## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 1. GENERAL

The Company is incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability and its shares are listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange").

The Company is an investment holding company. During the year ended 31 March 2005, its subsidiaries were engaged in the following principal activities:
(a) Apparel trading
(b) Securities trading
(c) Strategic investments
(d) Provision of container depots and logistics management services (discontinued operations Note 5)
(e) Provision of freight forwarding and vessel operating common carrier services (discontinued operations - Note 5)

## 2. RECENTLY ISSUED HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS

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

## 3. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in Hong Kong and comply with accounting standards issued by the HKICPA and the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance. They have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except that, as disclosed in the accounting policies below, leasehold properties and other investments are stated at fair value.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 3. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(b) Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries made up to 31 March each year, unless the subsidiaries are acquired and held exclusively with a view to be disposed of in the near future or operate under severe long-term restrictions which significantly impair their ability to transfer funds to the Company.

The results of subsidiaries acquired or disposed of during the year are consolidated from and up to their effective dates of acquisition and disposal, respectively. Minority interests, represent the interests of outside shareholders in the net assets and operating results of subsidiaries, are shown separately in the balance sheet and income statement, respectively.

All significant inter-company transactions and balances within the Group have been eliminated on consolidation.

## (c) 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 a subsidiary or an associate at the date of acquisition.

Goodwill arising on acquisition after 1 April 2001 is recognised as an asset and amortised on a straight line basis over its estimated useful life of 5 to 10 years. Goodwill arising on the acquisition of an associate is included within the carrying amount of the associate. Goodwill arising on the acquisition of subsidiaries is presented separately in the balance sheet.

Goodwill arising on acquisition prior to 1 April 2001 was written off against reserves and will be charged to the income statement at the time of disposal of the relevant subsidiary or associate, or at such time as the goodwill is determined to be impaired.

On disposal of a subsidiary or an associate, the attributable amount of unamortised goodwill or goodwill previously eliminated against reserves is included in the determination of the profit or loss on disposal.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 3. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(d) Negative goodwill

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

Negative goodwill arising on acquisition after 1 April 2001 is presented as a deduction from assets and will be 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 lives 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 as income immediately. Negative goodwill arising on the acquisition of an associate is deducted from the carrying value of that associate. Negative goodwill arising on the acquisition of subsidiaries is presented separately in the balance sheet as a deduction from assets.

Negative goodwill arising on acquisition prior to 1 April 2001 continues to be held in reserves and will be credited to income at the time of disposal of the relevant subsidiary or associate.
(e) Property, plant and equipment

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

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

Any surplus arising on revaluation of leasehold properties is credited to the other property revaluation reserve, and any decrease in net carrying amount arising on revaluation of leasehold properties is charged to the income statement to the extent that it exceeds the surplus, if any, held in the other property revaluation reserve relating to previous revaluations. On disposal of a revalued asset, the relevant portion of the other property revaluation reserve realised in respect of previous valuations is transferred to accumulated profits/(losses) as a movement in reserves.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 3. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(e) Property, plant and equipment (Continued)

Depreciation is provided on a straight line basis to write off the cost or valuation of property, plant and equipment over their estimated useful lives, at the following rates per annum:

Leasehold land
Buildings
Leasehold improvements

Furniture, fixtures and equipment
Motor vehicles
Tractors, trailers and chassis
Plant and machinery

Over the remaining unexpired terms of leases
$2 \%-2.5 \%$
$10 \%-50 \%$ or over the remaining unexpired terms of the leases whichever is shorter
$12 \frac{1}{2} \%-33^{1} /{ }_{3} \%$
$16{ }^{2} / 3 \%-20 \%$
$81 / 3 \%$
$6^{2} / 3 \%-20 \%$

## (f) Interests in subsidiaries

A subsidiary is a company that the Company controls which is normally evidenced when the Company has the power, directly or indirectly, to govern its financial and operating policies so as to benefit from its activities.

Interests in subsidiaries are included in the Company's balance sheet at cost less any impairment losses.

## (g) Interests in associates

An associate is a company, not being a subsidiary, in which the Group has significant influence, but not control, over its management including participation in the financial and operating policy decisions.

The 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 goodwill/(negative goodwill) arising on acquisition, less any impairment losses.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 3. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

## (h) Impairment of assets

At each balance sheet date, the Group reviews the carrying amounts of its assets including property, plant and equipment and other non-current 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 loss is recognised as an expense immediately, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation decrease in accordance with the relevant accounting policy for that revalued asset.

Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, so that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined (net of amortisation or depreciation) had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised as income immediately, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the reversal of the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation increase in accordance with the relevant accounting policy for that revalued asset.

## (i) Other investments

Other investments are carried at fair value. At each balance sheet date, the net unrealised gains and losses arising from the changes in fair value of other investments are recognised in the income statement. Profits or losses on disposal of other investments representing the difference between the net sales proceeds and the carrying amounts and are recognised in the income statement as they arise.

## (j) Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is calculated using the first-in, first-out method. Net realisable value is determined on the basis of anticipated sales proceeds less estimated costs of completion and estimated selling expenses.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 3. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

## (k) Contingent liabilities and contingent assets

A contingent liability is a possible obligation that arises from past events and whose existence will only be confirmed by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the control of the Group. It can be a present obligation arising from past events that is not recognised because it is not probable that outflow of economic resources will be required or the amount of obligation cannot be measured reliably. A contingent liability is not recognised but is disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. When a change in the probability of an outflow occurs so that outflow is probable, they will then be recognised as a provision.

A contingent asset is a possible asset that arises from past events and whose existence will be confirmed only by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain events not wholly within the control of the Group. A contingent asset is not recognised but is disclosed in the notes to the financial statements when an inflow of economic benefits is probable. When inflow is virtually certain, an asset is recognised.

## (I) Revenue recognition

Sales of goods are recognised when goods are delivered and title has passed.

Sales of other investments are recognised when the sales contracts become unconditional.

Revenue from the rendering of freight forwarding and vessel operating common carrier services, container depot services and logistics management services is recognised when the risk of transaction is substantially transferred, which generally coincides with the date of departure for outward freight and the date of arrival for inward freight, the date of service rendered of vessel operating common carrier services and container depot services and logistics management services.

Interest income is accrued on a time proportion basis by reference to the principal outstanding and at the interest rate applicable.

Rental/royalty income is recognised on a time proportion basis in accordance with the terms and conditions of the tenancy/royalty agreements.

Dividend income is recognised when the shareholders' right to receive payment has been established.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 3. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(m) Employee benefits
(i) Employee leave entitlements

Employee entitlements to annual leave and long service leave are recognised when they accrue to employees. A provision is made for the estimated liability for annual leave and long service leave 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.
(ii) Retirement benefits costs

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefits schemes are charged as expenses as they fall due.

## (n) Taxation

Income tax comprises current tax and movements in deferred tax assets and liabilities.

Current tax is the expected tax payable on the taxable income for the year, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date.

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 financial statements. Taxation rates enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date are used to determine deferred taxation.

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.

Deferred taxation is provided on temporary differences arising on interests in subsidiaries and associates 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.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 3. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(o) Operating leases

Leases where substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of assets remain with the leasing company are accounted for as operating leases.

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to the income statement on a straight line basis over the lease terms.

## (p) Foreign currencies

Foreign currency translations are recorded at the applicable rates of exchange ruling at the transaction dates. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the balance sheet date are translated at the applicable rates of exchange ruling at that date. Exchange differences are dealt with in the income statement.

On consolidation, the balance sheets of overseas subsidiaries and associates are translated into Hong Kong dollars at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date, whereas the income statements are translated at the average rates for the year. The resulting translation differences are included in the translation reserve.

## (q) Related parties

Parties are considered to be related if one party has the ability, directly or indirectly, to control the other party or exercise significant influence over the other party in making financial and operating decisions. Parties are also considered to be related if they are subject to common control or common significant influence. Related parties may be individuals or corporate entities.
(r) Cash and cash equivalents

For the purpose of the consolidated cash flow statement, cash and cash equivalents consist of cash on hand, demand deposits and short term highly liquid investments which are readily convertible into known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value, and have a short maturity of generally within three months when acquired. Bank overdrafts which are repayable on demand and form an integral part of the Group's cash management are also included as a component of cash and cash equivalents.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 3. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(s) Share option scheme

The Company operates a share option scheme for the purpose of providing incentives and rewards to eligible participants for their contribution and support to the Group. The financial impact of share options granted under the share option scheme is not recorded in the Company's and the Group's balance sheet until such time as the options are exercised, and no charge is recorded in the income statement or balance sheet for their cost. Upon the exercise of share options, the resulting shares issued are recorded by the Company as additional share capital at the nominal value of the shares, and the excess of the exercise price per share over the nominal value of the shares is recorded by the Company in the share premium account. Options which are cancelled prior to their exercise date, or which have lapsed, are deleted from the register of outstanding options and have no impact on the income statement or balance sheet.

## (t) Segment reporting

A segment is a distinguishable component of the Group that is engaged either in providing products or services (business segment), or in providing products or services within a particular economic environment (geographical segment), which is subject to risks and rewards that are different from those of other segments.

The Group has chosen business segment information as the primary reporting format and geographical segment information as the secondary reporting format.

Segment revenue, expenses, results, assets and liabilities include items directly attributable to a segment as well as those that can be allocated on a reasonable basis to that segment. Segment revenue, expenses, assets, and liabilities are determined before intra-group balances and intra-group transactions are eliminated as part of the consolidation process, except to the extent that such intra-group balances and transactions are between group enterprises within a single segment. Inter-segment pricing is based on similar terms as those available to other external parties.

Segment capital expenditure is the total cost incurred during the year to acquire segment assets (both tangible and intangible) that are expected to be used for more than one year.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 4. TURNOVER

Turnover represents the amounts received and receivable for apparel trading, sales of other investments, container depot services and logistics management services, and freight forwarding and vessel operating common carrier services rendered by the Group during the year. An analysis of the Group's turnover is as follows:

|  | $\begin{array}{r} 2005 \\ H K \$ \$^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2004 \\ H K \$^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Continuing operations |  |  |
| Apparel trading | 90,948 | 76,008 |
| Sales of other investments | 60,991 | 1,053 |
|  | 151,939 | 77,061 |
| Discontinued operations (Note 5) |  |  |
| Provision of container depot services and logistics management services | 482 | 23,138 |
| Provision of freight forwarding and vessel operating common carrier services | 1,531 | 23,323 |
|  | 2,013 | 46,461 |
|  | 153,952 | 123,522 |

## 5. DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

|  | $\mathbf{2 0 0 5}$ <br> HK\$'000 | 2004 <br> HK\$'000 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Gain on disposal of container depots and logistics <br> management services operations <br> Loss on disposal of freight forwarding and vessel <br> operating common carrier services operations | $\mathbf{2 2 , 0 6 3}$ | - |
| Gain on disposal of subsidiaries attributable to <br> discontinued operations | - | $\mathbf{( 4 8 9 )}$ |

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 5. DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS (Continued)

(a) Container depots and logistics management services operations

On 22 March 2004, the Group entered into a sale and purchase agreement to dispose of its entire $60 \%$ equity interest in United Asia Terminal Holdings Limited ("United Asia") and the amount due from United Asia to the Group at a total consideration of HK\$33,000,000. United Asia and its subsidiaries ("United Asia Group") were principally engaged in the provision of container depots and logistics management services. Upon the completion of the disposal on 6 April 2004, the Group discontinued its container depots and logistics management services operations. Gain on disposal of the aforesaid discontinued operations of approximately HK $\$ 22,063,000$ has been credited to the income statement. No income tax expense or credit arose from the disposal.

The turnover, other revenue, results, cash flows, total assets and total liabilities of the container depots and logistics management services operations are as follows:

|  | Period from <br> 1 April 2004 <br> to 6 April 2004 <br> HK\$'000 | Year ended <br> 31 March 2004 <br> HK\$'000 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Turnover | 482 | 23,138 |
| Direct operating costs | (314) | $(16,542)$ |
| Gross profit | 168 | 6,596 |
| Other revenue | - | 9 |
| Operating expenses | (80) | $(5,632)$ |
| Profit from ordinary activities before taxation | 88 | 973 |
| Taxation | - | (603) |
| Profit before minority interests | 88 | 370 |
| Minority interests | (35) | (42) |
| Net profit for the period/year | 53 | 328 |
| Net cash used in operating activities | (377) | (642) |
| Net cash used in investing activities | - | (436) |
| Net cash from financing activities | - | 1,081 |
| Effect on foreign exchange rate changes | - | (9) |
| Total net cash outflow | (377) | (6) |

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 5. DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS (Continued)

(a) Container depots and logistics management services operations (Continued)

|  | $\begin{array}{r} \text { As at } \\ 6 \text { April } 2004 \\ \text { HK\$'000 } \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { As at } \\ 31 \text { March } 2004 \\ \text { HK \$'000 } \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total assets | 68,479 | 68,448 |
| Total liabilities, including amount due to the Group of approximately HK\$50,788,000 (2004: HK\$50,788,000) | $(93,228)$ | $(93,285)$ |
| Minority interests | 5,648 | 5,683 |
| Net liabilities | $(19,101)$ | $(19,154)$ |

(b) Freight forwarding and vessel operating common carrier services operations

On 30 March 2004, the Group entered into a sale and purchase agreement to dispose of its entire 100\% equity interest in Jungjin Logistics Development Limited ("Jungjin Logistics") and the amount due from Jungjin Logistics to the Group at a total consideration of HK\$3,155,000. Jungjin Logistics and its subsidiaries ("Jungjin Logistics Group") were principally engaged in the provision of freight forwarding and vessel operating common carrier services. Upon the completion of the disposal on 22 April 2004, the Group discontinued its freight forwarding and vessel operating common carrier services operations. Loss on disposal of the aforesaid discontinued operations of approximately HK\$489,000 has been charged to the income statement. No income tax expense or credit arose from the disposal.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 5. DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS (Continued)

(b) Freight forwarding and vessel operating common carrier services operations (Continued) The turnover, other revenue, results, cash flows, total assets and total liabilities of the freight forwarding and vessel operating common carrier services operations are as follows:

|  | Period from <br> 1 April 2004 <br> to 22 April 2004 <br> HK\$'000 | Year ended 31 March 2004 HK\$'000 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Turnover | 1,531 | 23,323 |
| Direct operating costs | $(1,302)$ | $(19,402)$ |
| Gross profit | 229 | 3,921 |
| Other revenue | - | 13 |
| Operating expenses | (457) | $(4,119)$ |
| Loss from operations | (228) | (185) |
| Finance costs | - | (2) |
| Interest in an associate written off | - | (22) |
| Net loss for the period/year | (228) | (209) |
| Net cash (used in)/from operating activities | (793) | 638 |
| Net cash used in investing activities | (101) | (58) |
| Total net cash (outflow)/inflow | (894) | 580 |
|  |  |  |
|  | As at 22 April 2004 | $\begin{array}{r} \text { As at } \\ 31 \text { March } 2004 \end{array}$ |
|  | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 |
| Total assets | 7,534 | 7,796 |
| Total liabilities, including amount due to the Group of approximately HK\$26,151,000 (2004: HK\$26,151,000) | $(30,160)$ | $(30,194)$ |
| Net liabilities | $(22,626)$ | $(22,398)$ |

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005 

## 6. BUSINESS AND GEOGRAPHICAL SEGMENTS

## Business segments

The Group is currently organised its operations into the following business segments:
(a) apparel trading
(b) securities trading
(c) strategic investments and others

During the year ended 31 March 2005, the Group had discontinued its container depots and logistics management services operations, and its freight forwarding and vessel operating common carrier services operations, details of which are set out in Note 5.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 6. BUSINESS AND GEOGRAPHICAL SEGMENTS (Continued)

## Business segments (Continued)

An analysis of the Group's turnover, contribution to loss from operations for the years ended 31 March 2005 and 2004 and certain asset, liability and expenditure information regarding business segments is as follows:

| Continuing operations |  |  | Discontinued operations |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Freight |  |
|  |  |  | Operation | forwarding |  |
|  |  |  | of container | and vessel |  |
|  |  |  | depots and | operating |  |
|  |  | Strategic | logistics | common |  |
|  |  | investments | management | carrier |  |
| trading | trading | and others | services | services | Consolidated |
| HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 |

For the year ended 31 March 2005

| Turnover | 90,948 | 60,991 | - | 482 | 1,531 | 153,952 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Segment results | $(9,667)$ | 26 | - | 88 | (228) | (9,781 |
| Interest income |  |  |  |  |  | 81 |
| Group overheads |  |  |  |  |  | (2,726 |
| Loss from operations |  |  |  |  |  | (12,426) |
| Finance costs |  |  |  |  |  | (1,242 |
| Gain/(Loss) on disposal of subsidiaries attributable to discontinued operations | - | - | - | 22,063 | (489) | 21,574 |
| Amortisation of goodwill arising on acquisition of subsidiaries | $(1,843)$ | - | - | - | - | $(1,843)$ |
| Amortisation of goodwill arising on acquisition of associates | - | - | (192) | - | - | (192) |
| Impairment losses recognised in relation to goodwill arising on acquisition of associates | - | - | $(1,231)$ | - | - | (1,231 |
| Share of results of associates | - | - | 14 | - | - | 14 |
| Provision for loan receivables |  |  |  |  |  | (21 |

Profit from ordinary activities before taxation
Taxation

Profit before minority interests 4,633
Minority interests

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 6. BUSINESS AND GEOGRAPHICAL SEGMENTS (Continued) Business segments (Continued)

| Continuing operations |  |  | Discontinued operations |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Apparel trading HK\$'000 | Securities trading HK\$'000 | Strategic investments and others HK\$'000 | Operation of container depots and logistics management services HK\$'000 | Freight forwarding and vessel operating common carrier services HK \$'000 | Consolidated HK\$'000 |
| $81,416$ | $1,149$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,159 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | - | - | $\begin{array}{r} 83,724 \\ 2,346 \end{array}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  | 86,070 |
| 11,976 | - | 1,159 | - | - | $\begin{aligned} & 13,135 \\ & 22,730 \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  | 35,865 |
| 1,187 | - | - | - | 101 | 1,288 |
| 1,843 | - | - | - | - | 1,843 |
| - | - | 192 | - | - | 192 |
| 989 | 15 | - | 49 | 13 | 1,066 |
| - | - | 1,231 | - | - | 1,231 |
| 9,186 | - | - | - | - | 9,186 |

## 6. BUSINESS AND GEOGRAPHICAL SEGMENTS (Continued) Business segments (Continued)

|  | Continuing operations |  |  | Discontinued operations |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Apparel trading HK\$'000 | Securities trading HK \$'000 | Strategic investments and others HK\$'000 | Operation of container depots and logistics management services HK\$'000 | Freight forwarding and vessel operating common carrier services HK \$'000 | Consolidated HK\$'000 |
| For the year ended 31 March 2004 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Turnover | 76,008 | 1,053 | - | 23,138 | 23,323 | 123,522 |
| Segment results | $(14,253)$ | 74 | (62) | 964 | (183) | $(13,460)$ |
| Interest income |  |  |  |  |  | 784 |
| Group overheads |  |  |  |  |  | $(5,093)$ |
| Loss from operations |  |  |  |  |  | $(17,769)$ |
| Finance costs |  |  |  |  |  | $(4,878)$ |
| $\begin{array}{lllllll}\text { Gain on disposal of a subsidiary } & \text { - } & \text { - } & 488 & - & \end{array}$ <br> Amortisation of goodwill arising |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Amortisation of goodwill arising on acquisition of subsidiaries | (941) | - | - | - | - | (941) |
| Amortisation of goodwill arising on acquisition of associates | - | - | $(2,323)$ | - | - | $(2,323)$ |
| Impairment losses recognised in <br> relation to goodwill arising on acquisition of associates _ _ $(12,413)$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Provision for loan receivables | - | - | (14) | - | - | (14) |
| Interest in an associate written off | - | - | - | - | (22) | (22) |
| Share of results of associates | - | - | 135 | - | - | 135 |
| Reserve realised upon expiry of warrants |  |  |  |  |  | 33,392 |
| Loss from ordinary activities |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Taxation |  |  |  |  |  | (656) |
| Loss before minority interests |  |  |  |  |  | $(5,001)$ |
| Minority interests |  |  |  |  |  | (42) |
| Net loss for the year |  |  |  |  |  | $(5,043)$ |

## 6. BUSINESS AND GEOGRAPHICAL SEGMENTS (Continued) Business segments (Continued)

|  | Continuing operations |  |  | Discontinued operations |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Apparel trading HK\$'000 | Securities trading HK\$'000 | Strategic investments and others HK\$'000 | Operation of container depots and logistics management services HK\$'000 | Freight forwarding and vessel operating common carrier services HK\$'000 | Consolidated <br> HK\$'000 |
| As at 31 March 2004 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ASSETS |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Segment assets | 86,404 | - | 8,913 | 68,448 | 7,796 | 171,561 |
| Interests in associates | - | - | 1,409 | - | - | 1,409 |
| Unallocated corporate assets |  |  |  |  |  | 4,404 |
| Consolidated total assets |  |  |  |  |  | 177,374 |
| LIABILITIES |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Segment liabilities | 9,521 | - | 7,529 | 6,143 | 4,002 | 27,195 |
| Unallocated corporate liabilities |  |  |  |  |  | 96,391 |
| Consolidated total liabilities |  |  |  |  |  | 123,586 |
| OTHER INFORMATION |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Capital additions | 1,319 | - | 32 | 446 | 62 | 1,859 |
| Amortisation of goodwill arising on acquisition of subsidiaries | 941 | - | - | - | - | 941 |
| Amortisation of goodwill arising on acquisition of associates | - | - | 2,323 | - | - | 2,323 |
| Depreciation | 757 | - | 87 | 3,469 | 231 | 4,544 |
| Impairment losses recognised in relation to goodwill arising on acquisition of associates | - | - | 12,413 | - | - | 12,413 |
| Write down of inventories to net realisable value | 4,601 | - | - | - | - | 4,601 |

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 6. BUSINESS AND GEOGRAPHICAL SEGMENTS (Continued)

## Geographical segments

The Group's operations are principally located in the People's Republic of China (the "PRC") and Hong Kong.

An analysis of the Group's turnover and contribution to loss from operations by geographical market, irrespective of the origin of the goods/services is as follows:

|  |  | by market | Contribu from | to loss <br> tions |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $2005$ | $2004$ | $2005$ | $2004$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| The PRC | 28,406 | 70,075 | 4,745 | $(7,592)$ |
| Hong Kong | 125,546 | 53,447 | $(14,526)$ | $(5,868)$ |
|  | 153,952 | 123,522 | $(9,781)$ | $(13,460)$ |
| Interest income |  |  | 81 | 784 |
| Group overheads |  |  | $(2,726)$ | $(5,093)$ |
| Loss from operations |  |  | $(12,426)$ | $(17,769)$ |

An analysis of the carrying amount of segment assets and additions to property, plant and equipment, by geographical areas is as follows:

|  | Carry <br> of seg | nount assets |  | sto <br> plant <br> ment |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 |
| The PRC | 28,968 | 88,934 | 915 | 508 |
| Hong Kong | 57,102 | 88,440 | 373 | 1,351 |
|  | 86,070 | 177,374 | 1,288 | 1,859 |

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 7. OTHER REVENUE

|  | $\begin{array}{r} 2005 \\ H K \${ }^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2004 \\ H K \${ }^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Other revenue includes the following: |  |  |
| Dividend income from other investments | 14 | - |
| Interest income | 81 | 784 |
| Rental income | 747 | 1,016 |
| Royalty income | 1,248 | 1,035 |
| Waiver of amounts due to other/trade creditors | - | 673 |
| Write back of amounts due to other creditors | 2,721 | 616 |

## 8. OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES

|  | $\begin{array}{r} 2005 \\ H K \${ }^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2004 \\ H K \${ }^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Provision for bad and doubtful debts, net | 215 | 9,708 |
| Unrealised loss on other investments, net | 30 | - |
|  | 245 | 9,708 |

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 9. LOSS FROM OPERATIONS

Loss from operations has been arrived at after charging/(crediting):

|  | $\begin{array}{r} 2005 \\ H K \$ \$^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2004 \\ H K \$^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cost of sales |  |  |
| Apparel trading | 39,451 | 41,245 |
| Write down of inventories to net realisable value | 9,186 | 4,601 |
|  | 48,637 | 45,846 |
| Securities trading | 60,949 | 969 |
|  | 109,586 | 46,815 |
| Auditors' remuneration |  |  |
| Current year | 462 | 702 |
| Overprovision for prior years | (13) | (292) |
|  | 449 | 410 |
| Depreciation | 1,066 | 4,544 |
| Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment | 174 | 1,201 |
| Operating lease rentals in respect of |  |  |
| Land and buildings | 10,510 | 7,552 |
| Vessels | - | 3,313 |
| Outgoings in respect of rental income | 242 | 325 |
| Royalty expenses | 4,364 | 2,569 |
| Staff salaries and other benefits | 17,125 | 15,079 |
| Staff retirement benefits scheme contributions, net of forfeited contributions of approximately HK \$11,000 (2004: HK\$309,000) | 705 | 566 |
| Provision for long service payments | 44 | 959 |
| Total staff costs including directors' emoluments | 17,874 | 16,604 |
| Gain on disposal of other investments, net | (42) | (84) |

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 10. DIRECTORS' AND FIVE HIGHEST PAID INDIVIDUALS' EMOLUMENTS

The emoluments of the directors and the five highest paid individuals are summarised as follows:

|  | $\begin{array}{r} 2005 \\ H K \${ }^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2004 \\ H K \$^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Directors' emoluments |  |  |
| Fees: |  |  |
| Executive directors | 120 | 102 |
| Non-executive director | 60 | 51 |
| Independent non-executive directors | 152 | 111 |
|  | 332 | 264 |
| Other emoluments to executive directors: |  |  |
| Salaries, housing allowances and other benefits | 555 | 305 |
|  | 887 | 569 |

Emoluments of the directors were within the following band:

|  | Number of directors |  |
| :---: | ---: | ---: |
| Nil - HK $\$ 1,000,000$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 5}$ | 2004 |

There was no arrangement under which a director waived or agreed to waive any emoluments during the year.

## 10. DIRECTORS' AND FIVE HIGHEST PAID INDIVIDUALS' EMOLUMENTS (Continued)

## Five highest paid individuals' emoluments

The five highest paid individuals in the Group in the current year include one (2004: one) director of the Company and details of whose emoluments are set out above. The emoluments of the remaining four (2004: four) highest paid individuals are as follows:

|  | $\mathbf{2 0 0 5}$ <br> HK\$'000 | 2004 <br> HK\$'000 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Salaries, housing allowances and other benefits | $\mathbf{2 , 0 0 1}$ | 2,491 |
| Performance related incentive payments | - | 66 |
| Retirement benefits scheme contributions | $\mathbf{4 3}$ | 44 |
|  |  |  |

Emoluments of the remaining four (2004: four) highest paid individuals were within the following bands:

|  | Number | uals |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2005 | 2004 |
| Nil - HK\$1,000,000 | 4 | 3 |
| HK\$1,000,001 - HK\$1,500,000 | - | 1 |
|  | 4 | 4 |

No emoluments were paid by the Group to the directors or the five highest paid individuals as an inducement to join or upon joining the Group or as compensation for loss of office during the year.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 11．FINANCE COSTS

|  | $\mathbf{2 0 0 5}$ <br> HK\＄＇000 | 2004 <br> HK ${ }^{\prime} 000$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Interest on short term loans |  |  |
| Wholly repayable within five years |  |  |
| $\mathbf{1 , 2 4 2}$ |  |  |

## 12．TAXATION

（a）The taxation charged to the income statement represents：

|  | $\mathbf{2 0 0 5}$ <br> HK\＄＇000 | HK\＄＇000 <br> Current－Hong Kong Profits Tax <br> Underprovision in prior year <br> Deferred taxation <br> Taxation |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
|  | - |  |

No provision for Hong Kong Profits Tax has been made as the Group has sufficient tax losses brought forward to set off against current year＇s assessable profits．

Pursuant to a notice dated 7 March 2005 issued by Shanghai Local Tax Bureau Xu Hui Branch，上海歐裝貿易有限公司（＂上海歐裝＂），a subsidiary of the Group，is exempted from PRC enterprise income tax（＂EIT＂）for the period from 1 May 2004 to 31 December 2006．No provision for EIT has been made for other subsidiaries operating in the PRC as they did not generate any assessable profits during the year．

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 12. TAXATION (Continued)

(b) The taxation on the Group's profit/(loss) from ordinary activities before taxation differs from the theoretical amount that would arise using the taxation rate of Hong Kong as follows:

|  | $\begin{array}{r} 2005 \\ H K \$ \$^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2004 \\ H K \$^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Profit/(Loss) from ordinary activities before taxation | 4,633 | $(4,345)$ |
| Calculated at Hong Kong Profits Tax rate of 17.5\% (2004: 17.5\%) | 811 | (760) |
| Tax effect of different tax rates in other jurisdictions | - | 69 |
| Tax effect of non-taxable income | $(4,594)$ | $(6,479)$ |
| Tax effect of non-deductible expenses | 1,664 | 7,436 |
| Tax effect of deferred tax asset not recognised | 197 | 1 |
| Tax losses not recognised | 2,056 | 624 |
| Tax effect of utilisation of tax losses previously not recognised | (134) | (288) |
| Underprovision in prior year | - | 53 |
| Taxation | - | 656 |

## 13. NET PROFIT/(LOSS) FOR THE YEAR

Of the consolidated profit of approximately $\operatorname{HK} \$ 4,598,000$ (2004: a loss of approximately HK $\$ 5,043,000$ ), a profit of approximately HK $\$ 3,278,000$ (2004: HK $25,959,000$ ) has been dealt with in the financial statements of the Company.

## 14. EARNINGS/(LOSS) PER SHARE

The calculation of basic earnings/(loss) per share is based on the Group's net profit for the year of approximately HK $4,598,000$ (2004: net loss of approximately HK $\$ 5,043,000$ ) and on the weighted average number of approximately 385,650,000 ordinary shares (2004: 275,230,000 ordinary shares) in issue during the year.

There were no dilutive potential shares during the year ended 31 March 2005, accordingly, no diluted earnings per share has been presented. Diluted loss per share for the year ended 31 March 2004 has not been presented as the share options and warrants outstanding during the year ended 31 March 2004 had an anti-dilutive effect on the basic loss per share for that year.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 15. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

## THE GROUP

## Cost or valuation

As at 1 April
Additions
Disposal of subs
Disposals
As at 31 Marct
Comprising:
\(\left.\begin{array}{rr}Leasehold <br>
improvements, <br>

furniture,\end{array}\right\}\)| Leasehold | fixtures and |
| ---: | ---: |
| properties | equipment |
| $H K \$^{\prime} 000$ | $H K \$^{\prime} 000$ |


| Motor |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: |
| vehicles, |  |  |
| tractors, |  |  |
| trailers | Plant and |  |
| and chassis | machinery | Total |
| $H K \$^{\prime} 000$ | $H K \$^{\prime} 000$ | $H K \$ \$^{\prime} 000$ |

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 16. GOODWILL

## Cost

As at 1 April 2004 ..... 9,217
Disposal of subsidiaries ..... (2)
As at 31 March 2005 ..... 9,215
Aggregate amortisation
As at 1 April 2004 ..... 941
Amount amortised for the year ..... 1,843
Disposal of subsidiaries ..... (2)
As at 31 March 2005 ..... 2,782
Net book value
As at 31 March 2005

The goodwill arose on the acquisition of Hamlet Profits Limited ("Hamlet Profits") and its subsidiaries, which are principally engaged in apparel trading. As at 31 March 2005, the directors assessed the carrying value of the goodwill based on results projections to determine the estimated goodwill recoverable amount and considered that no impairment loss of the goodwill is required.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 17. INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES AND AMOUNT DUE TO A SUBSIDIARY

|  | THE COMPANY |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{array}{r} 2005 \\ H K \$^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2004 \\ H K \$^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ |
| Unlisted shares, at cost | 833,671 | 833,671 |
| Amounts due from subsidiaries | 84,867 | 77,309 |
| Less: Impairment losses | $\begin{gathered} 918,538 \\ (873,748) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 910,980 \\ (877,074) \end{gathered}$ |
|  | 44,790 | 33,906 |
| Amount due to a subsidiary | $(2,500)$ | - |

The amounts due from/to subsidiaries are unsecured, interest free and have no fixed terms of repayment. In the opinion of the directors, no demand for repayment will be made by the Company or by the subsidiary in the next twelve months. Accordingly, the amounts are shown as non-current.

Particulars of the principal subsidiaries of the Company as at 31 March 2005 are as follows:

## Name

Place of
incorporation
or registration/
operations
Nominal value of
issued ordinary
share capital/
registered capital

Percentage of
equity attributable to the Group Principal activities

Interests held directly:

Oriental Union Strategies
Limited ("OU Strategies")

Value Place Investments
Limited

British Virgin Islands/
US\$300,000
Hong Kong

British Virgin Islands/
Hong Kong
US\$1
$100 \%$ Investment holding
$100 \%$

Investment holding and securities trading

## Interests held indirectly:

Aceluck Nominees Limited
Hong Kong
HK\$2

US\$1 100\% Investment holding
100\% Investment holding

Acute Investments Limited
Hong Kong
British Virgin Islands/
Hong Kong

## 17. INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES AND AMOUNT DUE TO A SUBSIDIARY (Continued)

| Name | Place of incorporation or registration/ operations | Nominal value of issued ordinary share capital/ registered capital | Percentage of equity attributable to the Group | Principal activities |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Interests held indirectly: (continued) |  |  |  |  |
| Capital Asia Properties Limited | Hong Kong | HK\$2 | 100\% | Investment holding |
| Capital Asia Property <br> Management (China) <br> Limited | Hong Kong | HK\$10,000 | 100\% | Investment holding |
| Century Lead Limited | Hong Kong | HK\$2 | 100\% | Apparel trading |
| Crossborder Assets Limited | British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong | US\$2 | 100\% | Investment holding |
| Full Ahead Limited ("Full Ahead") | British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong | US\$1 | 100\% | Investment holding |
| Gainwell Corporation Limited | Hong Kong | HK\$2 | 100\% | Apparel trading |
| Gold Stock Resources Limited | Samoa/the PRC | US\$1 | 100\% | Apparel trading |
| Gold Venture Corporation Limited | Hong Kong | HK\$2 | 100\% | Securities trading and management services |
| Goldgain Services Limited | Samoa/the PRC | US\$1 | 100\% | Apparel trading |
| Hamlet Profits | British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong | US\$1 | 100\% | Investment holding |
| Ocean Blue Developments Limited | British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong | US\$1 | 100\% | Investment holding |

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 17．INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES AND AMOUNT DUE TO A SUBSIDIARY （Continued）

| Name | Place of incorporation or registration／ operations | Nominal value of issued ordinary share capital／ registered capital | Percentage of equity attributable to the Group | Principal activities |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Interests held indirectly：（continued） |  |  |  |  |
| Oriental Union Freight Holdings Limited | British Virgin Islands／ Hong Kong | US\＄1 | 100\％ | Investment holding |
| Oriental Union Information \＆Technology Ltd． | British Virgin Islands／ Hong Kong | US\＄1 | 100\％ | Investment holding |
| Oriental Union Techn． Limited | British Virgin Islands／ Hong Kong | US\＄1 | 100\％ | Investment holding |
| Piston Investment Limited | Hong Kong | HK\＄2 | 100\％ | Investment holding |
| Planwell Limited | Hong Kong | HK\＄2 | 100\％ | Money lending |
| Reward Well Limited | British Virgin Islands／ Hong Kong | US\＄1 | 100\％ | Apparel trading |
| Shrewd Skill Limited | British Virgin Islands／ Hong Kong | US\＄1 | 100\％ | Investment holding |
| Sinostate Enterprises （China）Limited | Hong Kong | HK\＄2 | 100\％ | Investment holding |
| Sinostate Properties Limited | Hong Kong | HK\＄2 | 100\％ | Investment holding |
| Super Target Limited | Hong Kong | HK\＄2 | 100\％ | Apparel trading |
| 廣州歐裝貿易有限公司 formerly known as廣州戴來爾珠寶有限公司 （＂廣州歐裝＂）（Note） | the PRC | RMB500，000 | 100\％ | Apparel trading |
| 上海歐裝（Note） | the PRC | RMB500，000 | 100\％ | Apparel trading |

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 17．INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES AND AMOUNT DUE TO A SUBSIDIARY （Continued）

The above table lists the subsidiaries of the Company which，in the opinion of the directors， principally affected the results of the year or formed a substantial portion of the net assets of the Group．To give details of other subsidiaries would，in the opinion of the directors，result in particulars of excessive length．

Note：廣州歐裝 and上海歐裝，incorporated during the year，are domestic enterprises in the PRC legally owned by two nominees who are PRC nationals．Pursuant to the various agreements entered into between Full Ahead and each of the individual nominees，in the opinion of the directors，the Company has effective control over the operational and financial policies of 廣州歐装 and 上海歐裝 and therefore they are included as subsidiaries of the Company and the financial statements of 廣州歐裝 and 上海歐裝 have been consolidated in the Group＇s financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2005.

## 18．INTEREST IN AN UNCONSOLIDATED SUBSIDIARY AND AMOUNT DUE TO AN UNCONSOLIDATED SUBSIDIARY

|  | THE GROUP |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{array}{r} 2005 \\ H K \$^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2004 \\ H K \${ }^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ |
| Interest stated at carrying value | 3，519 | 12，201 |
| Less：Impairment losses | $(2,360)$ | $(4,676)$ |
|  | 1，159 | 7，525 |
| Amount due to an unconsolidated subsidiary | $(1,159)$ | $(7,525)$ |

Particulars of the unconsolidated subsidiary held by the Group as at 31 March 2005 are as follows：

|  | Place of <br> incorporation <br> or registration／ <br> operations | Percentage <br> of equity <br> attributable <br> to the Group <br> Indirect | Principal <br> activities |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Name | the PRC | $57 \%$ | Jewellery |
| Shanghai Fuda Jewellery Company <br> Limited（＂Fuda＂） |  |  | subcontracting |

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 18. INTEREST IN AN UNCONSOLIDATED SUBSIDIARY AND AMOUNT DUE TO AN UNCONSOLIDATED SUBSIDIARY (Continued)

In the prior year, the Group acquired $70 \%$ equity interest in Beijing Capital Asia International Bonded Affairs Development Co., Ltd. ("Bonded Affairs") and $57 \%$ equity interest in Fuda through the acquisition of Hamlet Profits. The Group has been unable to exercise its rights as a major shareholder of both Bonded Affairs and Fuda since the date of acquisition. Accordingly, the Group has been unable either to control the assets and operations or to exercise significant influence over the financial and operating policy decisions of both Bonded Affairs and Fuda. In view of the above, the financial statements of Bonded Affairs and Fuda have not been consolidated.

The directors, to their best knowledge, are satisfied that the Group has no material obligations or commitments either in respect of Bonded Affairs or Fuda that require either adjustments to or disclosure in the financial statements.

The Group has not been able to obtain the financial information since the date of acquisition of Bonded Affairs and Fuda.

The business licence of Bonded Affairs was revoked by the State Administrative of Industry and Commerce in 2004 and the directors considered that the Group's interest in Bonded Affairs had ceased. Accordingly, the Group's interest in Bonded Affairs was written off against the amount due to Bonded Affairs by the same amount of approximately HK $\$ 6,366,000$. Consequently, there was no effect on the results for the current year.

## 19. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES



## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 19. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES (Continued)

The amount due from an associate is unsecured, interest free and has no fixed terms of repayment. In the opinion of the directors, no demand for repayment will be made by the Group in the next twelve months. Accordingly, the amount is shown as non-current.

Particulars of the principal associate (not audited by RSM Nelson Wheeler) held by the Group as at 31 March 2005 are as follows:

| Name | Place of incorporation or registration /operations | Business <br> structure | Nominal value of issued ordinary share capital | Percentage of equity attributable to the Group Indirect | Principal activities |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Global Institute, Inc. <br> ("Global Institute") | British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong | Corporate | US\$50,000 | 49\% | Investment holding <br> (which together <br> with its wholly- <br> owned subsidiary, is engaged in the business of co-ordinating academic <br> training programs) |

The above table lists the associate of the Group which, in the opinion of the directors, principally affected the results of the year or formed a substantial portion of the net assets of the Group. To give details of other associates would, in the opinion of the directors, result in particulars of excessive length.

Note: Under the equity method of accounting, the Group's shares of losses of its associate is discontinued when the carrying amount of the interest in an associate reaches zero, unless the Group has incurred obligations or guaranteed obligations in respect of the associate. As at 31 March 2005, the Group's share of certain associates' losses exceeded its carrying amount of the interests in associates. Accordingly, the losses of these associates were not equity accounted for.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 19. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES (Continued)

The movements of goodwill arising on acquisition of associates are as follows:

## THE GROUP

HK \$'000

## Cost

As at 1 April 2004 and as at 31 March 2005

## Aggregate amortisation and impairment losses

As at 1 April 2004 52,090
Amount amortised for the year192
Impairment losses for the year ..... 1,231

As at 31 March 2005

## Net book value

As at 31 March 2005

As at 31 March 2004

As most of the PRC partnering institutes still put their development activities on hold, the development of providing higher academic programs to mature students in the PRC was slower than expected. An impairment loss of approximately HK\$1,231,000 of the goodwill on acquisition of Global Institute (belongs to the segment of strategic investments and others) is provided for the year ended 31 March 2005 accordingly.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 19. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES (Continued)

Summarised financial information, as extracted from the audited financial statements of Global Institute, the Group's significant associate, is as follows:

| Audited consolidated income statement information for the year ended 31 March 2005 | $\begin{array}{r} 2005 \\ H K \${ }^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2004 \\ H K \$ \$^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Turnover | 973 | 1,157 |
| Profit/(Loss) from ordinary activities before taxation | 27 | (24) |
| Taxation | 2 | 1 |
| Net profit/(loss) for the year | 29 | (23) |
|  | $\begin{array}{r} 2005 \\ H K \${ }^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2004 \\ H K \$ \$^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ |
| Audited consolidated balance sheet information as at 31 March 2005 |  |  |
| Non-current assets | 13 | 29 |
| Current assets | 415 | 308 |
| Current liabilities | (861) | (798) |
| Non-current liabilities | - | (1) |
| Net liabilities | (433) | (462) |

## 20. INVENTORIES

|  | THE GROUP |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
|  | 2005 | 2004 |
| HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 |  |
| Merchandise goods for sales |  |  |
| Apparel |  |  |

Inventories of approximately HK\$13,002,000 (2004: HK $\$ 9,220,000$ ) included in the above are carried at net realisable value.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 21. TRADE AND OTHER DEBTORS, DEPOSITS AND PREPAYMENTS

The Group allows a credit period normally ranging from cash on delivery to 120 days to its trade customers.

As at 31 March 2005, the balance of trade and other debtors, deposits and prepayments included trade debtors of approximately HK $\$ 6,088,000$ (2004: HK $\$ 13,476,000$ ). An aged analysis of trade debtors, net of provision for bad and doubtful debts, is as follows:

|  |  | UP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{array}{r} 2005 \\ H K \$ \$^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2004 \\ H K \${ }^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ |
| 0-60 days | 3,603 | 10,902 |
| 61 - 90 days | 694 | 651 |
| 91-180 days | 1,073 | 1,259 |
| 181-365 days | 718 | 528 |
| Over 1 year | - | 136 |
|  | 6,088 | 13,476 |

## 22. OTHER INVESTMENTS

|  | THE GROUP |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2005 | 2004 |
|  | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 |
| Equity securities listed in Hong Kong, at market value | 1,134 | - |

As at 31 March 2005, the Group's other investments were deposited as collateral for margin loan facility granted to the Group. No margin loan facility was utilised by the Group as at the balance sheet date.

## 23. PLEDGED BANK DEPOSITS

The pledged bank deposits were used to secure general banking facilities granted to the Group.

## 24. BANK AND CASH BALANCES

As at 31 March 2005, the bank and cash balances of the Group denominated in Renminbi ("RMB") amounted to approximately $\mathrm{HK} \$ 2,128,000$ (2004: HK\$Nil). The remittance of these funds out of the PRC is subject to the foreign exchange control restriction imposed by the PRC government.

## 25. TRADE AND OTHER CREDITORS

As at 31 March 2005, the balance of trade and other creditors included trade creditors of approximately HK $\$ 4,115,000$ (2004: HK $\$ 6,006,000$ ). An aged analysis of trade creditors is as follows:

|  |  | OUP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{array}{r} 2005 \\ H K \${ }^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2004 \\ H K \${ }^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ |
| 0-60 days | 3,439 | 4,706 |
| 61 - 90 days | 578 | 318 |
| 91-180 days | 98 | 449 |
| 181-365 days | - | 83 |
| Over 1 year | - | 450 |
|  | 4,115 | 6,006 |

## 26. SHORT TERM LOAN

|  | THE GROUP |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
|  | $\mathbf{2 0 0 5}$ | 2004 |
|  | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 |
| Secured loan |  |  |
| Unsecured loan | $\mathbf{1 6 , 4 3 4}$ | 45,517 |
|  | - | 1,081 |

As at 31 March 2005, the short term loan was extended by an independent third party which is interest bearing at $1 \%$ per annum over bank's best lending rate and due on 30 September 2005. The loan is secured by a pledge of all the issued share capital in and the shareholder loan to Full Ahead, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company. Full Ahead is the holding company of the subsidiaries which are mainly engaged in apparel trading.

## 27. DEFERRED TAXATION

(a)

|  | THE GROUP |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{array}{r} 2005 \\ H K \$, 000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2004 \\ H K \$^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ |
| As at 1 April | 3,304 | 4,637 |
| Disposal of subsidiaries | $(3,304)$ | - |
| Charged to the income statement | - | 603 |
| Credited to equity | - | $(1,945)$ |
| Exchange differences | - | 9 |
| As at 31 March | - | 3,304 |

(b) The movements in deferred tax assets and liabilities are as follows:

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## Accelerated Revaluation

| tax <br> depreciation <br> $H K \$^{\prime} 000$ | R <br> of leasehold <br> properties <br> $H K \$ \prime$ | Tax losses <br> $H K \$ \prime 000$ | Total <br> $H K \$^{\prime} 000$ |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $(314)$ | 7,500 | $(2,549)$ | 4,637 |
|  |  |  |  |
| - | $(135)$ | 738 | 603 |
| - | $(1,945)$ | - | $(1,945)$ |
| 1 | - | 8 | 9 |

As at 31 March 2004 and as at 1 April 2004
Disposal of subsidiaries
(313)
5,420

| $(1,803)$ | 3,304 |
| ---: | ---: |
| 1,803 | $(3,304)$ |

As at 31 March 2005

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## 27. DEFERRED TAXATION (Continued)

(c) As at the balance sheet date, the following unused tax losses and deductible temporary differences have not been recognised as deferred tax assets:

|  | THE | OUP | THE | MPANY |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 | 2004 |
|  | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 |
| Unused tax losses | 67,467 | 76,003 | 4,713 | 11,328 |
| Deductible temporary differences | 5,148 | 3,239 | - | - |
|  | 72,615 | 79,242 | 4,713 | 11,328 |

Deferred tax assets have not recognised in respect of the above items because it is not probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the Group and the Company can utilise the benefits. Included in the above unused tax losses are losses of approximately HK\$870,000 that will expire after five years from the year of assessment they relate to. Other unused tax losses may be carried forward indefinitely.

As at 31 March 2005, there was no significant unrecognised deferred tax liability for taxes that would be payable on the unremitted earnings of certain Group's subsidiaries and associates.

## 28. PROVISION FOR LONG SERVICE PAYMENTS

Under the Hong Kong Employment Ordinance, the Group is obliged to make lump sum payments on cessation of employment in certain circumstances to certain employees who have completed at least five years of service with the Group. The amount payable is dependent on the employees' final salary and years of service, and is reduced by entitlements accrued under the Group's retirement plan that are attributable to contributions made by the Group. The Group does not set aside any assets to fund any remaining obligations.

The amount recognised in respect of the probable future long service payments expected to be made is as follows:

|  | THE GROUP |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
|  | $\mathbf{2 0 0 5}$ | 2004 |
|  | HK\$'000 | HK '000 |
| As at 1 April | $\mathbf{9 5 9}$ | - |
| Provision made during the year | $\mathbf{5 9}$ | 959 |
| Provision utilised during the year | $\mathbf{( 4 4 )}$ | - |
| Reversal of unutilised provision | $\mathbf{( 1 5 )}$ | - |
| As at 31 March | $\mathbf{9 5 9}$ |  |

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## 29. SHARE CAPITAL

> Number of shares HK\$'000

Authorised:
As at 1 April 2003: Ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each
Share subdivision, ordinary shares of HK\$0.001 each

## As at 31 March 2004 and 2005: Ordinary shares of HK\$0.001 each

Issued and fully paid:
As at 1 April 2003: Ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each
Capital reduction
Share consolidation
Rights issue
Top-up placement

As at 31 March 2004 and as at 1 April 2004:
Ordinary shares of HK\$0.001 each
Placing of new shares

## As at 31 March 2005: Ordinary shares of HK\$0.001 each

300,000,000,000
300,000
3,000,000,000
300,000

297,000,000,000

| 300,000,000,000 | 300,000 |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1,521,541,315 | 152,154 |
| - | (152,002 |
| (1,369,387,184) | - |
| 152,154,131 | 152 |
| 60,000,000 | 60 |
| 364,308,262 | 364 |
| 72,800,000 | 73 |
| 437,108,262 | 437 |

On 15 December 2004, 72,800,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.001 each were issued at HK\$0.095 per share through a private placing to independent third parties. The placing price represents a discount of approximately $5 \%$ to the closing price of the share of the Company on 17 November 2004 and a discount of approximately $0.42 \%$ to the average of the closing price of the share of the Company for the five trading days up to and including 17 November 2004. These new shares rank pari passu in all respects with the then existing shares of the Company. The premium arose from the placing of approximately HK $\$ 6,843,000$, net of share issuing expenses of approximately HK\$149,000, was credited to the share premium account (Note 31). The directors believe that the placing is a good opportunity for the Company to broaden its shareholding base. The Company used the net proceeds from the placing of approximately $H K \$ 6,767,000$ for the Group's general working capital and investment purposes.

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## 30. SHARE OPTION SCHEME

Pursuant to the share option scheme adopted by the shareholders of the Company on 30 August 2002 (the "Share Option Scheme"), the board of directors (the "Board") of the Company may for a consideration of HK\$1 offer to selected eligible persons to subscribe for shares of the Company as incentive or rewards for their contribution to the Group. The subscription price will be determined by the Board at its absolute discretion, but in any event shall not be less than the higher of the nominal value for the time being of each share of the Company, the average closing price of the shares of the Company as stated in the daily quotation sheets of the Stock Exchange for the five trading days immediately preceding the date on which the relevant option is granted and the closing price of the shares of the Company as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotation sheet on the date on which the relevant option is granted.

The maximum number of shares in respect of which options may be granted under the Share Option Scheme and any other schemes of the Company must not, in aggregate, exceed $30 \%$ of the issued share capital of the Company from time to time.

The Share Option Scheme became effective for a period of ten years commenced on 26 September 2002.

No options under the Share Option Scheme had been granted to any person since its adoption.

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## 31. RESERVES

## THE GROUP

|  |  | Contributed surplus HK\$'000 | Other property revaluation reserve HK\$'000 | Translation reserve HKS'000 | Negative <br> goodwill <br> reserve <br> HK\$'000 | Goodwill reserve HK\$'000 | Capital redemption reserve HK\$'000 | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Other } \\ \text { reserve } \\ H K \${ }^{\prime} \text { Ooo } \end{array}$ | Reserve funds HK $\$^{\prime} 000$ (Note) | Accumulated losses HK\$'000 | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Total } \\ H K \$ \$^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| As at 1 April 2003 | 615,825 | - | 24,318 | 1,098 | 27,314 | $(1,843)$ | 1,190 | 33,392 | - | $(811,563)$ | $(110,269)$ |
| Deficit on revaluation of leasehold properties | - | - | $(7,204)$ | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | $(7,204)$ |
| Deferred taxation credited to equity | - | - | 1,945 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1,945 |
| Transfer from share capital due to capital reduction | - | 152,002 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 152,002 |
| Transfer between reserves | - | $(152,002)$ | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 152,002 | - |
| Premium arising from rights issue, net of expenses | 44,423 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 44,423 |
| Premium arising from top-up placement, net of expenses | 14,647 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 14,647 |
| Exchange difference arising on translation of operations outside Hong Kong | - | - | - | (136) | - | - | - | - | - | - | (136) |
| Reserves attributable to minority interests | - | - | 2,104 | 54 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2,158 |
| Reserve realised upon disposal of a subsidiary | - | - | - | (8) | - | - | - | - | - | - | (8) |
| Reserve realised upon interest in an associate written off | - | - | - | (16) | - | - | - | - | - | - | (16) |
| Reserve realised upon expiry of warrants | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | $(33,392)$ | - | - | $(33,392)$ |
| Net loss for the year | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | $(5,043)$ | $(5,043)$ |
| As at 31 March 2004 and as at 1 April 2004 | 674,895 | - | 21,163 | 992 | 27,314 | $(1,843)$ | 1,190 | - | - | $(664,604)$ | 59,107 |
| Reserves realised upon disposal of subsidiaries attributable to discontinued operations | - | - | $(21,163)$ | (983) | (328) | 1,843 | - | - | - | - | $(20,631)$ |
| Premium arising from placing of new shares, net of expenses (Note 29) | 6,694 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 6,694 |
| Net profit for the year | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4,598 | 4,598 |
| Transfer | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 135 | (135) | - |
| As at 31 March 2005 | 681,589 | - | - | 9 | 26,986 | - | 1,190 | - | 135 | $(660,141)$ | 49,768 |
| Attributable to: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| The Company and its subsidiaries | 681,589 | - | - | - | 26,986 | - | 1,190 | - | 135 | $(659,730)$ | 50,170 |
| Associates | - | - | - | 9 | - | - | - | - | - | (411) | (402) |
| As at 31 March 2005 | 681,589 | - | - | 9 | 26,986 | - | 1,190 | - | 135 | $(660,141)$ | 49,768 |
| Attributable to: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| The Company and its subsidiaries | 674,895 | - | 21,163 | 983 | 27,314 | $(1,843)$ | 1,190 | - | - | $(664,179)$ | 59,523 |
| Associates | - | - | - | 9 | - | - | - | - | - | (425) | (416) |
| As at 31 March 2004 | 674,895 | - | 21,163 | 992 | 27,314 | $(1,843)$ | 1,190 | - | - | $(664,604)$ | 59,107 |

Note: Pursuant to the relevant laws and regulations in the PRC, a portion of the profit of the Group's subsidiary in the PRC has been transferred to reserve funds which are restricted as to use.

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## 31. RESERVES (Continued)

## THE COMPANY

|  | Share premium $H K \${ }^{\prime} 000$ | Contributed surplus HK \$'000 | Capital <br> redemption reserve <br> HK\$'000 |  | ccumulated <br> losses <br> HK\$'000 | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Total } \\ H K \$ \$^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| As at 1 April 2003 | 615,825 | 129,298 | 1,190 | 33,392 | $(952,028)$ | $(172,323)$ |
| Transfer from share capital due to capital reduction | - | 152,002 | - | - | - | 152,002 |
| Transfer between reserves | - | $(152,002)$ | - | - | 152,002 | - |
| Premium arising from rights issue, net of expenses | 44,423 | - | - | - | - | 44,423 |
| Premium arising from top-up placement, net of expenses | 14,647 | - | - | - | - | 14,647 |
| Reserve realised upon expiry of warrants | - | - | - | $(33,392)$ | - | $(33,392)$ |
| Net profit for the year | - | - | - | - | 25,959 | 25,959 |
| As at 31 March 2004 and as at 1 April 2004 | 674,895 | 129,298 | 1,190 | - | $(774,067)$ | 31,316 |
| Premium arising from placing of new shares, net of expenses (Note 29) | 6,694 | - | - | - | - | 6,694 |
| Net profit for the year | - | - | - | - | 3,278 | 3,278 |
| As at 31 March 2005 | 681,589 | 129,298 | 1,190 | - | $(770,789)$ | 41,288 |

The contributed surplus represents the difference between the nominal value of the Company's shares issued in exchange for all the issued ordinary shares of OU Strategies and the value of net assets of the underlying subsidiaries acquired at 31 August 1994, net of HK\$100,000 applied in paying up in full at par the $1,000,000$ nil paid shares.

Under the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda (as amended), the contributed surplus account of the Company is available for distribution to shareholders. However, the Company cannot declare or pay a dividend, or make a distribution out of contributed surplus if:
(a) it is, or would after the payment be, unable to pay its liabilities as they become due; or
(b) the realisable value of its assets would thereby be less than the aggregate of its liabilities and its issued share capital and share premium accounts.

As at 31 March 2005 and 2004, the Company had no reserves available for distribution to shareholders.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 32. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

## (a) Acquisition of subsidiaries

|  | $\begin{array}{r} 2005 \\ H K \$ \prime 000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2004 \\ H K \${ }^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Net liabilities acquired: |  |  |
| Property, plant and equipment | - | 1,140 |
| Interests in unconsolidated subsidiaries | - | 7,525 |
| Inventories | - | 44,549 |
| Trade and other debtors, deposits and prepayments | - | 19,690 |
| Loan receivables | - | 1,258 |
| Bank and cash balances | - | 871 |
| Trade and other creditors | - | $(7,211)$ |
| Amount due to immediate holding company | - | $(306,799)$ |
| Short term loans | - | $(64,200)$ |
| Amounts due to unconsolidated subsidiaries | - | $(7,525)$ |
|  | - | $(310,702)$ |
| Assignment of amounts due from subsidiaries | - | 306,827 |
| Goodwill | - | 9,217 |
| Total consideration - satisfied by cash | - | 5,342 |
| Net outflow of cash and cash equivalents arising on acquisition of subsidiaries: |  |  |
| Cash consideration | - | $(5,342)$ |
| Bank and cash balances | - | 871 |
| Net outflow of cash and cash equivalents | - | $(4,471)$ |

The subsidiaries acquired during the year ended 31 March 2004 used approximately HK $\$ 10,304,000$ net cash outflow from operating activities, approximately HK\$585,000 net cash outflow from investing activities and approximately HK\$28,683,000 net cash outflow from financing activities.

The subsidiaries acquired during the year ended 31 March 2004 contributed approximately HK $\$ 76,008,000$ to the Group's turnover and accounted for approximately HK\$14,653,000 of the Group's loss from ordinary activities before taxation.

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## 32. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT (Continued)

(b) Disposal of subsidiaries attributable to discontinued operations

As explained in Note 5, on 6 April 2004 and 22 April 2004, the Group discontinued its container depots and logistics management services operations and its freight forwarding and vessel operating common carrier services operations at the time of disposal of United Asia Group and Jungjin Logistics Group, respectively. The net liabilities of these subsidiaries disposed of during the year are as follows:

|  | $\begin{array}{r} 2005 \\ H K \$^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2004 \\ H K \$^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Net liabilities disposed of: |  |  |
| Property, plant and equipment | 62,952 | - |
| Trade and other debtors, deposits and prepayments | 11,208 | - |
| Bank and cash balances | 1,853 | - |
| Trade and other creditors | $(5,711)$ | - |
| Short term loan | $(1,081)$ | - |
| Amounts due to the Group | $(76,939)$ | - |
| Amounts due to minority shareholders | $(36,353)$ | - |
| Deferred taxation | $(3,304)$ | - |
| Minority interests | 5,648 | - |
|  | $(41,727)$ | - |
| Other property revaluation reserve realised | $(21,163)$ | - |
| Translation reserve realised | (983) | - |
| Negative goodwill reserve realised | (328) | - |
| Goodwill reserve realised | 1,843 | - |
| Assignment of amounts due from subsidiaries | 76,939 | - |
|  | 14,581 | - |
| Gain on disposal of subsidiaries attributable to discontinued operations | 21,574 | - |
| Total consideration - satisfied by cash | 36,155 | - |
| Net inflow of cash and cash equivalents arising on disposal of subsidiaries attributable to discontinued operations: |  |  |
| Cash consideration | 36,155 | - |
| Bank and cash balances disposed of | $(1,853)$ | - |
| Net inflow of cash and cash equivalents | 34,302 | - |

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 32. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT (Continued)

(b) Disposal of subsidiaries attributable to discontinued operations (Continued)

The above subsidiaries disposed of during the year ended 31 March 2005 contributed approximately HK $2,013,000$ to the Group's turnover and a loss of approximately HK\$140,000 to the Group's profit from ordinary activities before taxation.
(c) Disposal of subsidiaries

|  | $\begin{array}{r} 2005 \\ H K \$^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2004 \\ H K \$^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Net assets/(liabilities) disposed of: |  |  |
| Amounts due from the Group | 1,374 | - |
| Amounts due to the Group | (111) | $(185,276)$ |
|  | 1,263 | $(185,276)$ |
| Amounts due from subsidiaries written off | 111 | 185,276 |
| Amounts due to subsidaries written back | $(1,374)$ | - |
| Incidental costs | - | 20 |
| Translation reserve realised | - | (8) |
| Gain on disposal of a subsidiary | - | 488 |
| Total consideration - satisfied by cash (Note) | - | 500 |
| Net inflow of cash and cash equivalents arising on disposal of a subsidiary: |  |  |
| Cash consideration | - | 500 |
| Incidental costs | - | (20) |
| Net inflow of cash and cash equivalents | - | 480 |

The results of the subsidiaries disposed of during the years ended 31 March 2005 and 2004 had no significant impact on the Group's turnover or profit/(loss) from ordinary activities before taxation.

Note: There was a consideration of approximately HK $\$ 259,000$ attributable to the disposal of subsidiaries during the year ended 31 March 2005, however no amount was received by the Group and the said consideration receivable was fully written off.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 March 2005

## 33. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Save as disclosed in the consolidated balance sheet and in Note 19, the Group did not have any significant related party transactions during the year.

## 34. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

As at the balance sheet date, the Group had the following contingent liabilities:

On 13 March 2003, Total Resources Limited ("Total Resources") issued a Writ of Summons at the District Court against the Company for HK $\$ 304,000$ being fees allegedly due to Total Resources for secondment services in relation to provision of company secretary under a service agreement dated 1 August 2001 (the "Service Agreement"). On 2 May 2003, Total Resources amended its Statement of Claim and then increased its claims to HK $\$ 1,064,000$ being damages for repudiation of the Service Agreement. On 20 May 2003, an Order was granted by the District Court for the above action to be transferred to the High Court.

The sum of approximately HK $\$ 343,000$ representing outstanding service fees together with interest was paid to the High Court on 21 April 2004 in satisfaction of Total Resources' claims. Based on the legal advice obtained, the directors strongly believe that the Group has reasonable good chances of successfully defending the remaining part of the claims. Hence, no further provision has been made in the financial statements.

## 35. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

|  | THE GROUP |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Capital expenditure contracted but not provided for: | $\mathbf{2 0 0 5}$ | 2004 |
| HK\$'000 |  |  |
| Acquisition of property in Malaysia | $\mathbf{H K \$ \prime 0 0 0}$ |  |

In the opinion of the directors, no demand for payments of the above amount will be made by the counterparties in the coming year as the counterparties failed to complete the construction work.

The Company had no significant capital commitments as at the balance sheet date.

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## 36. OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS

As at the balance sheet date, the Group and the Company had commitments for future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases which fall due as follows:


The leases are negotiated for terms ranging from 1 to 4 years. The operating lease rentals of certain retail outlets are based on the higher of the minimum guaranteed rental and the sales level based rental, ranging from $10 \%$ to $15 \%$ on the sales level. The minimum guaranteed rental has been used to arrive at the above commitments.

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## 37. OTHER COMMITMENTS

As at the balance sheet date, the Group had entered into certain licensing and technical assistance arrangements. The future minimum licensing and technical assistance payments committed by the Group in respect of the arrangements are as follows:

|  | THE GROUP |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{array}{r} 2005 \\ H K \$ \prime 000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2004 \\ H K \${ }^{\prime} 000 \end{array}$ |
| Licensing arrangement |  |  |
| Within one year | 3,610 | 4,700 |
| In the second to fifth year inclusive | 8,780 | 12,390 |
|  | 12,390 | 17,090 |
| Technical assistance arrangement |  |  |
| Within one year | - | 3,973 |
|  | 12,390 | 21,063 |

The licensing arrangement is contracted for a term up to 31 December 2008. Apart from the guaranteed royalty as disclosed above, if, at any time and during the contractual period, the Group's cumulated net sales are in excess of the sales level base as referred to in the relevant license agreement, the Group will pay additional royalty to the licenser, at $5 \%$ on the cumulated net sales exceeding the sales level base.

The Company had no significant other commitments as at the balance sheet date.

## 38. RETIREMENT BENEFITS SCHEMES

## Hong Kong

The Group operates a defined contribution Mandatory Provident Fund retirement benefits scheme (the "MPF Scheme") under the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance, for those employees who are eligible to participate in the MPF Scheme. Contributions are made based on a percentage of the employees' basic salaries and are charged to the income statement as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the MPF Scheme. The assets of the MPF Scheme are held separately from those of the Group in an independently administered fund. The Group's employer contributions vest fully with the employees when contributed into the MPF Scheme.

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## 38. RETIREMENT BENEFITS SCHEMES (Continued)

## The PRC

The Group also participates in a defined contribution retirement scheme organised by the government in the PRC. The Group is required to contribute a specified percentage of the payroll of its employees to the retirement scheme. The contributions are charged to the income statement as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the retirement scheme. No forfeited contributions may be used by the employers to reduce the existing level of contributions.

## 39. APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board on 15 July 2005.

