For the year ended 31 December 2000 (Expressed in Hong Kong dollars)

	Note		2000 \$	1999 <i>\$</i>
Gross premiums written	2	14	6,175,134	120,893,829
Outward retrocession premiums		(3	5,596,570)	(23,497,093)
Net written premiums		11	0,578,564	97,396,736
Insurance funds brought forward		22	7,722,712	188,716,103
Gross claims		(11	2,551,682)	(153,105,817)
Less: Reinsurers' share of claims		7	1,785,673	48,157,423
Net claims		(4	0,766,009)	(104,948,394)
Commission expenses		(1	0,674,426)	(8,827,126)
Interest income on premium deposits			82,700	314,560
Management expenses		(3,249,010)	(2,935,045)
Insurance funds carried forward		(15	5,053,378)	(227,722,712)
Amount transferred to/(from) profit and loss account		12	8,641,153	(58,005,878)

The notes on pages 36 to 79 form part of these accounts.