1. Principal activities

The principal activities of the Group are property investment and development, manufacturing and sale of watch components, securities investments and trading, and the provision of information technology services.

2. Principal accounting policies

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of investment properties and certain investments, and in conformity with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards.

The Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants has issued a number of new and revised Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards and Accounting Standards ("new HKFRSs") which are effective for accounting periods beginning on or after 1st January, 2005. The Group has not early adopted these new HKFRSs in the accounts for the year ended 31st March, 2005. The Group has already commenced an assessment of the impact of these new HKFRSs but is not yet in a position to state whether these new HKFRSs would have a significant impact on its results of operations and financial position.

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the accounts are set out below.

(a) Basis of consolidation

The consolidated accounts include the accounts of the Company and its subsidiaries made up to 31st March and include the Group's attributable share of post-acquisition results and reserves of associated companies.

Results attributable to subsidiaries acquired or disposed of during the year are included in the consolidated profit and loss account from the date on which the control is transferred to the Group or to the date that control ceases, as applicable.

All significant inter-company transactions and balances between group companies are eliminated.

Minority interests represent the interests of outside shareholders in the operating results and net assets of subsidiaries.

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2. Principal accounting policies (Continued)

(b) Goodwill and negative goodwill

Goodwill represents the difference between the cost of an acquisition over the fair values ascribed to the Group's share of the net assets of the acquired subsidiaries and associated companies at the effective date of acquisition. Goodwill on acquisitions that occurred on or after 1st April, 2001 is included in the balance sheet as a separate asset and amortised using the straight line method over its estimated useful life of not more than twenty years. Where the fair values ascribed to the net assets exceed the purchase consideration, such differences are recognised as income in the year of acquisition or over the weighted average useful life of the acquired non-monetary assets.

Goodwill and negative goodwill on acquisition that occurred prior to 1st April, 2001 were taken directly to reserves.

The carrying amount of goodwill, including those previously taken directly to reserves, is reviewed annually and provision is only made where, in the opinion of the Directors, there is impairment in value other than temporary in nature.

The profit or loss on disposal of subsidiaries and associated companies is calculated by reference to the Group's share of the net assets at the date of disposal together with the attributable amount of goodwill and negative goodwill which remains unamortised, as well as goodwill and negative goodwill previously taken directly to reserves.

(c) Subsidiaries

Subsidiaries are companies in which the Group has the power to exercise control governing the financial and operating policies of the company. In the Company's balance sheet, investments in subsidiaries are stated at cost less any provision for impairment in values. Provision is made when, in the opinion of the Directors, there is impairment in value other than temporary in nature. The results of subsidiaries are accounted for by the Company to the extent of dividend income.

(d) Associated companies

An associated company is a company, not being a subsidiary or a joint venture, in which an equity interest is held for the long-term and significant influence is exercised in its management. Associated companies are accounted for under the equity method whereby the Group's share of the results is included in the consolidated profit and loss account and the Group's share of the net assets, together with any unamortised goodwill or negative goodwill, is included in the consolidated balance sheet.

2. Principal accounting policies (Continued)

(e) Fixed assets and depreciation

Fixed assets are stated at cost or valuation less accumulated depreciation and provision for impairment in values.

Investment properties are interests in land and buildings in respect of which construction work and development have been completed and which are held for their investment potential, any rental income being negotiated at arm's length. Investment properties are carried at open market value based on valuations by professional valuers at the balance sheet date and separate values are not attributed to land and buildings. Decreases in valuation are charged to the profit and loss account; increases in valuation are first credited to the profit and loss account to the extent of earlier deficits on a portfolio basis and thereafter are credited to the investment properties revaluation reserve. Upon disposal of an investment property, the relevant revaluation reserve realised is transferred to the profit and loss account.

No depreciation is provided on investment properties held on leases with unexpired periods of more than twenty years. Depreciation of other fixed assets is calculated to write off the cost of the assets over their estimated useful lives or if shorter, the relevant finance lease periods, on a straight line basis at the following annual rates:-

Leasehold land	Remaining term of lease
Buildings	2%
Plant and machinery	10 to 20%
Other fixed assets	10 to 30%

Major costs incurred in restoring fixed assets to their normal working condition are charged to the profit and loss account. Improvements are capitalised and depreciated over their expected useful lives to the Group. The carrying amounts of assets are reviewed regularly. Where the estimated recoverable amounts have declined below their carrying amounts, the carrying amounts are written down to their estimated recoverable amounts.

Profit and loss on disposal is determined as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset, and is recognised in the profit and loss account.

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2. Principal accounting policies (Continued)

(f) Investments

Investments intended to be held for the long-term are included in the balance sheet under noncurrent assets and are carried at cost less any provision for impairment in values. The carrying amounts of individual investments are reviewed at each balance sheet date to assess whether the fair values have declined below their carrying amounts. When a decline other than temporary has occurred, the carrying amount of such investment is reduced to its fair value. The impairment is recognised as an expense in the profit and loss account. The impairment is written back to the profit and loss account when the circumstances and events that led to the write-downs or write-offs cease to exist and there is persuasive evidence that the new circumstances and events will persist for the foreseeable future.

Profits or losses on disposal of investments, representing the difference between the net sales proceeds and the carrying amounts, are recognised in the profit and loss account as they arise.

(g) Leased assets

Leases where a significant portion of the risks and rewards of ownership are retained by the lessors are classified as operating leases. Rentals payable under operating leases, net of incentives received from the lessors, are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the periods of the respective leases.

(h) Properties held for/under development

Properties held for/under development are included under non-current assets and are stated at cost less provision. Costs include land cost, development and construction expenditure incurred and any interest and other direct costs attributable to the development.

(i) **Properties held for sale**

Properties under development for sale are included under current assets and comprise land cost, development and construction expenditure, any interest and other direct costs attributable to the development, less provision for foreseeable losses. Completed properties held for sale are carried at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Net realisable value is determined on the basis of anticipated sales proceeds less estimated selling expenses.

2. Principal accounting policies (Continued)

(j) Inventories

Inventories, which mainly comprise watch components, are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Costs, calculated on the weighted average basis, include material cost, direct labour cost and an appropriate proportion of production overhead expenditure. Net realisable value is determined on the basis of anticipated sales proceeds less estimated selling expenses.

(k) Trade debtors

Provision is made against trade debtors to the extent they are considered to be doubtful. Trade debtors in the balance sheet are stated net of such provision.

(l) **Provisions**

Provisions are recognised when there is a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events, it is probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation, and a reliable estimate of the amount can be made. Where a provision is expected to be reimbursed, the reimbursement is recognised as a separate asset but only when the reimbursement is virtually certain.

(m) Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided in full, using the liability method, on temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the accounts. Tax rates enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date are used to determine deferred taxation.

Deferred taxation assets relating to carry forward of unused tax losses are recognised to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the unused tax losses can be utilised.

Deferred taxation is provided on temporary differences arising on investments in subsidiaries and associated companies, except where the timing of the reversal of the temporary difference can be controlled and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

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2. Principal accounting policies (Continued)

(n) Revenue recognition

Sale of completed properties are recognised upon completion of sale and purchase contracts. Rental income under operating leases, net of incentives given to lessees, is recognised on a straight line basis over the period of the respective leases. Sale of goods are recognised on the transfer of risks and rewards of ownership, which generally coincides with the time when goods are delivered to the customers and legal title has passed. Sale of securities are recognised on the transaction dates when the relevant sale and purchase contract is entered into. Service and management income are recognised when the services are rendered. Interest income is recognised on a time proportion basis, taking into account the principal amounts outstanding and the interest rates applicable. Dividend income is recognised when the right to receive payment is established.

(o) Borrowing costs

Interest and related costs on borrowings directly incurred to finance the construction or acquisition of an asset are capitalised during the period of time that is required to complete and prepare the asset for its intended use. All other borrowing costs are expensed as incurred.

(p) Employee benefits

The Group operates or participates in a number of defined contribution retirement schemes in the countries in which the Group operates. Contributions to these schemes are charged to the profit and loss account in the year to which the contributions relate.

Employee entitlements to annual leave and long service payment are recognised when they accrue to employees. A provision is made for the estimated liability for annual leave and long service payment as a result of services rendered by employees up to the balance sheet date. Employee entitlements to sick leave and maternity leave are not recognised until the time of leave.

Provisions for bonus entitlements due wholly within twelve months after balance sheet date are recognised when the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of services rendered by employees and a reliable estimate of the obligation can be made.

2. Principal accounting policies (Continued)

(q) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash and bank balances, deposits with banks and financial institutions with maturity within three months from the date of placement, net of bank overdrafts and advances from banks and financial institutions repayable within three months from the date of advance.

(r) Translation of foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies during the year are translated at exchange rates ruling at the transaction dates. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the balance sheet date are translated at rates of exchange ruling at that date. Exchange differences arising in these cases are dealt with in the profit and loss account.

Profit and loss accounts of subsidiaries and associated companies expressed in foreign currencies are translated at the weighted average exchange rates for the year and balance sheets are translated at rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Exchange differences arising from the translation of net investments in these subsidiaries and associated companies are taken directly to reserves.

3. Turnover

	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Sale of goods	37,404	33,160
Rental and management fees	12,607	12,748
Interest	2,374	2,564
Dividend from unlisted preference shares	1,828	3,791
Sale of properties	465	1,122
Services fee	179	215
Securities trading	-	261
	54,857	53,861

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4. Segment information

In accordance with the Group's internal financial reporting and operating activities, the primary segment reporting is business segments and the secondary segment reporting is geographical segments. The main business segments of the Group are property investment and development, sale of goods and services, information technology and securities trading. The Group's business operates in three geographical areas of Hong Kong (property investment and development, sale of goods and services, information technology and securities trading), the Mainland (property investment and development, sale of goods and services, sale of goods and services and information technology), and other countries (sale of goods and services).

Segment assets consist primarily of fixed assets, properties, investment securities, inventories, debtors and prepayments. Segment liabilities mainly comprise creditors and accruals and long-term borrowing and mainly exclude taxation and deferred taxation. Unallocated costs represent corporate expenses. Capital expenditure comprises additions to fixed assets and expenditure for properties held for/under development.

In respect of geographical segments, turnover and segment results are based on the country in which the customer is located. Total assets and capital expenditure are based on where the assets are located.

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4. Segment information (Continued)

(a) **Business segments**

	Property investment and development HK\$'000	Sale of goods and services HK\$'000	Information technology HK\$'000	Corporate and elimination HK\$'000	Group HK\$'000
2005					
Turnover Other revenues	13,120 591	37,404 1,337	179 -	4,154 25	54,857 1,953
Segment results	22,260	(669)	(722)	(18,905)	1,964
Finance costs					(4,537)
Share of results of associated companies	-	34,635	(418)	-	34,217
Profit before taxation Taxation					31,644 (3,904)
Profit after taxation Minority interests	279	-	(500)	-	27,740 (221)
Profit attributable to shareholders					27,519
Segment assets Associated companies Unallocated assets	1,768,269 –	16,926 149,373	222 1,209	-	1,785,417 150,582 253,238
Total assets					2,189,237
Segment liabilities Unallocated liabilities	299,970	6,291	110	-	306,371 252,843
Total liabilities					559,214
Capital expenditure Depreciation Amortisation of negative	75,956 1,176	362 651	- 71	494 8,432	76,812 10,330
goodwill	-	(5,780)	-	-	(5,780)
Revaluation surplus of investment properties Other non-cash items other than depreciation and	(25,000)	-	-	-	(25,000)
amortisation	3,816	22	1	162	4,001

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4. Segment information (Continued)

(a) **Business segments** (Continued)

	Property investment and development HK\$'000	Sale of goods and services HK\$'000	Information technology HK\$'000	Securities trading HK\$'000	Corporate and elimination HK\$'000	Group HK\$'000
2004						
Turnover Other revenues	13,918 513	33,010 1,318	365		6,307 3,143	53,861 4,974
Segment results	17,228	1,539	(728)	135	(15,022)	3,152
Finance costs Share of results of						(5,768)
associated companies	-	25,826	(513)	-	-	25,313
Profit before taxation Taxation						22,697 (2,459)
Profit after taxation Minority interests	43	-	71	-	-	20,238
Profit attributable to shareholders						20,352
Segment assets Associated companies Unallocated assets	1,652,708 _	15,007 121,346	454 1,612	-	-	1,668,169 122,958 364,417
Total assets						2,155,544
Segment liabilities Unallocated liabilities	299,441	5,604	237	-	-	305,282 252,647
Total liabilities						557,929
Capital expenditure Depreciation	14,842 356	931 643	4 70	-	1,731 8,438	17,508 9,507
Amortisation of negative goodwill	_	(4,543)	_	_	-	(4,543)
Revaluation surplus of investment properties Other non-cash items	(15,000)	-	-	-	-	(15,000)
other than depreciation and amortisation					(1,982)	(1,982)

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4. Segment information (Continued)

(b) Geographical segments

ts expenditure
00 HK\$'000
1,037
9 75,775
-8 –
7 76,812
5,795
11,713
0 –
4 17,508
5 3 44

5. Other revenues

	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Overprovision for rental guarantee (note 29)	_	116
Write back of provision for doubtful debts	_	45
Gain on reclassification of other investments	-	2,983
Sale of scrap material	1,292	1,223
Sundry income	661	607
	1,953	4,974

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6. Operating profit

	2005 <i>HK\$</i> '000	2004 HK\$'000
Operating profit is stated after crediting:		
Gross rental income from investment properties	10,139	10,659
Dividend income from unlisted preference shares	1,828	3,791
Gain on disposal of fixed assets	21	165
Net realised gain on other investments		135
and after charging:		
Cost of properties and inventories sold	35,061	29,423
Depreciation	10,330	9,507
Operating lease rental on land and buildings	2,177	2,212
Outgoings in respect of investment properties	2,080	2,116
Provision for doubtful debts	3,830	1,000
Staff costs, including Directors' emoluments		
Wages and salaries	16,257	15,364
Retirement benefit costs	802	756
Auditors' remuneration	350	500

7. Employee retirement benefits

The subsidiaries in the Mainland participate in respective government retirement benefit schemes pursuant to the relevant regulations whereby the subsidiaries are required to contribute to the schemes to fund the retirement benefits of the eligible employees. Contributions made to the schemes are calculated either based on certain percentages of the applicable payroll costs or fixed sums as stipulated under the requirements in the Mainland. The government is responsible for the entire retirement benefit obligations payable to the retired employees. The Group has no other obligations apart from making ongoing contributions under the schemes.

7. Employee retirement benefits (Continued)

The subsidiaries in Hong Kong operate defined contribution schemes for all eligible employees. Contributions to these schemes are calculated based on certain percentages of the applicable payroll costs or pre-determined fixed sums. The assets of the schemes are held separately from those of the subsidiaries in independently administered funds. Contributions to one of the schemes can be reduced by contributions forfeited by those employees who leave that scheme prior to vesting fully in those contributions.

The retirement benefit costs represent the contributions paid and payable by the Group to the schemes as mentioned above. Forfeited contributions totaling HK\$14,000 (2004: HK\$36,000) were utilised in 2005 and there are no forfeited contributions available to reduce the Group's future contributions (2004: HK\$Nil).

8. Finance costs

	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Interest expense		
Bank loan wholly repayable within five years	4,537	5,740
Finance lease obligations wholly payable within five years	-	28
	4,537	5,768

9. Share of results of associated companies

The Group's share of results for the year includes the amortisation of negative goodwill in respect of an associated company amounting to HK\$5,780,000 (2004: HK\$4,543,000).

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10. Directors' and management emoluments

(a) Directors' emoluments

	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Fees	315	230
Salaries, housing and allowances, benefits in kind	4,980	4,920
Retirement scheme contributions	327	327
	5,622	5,477

The emoluments paid to independent non-executive Directors amounting to HK\$240,000 (2004: HK\$155,000). Emoluments of the individual Directors fall within the following bands:-

Number of Directors		
2005	2004	
5	4	
3	3	
8	7	
	2005 5 3	

(b) Management emoluments

Among the five individuals with the highest emoluments, all (2004: all) are executive Directors whose emoluments are disclosed in note (a) above.

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11. Taxation

	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Company and subsidiaries		
Current (Hong Kong)	-	17
Current (Overseas)	30	26
	30	43
Associated companies		
Current (Hong Kong)	2,962	2,125
Current (Overseas)	879	448
Deferred	33	(157)
	3,874	2,416
	3,904	2,459

No provision for Hong Kong profits tax has been made in the accounts as the Group does not have any estimated assessable profit for the year. In last year, Hong Kong profits tax was provided at the rate of 17.5% on the estimated assessable profit for the year. Taxation on overseas profits has been calculated on the estimated assessable profit for the year at the rates of taxation prevailing in the countries in which the Group operates.

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11. Taxation (Continued)

The tax of the Group's profit before taxation differs from the theoretical amount that would arise using the taxation rate of Hong Kong as follows:-

HK\$'000 HK'000$ Profit before taxation 31,644 22,697 Tax charge at the rate of 17.5% (2004: 17.5%) 5,538 3,972	4
	0
Tax charge at the rate of 17.5% (2004: 17.5%) 5.538 3.97	7
Tax charge at the rate of 17.5% (2004: 17.5%) 5.538 3.97	
	2
Effect of different taxation rates in other countries (1,321) (1,132)	8)
Income not subject to taxation (6,941) (5,013	8)
Expenses not deductible for taxation purposes3,4152,890	0
Utilisation of previously unrecognised tax losses(225)(16)	3)
Increase in tax rate – 112	2
Tax losses not recognised3,8131,78°	7
Other items (375) 1'	7
	-
Taxation charge3,9042,459	9

12. Profit attributable to shareholders

Profit attributable to shareholders includes a loss of HK\$58,099,000 (2004: loss of HK\$88,563,000) dealt with in the accounts of the Company.

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13. Dividend

	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Proposed final dividend of 1.0 HK cent (2004: 1.0 HK cent)		
per share	10,244	10,244

The Board of Directors declares a final dividend in respect of 2005 of 1.0 HK cent (2004: 1.0 HK cent) per share amounting to HK\$10,244,000 (2004: HK\$10,244,000). This amount will be accounted for as an appropriation of reserves in the year ending 31st March, 2006.

14. Earnings per share

The calculation of earnings per share is based on the profit attributable to shareholders of HK\$27,519,000 (2004: HK\$20,352,000) and 1,024,439,690 (2004: 1,024,439,690) shares in issue during the year.

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15. Fixed assets

Group

	Investment properties HK\$'000	Land and buildings HK\$'000	Plant and machinery HK\$'000	Other fixed assets HK\$'000	Total <i>HK\$`000</i>
Cost or valuation					
At 31st March, 2004	427,400	-	18,284	58,144	503,828
Changes in exchange rates	-	-	-	11	11
Acquisition of subsidiaries	-	-	-	41	41
Additions	_	_	381	1,410	1,791
Transfer from properties held for/					
under development	-	11,711	-	-	11,711
Disposals	-	-	(418)	(325)	(743)
Revaluation surplus	25,000				25,000
At 31st March, 2005	452,400	11,711	18,247	59,281	541,639
Accumulated depreciation and impairment					
At 31st March, 2004	_	-	15,043	19,943	34,986
Changes in exchange rates	-	-	-	7	7
Acquisition of subsidiaries	-	-	-	16	16
Charge for the year	-	38	546	9,746	10,330
Disposals			(418)	(266)	(684)
At 31st March, 2005	<u> </u>	38			44,655
Net book value					
At 31st March, 2005	452,400	11,673	3,076	29,835	496,984
At 31st March, 2004	427,400		3,241	38,201	468,842

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15. Fixed assets (Continued)

Company

	Other fixed
	assets
	HK\$'000
Cost	
At 31st March, 2004 and 2005	86
Accumulated depreciation	
At 31st March, 2004	57
Charge for the year	26
At 31st March, 2005	83
Net book value	
At 31st March, 2005	3
At 31st March, 2004	29

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15. Fixed assets (Continued)

(a) Investment properties and land and buildings are held under long-term leases as follows:-

	Group	
	2005	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Investment properties		
In Hong Kong	450,000	425,000
Outside Hong Kong	2,400	2,400
	452 400	427.400
	452,400	427,400
Land and buildings outside Hong Kong	11,711	
	464,111	427,400

- (b) Investment properties in Hong Kong and the Mainland were revalued at 31st March, 2005 on an open market value basis by Vigers Appraisal & Consulting Limited and DTZ Debenham Tie Leung Limited, independent professional property valuers, respectively. All other assets are carried at cost.
- (c) Investment properties with net book value of HK\$450,000,000 (2004: HK\$425,000,000) have been pledged as securities for the bank loan (note 27).

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16. Properties held for/under development

	Group	
	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At the beginning of the year	1,185,213	1,175,064
Changes in exchange rates	635	-
Property development expenditure	75,021	10,149
Transfer to fixed assets	(11,711)	-
Transfer to properties held for sale	(99,915)	
At the end of the year	1,149,243	1,185,213
The properties are held outside Hong Kong under:-		
Long-term leases	947,111	983,081
Medium-term leases	202,132	202,132
	1,149,243	1,185,213

Properties held for/under development amounting to HK\$166,260,000 (2004: HK\$Nil) are pledged as securities for certain loan facility granted to the Group during the year ended 31st March, 2005.

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17. Subsidiaries

	Company		
	2005	2004	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Unlisted shares, at cost	150,036	150,036	
Amounts receivable	1,812,907	1,769,108	
Provision	(340,000)	(270,000)	
	1,622,943	1,649,144	

The amounts receivable are unsecured, interest free and have no fixed repayment terms. Particulars of principal subsidiaries which, in the opinion of the Directors, materially affect the results or net assets of the Group are set out in note 35 to the accounts.

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18. Associated companies

	Group		
	2005	2004	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Share of net assets	200,809	176,856	
Negative goodwill	(48,022)	(51,693)	
Amounts receivable	2,359	2,359	
Provision	(4,564)	(4,564)	
	150,582	122,958	
Investments, at cost			
Listed shares in Hong Kong	115,515	109,822	
Unlisted shares	81,334	81,334	
	196,849	191,156	
Market value of listed shares	157,080	155,720	
Details of the negative goodwill are as follows:-			
Cost	59,378	57,269	
Accumulated amortisation	(11,356)	(5,576)	
Net book value	48,022	51,693	
At the beginning of the year	51,693	56,236	
Addition	2,109	-	
Amortisation	(5,780)	(4,543)	
At the end of year	48,022	51,693	

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18. Associated companies (Continued)

The amounts receivable are unsecured, interest free and have no fixed repayment terms except for an amount of HK\$750,000 (2004: HK\$750,000) which carries interest at prevailing market rates and repayable by January 2006. Particulars of principal associated companies which, in the opinion of the Directors, materially affect the results or net assets of the Group are set out in note 36 to the accounts.

A summary of the results and financial position of Midas International Holdings Limited ("Midas"), a major associated company, based on its audited accounts for the year ended 31st December, 2004 is as follows:-

	2004	2003
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Results		
Turnover	736,879	675,237
Profit before taxation	71,104	59,673
Group's share of profit before taxation	28,855	21,283
Financial position		
Non-current assets	667,655	653,010
Current assets	387,592	432,116
Current liabilities	(280,234)	(295,675)
Non-current liabilities	(220,241)	(177,113)
Minority interests	(44,665)	(40,900)
Shareholders' funds	510,107	571,438
Preference shares and premium	(48,500)	(148,500)
Ordinary shareholders' funds	461,607	422,938
Group's share of net assets	149,373	121,346

19. Investment securities

	Group		
	2005	2004	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Listed equity shares, at cost	46,652	45,253	
Unlisted preference shares, at cost	23,500	98,500	
Unlisted equity shares, at cost	1,018	1,018	
Amounts receivable	145	1,691	
Amounts payable	(849)		
	70,466	146,462	
Provision	(151)		
	70,315	146,462	
Market value of listed shares	33,040	47,120	

The unlisted preference shares represent 39,166,668 (2004: 164,166,668) series B preference shares of HK\$0.01 each, which were issued on 14th December, 2001, by Midas, an associated company, at an issue price of HK\$0.60 per share.

The preference shares are non-voting, redeemable and carry fixed cumulative preferential dividend payable semi-annually at a rate of 2.5% per annum on the issue price of HK\$0.60 per share. The series B preference shares do not have the right to convert into ordinary shares of Midas and are redeemable at the issue price of HK\$0.60 per share at the option of Midas at any time during the five-year period from the date of issue. Any outstanding preference shares, which have not been previously redeemed prior to the fifth anniversary from the date of issue, shall be redeemed by Midas in cash at the issue price of HK\$0.60 per share together with any unpaid dividend.

20. Properties held for sale

	Group		
	2005	2004	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Completed properties	21,691	22,013	
Properties under development for sale	112,813		
	134,504	22,013	

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21. Inventories

	Group		
	2005		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Raw materials	2,307	2,552	
Work in progress	1,623	1,808	
Finished goods	178	112	
	4,108	4,472	

At 31st March, 2005, all inventories are carried at cost.

22. Debtors and prepayments

	Group		Comj	pany
	2005	2004	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Trade debtors	15,112	14,850	_	_
Other debtors	7,851	4,892	157	118
Utility and other deposits	2,337	1,231	-	_
Prepayments	301	390		
	25,601	21,363	157	118

22. Debtors and prepayments (Continued)

Rental and management fee are receivable in advance. Credit terms of the Group's sales of goods mainly ranged from 30 days to 90 days. The aging analysis of the Group's trade debtors is as follows:-

	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Below 30 days	2,974	3,393
31 to 60 days	1,431	1,443
61 to 90 days	1,992	572
Over 90 days	8,715	9,442
	15,112	14,850

23. Creditors and accruals

	Group		Com	pany
	2005	2004	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Trade creditors	4,799	3,143	_	_
Other creditors	22,194	16,766	523	311
Tenant and other deposits	5,190	4,254	-	-
Accrued expenses	3,583	4,330		
	35,766	28,493	523	311

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23. Creditors and accruals (Continued)

The aging analysis of the Group's trade creditors is as follows:-

	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Below 30 days	1,999	1,926
31 to 60 days	837	965
61 to 90 days	907	193
Over 90 days	1,056	59
	4,799	3,143

24. Share capital

	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Authorised:		
18,000,000,000 shares of HK\$0.05 each	900,000	900,000
Issued and fully paid:		
1,024,439,690 shares of HK\$0.05 each	51,222	51,222

Pursuant to the annual general meeting held on 26th August, 2002, a share option scheme (the "Scheme") was adopted by the Company. Under the Scheme which is valid and effective for a term of ten years from the date of its adoption, the Directors of the Company may grant options to the eligible persons as defined in the Scheme, inter alia, any employees, Directors or business consultants of the Company and its subsidiaries, to subscribe for shares in the Company under the terms and conditions stipulated therein. The maximum number of shares in respect of which options may be granted under the Scheme shall not exceed 10% of the issued share capital of the Company as at 26th August, 2002. No options have been granted under the Scheme since its adoption.

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25. Reserves

Group

		Capital					
	Share	reserve on	Capital	Statutory	Exchange	Accumulated	
	premium	consolidation	reserve	reserve	reserve	losses	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At 31st March, 2003	1,105,395	96,670	457,792	3,266	(3,664)	(218,440)	1,441,019
Changes in exchange rates	-	-	-	-	(5)	-	(5)
Share of reserve of an							
associated company	-	(158)	-	-	-	-	(158)
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	-	20,352	20,352
2004 proposed final dividend	-	-	-	-	-	(10,244)	(10,244)
At 31st March, 2004	1,105,395	96,512	457,792	3,266	(3,669)	(208,332)	1,450,964
Changes in exchange rates	-	-	-	-	807	-	807
Share of reserve of an							
associated company	-	1,191	-	-	-	-	1,191
Transfer	-	-	-	11	-	(11)	-
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	-	27,519	27,519
2005 proposed final dividend	-	-	-	-	-	(10,244)	(10,244)
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At 31st March, 2005	1,105,395	97,703	457,792	3,277	(2,862)	(191,068)	1,470,237
Retained by:							
Company and subsidiaries	1,105,395	96,175	457,792	3,277	(1,997)	(260,876)	1,399,766
Associated companies	-	1,528	-	_	(865)	69,808	70,471
	1,105,395	97,703	457,792	3,277	(2,862)	(191,068)	1,470,237
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Statutory reserve represents enterprise expansion fund and general reserve fund set aside by subsidiaries in accordance with the relevant laws and regulations in the Mainland.

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25. Reserves (Continued)

Company

	Share	Capital	Contributed	Retained	
	premium	reserve	surplus	profits	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At 31st March, 2003	1,105,395	457,792	21,466	251,324	1,835,977
Loss for the year	_	-	_	(88,563)	(88,563)
2004 proposed final					
dividend	-	-	(10,244)	-	(10,244)
At 31st March, 2004	1,105,395	457,792	11,222	162,761	1,737,170
Loss for the year	_	_	_	(58,099)	(58,099)
2005 proposed final					
dividend	-	-	(10,244)	-	(10,244)
At 31st March, 2005	1,105,395	457,792	978	104,662	1,668,827

Under the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda, the contributed surplus arising on the formation of the Company in 1989 is distributable to shareholders. Total distributable reserves of the Company amounting to HK\$115,884,000 (2004: HK\$184,227,000) as at 31st March, 2005.

26. Minority interests

	Group		
	2005	2004	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Equity interests	80,682	79,110	
Loans payable	17,638	6,075	
	98,320	85,185	

The loans payable are unsecured, have no fixed repayment terms and are interest free.

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27. Long-term borrowing

	Group		
	2005	2004	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Secured bank loan wholly repayable within five years	239,000	245,000	
Current portion included in current liabilities	(6,000)	(6,000)	
	233,000	239,000	

The bank loan is secured by all assets of a subsidiary, including investment properties with carrying amount of HK\$450,000,000 (2004: HK\$425,000,000), shares of a subsidiary and guarantee by the ultimate holding company. The bank loan is repayable in the following periods:-

	Group		
	2005	2004	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Within one year	6,000	6,000	
Second year	8,000	6,000	
Third to fifth year	225,000	233,000	
	239,000	245,000	

28. Other non-current liabilities

	Group		
	2005	2004	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Provisions (note 29)	30,994	30,994	
Deferred taxation (note 30)		235,366	
	266,360	266,360	

29. Provisions

	Group		
	2005	2004	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
At the beginning of the year	33,414	37,032	
Write back	-	(116)	
Amount utilised		(3,502)	
At the end of the year	33,414	33,414	
Current portion included under current liabilities	(2,420)	(2,420)	
	30,994	30,994	

Pursuant to an agreement dated 29th October, 2001, the Group disposed of certain properties in the Mainland to Midas, under which the Group would indemnify Midas for the shortfall of annual rental income from certain of those properties amounting to HK\$3,880,000 for each of the two years after 14th December, 2001 and would also be responsible for 51% of the construction costs for the properties during the period from 14th December, 2001 to completion of the construction. The indemnity on rental income expired on 13th December, 2003 and such provision was fully utilised during last year. In addition, the Group also executed a deed of indemnity dated 14th December, 2001 in favour of Midas, pursuant to which the Group would indemnify Midas the portion of land appreciation and enterprise income taxes in the Mainland, that may arise upon subsequent disposal of the properties by Midas, attributable to the excess of the consideration paid by Midas over the carrying value of the properties. The provisions represent the Group's estimated liabilities under the above undertakings and indemnities to Midas.

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30. Deferred taxation

	Gi	Group	
	2005	2004	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Fair value gains	235,366	235,366	

Deferred taxation liabilities for the fair value gains as disclosed above represent the deferred tax on the differences between the carrying amounts of the properties held for/under development as included in the consolidated accounts (which are the fair values of these properties upon the date of acquisition of those subsidiaries by the Group in prior years) and the carrying amounts of these properties as included in the accounts of the relevant subsidiaries.

Deferred taxation liabilities, which are expected to be settled after more than twelve months, have been provided in full on temporary differences under the liability method using the applicable tax rates prevailing in the countries in which the Group operates.

Deferred taxation assets of HK\$58 million (2004: HK\$55 million) arising from unused tax losses of HK\$334 million (2004: HK\$316 million) have not been recognised in the accounts. These tax losses have no expiry dates.

Deferred taxation liabilities of HK\$3 million (2004: HK\$3 million) on temporary differences in respect of depreciation allowances of HK\$16 million (2004: HK\$17 million) has not been recognised in the accounts as there are sufficient unrecognised deferred tax assets to set off against them.

31. Commitments

	Group			
	2005	2004		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000		
Contracted but not provided for				
Property development expenditure	44,193	4,118		
Authorised but not contracted for		_		
	44,193	4,118		

(a) Capital commitments

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31. Commitments (Continued)

(b) Operating lease rental payable

The future aggregate minimum lease rental expense under non-cancellable operating leases in respect of land and buildings is payable in the following periods:-

	Group		
	2005		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Within one year	1,557	1,686	
Two to five years	1,019	488	
	2,576	2,174	

Of the above operating lease commitment payable, HK\$1,987,000 (2004: HK\$1,067,000) is payable to an associated company.

(c) Operating lease rental receivable

The future aggregate minimum lease rental income under non-cancellable operating leases in respect of the investment properties is receivable in the following periods:-

	Group		
	2005		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Within one year	8,759	8,316	
Two to five years	5,862	8,406	
	14,621	16,722	

32. Contingent liabilities

	Group		
	2005	2004	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Guarantees for mortgage bank loans to purchasers			
of properties of the Group	3,113	4,189	

33. Notes to the consolidated cash flow statement

(a) **Reconciliation of operating profit to cash used in operations**

	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Operating profit	1,964	3,152
Interest income	(2,374)	(2,564)
Dividend income from unlisted preference shares	(1,828)	(3,791)
Depreciation	10,330	9,507
Revaluation surplus of investment properties	(25,000)	(15,000)
Deemed gain on dilution of interest in		
an associated company	-	(1)
Provision for diminution in value of		
investment securities	151	-
Gain on disposal of fixed assets	(21)	(165)
Operating loss before working capital changes	(16,778)	(8,862)
Decrease in properties held for sale	447	1,217
Decrease/(increase) in inventories	364	(1,256)
Increase in other investments	-	(2,856)
(Increase)/decrease in debtors and prepayments	(3,249)	2,339
Increase in creditors and accruals	1,525	1,363
Changes in exchange rates	289	(5)
Cash used in operations	(17,402)	(8,060)

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33. Notes to the consolidated cash flow statement (Continued)

(b) Analysis of changes in financing

			Obligations
			under
	Long-term	Minority	finance
	borrowing	interests	leases
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At 31st March, 2003	250,000	85,299	110
Share of loss	_	(114)	-
Net cash used in financing activities	(5,000)		(110)
At 31st March, 2004	245,000	85,185	_
Acquisition of subsidiaries	_	12,653	-
Share of profit	_	221	-
Changes in exchange rates	_	261	-
Net cash used in financing activities	(6,000)		
At 31st March, 2005	239,000	98,320	

(c) Purchase of subsidiaries

	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Net assets acquired		
Fixed assets	25	-
Properties held for sale	11,641	-
Debtors and prepayments	968	-
Cash and bank balances	83	-
Creditors and accruals	(64)	-
Minority interests	(12,653)	-
	-	-
Cash consideration	-	-
Cash and bank balances acquired	83	-
Net cash inflow on purchase	83	_

33. Notes to the consolidated cash flow statement (Continued)

(c) **Purchase of subsidiaries** (Continued)

The subsidiaries acquired during the year contributed HK\$1,566,000 (2004: N/A) to the Group's cash flows from operating activities and utilised HK\$1,242,000 (2004: N/A) in respect of the Group's cash flows in investing activities.

(d) Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Cash and bank balances	157,900	184,221
Bank deposits maturing more than		
three months from date of placement	(25,095)	(24,860)
	132,805	159,361

34. Approval of accounts

The accounts were approved by the Board of Directors on 29th June, 2005.

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35. Principal subsidiaries

		Place of		Effec	tive	
		incorporation/	Issued capital/	percenta	ge held	Principal
	Name	operation	paid up capital	by Gr	oup	activities
				2005	2004	
#	Chengdu Palace Development Company Limited	The Mainland	Registered capital of RMB20,000,000	51	51	Property development
@	China Cyberworld Limited	Hong Kong	2 shares of HK\$1 each	100	100	Investment holding
@	Chinaculture.com Limited	British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong	1 share of US\$1	100	100	Investment holding
	Chuang's China Commercial Limited	British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong	1 share of US\$1	100	100	Investment holding
@	Chuang's China Enterprises Limited	Hong Kong	458,310,965 shares of HK\$0.2 each	100	100	Securities trading and investment holding
@	Chuang's China Realty Limited	Bermuda/ Hong Kong	2,000,000 shares of HK\$0.05 each	100	100	Investment holding
@	Chuang's China Treasury Limited	Cayman Islands/ Hong Kong	1 share of US\$1	100	100	Investment holding

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35. Principal subsidiaries (Continued)

		Place of		Effe	ctive	
		incorporation/	Issued capital/	percenta	age held	Principal
	Name	operation	paid up capital	by G	roup	activities
				2005	2004	
	Chuang's Development (China) Limited	Hong Kong	2 shares of HK\$10 each	100	100	Property development and investment
	Chuang's Development (Dong Guan) Limited	Hong Kong	2 shares of HK\$1 each	100	100	Investment holding
	Chuang's Information Technology Limited	Hong Kong	100 shares of HK\$1 each	100	100	Investment holding
	Distinguished Properties Limited	British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong	1 share of US\$1	100	100	Investment holding
	Double Wealthy Company Limited	Hong Kong	160 shares of HK\$1 each	100	100	Investment holding
	Dragon Rich Investments Limited	Hong Kong	2 shares of HK\$1 each	100	100	Property investment
@	Gold Throne Finance Limited	British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong	1 share of US\$1	100	100	Investment holding
	Gold Capital Profits Limited	British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong	100 shares of US\$1 each	75	-	Investment holding

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35. Principal subsidiaries (Continued)

		Place of		Effeo		
	N.	incorporation/	Issued capital/	percenta	-	Principal
	Name	operation	paid up capital	by G	-	activities
				2005	2004	
#	Guangzhou Panyu Chuang's Real Estate Development Company Limited	The Mainland	Registered capital of RMB60,000,000	85	85	Property development and investment
#	Hunan Han Ye Real Estate Development Company Limited	The Mainland	Registered capital of RMB10,000,000	54	-	Property development and investment
	Internet PRO Limited	Hong Kong	15,686,340 shares of HK\$0.1 each	56	56	e-commerce solution provider
	iPro Technology Limited	British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong	1 share of US\$1	100	100	Investment holding
	Koledo Company Limited	Hong Kong	2 shares of HK\$100 each 2 non-voting deferred shares of HK\$100 each	100	100	Property investment
	Noble Century Investment Limited	Hong Kong	1,000,000 shares of HK\$1 each	60	-	Investment holding

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35. Principal subsidiaries (Continued)

	Place of		Effe	ctive	
	incorporation/	Issued capital/	percent	age held	Principal
Name	operation	paid up capital	by G	roup	activities
			2005	2004	
On Profit Investment	Hong Kong	2 shares of	100	100	Property development
Limited		HK\$1 each			and investment
Silver Chase Investment	Hong Kong	2 shares of	100	100	Property development
Limited		HK\$1 each			and investment
Silver Dragon Investment	Hong Kong	2 shares of	100	100	Property development
Limited		HK\$1 each			and investment
Success Gain Investment	Hong Kong	2 shares of	100	100	Property development
Limited		HK\$1 each			and investment
Yuen Sang Hardware	Hong Kong	1,000,000 shares	100	100	Manufacture and
Company (1988)		of HK\$1 each			sale of watch
Limited					components
Yuen Sang Watch and	Hong Kong	500,000 shares of	100	100	Investment holding
Clock Limited		HK\$1 each			

@ Subsidiaries directly held by the Company

Subsidiaries not audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers

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36. Principal associated companies

#	Name Fujian Sunshine Education	Place of incorporation/ operation	Issued capital/ paid up capital Registered capital	percent	ctive age held roup 2004 48	Principal activities Educational
	Information Company Limited		of RMB7,000,000			information system network development
ф #	Midas International Holdings Limited	Cayman Islands/ Hong Kong	534,290,068 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each	44.6	42.9	Books printing, paper products printing and property investment
			39,166,668 (2004: 164,166,668) non-voting series B preference shares of HK\$0.01 each	100	100	
#	Shanghai Yuen Sang Watch and Clock Limited	The Mainland	Registered capital of US\$700,000	50	50	Manufacture, assembling and sale of watches and clocks
#	Treasure Auctioneer International Limited	British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong	1,000,000 shares of US\$1 each	25	25	Auction services

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