

CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2000

	Note	2000 HK\$	1999 HK\$
Turnover	2	256,714,641	195,999,878
Cost of sales		<u>(57,517,321)</u>	<u>(39,749,673)</u>
Gross profit		199,197,320	156,250,205
Administrative expenses		(41,946,661)	(42,364,790)
Other operating expenses (net)		<u>(26,273,402)</u>	<u>(21,137,460)</u>
Operating profit	3	130,977,257	92,747,955
Finance costs	5	<u>(33,974,348)</u>	<u>(32,072,364)</u>
Profit before taxation		97,002,909	60,675,591
Taxation	7	<u>(8,695,656)</u>	<u>(7,142,694)</u>
Profit after taxation		88,307,253	53,532,897
Minority interests		<u>(2,838,868)</u>	<u>(3,100,032)</u>
Profit attributable to shareholders	8,18	<u>85,468,385</u>	<u>50,432,865</u>
Dividends	9	<u>66,164,026</u>	<u>48,903,845</u>
Dividends per share	9		
Interim		HK10 cents	HK10 cents
Special		HK 5 cents	—
Final		<u>HK 8 cents</u>	<u>HK 7 cents</u>
Total		<u>HK23 cents</u>	<u>HK17 cents</u>
Earnings per share	10		
Basic		<u>HK29.7cents</u>	<u>HK17.5 cents</u>