

The financial information has been prepared using the merger basis of accounting regarding the Group comprising the Company and its subsidiaries as a continuing entity.

1 The basic earnings and net assets per share are based on the weighted average of $1,985,212,280$, $2,074,852,711,2,074,852,711$ and $2,385,681,198$ ordinary shares in issue during each of the years ended 31 st December 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004, respectively. In determining the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue, a total of $1,808,846,553$ ordinary shares were deemed to be in issue since 1st January 2001.

2 Diluted earnings per share information was not presented for each of the years ended 31st December 2001,2002 and 2003 as there were no dilutive potential ordinary shares. The diluted earnings for share information for 2004 is based on 2,385,892,274 ordinary shares which is the weighted average number of shares in issue during the year plus the weighted average number of 211,076 ordinary shares deemed to be issued at no consideration if all outstanding options has been exercised.
${ }^{3}$ As the first interim dividend of 2004 paid on 1st March 2004 was attributable to the results of 2003, such interim dividend has been included in the computation of dividend per share for 2003 and excluded from the computation for 2004.

4 The dividend was paid by Solomon Systech Limited ("SSL"), a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, to its then shareholders during the year. The number of SSL's shares in issue at the time of payment was $183,290,271$ shares.

