		Group	
		2000	1999
	Note	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	24(a)	16,228	(2,839)
Returns on investments and servicing of finance			
Interest received		18,396	9,101
Interest paid		(15,475)	(15,810)
Dividend received from an associated company		186	765
Dividend received on behalf of/(paid to)			
minority shareholders of subsidiaries	24(b)	8,401	(496)
Dividend received from a jointly controlled entity		161,106	_
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from return on investments			
and servicing of finance		172,614	(6,440)
Taxation			
Hong Kong profits tax (paid)/refund		(307)	858
Overseas profits tax paid		(1,168)	(1,063)
Total taxation paid		(1,475)	(205)
Investing activities			
Investment in an associated company		_	(2,804)
Purchase of fixed assets		(20,677)	(9,339)
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets		4,716	7,632
Proceeds from sale of investments		´ <b>–</b>	95
Disposal of subsidiaries	24(c) and (d)	-	(2,821)
Net cash outflow from investing activities		(15,961)	(7,237)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) before financing		171,406	(16,721)
Financing			
Issue of shares		465,109	563,917
New loans borrowed		35,794	_
Repayment of bank loans and other loans		(15,919)	(5,482)
Repayment to a related company for investment in a jointly controlled entity		_	(529,285)
Advances from minority shareholders		3,106	5,186
	24(4)	<del></del>	
Net cash inflow from financing	24(b)	488,090	34,336
Net change in bank deposits pledged		(42,256)	
Increase in cash and cash equivalents		617,240	17,615
Cash and cash equivalents at 1st January		132,266	114,616
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes		(649)	35
Cash and cash equivalents at 31st December		748,857	132,266
Analysis of the balances of cash and cash equivalents:			
Cash and bank balances		748,857	132,266