	Notes	2004 HK\$'000	2003 HK\$'000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Profit before tax		1,314,277	1,672,562
Adjustments for:		1,011,211	.,0.2,002
Finance costs	9	786,034	616,582
Share of profits of jointly-controlled entities		(36,986)	(63,359)
Share of profits less losses of associates		(53,246)	(53,713)
Interest income	7	(14,032)	(19,028)
Depreciation	7	529,685	362,150
Amortisation of deferred expenses	7	37	8,154
Amortisation of reusable packaging materials	7		2,023
Amortisation of the operating right	7	493,287	493,287
Amortisation of prepaid rental	7	69,646	111,010
Amortisation of goodwill	7	259	238
Investment property revaluation deficit/(surplus), net	7	(38,214)	89,416
Hotel property revaluation surplus, net	7	(11,903)	(62,010)
Impairment of fixed assets	7	113,681	23,554
Provision for/(write-back of provision for) impairment of		,	·
interests in jointly-controlled entities	7	(24,800)	60,000
Impairment of investment securities	7		10,256
Provision for/(write-back of provision for) impairment of			
properties under development	7	(9,902)	26,836
Loss on disposal of fixed assets, net	7	16,805	415
Loss on disposal of investment properties	7	_	977
Write-back of provision for impairment in a deconsolidated			
subsidiary	7	_	(46,895)
Write-back of provision for an amount due from			
a fellow subsidiary	7	(573)	(994)
Provision against/(write-back of provision against) inventories,			
net	7	(293)	9,771
Provision for/(write-back of provision for) doubtful debts, net	7	6,858	(58,031)
Negative goodwill recognised as income	7	(14,700)	(11,633)
Gain on disposal of subsidiaries and associates, net	7	_	(19,474)
Operating profit before working capital changes — page 63		3,125,920	3,152,094

	2004	2003
Notes	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
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Operating profit before working capital changes — page 62	3,125,920	3,152,094
Decrease/(increase) in amounts due from jointly-controlled		
entities	5,621	(274)
Decrease in amounts due from associates	_	1,995
Decrease in amounts due to associates	_	(5,279)
Decrease in loan receivables	16,516	22,452
Decrease in an amount due from a related company	69	136
Increase in an amount due from the immediate holding company	(1,941)	_
Increase in amounts due from minority shareholders of		
subsidiaries	_	(329)
Increase in amounts due from fellow subsidiaries	(588)	(431)
Decrease/(increase) in inventories	330	(196,880)
Decrease/(increase) in receivables, prepayments and deposits	244,058	(453,277)
Increase/(decrease) in trade payables, accruals and other		
liabilities	(125,577)	184,432
Increase/(decrease) in amounts due to fellow subsidiaries	743	(772)
Increase/(decrease) in an amount due to the immediate holding		
company	(1,041)	1,037
Increase in amounts due to the ultimate holding company	235	_
Increase/(decrease) in amounts due to minority shareholders of		
subsidiaries	(240)	9,122
Cash generated from operations	3,264,105	2,714,026
Interest received	14,032	29,303
Dividends from associates	17,746	57,045
Hong Kong profits tax refunded/(paid)	88	(957)
Mainland China tax paid	(124,136)	(109,389)
Net cash inflow from operating activities	3,171,835	2,690,028

	Notes	2004 HK\$'000	2003 HK\$'000
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CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Acquisitions of other investments		(102,795)	(48)
Proceeds from sales of investment securities		4,348	_
Purchases of fixed assets	14	(114,506)	(47,434)
Additions to properties under development		(756)	
Additions to other long term assets		_	(693, 129)
Acquisition of a subsidiary	44(c)	(29,060)	_
Acquisition of additional interests in subsidiaries		(11,396)	(11,073)
Advance to an associate		_	(61,139)
Repayments by a contractual joint venture	4.4(1.)	_	135,345
Disposal of subsidiaries and associates	44(b)	40.005	693,528
Disposal of a deconsolidated subsidiary		46,895	_
Additional interest in an associate Proceeds from disposal of fixed assets		(14,149) 1,803	<u> </u>
Proceeds from disposal of an investment property		1,500	11,693
Decrease/(increase) in restricted cash and bank balances		8,491	(16,487)
Decrease/(increase) in non-pledged bank deposits with original		0, 10 1	(10, 101)
maturity of more than three months when acquired		3,653	(78,284)
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Net cash outflow from investing activities		(205,972)	(44,561)
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CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Proceeds from issue of new ordinary shares	41	42,735	51,818
New bank loans	41	42,733	1,012,776
Repayment of bank loans		(1,065,657)	(1,746,006)
Loans from the immediate holding company		(1,000,001)	202,031
Loan from the ultimate holding company		1,878	
Repayment of loans to the immediate holding company		_	(327,965)
Repayment of transferable loan instruments		_	(265,034)
Redemption of floating rate notes		_	(245,282)
Redemption of Straight Bonds		(497,320)	_
Repayment of notes payable and Tranche B Credit		_	(174,958)
Redemption of 2005 Guaranteed Bonds		_	(417,085)
Loan from a fellow subsidiary		1,261	_
Repayment of loan from a minority shareholder of a subsidiary		(4,786)	
Repayment of provision for bank loans guaranteed	0		(358,521)
Interest paid	9	(362,702)	(488,285)
Finance charges paid for interest rate swap agreements, net	9	(423,332)	(153,908)
Dividends paid to shareholders		(224,515)	(229,841)
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Net cash outflow from financing activities		(2,669,435)	(3,140,260)

Notes	2004 HK\$'000	2003 HK\$'000
NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH		
EQUIVALENTS	296,428	(494,793)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	1,270,629	1,770,410
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes, net	500	(4,988)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR	1,567,557	1,270,629
ANALYSIS OF BALANCES OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS 44(d)		
Cash and bank balances	569,805	827,758
Non-pledged bank deposits with original maturity of less than		
three months when acquired	997,752	442,871
	1,567,557	1,270,629