|  | Note | 2006 | 2005 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | HK\$'000 | HK\$ ${ }^{\prime} 000$ |
| Cash flows from operating activities |  |  |  |
| Cash generated from operations | 34(a) | 297,546 | 349,319 |
| Interest received |  | 49,997 | 51,295 |
| Dividend received from listed and unlisted investments |  | 3,074 | 21,618 |
| Dividend received from associates |  | 3,431 | 1,736 |
| Taxes paid: |  |  |  |
| Hong Kong |  | (426) | (55) |
| Overseas |  | $(4,212)$ | $(6,804)$ |
| Net cash inflow from operating activities |  | 349,410 | 417,109 |
| Cash flows from investing activities |  |  |  |
| Proceeds from disposal of available-for-sale financial assets |  | 313,923 | 39,371 |
| Payments to acquire: |  |  |  |
| Items of fixed assets |  | $(5,617)$ | $(17,809)$ |
| Available-for-sale financial assets |  | $(8,088)$ | $(21,879)$ |
| Additions to properties under development |  | $(47,384)$ | $(9,514)$ |
| Additions to investment properties |  | $(473,643)$ | $(250,172)$ |
| Increase in interests in jointly controlled entities |  | (197) | $(5,721)$ |
| Increase in interests in associates |  | $(1,292,187)$ | $(157,934)$ |
| Advances to associates |  | $(271,389)$ | $(2,293)$ |
| Advances to jointly controlled entities |  | $(39,415)$ | (4) |
| Disposal of subsidiaries, net of cash and bank balances disposed of | 34(b) | 1,026 | 11,098 |
| Acquisition of shares in a subsidiary from a minority shareholder |  | (258) | - |
| Net cash outflow from investing activities |  | $(1,823,229)$ | $(414,857)$ |
| Cash flows from financing activities |  |  |  |
| Interest paid |  | $(34,589)$ | $(8,770)$ |
| Distributions paid |  | $(60,607)$ | $(60,607)$ |
| Drawdown of bank and other borrowings (Note) |  | 1,470,960 | 24,500 |
| Repayment of bank and other borrowings (Note) |  | $(25,000)$ | $(208,261)$ |
| Issue of shares by subsidiaries to minority shareholders |  | 402 | 6,128 |
| Advances from minority shareholders of subsidiaries |  | 41,384 | 870 |
| Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing activities |  | 1,392,550 | $(246,140)$ |
| Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents |  | $(81,269)$ | $(243,888)$ |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year |  | 637,260 | 881,885 |
| Exchange realignments |  | 2,466 | (737) |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of year |  | 558,457 | 637,260 |
| Analysis of balances of cash and cash equivalents: |  |  |  |
| Cash and bank balances |  | 363,487 | 621,740 |
| Treasury bills |  | 194,970 | 15,520 |
|  |  | 558,457 | 637,260 |

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[^0]:    Note: The amounts exclude bank borrowings drawn down by the Group for lending to its margin clients in respect of the initial public offerings. All such bank borrowings were fully repaid during the year.

