

CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

For the Year Ended July 31, 2000

	<i>Notes</i>	2000 <i>HK\$</i>	1999 <i>HK\$</i>
NET CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	36	11,797,596	9,583
RETURNS ON INVESTMENTS AND SERVICING OF FINANCE			
Interest paid		(9,307,820)	(9,699,137)
Dividends received from investments in securities		528,091	207,585
Dividend received from an associate		350,000	—
NET CASH OUTFLOW FROM RETURNS ON INVESTMENTS AND SERVICING OF FINANCE		(8,429,729)	(9,491,552)
TAXATION			
Hong Kong Profits Tax refunded		31,300	1,147,386
INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Net cash inflow from disposal of interests in subsidiaries	37	5,363,931	3,980,858
Proceeds from disposal of other securities		3,249,432	3,414,363
Repayment from (advance to) a minority shareholder		1,000,000	(1,000,000)
Deposits and other costs paid for the acquisition of properties		(6,210,000)	(3,714,420)
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(806,804)	(1,324,484)
Purchase of other securities		—	(2,346,485)
Advance to an associate		—	(184,000)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment		—	117,776
NET CASH INFLOW (OUTFLOW) FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		2,596,559	(1,056,392)
NET CASH INFLOW (OUTFLOW) BEFORE FINANCING		5,995,726	(9,390,975)

	<i>Note</i>	2000 <i>HK\$</i>	1999 <i>HK\$</i>
FINANCING	39		
Redemption of convertible notes		(23,000,000)	—
Repayment of bank loans		(8,414,975)	(39,631,841)
Repayment of mortgage loans		(2,119,245)	(1,900,158)
Repayment to an associate		(200,000)	—
Repayment of obligations under hire purchase contracts		(48,524)	(120,704)
New bank loans obtained		20,000,000	25,000,000
Proceeds from issue of shares		1,713,600	—
Advance from associates		200,000	100,000
NET CASH OUTFLOW FROM FINANCING		(11,869,144)	(16,552,703)
DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		(5,873,418)	(25,943,678)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF THE YEAR		(15,543,467)	10,285,014
EFFECT OF FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATE CHANGES		—	115,197
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF THE YEAR		(21,416,885)	(15,543,467)
ANALYSIS OF THE BALANCES OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS			
Bank balances and cash		6,633,240	20,257,881
Bank overdrafts		(28,050,125)	(29,720,931)
Bank loans matured within three months from date of advance		—	(3,373,946)
Other loans matured within three months from date of advance		—	(2,706,471)
		(21,416,885)	(15,543,467)