

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

at December 31, 2000

	NOTES	2000 HK\$'000	1999 HK\$'000
Non-current assets			
Investment properties	13	77,857	13,543
Property, plant and equipment	14	42,767	12,953
Interests in associates	16	3,292	1,603
Investments in securities	17	14,221	555
Staff advances - due after one year	18	2,203	4,437
Club membership		1,300	—
		141,640	33,091
Current assets			
Inventories	19	237,710	145,914
Trade and other receivables, deposits and prepayments	20	464,398	399,646
Investments in securities	17	—	67,159
Staff advances - due within one year	18	1,180	1,110
Amounts due from related companies	21	6,256	2,022
Tax recoverable		—	4,666
Pledged bank deposits		11,300	8,405
Bank balances and cash		194,150	273,241
		914,994	902,163
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	22	561,053	356,262
Bills payables	23	25,971	24,802
Obligations under hire purchase contracts - due within one year	24	366	169
Bank borrowings - due within one year	25	75,034	112,175
Taxation		3,772	1,301
Dividends payable		5,361	5,361
		671,557	500,070
Net current assets		243,437	402,093
<i>Total assets less current liabilities carried forward</i>		385,077	435,184

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Total assets less current liabilities brought forward		385,077	435,184
Non-current liabilities			
Obligations under hire purchase contracts -			
due after one year	24	309	274
Deferred taxation	26	44	—
Advances from minority shareholders	27	203	—
<i>NET ASSETS</i>		384,521	<i>434,910</i>
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Share capital	28	26,805	26,095
Share premium and reserves	29	367,335	351,874
Revaluation reserves	30	(13,546)	56,577
		380,594	434,546
MINORITY INTEREST		3,927	364
		384,521	<i>434,910</i>

The financial statements on pages 21 to 53 were approved by the Board of Directors on April 20, 2001 and are signed on its behalf by:

Lim Kiah Meng
DIRECTOR

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DIRECTOR