	NOTE	2000	1999
		HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Nick and Confilm Visiting Confirmation and in a seliciting	26(-)	(54.224)	142.012
Net cash (outflow)/inflow from operating activities	26(a)	(54,224)	143,012
Returns on investments and servicing of finance			
Interest received		345	761
Interest paid		(20,026)	(37,217)
Dividends received from jointly controlled entities and			
associated companies		560	4,047
Dividends paid to minority shareholders of a subsidiary			
company			(90)
Net cash outflow from returns on investments and			
servicing of finance		<u>(19,121</u> )	(32,499)
Taxation			
Hong Kong profits tax paid		(360)	(309)
Investing activities			
Purchase of fixed assets		(1,255)	(1,697)
Purchase of associated companies		(80,900)	_
Purchase of long-term investments		(692)	_
Disposal of fixed assets		32,235	33,624
Disposal of subsidiary companies	26(b)	1,202	(2,205)
Increase in amounts due from jointly controlled			
entities		(1,381)	(3,688)
(Increase)/decrease in amounts due from associated			
companies		(65)	39
Decrease in loan receivable from a related company		-	5,590
Decrease in bank deposits maturing more than three			
months from date of placement		3,600	18,969
Net cash (outflow)/inflow from investing activities		(47,256)	50,632
Net cash (outflow)/inflow before financing		(120,961)	160,836

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Net cash (outflow)/inflow before financing		(120,961)	160,836
Financing			
Issue of new shares less expenses		204,349	_
New long-term bank loans		8,000	_
Repayment of long-term bank loans		(35,853)	(116,122)
Decrease in amounts due to minority shareholders		(1,877)	(1,121)
(Decrease)/increase in short-term loans repayable within			
three months from the date of advance		(22,900)	28,900
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing	26(c)	151,719	(88,343)
Increase in cash and cash equivalents		30,758	72,493
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		(28,661)	(100,874)
Changes in exchange rates		17	(280)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year		2,114	(28,661)
Analysis of balances of cash and cash equivalents			
Cash and bank balances		2,114	3,529
Bank overdrafts		_	(32,190)
		2,114	(28,661)