11. SHORT TERM FUNDS

	1	he Group	The Bank		
	2000 1999		2000	1999	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Balances with banks					
and other financial institutions	36,442	493,072	36,442	493,072	
Money at call and short notice*	4,514,857	4,092,420	4,514,751	4,092,308	
Treasury bills					
unlisted, held-to-maturity	0	145,040	0	145,040	
	4,551,299	4,730,532	4,551,193	4,730,420	

^{*} Money at call and short notice represents deposits of up to a maximum of 1-month in maturity.

The maturity profile analysed by the remaining period at the balance sheet date to the contractual maturity date is as follows:

	T	he Group	The Bank		
	2000	1999	2000	1999	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Repayable on demand	36,548	493,182	36,442	493,070	
Within 1 month	4,514,751	4,092,310	4,514,751	4,092,310	
1 year or less but over 3 months	0	145,040	0	145,040	
	4,551,299	4,730,532	4,551,193	4,730,420	

12. PLACEMENTS WITH BANKS MATURING BETWEEN ONE AND TWELVE MONTHS

The maturity profile analysed by the remaining period at the balance sheet date to the contractual maturity date is as follows:

	Т	he Group	The Bank		
	2000	1999	2000	1999	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
3 months or less but					
over 1 month	953,304	166,565	953,304	166,565	
1 year or less but over 3 months	77,992	96,740	77,992	96,740	
	1,031,296	263,305	1,031,296	263,305	

13. TRADE BILLS LESS RESERVES AND CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT

	Т	he Group	The Bank		
	2000	1999	2000	1999	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Trade bills	8,233	11,167	8,233	11,167	
Less: General reserves	(42)	(76)	(42)	(76)	
Certificates of deposit	8,191	11,091	8,191	11,091	
– unlisted, held-to-maturity	728,436	463,467	728,436	463,467	
	736,627	474,558	736,627	474,558	

The maturity profile analysed by the remaining period at the balance sheet date to the contractual maturity date is as follows:

	I	he Group	The Bank		
	2000	1999	2000	1999	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Repayable on demand	1,259	9,193	1,259	9,193	
3 months or less but not					
repayable on demand	54,864	87,041	54,864	87,041	
1 year or less but over 3 months	360,728	231,587	360,728	231,587	
5 years or less but over 1 year	319,663	146,813	319,663	146,813	
Undated	155	0	155	0	
	736,669	474,634	736,669	474,634	

Movements in reserves for doubtful debts – General:

	Т	he Group	The Bank		
	2000	1999	2000	1999	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
At 1 January Released during	76	133	76	133	
the year (Note 6)	(34)	(57)	(34)	(57)	
At 31 December	42	76	42	76	

14. ADVANCES TO CUSTOMERS LESS RESERVES

	Т	he Group	The Bank		
	2000	1999	2000	1999	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Advances to customers	17,913,751	14,028,344	16,048,226	12,907,558	
Reserves for doubtful debts					
– General	(104,174)	(93,673)	(104,174)	(93,673)	
– Specific	(383,196)	(420,548)	(373,365)	(413,063)	
	17,426,381	13,514,123	15,570,687	12,400,822	

The maturity profile analysed by the remaining period at the balance sheet date to the contractual maturity date is as follows:

	T	he Group	The Bank		
	2000	1999	2000	1999	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Repayable on demand	1,463,879	820,539	1,454,940	805,677	
3 months or less but not					
repayable on demand	1,441,312	967,727	1,229,458	800,819	
1 year or less but over 3 months	1,602,852	1,384,564	1,056,597	1,011,617	
5 years or less but over 1 year	4,854,859	2,144,349	4,067,425	1,787,046	
Over 5 years	7,329,047	7,590,806	7,063,307	7,422,026	
Undated	1,221,802	1,120,359	1,176,499	1,080,373	
	17,913,751	14,028,344	16,048,226	12,907,558	

Movements in reserves for doubtful debts – General:

	T	he Group	The Bank		
	2000	1999	2000	1999	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
At 1 January	93,673	156,727	93,673	156,727	
Charge/(Released)					
for the year (Note 6)	10,501	(63,054)	10,501	(63,054)	
At 31 December	104,174	93,673	104,174	93,673	

14. ADVANCES TO CUSTOMERS LESS RESERVES (continued)

Movements in reserves for doubtful debts – Specific:

	Т	he Group	The Bank		
	2000	1999	2000	1999	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
At 1 January	420,548	231,447	413,063	231,447	
Charge for the year (Note 6)	183,747	436,944	175,049	412,114	
Written off during the year	(221,099)	(247,843)	(214,747)	(230,498)	
At 31 December	383,196	420,548	373,365	413,063	

The specific provisions were made after taking into account the value of collateral in respect of such doubtful debts totaling HK\$664,622,014 (1999: HK\$408,814,940).

Movements in interest suspended:

	Т	he Group	The Bank		
	2000	1999	2000	1999	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
At 1 January	56,743	24,226	56,743	24,226	
Interest suspended					
during the year	31,379	32,517	31,379	32,517	
At 31 December	88,122	56,743	88,122	56,743	

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14. ADVANCES TO CUSTOMERS LESS RESERVES (continued)

Total advances on which interest is being placed in suspense:

The aggregate amount of advances ("gross advances") on which interest is being placed in suspense or on which interest accrual has ceased, together with the aggregate amount of specific reserves made and amount of collateral held in respect of such advances are as follows:

	The Group					
	As at		As at		As at	
	31 December 2000		30 June	30 June 2000		1999
	HK\$'000	*%	HK\$'000	*%	HK\$'000	*%
Gross advances						
– Rescheduled	30,833	0.17	143,896	0.87	338,409	2.41
– Others	1,139,866	6.37	1,307,463	7.91	750,177	5.35
	1,170,699	6.54	1,451,359	8.78	1,088,586	7.76
Amount of specific reserves	244.00				20100	
made against gross advances Amount of collateral held in	361,325		453,840		294,830	
respect of gross advances**	494,698		447,200		455,174	
	856,023		901,040		750,004	
Amount of interest suspended	88,122		104,973		56,743	

^{*} As a percentage of gross advances to customers.

^{**} Including expected recovery of HK\$27.21 million (1999: HK\$35.67 million) from companies in liquidation.

15. INVESTMENTS

	The Group		The Bank	
	2000	1999	2000	1999
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Investment in debt securities				
Held-to-maturity debt securities				
at amortised cost				
less provisions				
Listed in Hong Kong				
maturing within 1 year	350,041	650,375	350,041	650,375
maturing between				
1 to 5 years	1,053,405	402,759	1,053,405	402,759
Unlisted				
maturing within 1 year	10,024	651,790	10,024	651,790
maturing between 1				
to 5 years	891,755	440,955	891,755	440,955
maturing over 5 years	204,642	0	204,642	0
Sub-total	2,509,867	2,145,879	2,509,867	2,145,879
Other securities				
Non trading securities				
at fair value				
Listed in Hong Kong				
– equity	30,093	0	30,093	0
Unlisted				
– debt	32,833	32,686	32,833	32,686
– equity	13,536	7,000	13,536	5,000
Sub-total	76,462	39,686	76,462	37,686
Total	2,586,329	2,185,565	2,586,329	2,183,565
Market Value				
Listed in Hong Kong				
equity securities	30,093	0	30,093	0
– held-to-maturity				
debt securities	1,419,625	1,063,019	1,419,625	1,063,019

15. INVESTMENTS (continued)

The investments are issued by:

	The Group		The Bank	
	2000	1999	2000	1999
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
HKSAR Exchange Fund	1,403,445	1,003,335	1,403,445	1,003,335
Public sector entities	170,221	49,798	170,221	49,798
Banks and other				
financial institutions	406,732	219,016	406,732	219,016
Corporate entities	605,931	913,416	605,931	911,416
Total	2,586,329	2,185,565	2,586,329	2,183,565

Interest income earned from listed/unlisted securities during the year amounted to HK\$175,964,000 (1999: HK\$146,224,000).

The maturity profile of debt securities analysed by the remaining period at the balance sheet date to the contractual maturity date is as follows:

	The Group		The Bank	
	2000	1999	2000	1999
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
3 months or less but not				
repayable on demand	275,084	325,179	275,084	325,179
1 year or less but over 3 months	84,981	976,987	84,981	976,987
5 years or less but over 1 year	1,945,160	843,713	1,945,160	843,713
Over 5 years	204,642	32,686	204,642	32,686
Undated	32,833	0	32,833	0
	2,542,700	2,178,565	2,542,700	2,178,565

During the year, held-to-maturity securities with an amortised cost of HK\$380,216,563 (1999: Nil) were disposed of at a profit of HK\$5,513,437 (1999: Nil) being recognised in the profit and loss account. Management, approved by the Asset and Liability Committee, sold these held-to-maturity securities to modify the maturity and risk profile of the investment portfolios.

16. INVESTMENT IN ASSOCIATED COMPANY

	The Group and	
	the Bank	
	2000	1999
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Unlisted shares, at cost	5,761	5,761
Advances	12,879	16,856
Less: provision for diminution in value	(5,761)	(5,761)
	12,879	16,856

The Bank owns 40% (1999: 40%) of the issued share capital of IBA Finance Corporation, which is incorporated in the Philippines. The principal activity of the associated company is the provision of financing and leasing services in the Philippines. The Bank has not equity accounted for the investment in the associated company in view of the immaterial amount involved.

17. INVESTMENTS IN SUBSIDIARIES

	The Bank	
	2000 199	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Unlisted shares, at cost		
At 1 January	87,146	130,811
Disposal of a subsidiary	0	(43,665)
At 31 December	87,146	87,146

17. INVESTMENT IN SUBSIDIARIES (continued)

All principal subsidiaries are directly owned by the Bank. Details of principal subsidiaries, all of which are private companies (except for International Bank of Asia (Trustee) Limited, which is a public company) at 31 December 2000 are as follows:

	Issued and fully paid-up ordinary	% of issued share	
	share capital	capital held	Principal activities
Incorporated and operating in Hong I	Kong		
IBA Credit Limited	HK\$65,000,000	100%	Deposit-taking and finance
International Bank of Asia			
(Trustee) Limited	HK\$3,000,000	100%	Trustee services
IBA Securities Limited	HK\$8,000,000	100%	Securities broking
IBA Fund Management Limited	HK\$8,000,000	100%	Fund management
Mars (Nominees) Limited	HK\$200	100%	Nominees services
Incorporated and operating in Vanuat	u		
IBA Bank Limited	US\$10,000	100%	Finance

18. PREMISES AND EQUIPMENT

THE GROUP

	Premises	Equipment	Other	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Cost or valuation				
At 1 January 2000	1,074,912	224,164	2,845	1,301,921
Additions	0	21,343	0	21,343
Disposals	(6,000)	(5,582)	0	(11,582)
At 31 December 2000	1,068,912	239,925	2,845	1,311,682
Accumulated depreciation				
At 1 January 2000	44,094	97,383	2,845	144,322
Charge for the year	11,251	30,590	0	41,841
Released on disposal	(155)	(5,184)	0	(5,339)
At 31 December 2000	55,190	122,789	2,845	180,824
Net book value				
At 31 December 2000	1,013,722	117,136	0	1,130,858
At 31 December 1999	1,030,818	126,781	0	1,157,599

18. PREMISES AND EQUIPMENT (continued)

THE BANK

	Premises HK\$'000	Equipment <i>HK\$'000</i>	Other <i>HK\$'000</i>	Total <i>HK\$'000</i>
Cost or valuation				
At 1 January 2000	1,038,163	223,246	2,845	1,264,254
Additions	0	21,189	0	21,189
Disposals	(6,000)	(5,582)	0	(11,582)
At 31 December 2000	1,032,163	238,853	2,845	1,273,861
Accumulated depreciation				
At 1 January 2000	42,644	96,661	2,845	142,150
Charge for the year	10,926	30,513	0	41,439
Released on disposal	(155)	(5,184)	0	(5,339)
At 31 December 2000	53,415	121,990	2,845	178,250
Net book value				
At 31 December 2000	978,748	116,863	0	1,095,611
At 31 December 1999	995,519	126,585	0	1,122,104

The net book value of premises comprises:

	The Group		The Bank	
	2000	1999	2000	1999
	Hk\$'000	Hk\$'000	Hk\$'000	Hk\$'000
Premises held in Hong Kong				
 Long term leases 				
(over 50 years)	806,632	818,809	771,658	783,510
 Medium term leases 				
(10-50 years)	207,090	212,009	207,090	212,009
	1,013,722	1,030,818	978,748	995,519

Certain of these premises of the Bank have been included in the accounts at their November 1989 valuation of HK\$77,100,000 (1999: HK\$83,100,000). In preparing these accounts, advantage has been taken of the transitional provisions in paragraph 72 of Statement of Standard Accounting Practice 17 "Property, Plant and Equipment" issued by the Hong Kong Society of Accountants with the effect that premises have not been revalued to fair value at the balance sheet date. It is not the Directors' present intention to revalue the premises in the future.