9. WAIVER OF OTHER LOAN

On 29 June 2004, MSHK entered into a deed of assignment with a creditor whereas the creditor agreed to accept as full settlement of the outstanding loan approximately HK\$5,736,000 by accepting payment of HK\$1,700,000 by the Group. As a result, the Group recorded a gain on waiver of the loan approximately HK\$4,036,000.

10. GAIN ON DISPOSAL OF DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

On 12 March 2004, Orient Prize Holding Inc. ("Orient Prize"), a wholly-owned subsidiary, entered into an agreement to dispose of a 60% owned subsidiary, namely Marcello (Tax Free) International Department Store Corporation Limited ("Marcello") for a consideration of HK\$8,200,000 (the "Marcello Disposal"). The consideration of HK\$3,350,000 was settled in cash by the purchaser. The Group directed the purchaser to pay on behalf of the Group the balance of consideration of HK\$4,850,000 to a promissory note holder as full and final settlement of the outstanding promissory note of approximately HK\$4,896,000. The Marcello Disposal was completed on 29 June 2004.

On 26 March 2004, Orient Prize entered into another agreement to dispose of a wholly-owned subsidiary, namely Fine Lord Construction Company Limited ("Fine Lord") to Mr. Chan Chung Chiu, a director of Fine Lord, for a consideration of HK\$5,800,000 (the "Fine Lord Disposal"). The consideration was settled by way of Mr. Chan Chung Chiu releasing a promissory note executed by Orient Prize and MSHK dated 25 June 2002 in favour of Mr. Chan Chung Chiu with outstanding principal and interest of approximately HK\$5,873,000. The Fine Lord Disposal was completed on 26 March 2004. The Fine Lord Disposal constituted a connected transaction, the details of which were set out in the announcement issued by MSHK on 31 March 2004.

The sales, results, cash flows and net assets of Fine Lord and Marcello were as follows:

| | Marcello (Nine months e 30 June HK | ended | Fine Lord (Note) Period ended 26 March 2004 HK\$'000 |
|--|--|----------------------|--|
| Turnover | | 5,345 | 25,047 |
| Cost of sales | | 0,225) | (23,322) |
| Gross profit | (5 | 5,120 | 1,725 |
| Other revenue | | 432 | 7 |
| Selling and distribution expenses | | 5,315) | - |
| Administrative expenses | | 6,563) | (1,432) |
| Profit from operations | | 3,674 | 300 |
| Finance costs | | (3) | (20) |
| Profit before taxation | | 3,671 | 280 |
| Taxation | | (642) | - |
| Profit after taxation | | 3,029 | 280 |
| Minority interests | | 1,211) | 1 |
| Net profit | | 1,818 | 281 |
| Net operating cash inflow/(outflow) Net investing cash outflow Net financing cash inflow/(outflow) | | 4,027) - 2,057 | 698 (61) (1) |
| Total net cash inflow/(outflow) | (| 1,970) | 636 |
| | | | |

Note: Not audited by CCIF CPA Limited

10. GAIN ON DISPOSAL OF DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS (Continued)

| | Marcello (Note) At 30 June 2004 HK\$'000 | Fine Lord (Note) At 26 March 2004 HK\$'000 |
|--|--|--|
| Non-current assets Current assets | 542 13,489 | 3,615 12,434 |
| Total assets Total liabilities | 14,031 (8,207) | 16,049 (13,351) |
| Net assets | 5,824 | 2,698 |
| Net assets sold Goodwill | (3,494) (2,171) | (2,698) (3,317) |
| Disposal consideration Disposal expenses | (5,665) 8,200 (16) | (6,015) 5,800 |
| Gain/(loss) on disposal of discontinued operations | 2,519 | (215) |
| The net cash inflow on disposal is determined as follows: Cash proceeds from disposals | 3,350 | - |
| Less: Cash and bank balances disposed of with the subsidiaries | (474) | (5,006) |
| Bank overdraft disposed of with the subsidiaries | 2,206 | 100 |
| Net inflow/(outflow) of cash and cash equivalents in respect of the disposal of subsidiaries | 5,082 | (4,906) |

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11. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION AND FIVE HIGHEST PAID INDIVIDUALS

Directors' remuneration

Directors' remuneration is disclosed pursuant to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange and Section 161 of the Companies Ordinance as follows:

| | 2005 HK\$'000 | 2004 HK\$'000 |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| Fees Other emoluments: Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind Retirement benefit scheme contributions | - 1,176 24 | - 749 22 |
| | 1,200 | 771 |

The remuneration of individual director is set out below:

| <u>Name</u> | Fees | | Fees | | Salaries, allowances Fees and benefits in kind | | | nt scheme butions | Total | |
|--|----------|----------|----------|----------|--|----------|----------|----------------------|-------|--|
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 | 2004 | | |
| | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | | |
| Executive Directors Yeung Hoi Sing, Sonny Chan William Lee Siu Cheung | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | _ | | |
| | - | - | 328 | 269 | 12 | 11 | 340 | 280 | | |
| | - | - | 528 | 278 | 12 | 11 | 540 | 289 | | |
| Non-executive Director Choi Kin Pui, Russelle Independent Non-executive Directors | - | - | 80 | 61 | - | - | 80 | 61 | | |
| Luk Ka Yee, Patrick | - | - | 80 | 61 | - | - | 80 | 61 | | |
| Yeung Mo Sheung, Ann | - | - | 80 | 40 | - | - | 80 | 40 | | |
| Yim Kai Pung | - | - | 80 | 40 | - | - | 80 | 40 | | |
| | _ | - | 1,176 | 749 | 24 | 22 | 1,200 | 771 | | |

The remuneration of the directors falls within the following band:

| | Number of directors | | |
|-------------------------|---------------------|------|--|
| | 2005 | 2004 | |
| HK\$NiI – HK\$1,000,000 | 7 | 7 | |

DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION AND FIVE HIGHEST PAID INDIVIDUALS (Continued)

Five highest paid employees

The five highest paid employees during the year included one director (2004: one), details of whose remuneration are set out in note 11 (a).

The details of the remaining four (2004: four) individual are disclosed as follows:

| | 2005 HK\$'000 | 2004 HK\$'000 |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind Retirement benefit scheme contributions | 2,036 42 | 1,437 79 |
| | 2,078 | 1,516 |

The remuneration falls within the following band:

| | Number of individuals | |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|------|
| | 2005 | 2004 |
| HK\$NiI – HK\$1,000,000 | 4 | 4 |

PROFIT FROM OPERATIONS

Profit from operations is arrived at after charging and (crediting) the following:

| | Continuing operations | | Discontinued operations | | Consol | idated |
|--|--------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | 2005 HK\$'000 | 2004 HK\$'000 | 2005 HK\$'000 | 2004 HK\$'000 | 2005 HK\$'000 | 2004 HK\$'000 |
| Amortisation of goodwill Auditors' remuneration Depreciation: | - 518 | 66 436 | Ξ | 145 42 | - 518 | 211 478 |
| Owned fixed assets Operating lease rentals: | 6,474 | 4,707 | - | 641 | 6,474 | 5,348 |
| Land and buildings Plant and machinery Provision for other receivables Exchange gain Staff costs (including contribution of retirement | 1,385 12 - (15) | 813 - - (208) | - - - - | 850 53 335 - | 1,385 12 - (15) | 1,663 53 335 (208) |
| scheme of HK\$408,000) (2004: HK\$339,000) | 27,384 | 16,321 | - | 2,429 | 27,384 | 18,750 |

13. FINANCE COSTS

| | Group | |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| | 2005 HK\$'000 | 2004 HK\$'000 |
| Interest expenses on: Other borrowings wholly repayable within five years | 97 | 299 |
| Finance leases Bank loans and overdraft wholly repayable within five years | _ | 3 20 |
| | 97 | 322 |

14. TAXATION

The amount of taxation charged to the consolidated income statement represents:

| | Group | |
|--|--|---|
| | 2005 HK\$'000 | 2004 HK\$'000 |
| Hong Kong Profits Tax — Charge for the year Deferred taxation relating to the origination and reversal of temporary differences | <u>-</u> - | 681 (39) |
| | _ | 642 |
| A reconciliation between tax expense and accounting profit at applicable tax rates is as follows: | | |
| | 2005 HK\$'000 | 2004 HK\$'000 |
| Profit before tax Share of results of associates | 31,783 12 | 29,966 |
| Profit before tax attributable to the Company and its subsidiaries | 31,795 | 29,966 |
| Notional tax on profit before tax, calculated at the rates applicable to profits in the jurisdictions concerned Tax effect of non-deductible items Tax effect of non-taxable revenue Tax effect of unrecognised tax losses Unrecognised temporary differences Tax effect on utilisation of previously unrecognised tax losses | 5,564 965 (8,702) 2,348 137 (312) | 5,244 1,908 (7,638) 1,513 (341) (44) |
| Tax charge | _ | 642 |

Hong Kong profits tax has been provided for at the rate of 17.5% (2004: 17.5%) on the estimated assessable profits for the year. Taxation arising in other jurisdictions is calculated on the estimated assessable profits for the year at the rates of taxation prevailing in the relevant jurisdictions in which the subsidiaries operate.

PROFIT FOR THE YEAR ATTRIBUTABLE TO EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE **COMPANY**

The profit for the year attributable to equity holders of the Company for the year ended 30 September 2005 dealt with in the financial statements of the Company was approximately HK\$67,984,000 (2004: loss of approximately HK\$15,000).

16. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The calculation of basic earnings per share is based on the profit for the year attributable to equity holders of the Company of approximately HK\$12,291,000 (2004: HK\$15,442,000) and on the weighted average number of 1,869,724,000 (2004: 1,575,214,000) ordinary shares in issue during the year.

There was no dilution effect on the basic earnings per share for the year ended 30 September 2005 and 30 September 2004 respectively as there were no dilutive instruments outstanding during both years.

17. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Group

| | Leasehold land and buildings HK\$'000 | Cruise HK\$'000 | Leasehold improvements HK\$'000 | Plant and machinery HK\$'000 | Furniture fittings and office equipment HK\$'000 | Motor vehicles HK\$'000 | Total HK\$'000 |
|---|--|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Cost At 1 October 2003 Acquisition of a subsidiary Additions Disposal of subsidiaries | 2,327 - - (2,327) | - - 93,600 - | 1,991 472 145 (413) | 1,207 829 1,279 (1,294) | 1,795 1,296 1,296 (1,571) | 664 - 230 (664) | 7,984 2,597 96,550 (6,269) |
| At 30 September 2004 and 1 October 2004 Additions | | 93,600 | 2,195 98 | 2,021 3 | 2,816 640 | 230 | 100,862 741 |
| At 30 September 2005 | | 93,600 | 2,293 | 2,024 | 3,456 | 230 | 101,603 |
| Accumulated depreciation At 1 October 2003 Acquisition of a subsidiary Charge for the year Disposal of subsidiaries | 60 - 26 (86) | - - 3,510 - | 98 10 600 (14) | 457 25 373 (574) | 771 45 693 (1,157) | 252 - 146 (353) | 1,638 80 5,348 (2,184) |
| At 30 September 2004 and 1 October 2004 Charge for the year | | 3,510 4,680 | 694 672 | 281 404 | 352 642 | 45 76 | 4,882 6,474 |
| At 30 September 2005 | | 8,190 | 1,366 | 685 | 994 | 121 | 11,356 |
| Net book value At 30 September 2005 | | 85,410 | 927 | 1,339 | 2,462 | 109 | 90,247 |
| At 30 September 2004 | | 90,090 | 1,501 | 1,740 | 2,464 | 185 | 95,980 |
| | | | | | | | |

18. GOODWILL

| | Group |
|---|---------------------------|
| | HK\$'000 |
| Cost At 1 October 2003 Acquisition of a subsidiary Disposal of subsidiaries | 7,041 1,135 (7,041) |
| At 30 September 2004 and 1 October 2004 Acquisition of a subsidiary | 1,135 178 |
| At 30 September 2005 | 1,313 |
| Accumulated amortisation | |
| At 1 October 2003 Charge for the year Disposal of subsidiaries | 1,408 211 (1,553) |
| At 30 September 2004 and 1 October 2004 Written back of amortisation | 66 (66) |
| At 30 September 2005 | |
| Net book value At 30 September 2005 | 1,313 |
| At 30 September 2004 | 1,069 |
| | |

19. INTEREST IN SUBSIDIARIES

| | Company | |
|--|-------------------|------------------|
| | 2005 HK\$'000 | 2004 HK\$'000 |
| Unlisted shares, at cost Amounts due from subsidiaries | 15,874 284,236 | <u> </u> |
| | 300,110 | _ |

The amounts due from subsidiaries are unsecured, interest free and have no fixed terms of repayment.

19. INTEREST IN SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

Particulars of the principal subsidiaries are as follows:

| Name of company | | ole interest Company Indirect % | Place of incorporation/ operations | Nominal value of issued share capital | Principal activities |
|---|-----|--|--|---|---|
| Macau Success (Hong Kong) Limited | 100 | - | Hong Kong | HK\$100,000 | Investment holding |
| New Shepherd Assets Limited | 100 | - | British Virgin Islands | US\$1 | Investment holding |
| Access Success Developments Limited | - | 100 | British Virgin Islands | US\$1 | Investment holding |
| Ace Horizon Limited | - | 100 | British Virgin Islands | US\$1 | Investment holding |
| Capture Success Limited* | - | 55 | British Virgin Islands/ South China Sea, other than in Hong Kong | US\$100 | Cruise leasing |
| Golden Sun Profits Limited | - | 100 | British Virgin Islands | US\$1 | Investment holding |
| Hover Management Limited* | - | 55 | Hong Kong/ South China Sea, other than in Hong Kong | HK\$100 | Provision of cruise management services |
| Joyspirit Investments Limited | - | 100 | British Virgin Islands | US\$1 | Investment holding |
| Macau Success Management Services Limited | - | 100 | Hong Kong | HK\$100 | Provision of administration services |
| Precise Innovation Limited | - | 100 | British Virgin Islands | US\$1 | Investment holding |
| Top Region Assets Limited | - | 100 | British Virgin Islands | US\$1 | Investment holding |
| Travel Success Limited | - | 100 | Hong Kong | HK\$500,000 | Travel agency |
| Travel Success (Macau) Limited | - | 100 | Macau | MOP1,500,000 | Travel agency |
| World Fortune Limited | - | 100 | Hong Kong | HK\$100 | Investment holding |

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