |
| Famous Palace Properties Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$20,000 | 100 | Property investment |
| Firm Wise Investment Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$10 | 70 | Property investment |
| Fo Tan Construction Consultant Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Project management |
| Forlink Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$2 | 100 | Property investment |
| Fortune Garden Inc. | Republic of Liberia/ Hong Kong | Registered/ Bearer | US\$1 | 100 | Share investment |
| Free Champion Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$2 | 100 | Property investment |

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| Name of subsidiary | Place of incorporation/ operation | Class of shares held | Issued share capital | Proportionate share of issued capital held by the Company % | Principal activities |
|---|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| Indirect (Continued): | | | | | |
| Full Fair Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$2 | 100 | Property development |
| Fung Yuen Construction Company Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$1,000,000 | 100 | Building construction |
| Glenery Limited | British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong | Ordinary | US\$1 | 100 | Share investment |
| Globaland Development Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Property trading and investment |
| Global Honest Finance Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Mortgage loan financing |
| Golden Leaf Investment Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$20,000 | 100 | Property investment |
| Grand Creator Investment (BVI) Limited | British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong | Ordinary | US\$10 | 60 | Investment holding |
| Grand Creator Investment Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 60 | Property development |
| Grand Idea Investment (CI) Limited | Cayman Islands/ Hong Kong | Ordinary | US\$1 | 100 | Property investment |
| Grandeal Limited | Hong Kong/ PRC | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Property development |
| Great Land (HK) Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$1,000,000 | 100 | Property trading and investment |
| Handsome Lift Investment (CI) Limited | Cayman Islands/ Hong Kong | Ordinary | US\$1 | 100 | Property investment |
| Hang Hau Station (Project Management) Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$2 | 60 | Project management |

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| Name of subsidiary | Place of incorporation/ operation | Class of shares held | Issued share capital | Proportionate share of issued capital held by the Company % | Principal activities |
|--|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| Indirect (Continued): | | | | | |
| Hang Hau Station Construction Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$2 | 60 | Building construction |
| Harvestrade Investment Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$20,000 | 100 | Property trading and investment |
| Hickson Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$20 | 100 | Property investment |
| High Elite Finance Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$2 | 100 | Mortgage loan financing |
| High Elite Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$2 | 100 | Property investment |
| Jade Bird Development Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$100,000 | 100 | Property trading and investment |
| Jade Mate Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$2 | 100 | Property investment |
| Jade Pine Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$20,000 | 100 | Property investment |
| Jade Queen Properties Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$2 | 100 | Property investment |
| Kingdom Investment Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$2 | 100 | Property trading and investment |
| Land Success Development Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$2 | 100 | Property trading and investment |
| Lucky Fortress Inc. | Republic of Liberia/ Hong Kong | Registered/ Bearer | US\$1 | 100 | Share investment |
| Mackey Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$100 | 100 | Property development |
| Mander Investment Limited | British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong | Ordinary | US\$1 | 100 | Share investment |

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| Name of subsidiary | Place of incorporation/ operation | Class of shares held | Issued share capital | Proportionate share of issued capital held by the Company % | Principal activities |
|---------------------------------------|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|---|
| Indirect (Continued): | | | | | |
| Mass Success Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$1,000 | 55 | Property trading |
| Morbest Profits Limited | British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong | Ordinary | US\$1 | 100 | Share investment |
| Multipurpose Investment Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$20,000 | 100 | Property trading and investment |
| Ocean Treasure (Hong Kong) Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Property development |
| Octerworth Enterprises Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$20,000 | 100 | Property investment |
| Pacific Elite Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$2 | 100 | Financing |
| Parason Limited | British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong | Ordinary | US\$1 | 100 | Share investment |
| Peace Success Development Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Property trading |
| Perfect Sun Properties Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Property trading and investment |
| Pioneer Parking Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$2 | 100 | Carpark operation |
| port88 Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Internet services provider |
| Precious Land Pte. Limited | Singapore | Ordinary | S\$2 | 100 | Property investment |
| Precious Treasure Pte Ltd | Singapore | Ordinary | \$\$20,000,000 | 100 | Hotel operation and property investment |
| Pridegate (CI) Limited | Cayman Islands/ Hong Kong | Ordinary | US\$1 | 100 | Property investment |

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| Name of subsidiary | Place of incorporation/ operation | Class of shares held | Issued share capital | Proportionate share of issued capital held by the Company % | Principal activities |
|---|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| Indirect (Continued): | | | | | |
| Prime Harvest (Administration Services) Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$2 | 100 | Consultant services provider |
| Prime Harvest Development Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Property development |
| Primewin Properties Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Property investment |
| Rankchief Company Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$200 | 100 | Property trading |
| Real Maker Development Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$200,000 | 90 | Property investment |
| Regent Profit Investment Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Property trading and investment |
| Region One Investment Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Property investment |
| Residence Oasis Finance Company Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 60 | Mortgage loan financing |
| Rich Tact International (CI) Limited | Cayman Islands/ Hong Kong | Ordinary | US\$1 | 100 | Property investment |
| Richtune Investment Limited | British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong | Ordinary | US\$1 | 100 | Share investment |
| Saky Investment (CI) Limited | Cayman Islands/ Hong Kong | Ordinary | US\$1 | 100 | Property investment |
| Salia Limited | Hong Kong/ PRC | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Property development |
| Sidak Investment Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$20,000 | 100 | Property trading and investment |

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| Name of subsidiary | Place of incorporation/ operation | Class of shares held | Issued share capital | Proportionate share of issued capital held by the Company % | Principal activities |
|--|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| Indirect (Continued): | | | | | |
| Silver Palm Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$2 | 100 | Property trading and investment |
| Sino Broadband Technology Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Broadband infrastructure |
| Sino Estates Management (China) Limited | Hong Kong/ PRC | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Building management |
| Sino Land Finance Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Deposit placing |
| Sino Land (Guangzhou) Company Limited | PRC | Registered | US\$480,034 | 100 | Property development |
| Sino Land Investment (Holdings) Ltd. | Cayman Islands/ Hong Kong | Ordinary | US\$6,000,000 | 100 | Investment holding |
| Sino Technology Corporation Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | High technology business |
| Standard Union Investment Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Share investment |
| Success One Investment Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Property investment |
| Sunny Force Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$2 | 100 | Property investment |
| Super One Investment Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Property investment |
| Sunrise Investment Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Property trading and investment |
| Ten Treasure Limited | Hong Kong/ PRC | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Property development |

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43. PRINCIPAL SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

| Name of subsidiary | Place of incorporation/ operation | Class of shares held | Issued share capital | Proportionate share of issued capital held by the Company % | Principal activities |
|--|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|----------------------|
| Indirect (Continued): | | | | | |
| Thousand Growth Development Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$20,000 | 100 | Property investment |
| Timeshare Development (CI) Limited | Cayman Islands/ Hong Kong | Ordinary | US\$1 | 100 | Property investment |
| Trans China Investment Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$2 | 100 | Property investment |
| Triple Reach International (CI) Limited | Cayman Islands/ Hong Kong | Ordinary | US\$1 | 100 | Property investment |
| Union Development Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Property development |
| Vasilon Pte Ltd | Singapore | Ordinary | S\$2 | 100 | Investment holding |
| Weiland Development Company Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$33,140,000 |) 100 | Property investment |
| Wendia Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | HK\$20 | 100 | Property investment |
| Wicorp Development Limited | Hong Kong/ PRC | Ordinary | НК\$2 | 100 | Property trading |
| Will Glory Company (Cl) Limited | Cayman Islands/ Hong Kong | Ordinary | US\$1 | 100 | Property investment |
| World Empire Investment (CI) Limited | Cayman Islands/ Hong Kong | Ordinary | US\$1 | 100 | Property investment |

None of the subsidiaries had any debt securities outstanding at the end of the year.

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44. PRINCIPAL ASSOCIATES

The Directors are of the opinion that a complete list of the particulars of all associates will be of excessive length and therefore the following list contains only the particulars of associates at 30th June, 2004, which materially affect the results of the year or form a substantial portion of the net assets of the Group.

A complete list of all the associates will be annexed to the Company's next annual return.

| Name of associate | Place of incorporation/ operation | Class of shares held | | ge of equity Indirectly % | y held Total % | Principal activities |
|--|---|--|----|---------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|
| Asian Success Investments Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | — | 33.3 | 33.3 | Property development |
| Astoria Estate Management Company Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | — | 50 | 50 | Building management |
| Benefit Bright Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | — | 42.5 | 42.5 | Property trading and investment |
| Better Chief Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | 50 | — | 50 | Property investment |
| Beverhill Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | | 20 | 20 | Property investment |
| Boatswain Enterprises Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | — | 20 | 20 | Property investment |
| Brisbane Trading Company Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary and non-voting deferred | | 50 | 50 | Property trading |
| Cheer City Properties Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | — | 20 | 20 | Property investment |
| C.H.K.C. Building Management Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | — | 25 | 25 | Building management |
| Cosmos Door Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | _ | 50 | 50 | Property investment |
| Credit World Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | | 20 | 20 | Property trading |
| Direct Win Development Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | — | 33.3 | 33.3 | Property development |
| Dramstar Company Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | — | 22 | 22 | Property trading |
| Empire Funds Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | | 50 | 50 | Property trading |

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44. PRINCIPAL ASSOCIATES (Continued)

| Name of associate | Place of incorporation/ operation | Class of shares held | | ge of equit Indirectly % | ty held Total % | Principal activities |
|---|---|-------------------------|---|--------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|
| Eternal Honest Finance Company Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | — | 50 | 50 | Mortgage loan financing |
| Famous Empire Finance Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | — | 40 | 40 | Mortgage loan financing |
| Famous Empire Properties Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | — | 40 | 40 | Property trading and investment |
| Finedale Industries Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | — | 33.3 | 33.3 | Property investment |
| Gloryland Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | | 33.3 | 33.3 | Property investment |
| Golden Famous International Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | — | 25 | 25 | Property development |
| Grace Sign Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | | 30 | 30 | Property trading |
| Grand Palisades Finance Company Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | — | 20 | 20 | Mortgage loan financing |
| Greenroll Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | | 30 | 30 | Hotel operation |
| Harvest Sun Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | — | 30 | 30 | Property trading and investment |
| Hua Qing Holdings Pte Ltd | Singapore | Ordinary | _ | 20 | 20 | Investment holding |
| Island Resort Estate Management Company Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | _ | 40 | 40 | Building management |
| Lead Bright Finance Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | _ | 20 | 20 | Mortgage loan financing |
| Lead Bright Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | _ | 20 | 20 | Property trading |
| Million Success Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | _ | 25 | 25 | Property investment |
| More Treasure Company Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | _ | 25 | 25 | Property investment |

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44. PRINCIPAL ASSOCIATES (Continued)

| Name of associate | Place of incorporation/ operation | Class of shares held | | ge of equit Indirectly % | y held Total % | Principal activities |
|--|---|-------------------------|----|--------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|
| Murdoch Investments Inc. | Republic of Panama/ Hong Kong | Ordinary | — | 45 | 45 | Property investment |
| Olympian City 1 (Project Management) Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | _ | 30 | 30 | Project management |
| Olympian City 2 Finance Company Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | — | 50 | 50 | Mortgage loan financing |
| Olympian City 2 (Project Management) Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | — | 42.5 | 42.5 | Project management |
| Prime Force Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | _ | 50 | 50 | Property development |
| Pui Hay Enterprises Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | — | 50 | 50 | Property trading |
| Rich Century Investment Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | 50 | — | 50 | Property investment |
| Silver Link Investment Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | _ | 40 | 40 | Property trading and investment |
| Sino Parking Services Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | 50 | _ | 50 | Carpark operation |
| Sino Real Estate Agency Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | 50 | _ | 50 | Real estate agency |
| Tat Lee Construction Company Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | 25 | — | 25 | Building construction |
| Victory World Finance Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | _ | 50 | 50 | Mortgage loan financing |
| Victory World Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | — | 50 | 50 | Property trading and investment |

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44. **PRINCIPAL ASSOCIATES** (Continued)

| | Place of incorporation/ operation | Class of shares held | Percentage of equity held | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|---|-------------------------|---------------------------|----|-------------------|----------------------|--|
| Name of associate | | | Directly I % | | Total % | Principal activities | |
| Wide Harvest Investment Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | — | 25 | 25 | Property investment | |
| Win Chanford Enterprises Limited | Hong Kong | Ordinary | 5 | 45 | 50 | Property investment | |
| 深圳盛輝物業發展有限公司 | PRC | Registered | — | 50 | 50 | Property development | |
| 中海信和(成都)物業發展 有限公司 | PRC | Registered | _ | 20 | 20 | Property development | |