1. GENERAL

The Company is a public limited company incorporated in Hong Kong and its shares are listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange").

In the opinion of the directors, the Company's ultimate holding company is China Poly Group Corporation ("China Poly"), a state-owned enterprise established in the People's Republic of China (the "PRC"). China Poly and its affiliated companies, other than members of the Group, are hereinafter collectively referred to as the China Poly Group.

The Company is an investment holding company. The subsidiaries are engaged in shipping, hotel operations, property investment and management, securities investment, financial services and general trading.

As the majority of the business of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group") is operated in the PRC where they are required by statute to adopt 31st December as the financial year end, the directors, during the previous financial period, decided to change the Company's financial year end to 31st December. Accordingly, the comparative amounts shown for the consolidated income statement, consolidated statement of recognized gains and losses, consolidated cash flows statement and related notes covered a nine-month period from 1st April, 2000 to 31st December, 2000 which may not be comparable with amounts shown for the current year. However, the directors believe that the change of the Company's financial year end to 31st December will facilitate the preparation of the Group's consolidated financial information for future accounting periods.

2. ADOPTION OF STATEMENTS OF STANDARD ACCOUNTING PRACTICE/CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES

In the current year, the Group has adopted for the first time a number of new and revised Statements of Standard Accounting Practice issued by the Hong Kong Society of Accountants. Adoption of these Standards has led to a number of changes in the Group's accounting policies. The revised accounting policies are set out in note 3. In addition, the new and revised Standards have introduced additional and revised disclosure requirements which have been adopted in these financial statements. Comparative amounts for the prior period have been restated in order to achieve a consistent presentation.

The adoption of these new and revised Standards has resulted in the following changes to the Group's accounting policies that have affected the amounts reported for the current or prior periods.

2. ADOPTION OF STATEMENTS OF STANDARD ACCOUNTING PRACTICE/CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Dividends proposed or declared after the balance sheet date

In accordance with SSAP 9 (Revised) *Events after the Balance Sheet Date*, dividends proposed or declared after the balance sheet date are not recognised as a liability at the balance sheet date, but are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. This change in accounting policy has been applied retrospectively, resulting in a prior period adjustment which increases the accumulated profits as at 1st April, 2000 by HK\$16,705,000.

Goodwill

In the current year, the Group has adopted SSAP 30 Business Combinations and has elected not to restate goodwill previously eliminated against reserves. Accordingly, goodwill arising on acquisitions prior to 1st January, 2001 is held in reserves and will be charged to the income statement at the time of disposal of the relevant subsidiary, or at such time as the goodwill is determined to be impaired.

Goodwill arising on acquisitions after 1st January, 2001 is capitalised and amortised over its estimated useful life. Negative goodwill arising on acquisitions after 1st January, 2001 is presented as a deduction from assets and will be released to income based on an analysis of the circumstances from which the balance resulted.

3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified for the revaluation of investment properties, hotel properties and investments in securities and in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in Hong Kong. The principal accounting policies adopted are as follows:

Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries made up to 31st December each year.

The results of subsidiaries, associates and jointly controlled entities acquired or disposed of during the year/period are included in the consolidated income statement from the effective date of acquisition or up to the effective date of disposal, as appropriate.

All significant inter-company transactions and balances within the Group are eliminated on consolidation.

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3. **SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (Continued)

Goodwill

Goodwill arising on consolidation represents the excess of the cost of acquisition over the Group's interest in the fair value of the identifiable assets and liabilities of a subsidiary at the date of acquisition.

Goodwill arising on acquisitions prior to 1st January, 2001 continues to be held in reserves, and will be charged to the income statement at the time of disposal of the relevant subsidiary or at such time as the goodwill is determined to be impaired.

Goodwill arising on acquisitions after 1st January, 2001 is capitalised and amortised on a straight-line basis over its useful economic life. Goodwill arising on the acquisition of an associate is included within the carrying amount of the associate.

Negative goodwill

Negative goodwill represents the excess of the Group's interest in the fair value of the identifiable assets and liabilities of a subsidiary at the date of acquisition over the cost of acquisition.

Negative goodwill is presented as deduction from assets and will be released to income based on an analysis of the circumstances from which the balance resulted.

To the extent that the negative goodwill is attributable to losses or expenses anticipated at the date of acquisition, it is released to income in the period in which those losses or expenses arise. The remaining negative goodwill is recognised as income on a straight-line basis over the remaining average useful life of the identifiable acquired depreciable assets. To the extent that such negative goodwill exceeds the aggregate fair value of the acquired identifiable non-monetary assets, it is recognised in income immediately.

Investments in subsidiaries

A subsidiary is an enterprise in which the Company, directly or indirectly, holds more than half of the issued share capital or registered capital, or controls more than half of the voting power, or where the Company controls the composition of its board of directors or equivalent governing body.

Investments in subsidiaries are included in the Company's balance sheet at cost less any identified impairment loss.

Interests in associates

The consolidated income statement includes the Group's share of the post-acquisition results of its associates for the year. In the consolidated balance sheet, interests in associates are stated at the Group's share of the net assets of the associates plus the premium paid on acquisition, less any identified impairment loss.

The results of associates are accounted for by the Company on the basis of dividends received and receivable during the year. In the Company's balance sheet, investments in associates are stated at cost, as reduced by any identified impairment loss.

Joint ventures

A joint venture is a contractual arrangement whereby the Group and other parties undertake an economic activity which is subject to joint control and over which none of the participating parties has unilateral control.

Jointly controlled entities

Joint venture arrangements which involve the establishment of a separate entity in which each venturer has an interest are referred to as jointly controlled entities.

The Group's interests in jointly controlled entities are included in the consolidated balance sheet at the Group's share of the net assets of the relevant jointly controlled entities. The Group's share of post-acquisition results of jointly controlled entities are included in the consolidated income statement.

When the Group transacts with its jointly controlled entities, unrealised profits and losses are eliminated to the extent of the Group's interest in the relevant jointly controlled entities, except where unrealised losses provide evidence of an impairment of the asset transferred.

Other joint venture arrangements

Investments made by means of joint venture structures which do not result in the Group having joint control with the other venturers are accounted for as subsidiaries (where the Group controls the board of directors or equivalent governing body), associates (where the Group is in a position to exercise significant influence) or investments in securities (where the Group exercises neither control nor significant influence).

Investments in securities

Investments in securities are recognised on a trade-date basis and are initially measured at cost.

At subsequent reporting dates, debt securities that the Group has the expressed intention and ability to hold to maturity (held-to-maturity debt securities) are measured at amortised cost, less any impairment loss recognised to reflect irrecoverable amounts. The annual amortisation of any discount or premium on the acquisition of a held-to-maturity security is aggregated with other investment income receivable over the term of the instrument so that the revenue recognised in each period represents a constant yield on the investment.

Investments other than held-to-maturity debt securities are classified as investment securities or other investments.

Investment securities, which are securities held for an identified long term strategic purpose, are measured at subsequent reporting dates at cost, as reduced by any impairment loss that is other than temporary.

Other investments are measured at fair value, with unrealised gains and losses included in net profit or loss for the year/period.

Revenue recognition

Sales of goods are recognised when goods are delivered and title has passed while service revenue is recognised when services are provided.

Sales of investments in securities are recognised on a trade date basis.

Revenue from hotel operations and related services is recognised when the relevant services are provided.

Revenue recognition (Continued)

Rental income, including rental invoiced in advance, from properties let under operating leases is recognised on a straight line basis over the period of the respective leases.

Licence fees for the exclusive right of managing certain of the Group's assets by a third party are recognised on a straight line basis over the period of the respective licence agreement.

Interest income is accrued on a time basis, by reference to the principal outstanding and the interest rate applicable.

Dividend income from investments is recognised when the shareholders' rights to receive payment have been established.

Charterhire income is recognised on a straight line basis over the charterhire period.

Investment properties

Investment properties are completed properties which are held for their investment potential, any rental income being negotiated at arm's length.

Investment properties are stated at their open market values based on independent professional valuations at the balance sheet date. Any surplus or deficit arising on the revaluation of investment properties is credited or charged to the investment properties revaluation reserve unless the balance on this reserve is insufficient to cover a deficit on a portfolio basis, in which case the excess of the deficit over the balance on the investment properties revaluation reserve is charged to the income statement.

On disposal of investment properties, the balance on the investment properties revaluation reserve attributable to the properties disposed of is transferred to the income statement.

No depreciation is provided in respect of investment properties except where the unexpired term of the relevant lease is 20 years or less.

Hotel properties

Hotel properties are interests in land and buildings and their integral fixed plant, and are stated at independent professional valuation at the balance sheet date. Changes in the value of hotel properties are dealt with as movements on the hotel properties revaluation reserve. Any surplus arising on revaluation of hotel properties is credited to the hotel properties revaluation reserve, except to the extent that it reverses a decrease in revaluation of the same hotel property previously recognised as an expense, when it is recognised as income. A decrease in net carrying amount arising on revaluation of hotel properties is charged to the income statement to the extent that it exceeds the balance, if any, on the hotel properties revaluation reserve relating to a previous revaluation of that hotel property.

The gain or loss arising from the disposal or retirement of a revalued hotel property is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying amount of the hotel property and is recognised in the income statement.

On the subsequent sale or retirement of a revalued hotel property, the attributable surplus is transferred to accumulated profits. No depreciation or amortisation are provided on hotel properties held on land use rights of more than 20 years. It is the Group's practice to maintain the properties in a continual state of sound repair and maintenance, and accordingly, the directors consider that depreciation and amortisation are not necessary due to their high residual value. The related maintenance expenditure is dealt with in the income statement in the year of expenditure.

Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment other than construction in progress and hotel properties, are stated at cost or valuation less accumulated depreciation and amortisation and accumulated impairment losses.

Land and buildings which have been previously classified as investment properties are stated at their valuation immediately prior to transfer. No further valuation will be carried out on these land and buildings.

Property, plant and equipment (Continued)

Construction in progress is stated at cost which includes all development expenditure and other direct costs attributable to such projects including borrowing costs capitalised. It is not depreciated or amortised until completion of construction. Costs of completed construction works are transferred to the appropriate categories of property, plant and equipment.

The cost of leasehold land is amortised over the period of the lease using the straight line method.

Depreciation of motor vessels is calculated at a rate sufficient to write off their cost less estimated scrap value over their remaining estimated useful lives on a straight line basis of 25 years from the date of their first registration.

Depreciation is provided to write off the cost or valuation of other assets over their estimated useful lives, using the straight line method, at the following rates per annum:

Buildings	2% - 18%
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	20%
Motor vehicles	20%
Plant and machinery	6% - 23%

The gain or loss arising on the disposal or retirement of an asset is determined as the difference between the sales proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset and is recognised in the income statement.

Capitalisation of borrowing costs

Borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of qualifying assets, which are assets that necessarily take a substantial period of time to get ready for their intended use or sale, are capitalised as part of the cost of those assets. Capitalisation of such borrowing costs ceases when the assets are substantially ready for their intended use or sale. Investment income earned on the temporary investment of specific borrowings pending their expenditure on qualifying assets is deducted from the borrowing costs capitalised.

All other borrowing costs are recognised as an expense in the year in which they are incurred.

Impairment

At each balance sheet date, the Group reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If the recoverable amount of an asset is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset is reduced to its recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognised as an expense immediately, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount under another SSAP, in which case the impairment loss is treated as revaluation decrease under that SSAP.

Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but so that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised as income immediately, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount under another SSAP, in which case the reversal of the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation increase under the relevant SSAP.

Intangible assets

Intangible assets are stated at cost less amortisation and any identified impairment loss. Amortisation is calculated to write off the cost of the intangible assets over their estimated useful lives, using the straight line method, up to a maximum period of eighteen months.

Stores

Stores which represent lubricants and bunkers on board are stated at cost.

Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value and is calculated using the weighted average method.

Retirement benefits scheme contributions

Contributions payable by the Group to its defined contribution retirement benefits scheme are charged to the income statement.

Taxation

The charge for taxation is based on the results for the year/period as adjusted for items which are non-assessable or disallowed. Timing differences arise from the recognition for tax purposes of certain items of income and expense in a different accounting period from that in which they are recognised in the financial statements. The tax effect of timing differences, computed using the liability method, is recognised as deferred taxation in the financial statements to the extent that it is probable that a liability or an asset will crystallise in the foreseeable future.

Foreign currencies

Transactions in currencies other than Hong Kong dollars are initially recorded at the rates of exchange prevailing on the dates of the transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in such currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing on the balance sheet date. Profits and losses arising on exchange are included in net profit or loss for the period.

On consolidation, the assets and liabilities of the Group's overseas operations are translated at exchange rates prevailing on the balance sheet date. Income and expense items are translated at the average exchange rates for the period. Exchange differences arising, if any, are classified as equity and transferred to the Group's translation reserve. Such translation differences are recognised as income or as expenses in the period in which the operation is disposed of.

Operating leases

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to the income statement on a straight line basis over the period of the respective leases.

4. TURNOVER

Turnover represents the aggregate of the net amounts received and receivable from third parties, net of business tax payable in the PRC and is summarised as follows:

	1.1.2001	1.4.2000
	to	to
	31.12.2001	31.12.2000
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Vessel charterhire income	70,685	54,846
Rental income and property management	63,736	41,085
Sales of goods	54,272	_
Income from hotel operation	51,689	27,259
Sales of electricity and gas	36,619	_
Sales proceeds from disposal of other investments	26,014	24,396
Interest income from investments	17,062	28,474
Management fees	12,000	9,000
Dividend income	5,661	2,539
Shipment handling fees	4,238	1,094
	341,976	188,693

5. **PROFIT (LOSS) FROM OPERATIONS**

	1.1.2001	1.4.2000
	to	to
	31.12.2001	31.12.2000
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Profit (loss) from operations has been		
arrived at after charging:		
Staff costs		
directors' emoluments	3,932	4,118
— other staff costs	51,119	28,689
 retirement benefits scheme contributions, 		
net of forfeited contribution of HK\$748,000		
(1.4.2000 to 31.12.2000: HK\$324,000)	2,653	1,633
	57,704	34,440
Auditors' remuneration	1,086	918
Depreciation and amortisation of property, plant and		
equipment	51,043	27,138
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	1,403	3,365
Operating lease rentals in respect of land and buildings	3,705	130
and after crediting:		
Property rental income, net of outgoing of HK\$5,738,000		
(1.4.2000 to 31.12.2000: HK\$5,928,000)	45,382	35,796
Release of negative goodwill to other revenue	233	_

6. DIRECTORS' EMOLUMENTS

	1.1.2001	1.4.2000
	to	to
	31.12.2001	31.12.2000
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Directors' fees:		
Executive	80	60
Independent non-executive	110	80
	190	140
Other emoluments of executive directors:		
Salaries and other benefits	3,538	3,772
Retirement benefits scheme contributions	204	206
	3,742	3,978
Total directors' emoluments	3,932	4,118

The emoluments of the directors were within the following bands:

	1.1.2001	1.4.2000
	to	to
	31.12.2001	31.12.2000
	Number of	Number of
	directors	directors
Nil to HK\$1,000,000	8	9
HK\$1,000,001 to HK\$1,500,000	1	1
HK\$1,500,001 to HK\$2,000,000	1	1

7. **EMPLOYEES' EMOLUMENTS**

The aggregate emoluments of the five highest paid individuals included three (1.4.2000 to 31.12.2000: three) executive directors of the Company, whose emoluments are included in note 6 above. The aggregate emoluments of the remaining two (1.4.2000 to 31.12.2000: two) highest paid individuals are as follows:

	1.1.2001	1.4.2000
	to	to
	31.12.2001	31.12.2000
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Salaries and other benefits	1,957	1,653
Retirement benefits scheme contributions	86	74
	2,043	1,727

The emoluments of the two highest paid individuals were within the following bands:

	1.1.2001	1.4.2000
	to	to
	31.12.2001	31.12.2000
	Number of	Number of
	employees	employees
Nil to HK\$1,000,000	1	2
HK\$1,000,001 to HK\$1,500,000	1	

During the year/period, no emoluments were paid by the Group to the five highest paid individuals, including directors and employees, as an inducement to join or upon joining the Group or as compensation for loss of office. None of the directors has waived any emoluments during the year/period.

8. **FINANCE COSTS**

	1.1.2001	1.4.2000
	to	to
	31.12.2001	31.12.2000
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Interest on bank borrowings		
wholly repayable within five years	18,123	15,541

9. TAXATION

	1.1.2001 to 31.12.2001 <i>HK\$'000</i>	1.4.2000 to 31.12.2000 HK\$'000
The charge comprises:		
Hong Kong Profits Tax calculated at 16% of the estimated assessable profit for the year/period PRC income tax	3 1,809	19 812
Share of taxation of an associate	1,812 107 1,919	831 861 1,692

PRC income tax is calculated in accordance with the relevant laws and regulations in the PRC.

Details of unrecognised deferred tax assets are set out in note 37.

10. DIVIDENDS

During the period ended 31st December, 2000, a final divided for the year ended 31st March, 2000 of HK\$0.02 per share, amounting to HK\$16,705,000 was paid.

No dividends have been proposed for the year ended 31st December, 2001 (period ended 31st December, 2000: nil).

11. BASIC LOSS PER SHARE

The calculation of the basic loss per share is based on the loss for the year of HK\$14,825,000 (1.4.2000 to 31.12.2000: HK\$52,648,000) and on the weight average number of 815,632,916 shares (2000: 826,149,334 shares) in issue during the year.

No diluted loss per share has been presented because the exercise of the Company's outstanding share options would reduce the loss per share for the year/period.

12. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

	HK\$'000
THE GROUP	
VALUATION	
At 1st January, 2001	772,825
Surplus arising on revaluation	2,375
At 31st December, 2001	775,200

The investment properties of the Group were revalued at 31st December, 2001 on an open market value existing use basis by AA Property Services Limited, an independent firm of professional property valuers. The surplus arising on revaluation has been credited to the consolidated income statement.

The carrying value of investment properties comprises:

	THE GROUP	
	2001 HK\$'000	2000 HK\$'000
Properties held under — long leases in Hong Kong — long-term land use rights in the PRC (Note (i)) — medium-term land use rights in the PRC (Note (ii))	42,000 312,000 421,200	46,000 301,725 425,100
	775,200	772,825

12. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES (Continued)

Notes:

- (i) The hotel properties and certain investment properties and other buildings with an aggregate net book value of approximately HK\$981.7 million (2000: HK\$960.2 million) comprise the Poly Plaza held by the Group in the PRC. The land on which Poly Plaza is situated is state-owned and the Group has been granted the right to use the land for a term of 17 years expiring 2003 at no cost. Pursuant to a deed dated 11th June, 1997 entered into between the Group and China Poly Group, China Poly Group has guaranteed the successful application for the extension of the joint venture term of the Company's subsidiary Poly Plaza Limited ("PPL"), and the land use right of Poly Plaza up to the year 2053 on the same terms and at the payment of all premium, charges and fees for such extension by China Poly Group. China Poly Group further undertakes that if the joint venture term or the land use right is not so extended, the Group will have a put option exercisable before 31st March, 2004 to require China Poly Group to purchase back PPL at its consideration on acquisition together with interest at 12% per annum for the entire period of investment, less distribution of profits already received, if any. In the opinion of the directors, the joint venture term and the land use right can be extended upon expiration.
- (ii) At the balance sheet date, the property ownership certificates in respect of property interests held under medium-term land use rights in the PRC as stated above have not been issued by the relevant PRC government authority. The Group has settled the full amount of the purchase consideration and in the opinion of the directors, such certificates will be issued in due course.

13. HOTEL PROPERTIES

	HK\$'000
THE GROUP	
VALUATION	
At 1st January, 2001	587,977
Surplus arising on revaluation	20,423
At 31st December, 2001	608,400

The hotel properties of the Group were revalued at 31st December, 2001 on an open market value existing use basis by AA Property Services Limited, an independent firm of professional property valuers. The surplus arising on revaluation of hotel properties amounted to HK\$20,423,000, of which HK\$7,543,000 and HK\$9,660,000 (net of minority interests of HK\$3,220,000) have been credited to the consolidated income statement and the hotel properties revaluation reserve respectively.

If the Group's hotel properties had not been revalued, they would have been included on a historical cost basis at carrying value of HK\$595.5 million (2000: HK\$595.5 million).

All the hotel properties are situated in the PRC and held under long-term land use rights (Note 12(i)).

14. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

		Furniture, fixtures		Plant				
	Land and	and	Motor	Motor	and	Construction		
	buildings	equipment	vehicles	vessels	machinery	in progress	Total	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
THE GROUP								
COST OR VALUATION								
At 1st January, 2001	231,277	88,194	6,777	579,294	107,479	4,605	1,017,626	
Acquisition of subsidiaries	113,326	_	_	_	201,435	7,050	321,811	
Additions	_	1,232	1,316	_	39,265	12,735	54,548	
Disposals	_	(562)	(995)	_	(1,174)	(1,415)	(4,146)	
Transfers		1,934			6,588	(8,522)		
At 31st December, 2001	344,603	90,798	7,098	579,294	353,593	14,453	1,389,839	
Comprising:								
At cost	201,071	90,798	7,098	579,294	353,593	14,453	1,246,307	
At valuation — 1995	27,893	_	_	_	_	_	27,893	
— 1997	115,639						115,639	
	344,603	90,798	7,098	579,294	353,593	14,453	1,389,839	
DEPRECIATION AND								
AMORTISATION								
At 1st January, 2001	28,580	69,556	5,347	170,985	51,167	_	325,635	
Impairment loss	_	_	_	22,643	_	_	22,643	
Provided for the year	13,290	4,586	522	23,644	9,001	_	51,043	
Eliminated on disposals		(506)	(764)		(1,165)		(2,435)	
At 31st December, 2001	41,870	73,636	5,105	217,272	59,003		396,886	
NET BOOK VALUE								
At 31st December, 2001	302,733	17,162	1,993	362,022	294,590	14,453	992,953	
At 31st December, 2000	202,697	18,638	1,430	408,309	56,312	4,605	691,991	

14. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (Continued)

	THE GROUP		
	2001	2000	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
The net book value of land and buildings shown			
above comprises:			
Properties held under			
— long leases in Hong Kong	129,301	132,172	
 medium-term land use rights in the PRC 	112,138	_	
— long-term land use rights in the PRC (Note 12(i))	61,294	70,525	
	302,733	202,697	

The Group's land and buildings stated at 1995 and 1997 valuation were valued at 31st March, 1995 and 31st March, 1997 by independent firm of professional property valuers, on an open market value basis before being transferred from investment properties. No further valuation has been carried out on these properties.

If land and buildings had not been revalued, they would have been included in these financial statements at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and amortisation at approximately HK\$296,525,000 (2000: HK\$196,431,000).

All motor vessels are held for use under operating leases.

At 31st December, 2001, the management of the Group has reviewed the carrying amount of a motor vessel. An impairment loss of HK\$22,643,000, representing the difference between the estimated selling price and the carrying amount of the motor vessel, has been identified and recognised in the consolidated income statement.

15. INTANGIBLE ASSETS

	HK\$'000
THE GROUP	
COST	
At 1st January, 2001	5,580
Additions	13,116
At 31st December, 2001	18,696
AMORTISATION	
Amortisation for the year and at 31st December, 2001	5,748
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31st December, 2001	12,948
At 31st December, 2000	5,580

Intangible assets represent the publishing rights acquired from independent third parties.

The amortisation period adopted for intangible assets ranges from twelve to eighteen months.

In the opinion of the directors, the intangible assets are worth at least their carrying amount.

THE COMPANY

16. INTEREST IN SUBSIDIARIES

	2001 HK\$'000	2000 HK\$′000
Unlisted shares, at cost Amounts due from subsidiaries less	10,056	10,056
impairment loss recognised	2,027,498	1,952,582
	2,037,554	1,962,638

Details of the Company's principal subsidiaries at 31st December, 2001 are set out in note 44.

The amounts due from subsidiaries are unsecured, interest-free and have no fixed terms of repayment. In the opinion of the directors, the amounts will not be repayable within twelve months from the balance sheet date and are therefore shown as non-current.

None of the subsidiaries had any loan capital outstanding at the end of the year/period or at any time during the year/period.

17. NEGATIVE GOODWILL

THE GROUP
GROSS AMOUNT
Arising an acquisition of subsidiaries and at 31st December, 2001 15,826

RELEASED TO INCOME
Released to other revenue in the year and at 31st December, 2001 233

The negative goodwill is released to income on a straight-line basis over an average period of 18 years, the remaining term of the subsidiaries established in the PRC.

18. INTEREST IN ASSOCIATES

	THE	GROUP	THE COMPANY			
	2001	2000	2001	2000		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000		
Unlisted shares,						
at cost	_	_	77,060	78,102		
Share of net assets						
of associates:						
Listed	226,825	237,349	_	_		
Unlisted	86,371	73,738	_	_		
Goodwill arising on						
acquisition of						
associates (note)	61,274	_	_	_		
	374,470	311,087	77,060	78,102		
	·					
Market value of listed						
shares at the						
balance sheet date	144,602	123,826	_	_		

18. INTEREST IN ASSOCIATES (Continued)

	THE GROUP		
	2001 HK\$'000	2000 HK\$'000	
Note: Goodwill arising on acquisition of associates			
COST			
Arising on acquisition of associates			
and balance at 31st December, 2001	61,274	_	
AMORTISATION			
Provided for the year and balance at			
31st December, 2001			
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31st December, 2001	61,274	_	

Details of the Group's associates at 31st December, 2001 are as follows:

Name of associate	Place of incorporation	Attribute proportion of value of is capite	nominal ssued	Principal activities
		held by the Company	held by the Group	
Poly Investments Holdings Limited ("Poly")	Hong Kong	_	40.37%	Investment holding, property investment, manufacture and trading of chemical fibres, financial services and securities investment
Skywin China Limited	British Virgin Islands	_	25%	Investment holding, development and supply of software for telecommunication systems
Winterthur Insurance (Asia) Limited ("Winterthur")	Hong Kong	48%	48%	Insurance business

18. INTEREST IN ASSOCIATES (Continued)

The followings details have been extracted from the audited financial statements of Poly, the Group's major associate:

Results for the year/period:

	2001 HK\$'000	2000 HK\$'000
Turnover	312,340	277,848
Loss before tax and after minority interests	(25,805)	(17,277)
Loss before tax and after minority interests attributable to the Group	(10,417)	(7,783)
Financial position:		
	2001	2000
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Non-current assets	423,141	439,796
Current assets	507,749	562,100
Current liabilities	(314,870)	(211,131)
Non-current liability	(11,139)	(134,508)
Minority interests	(43,015)	(68,321)
Net assets	561,866	587,936
Net assets attributable to the Group	226,825	237,349

19. INTEREST IN JOINTLY CONTROLLED ENTITIES

	THE GROUP		
	2001 HK\$'000	2000 HK\$'000	
Share of net assets (liabilities) of jointly controlled entities Loans to jointly controlled entities	7,175 40,479	(16,661) 123,004	
	47,654	106,343	

Included in the balance at 31st December, 2000 are two jointly controlled entities, the principal activities of which are to invest in power plant operations. Following a change of the Group's business plan in October 2001, the Group acquired the remaining equity interest in one of these two entities and assumed control over the other. As a result, both of these entities became wholly owned subsidiaries of the Group since October 2001.

The loans to the jointly controlled entities at 31st December, 2001 are unsecured, interest-free and have no fixed repayment terms.

One of the loans to the jointly controlled entities at 31st December, 2000 with an amount of HK\$77,200,000 carried interest at market rate.

Details of the jointly controlled entity which was indirectly held by the Company at 31st December, 2001 are as follows:

Name of	Place of	nominal value of	Principal
jointly controlled entity	establishment	registered capital	activities
天津華盛房地產發展有限公司	PRC	25%	Property development
Tianjin Winson Real Estate			in Tianjin, the PRC
Development Company Limited			
("Tianjin Winson")			

19. INTEREST IN JOINTLY CONTROLLED ENTITIES (Continued)

The following details have been extracted from the unaudited financial statements of Tianjin Winson:

	1.1.2001 to	1.4.2000 to
	31.12.2001	31.12.2000
Results for the year/period:	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Turnover	10,484	48,749
Loss before tax and after minority interests	(36,732)	(47,803)
Loss before tax and after minority interests attributable to the Group	(9,183)	(11,951)
	At 31.12.2001	At 31.12.2000
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Financial position:		
Non-current assets	50	195
Current assets	203,353	264,062
Current liabilities	(9,838)	(47,386)
Non-current liabilities	(164,865)	(324,986)
Net assets (liabilities)	28,700	(108,115)
Net assets (liabilities) attributable to the Group	7,175	(27,029)

20. INVESTMENTS IN SECURITIES

	Held	-to-maturity	Investme	Investment securities Other		investments		iotal .
	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
THE GROUP								
Equity securities:								
Listed	_	_	86,468	86,468	78,634	27,056	165,102	113,524
Unlisted	_	_	_	_	13,335	935	13,335	935
	_	_	86,468	86,468	91,969	27,991	178,437	114,459
-								
Debt securities:								
Unlisted		112						112
Total:								
Listed in Hong Kong	_	_	86,468	86,468	78,634	27,056	165,102	113,524
Unlisted	_	112	_	_	13,335	935	13,335	1,047
	_	112	86,468	86,468	91,969	27,991	178,437	114,571
M								
Market value of				57.100		07.05/		041/4
listed securities			52,480	57,108	78,634	27,056	131,114	84,164
Carrying amount								
analysed for								
reporting purposes as	:							
Current	_	_	_	_	91,034	27,056	91,034	27,056
Non-current	_	112	86,468	86,468	935	935	87,403	87,515
	_	112	86,468	86,468	91,969	27,991	178,437	114,571
THE COMPANY								
THE COMPANY								
Current investments:					0/ 70/		0/ 70/	
Listed equity securitie	s <u>–</u>				26,786		26,786	
Market value of								
listed securities	_	_	_	_	26,786	_	26,786	_

21. INVENTORIES

	2001	2000
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Raw materials	12,675	5,922
Work in progress	29	81
Finished goods	2,139	1,571
	14,843	7,574

22. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

The Group has a policy of allowing credit periods ranging from 30 days to 90 days to its trade customers. Included in this balance are trade receivables of HK\$54,910,000 (2000: HK\$14,188,000), an aged analysis of which is as follows:

	THE GI	THE GROUP		
	2001 HK\$'000	2000 HK\$′000		
0 to 30 days 31 to 90 days More than 90 days	23,452 11,990 19,468	10,042 1,708 2,438		
	54,910	14,188		

23. SHORT-TERM LOANS RECEIVABLE

Included in the short-term loans at 31st December, 2000 was an interest-free shareholder's loan of HK\$15,912,000 advanced to a jointly controlled entity. During the year, the amount was capitalised as investment when the Group acquired the remaining interest in that entity (note 34).

24. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

Included in this balance are trade payables of HK\$49,001,000 (2000: HK\$22,780,000), an aged analysis of which is as follows:

	THE GROUP		
	2001 HK\$'000	2000 HK\$'000	
0 to 30 days 31 to 90 days More than 90 days	26,043 1,685 21,273	11,727 4,169 6,884	
	49,001	22,780	

25. BANK BORROWINGS

	THE GROUP		
Bank loans	2001 HK\$'000	2000 HK\$'000	
— secured — unsecured	323,765 29,014	254,382 	
	352,779	254,382	
The maturity of the above loans is as follows:			
On demand or within one year	162,042	133,833	
More than one year, but not exceeding two years	149,436	21,684	
More than two years, but not exceeding five years	41,301	98,865	
	352,779	254,382	
Less: Amounts due within one year			
shown under current liabilities	162,042	133,833	
	190,737	120,549	

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26. SHARE CAPITAL

	Number of	
	ordinary shares	Amount
		HK\$'000
Ordinary share of HK\$0.50 each		
Authorised:		
At 1st April, 2000, 31st December, 2000 and		
31st December, 2001	1,200,000,000	600,000
Issued and fully paid:		
At 1st April, 2000	696,257,200	348,129
Issue of shares (note i)	139,000,000	69,500
Shares repurchased and cancelled (note ii)	(14,102,000)	(7,051)
At 31st December, 2000	821,155,200	410,578
Shares repurchased and cancelled (note iii)	(10,372,000)	(5,186)
At 31st December, 2001	810,783,200	405,392

26. SHARE CAPITAL (Continued)

During the year/period, the following changes in the share capital of the Company took place:

(i) In March 2000, Congratulations Company Ltd. ("Congratulations"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of China Poly Group, entered into an agreement (the "Placing Agreement") with a placing agent to place 49,600,000 existing shares of HK\$0.50 each in the Company to independent third parties, represented about 7.12% of the then existing issued share capital of the Company, at a price of HK\$1.50 per share (the "Placing").

Conditional, inter alia, to the completion of the Placing Agreement, Congratulations has agreed to subscribe 139,000,000 new shares of HK\$0.50 each in the Company (the "Subscription") at a price of HK\$1.50 per share, represented about 19.96% of the then existing share capital of the Company and about 16.64% of the issued share capital of the Company as enlarged by the new shares to be issued under the Subscription. The net proceeds of the Subscription, which amounted to about HK\$206,000,000, were used as general working capital of the Group and for expansion of the Group's business and future investments if opportunity arises.

The Placing and the Subscription were completed in April 2000. The new shares issued under the Subscription rank pari passu in all respects with the then existing shares.

(ii) During the period ended 31st December, 2000, the Company repurchased certain of its own shares through the Stock Exchange as follows:

Month of	Number of ordinary	Price pe	r share	Aggregate consideration
repurchase	shares repurchased	Highest	Lowest	paid
		HK\$	HK\$	HK\$'000
September 2000	2,542,000	1.40	1.18	3,481
October 2000	5,580,000	1.23	1.12	6,570
November 2000	4,712,000	1.24	1.03	5,298
December 2000	1,268,000	1.12	0.96	1,331
	14,102,000			16,680

The repurchased shares were subsequently cancelled upon repurchase and accordingly, the issued share capital of the Company was diminished by the nominal value thereof. The premium payable on repurchase was charged against the accumulated profits account.

26. SHARE CAPITAL (Continued)

(iii) During the year ended 31st December, 2001, the Company repurchased certain of its own shares through the Stock Exchange as follows:

Month of	Number of ordinary	Price pe	r share	Aggregate consideration
repurchase	shares repurchased	Highest	Lowest	paid
		HK\$	HK\$	HK\$'000
January 2001	1,435,000	1.18	1.04	1,608
March 2001	2,199,000	1.12	0.95	2,275
July 2001	3,688,000	1.02	0.89	3,413
August 2001	498,000	0.92	0.90	454
September 2001	316,000	0.73	0.71	228
October 2001	2,236,000	0.93	0.70	1,918
	10,372,000			9,896

The repurchased shares were subsequently cancelled upon repurchase and accordingly, the issued share capital of the Company was diminished by the nominal value thereof. The premium payable on repurchase was charged against the accumulated profits account.

(iv) None of the Company's subsidiaries purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities during the year.

27. SHARE OPTIONS

At 31st December, 2001, the following options to subscribe for shares were outstanding under the Company's share option scheme:

Date of grant	Exercisable period	Exercise price per share HK\$	Number of shares subject to options
3.9.1997	3.9.1998 - 2.9.2007	5.175	31,200,000
5.6.1998	5.6.1999 - 4.6.2008	1.370	17,000,000
30.11.2000	30.11.2001 - 29.11.2010	0.740	26,205,000
			74,405,000

28. RESERVES

	Share premium	Hotel properties revaluation reserve	Exchange translation reserve	Capital redemption reserve	Goodwill reserve	PRC statutory reserves	reserve	Accumulated profits	Total
THE GROUP At 1st April, 2000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$′000	HK\$'000
as originally stated prior period adjustment	1,321,079	11,623	2,594	2,038	(42,406)	1,441	586	468,721	1,765,676
(note 2)								16,705	16,705
as restated Goodwill arising on acquisition	1,321,079	11,623	2,594	2,038	(42,406)	1,441	586	485,426	1,782,381
of subsidiaries Goodwill arising on acquisition	-	-	-	-	(12,319)	-	-	-	(12,319)
of an associate Premium arising on issue	_	_	-	_	(4,364)	_	-	-	(4,364)
of shares	139,000	_	-	_	-	-	_	_	139,000
Share issue expenses Deficit arising on revaluation Shares repurchased and cancelled: — Premium on shares	(1,836) —	(11,623)	Ξ	_	_	_	Ξ	Ξ	(1,836) (11,623)
repurchased	_	-	-	-	_	_	_	(9,629)	(9,629)
 Transfer Loss for the period 	_	_	_	7,051	_	_	_	(7,051) (52,648)	(52,648)
Dividends (note 10)	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	(16,705)	(16,705)
At 31st December, 2000	1,458,243		2,594	9,089	(59,089)	1,441	586	399,393	1,812,257
Surplus arising on revaluation Shares repurchased and cancelled: — Premium on shares	_	9,660	_	_	-		_	_	9,660
repurchased	-	-	-		-	-	_	(4,710)	(4,710)
— Transfer Transfer	_	_	_	5,186	_	2,726	_	(5,186) (2,726)	_
Share of translation of reserve of overseas operations	-	-	(48)	-	-	_	-	_	(48)
Impairment of goodwill recognised									
in income statement	_	_	-	_	6,948	_	_	_	6,948
Loss for the year								(14,825)	(14,825)
At 31st December, 2001	1,458,243	9,660	2,546	14,275	(52,141)	4,167	586	371,946	1,809,282
THE COMPANY At 1st April, 2000 — as originally stated	1,321,079	_	_	2,038	_	_	_	94,691	1,417,808
 prior period adjustment (note 2) 								16,705	16,705
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— as restated Premium arising on issue of	1,321,079	_	_	2,038	_	_	_	111,396	1,434,513
shares Share issue expenses Share repurchased and cancelled: — Premium on shares	139,000 (1,836)	_	=	-	_	_	_	Ξ	139,000 (1,836)
repurchased	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	(9,629)	(9,629)
— Transfer	-	_	_	7,051	-	-	_	(7,051)	
Profit for the period Dividends (note 10)								16,755 (16,705)	16,755 (16,705)
At 31st December, 2000 Shares repurchased and cancelled: — Premium on shares	1,458,243	_		9,089	_	_	_	94,766	1,562,098
repurchased	-	-	-	_ 	-	-	-	(4,710)	(4,710)
— Transfer Profit for the year				5,186 				(5,186) 16,455	16,455
At 31st December, 2001	1,458,243			14,275				101,325	1,573,843

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28. RESERVES (Continued)

The accumulated profits of the Group include a loss of approximately HK\$18,670,000 (2000: HK\$6,975,000) retained by an associate and a loss of approximately HK\$41,405,000 (2000: HK\$35,206,000) attributable to jointly controlled entities.

The PRC statutory reserves are reserves required by the relevant PRC laws applicable to the Group's PRC subsidiaries, associate and jointly controlled entities.

During the year, the management of the Group reviewed the carrying amount of goodwill with reference to the business operated by a subsidiary. The subsidiary in question is engaged in the business of vessel charterhire and, in view of the impairment loss recognised in respect of the vessel as described in note 14, all of the goodwill relating to that subsidiary, amounting to HK\$6,948,000 is considered to be impaired and has been written off to the consolidated income statements.

The Company's reserves available for distribution to shareholders as at 31st December, 2001 represents its accumulated profits of approximately HK\$101.3 million (2000: HK\$94.8 million).

29. OTHER BORROWINGS

The amount is secured by 41.666% of the Company's interest in Winterthur, bears interest at 6% simple rate per annum and is repayable on 21st November, 2010.

30. AMOUNTS DUE TO SUBSIDIARIES

The amounts due to subsidiaries are unsecured, interest-free and have no fixed repayment terms. In the opinion of the directors, the amounts are unlikely to be repayable within twelve months from the balance sheet date and are therefore shown as non-current.

31. LOAN FROM A FELLOW SUBSIDIARY

The loan is unsecured, interest-free and repayable upon expiration of the joint venture term of PPL (note 12(i)).

32. DEFERRED LICENCING INCOME

	THE GROUP		
	2001 HK\$'000	2000 HK\$'000	
Unamortised deferred licencing income brought forward Less: Licence income recognised	104,673 (14,953)	115,888 (11,215)	
	89,720	104,673	

The licencing income was received from China Poly Group, pursuant to an agreement whereby China Poly Group paid an amount of RMB160 million to the Group in January 1998 for the exclusive right to manage the Group's property interest in Poly Plaza, Beijing, the PRC for a period of 10 years.

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33. RECONCILIATION OF LOSS BEFORE TAXATION TO NET CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2001 HK\$'000	2000 HK\$'000
Loss before taxation	(848)	(47,459)
Interest expenses	18,123	15,541
Share of losses of associates	11,695	7,783
Share of losses of jointly controlled entities	6,199	8,163
Release of negative goodwill	(233)	_
Amortisation in deferred licencing income	(14,953)	(11,215)
Amortisation of intangible assets	5,748	_
Impairment loss on goodwill	6,948	_
Depreciation and amortisation of property,		
plant and equipment	51,043	27,138
(Surplus) deficit arising on revaluation of		
investment properties	(2,375)	26,949
(Surplus) deficit arising on revaluation of		
hotel properties	(7,543)	7,543
Impairment loss on property, plant and equipment	22,643	_
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	1,403	3,365
Allowance for short-term loans receivable	5,923	7,000
Unrealised holding loss on other investments	3,461	19,108
Decrease (increase) in stores	139	(169)
Increase in inventories	(893)	(105)
Decrease (increase) in trade and other receivables	65,035	(29,152)
Increase in short-term loans receivable	(28,037)	(3,952)
Decrease in amount due from an associate	94	2,906
Increase in other investments	(67,439)	(23,960)
(Decrease) increase in trade and other payables	(27,016)	3,036
Decrease in property rental deposits	(3,980)	(1,170)
Net cash inflow from operating activities	45,137	11,350

34. PURCHASE OF SUBSIDIARIES

	2001 HK\$'000	2000 HK\$'000
Net assets acquired:		
Property, plant and equipment	321,811	53,168
Intangible assets	_	5,580
Inventories	6,376	4,323
Trade and other receivables	95,815	11,321
Pledged bank deposits	2,741	_
Bank and cash balances	8,203	4,629
Trade and other payables	(97,362)	(72,841)
Taxation	(1,225)	_
Bank borrowings	(142,402)	_
Minority interests	(92,576)	(2,760)
Loans to jointly controlled entities	(39,425)	
Net assets	61,956	3,420
Negative goodwill/goodwill arising on acquisition	(15,826)	12,319
	46,130	15,739
Satisfied by:		
Cash consideration paid	17,160	15,739
Share of net assets of jointly controlled entities	13,058	_
Short-term loans receivable (note 23)	15,912	
	46,130	15,739
Analysis of net outflow of cash and cash equivalents in connection with the purchase of subsidiaries:		
Total cash consideration paid (including legal and		
professional charges)	17,160	15,739
Bank balances and cash acquired	(8,203)	(4,629)
Net outflow of cash and cash equivalents in connection		
with the purchase of subsidiaries	8,957	11,110

34. PURCHASE OF SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

The subsidiaries acquired during the year contributed approximately HK\$79.5 million to the Group's net operating cash flows, paid approximately HK\$1.6 million in respect of the net returns on investments and servicing of finance, paid approximately HK\$1.1 million in respect of taxation, utilised approximately HK\$43.3 million for investing activities and paid approximately HK\$12.9 million in respect of financing activities.

The subsidiaries acquired during the year contributed approximately HK\$36.6 million to the Group's turnover and approximately HK\$6.5 million to the Group's profit from operations.

Share capital,

35. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN FINANCING DURING THE YEAR/PERIOD

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sn	are premium			
	and capital			
	redemption	Bank	Other	Minority
	reserve	borrowings	borrowings	interests
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At 1st January, 2000	1,671,246	348,645	_	128,509
Advances	_	_	31,477	_
Repayment of borrowings	_	(94,263)	_	_
Acquisition of subsidiaries	_	_	_	2,760
Minority interests share of profits				
for the period	_	_	_	3,497
Minority interests share of hotel				
properties revaluation reserve	_	_	_	(3,874)
Issue of shares for cash	208,500	_	_	_
Shares issue expenses	(1,836)	_	_	_
Shares repurchase and				
cancelled:				
 consideration paid 	(16,680)	_	_	_
 premium charged to 				
accumulated profits	9,629	_	_	_
— transfer	7,051			
At 31st December, 2000	1,877,910	254,382	31,477	130,892

35. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN FINANCING DURING THE YEAR/PERIOD (Continued)

Sho	are capital,			
shai	re premium			
	and capital			
	redemption	Bank	Other	Minority
	reserve	borrowings	borrowings	interests
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Advances	_	153,759	_	_
Repayment of borrowings	_	(197,764)	(1,187)	_
Acquisition of subsidiaries	_	142,402	_	92,576
Contribution from minority interests	s —	_	_	20,623
Dividend paid to minority interests	_	_	_	(8,377)
Minority interests share of profits				
for the year	_	_	_	12,058
Minority interests share of hotel				
properties revaluation reserve	_	_	_	3,220
Minority interests share of				
exchange transaction reserve	_	_	_	(31)
Shares repurchase and cancelled:				
consideration paid	(9,896)	_	_	_
— premium charged to				
accumulated profits	4,710	_	_	_
— transfer	5,186			
At 31st December, 2001	1,877,910	352,779	30,290	250,961

36. MAJOR NON-CASH TRANSACTIONS

- (a) During the year, the Group capitalised an amount of approximately HK\$43.1 million due from Tianjin Winson as investment cost in Tianjin Winson.
- (b) During the year, the Group capitalised a short-term loan of approximately HK\$15.9 million to a jointly controlled entity as investment cost in that entity.

37. UNRECOGNISED DEFERRED TAXATION

At 31st December, 2001, the Group other than its subsidiaries in the PRC had an unrecognised deferred tax asset of approximately HK\$12 million (2000: HK\$7.7 million) which represents the tax effect of timing differences arising as a result of tax losses available to set off against future assessable profits. In addition, at 31st December, 2001, the Group's PRC subsidiary had an unrecognised deferred tax asset of approximately HK\$12.5 million (2000: HK\$7.5 million), representing the maximum benefit from unutilised tax losses which can be carried forward up to five years from the year in which the loss was originated to offset future taxable profits. These deferred tax assets have not been recognised in the financial statements as it is not certain that the benefit will be realised in the foreseeable future.

Deferred taxation has not been provided on the valuation surplus arising on the valuation of investment properties and hotel property as profits arising on the disposal of these assets would not be subject to taxation. Accordingly, the valuation surplus does not constitute a timing difference for tax purposes.

The Company had no significant unprovided deferred taxation for the year/period or at the balance sheet date.

38. OPERATING LEASE ARRANGEMENTS

The Group as lessee:

	1.1.2001	1.4.2000
	to	to
	31.12.2001	31.12.2000
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Operating lease rentals in respect of:		
— land and buildings	3,705	130
— satellite television channel	3,484	_

38. OPERATING LEASE ARRANGEMENTS (Continued)

At the balance sheet date, the Group had outstanding commitments under non-cancellable operating leases, which fall due as follows:

	Satellite		Office and		
	television	channel	factory premises		
	2001	2000	2001	2000	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Within one year	6,240	6,240	4,110	686	
In the second to					
fifth year inclusive	24,960	24,960	14,579	282	
Over five years	37,440	43,680	25,701	_	
	68,640	74,880	44,390	968	

Leases are negotiated for a term of fifteen years and rentals are fixed for an average of two years.

The Group as lessor:

Property rental income earned during the year was approximately HK\$45.4 million (1.4.2000 to 31.12.2000: HK\$35.8 million). Significant leases are negotiated for a lease term of 1 to 3 years.

At the balance sheet date, the Group had contracted with tenants for the following future minimum lease payments:

	2001	2000
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Within one year	32,284	39,792
In the second to fifth year inclusive	29,491	17,432
Over five years	1,033	1,509
	62,808	58,733

39. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

	2001 HK\$'000	2000 HK\$'000
THE GROUP		
Capital expenditure contracted for but not provided in the financial statements in respect of		
 acquisition of property, plant and equipment 	35,268	_
— acquisition of interests in an unlisted company	2,400	
	37,668	

40. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

At 31st December, 2001, the Company had given guarantees of approximately HK\$120 million (2000: HK\$142 million) to certain banks in respect of banking facilities granted to certain subsidiaries of the Company.

In addition, at 31st December, 2001, the Group had given a guarantee of approximately HK\$14.3 million (2000: HK\$14.3 million) to a bank in respect of credit facilities granted to prospective purchasers of properties developed by a jointly controlled entity of the Group.

41. PLEDGE OF ASSETS

At the balance sheet date, bank deposits of HK\$28,580,000 (2000: HK\$13,407,000), certain of the Group's investment properties of approximately HK\$312,000,000 (2000: approximately HK\$301,725,000), other property interests and motor vessels with an aggregate net book value of approximately HK\$1,224,825,000 (2000: approximately HK\$1,000,067,000) and shares in certain subsidiaries and an associate were pledged to secure credit facilities granted to the Group.

42. RETIREMENT BENEFITS SCHEME

The Company operates a defined contribution retirement benefits scheme for its qualifying employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately in a fund which is under the control of an independent trustee. The retirement benefits scheme contributions charged to the income statement represent the contributions payable by the Company to the fund at rates specified in the rules of the scheme. When there are employees who leave the scheme prior to becoming fully vested in the contributions, the amount of the forfeited contributions will be used to reduce future contributions payable by the Company.

The employees in the subsidiaries in the PRC are members of a state-managed retirement benefits scheme operated by the PRC government. The subsidiary is required to contribute a certain percentage of their payroll to the retirement benefits scheme to fund the benefits. The only obligation of the Group with respect to the retirement benefits scheme is to make the required contributions under the scheme.

At the balance sheet date, there was no significant forfeited contributions, which arose upon employees leaving the retirement benefits scheme, available to reduce the contribution payable in the future years.

With effective from 1st December, 2000, the Group has also established a Mandatory Provident Fund scheme ("MPF Scheme"). The MPF scheme is registered with the Mandatory Provident Fund Scheme Authority under the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance. The assets of the MPF scheme are held separately from those of the Group in funds under the control of an independent trustee. Under the rule of the MPF Scheme, the employer and its employees are each required to make contributions to the scheme at rate specified in the rules. The only obligation of the Group with respect of MPF Scheme is to make the required contributions under the scheme. No forfeited contribution is available to reduce the contribution payable in the future years.

The retirement benefit scheme contributions arising from the MPF Scheme charged to the income statement represent contributions payable to the funds by the Group at rates specified in the rules of the schemes.

During the year/period, the Group had significant transactions and balances with related companies, some of which are also deemed to be connected persons pursuant to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange. The significant transactions with these companies during the year/period, and significant balances with them at the balance sheet date, are as follows:

(I) CONNECTED PERSONS

(A) Transactions and balances with China Poly Group

	THE GROUP		
	1.1.2001	1.4.2000	
	to	to	
	31.12.2001	31.12.2000	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Transactions:			
		000 500	
Subscription of new shares (note i)	-	208,500	
Property rental income (note ii)	22,160	15,437	
Manager remuneration paid (note iii)	11,093	5,716	
Interest income (note iv)	_	378	
Property leasing commission and	004	0.101	
management fees paid (note v)	884	2,121	
	2001	2000	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Balances:			
Trade and other receivables (note vi)	11,345	3.051	
Trade and other payables (note vi)	29,683	40,048	
Long term loan payable (note vii)	168,224	168,224	
Property rental deposits (note viii)	100,224	736	
riopony tomai doposita (note viii)		700	

(I) CONNECTED PERSONS (Continued)

(A) Transactions and balances with China Poly Group (Continued)

Notes:

- (i) The subscription of new shares were carried out under a subscription agreement signed on 29th March, 2000. Details of the subscription were set out in note 26(i).
- (ii) Of this rental income, an amount of HK\$22,160,000 (2000: HK\$13,549,000) is related to tenancy agreements which were previously approved by shareholders, who have no interest in the transactions of the Company, in extraordinary general meetings; and an amount of nil (2000: HK\$1,888,000) is related to tenancy agreements which were previously disclosed in the Company's press announcements.

The rentals were charged in accordance with the relevant tenancy agreements and the prevailing rent is equivalent or approximate to the market rentals as certified by an independent firm of professional property valuers at the time of the agreements were signed.

- (iii) The manager remuneration was calculated as a percentage of the gross profit before tax of a subsidiary of the Company managed by China Poly Group.
- (iv) As disclosed in the Company's announcement, in April 2000, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company granted an unsecured loan facility of up to RMB20,000,000 to Poly Southern Co. ("Poly Southern"), a wholly owned subsidiary of China Poly Group. The loan carried interest at 8% per annum and was matured 3 months after the drawdown. Poly Southern drew down the loan in April 2000 and repaid the principal together with interest in July 2000.
- (v) The property leasing commission and management fees were calculated with reference to the rental income of certain of the Group's properties managed by China Poly Group.
- (vi) The balances are unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand.
- (vii) Details of the terms are set out in note 31.
- (viii) Rental deposits were repayable when the related tenancy agreements expired.

(I) CONNECTED PERSONS (Continued)

(A) Transactions and balances with China Poly Group (Continued)

In addition, on 26th January, 2000, the Group and China Poly Group entered into an agreement (the "Supplemental Agreement") supplemental to the management agreement dated 11th June, 1997 (the "Management Agreement") between the same parties. Pursuant to the Supplemental Agreement, the profit guarantee provided by China Poly Group under the Management Agreement would be suspended for the two years ended 31st December, 2001 and extended to cover the two years following its expiry on 31st December, 2007 until 31st December, 2009, based on the mechanism provided in the Management Agreement. The Supplemental Agreement was approved by shareholders in an extraordinary general meeting on 17th March, 2000.

Furthermore, pursuant to a conditional agreement and a supplementary agreement entered into by the Group and China Poly Group in March 2000 and September 2000 respectively, the Group acquired a 49% interest in Polystar Digidisc Co., Ltd. ("Polystar") and has an option to acquire another 17% of the existing registered capital in Polystar subject to the fulfillment of certain conditions. The consideration was approximately HK\$15,237,000 (RMB16,380,000). The conditions precedent were satisfied in November 2000 and the acquisition was approved by the PRC authorities in December 2000. The acquisition was previously disclosed in the Company's press announcements.

(B) Proportional financing to a jointly controlled entity

Since May 1997, the Group has given a guarantee of approximately HK\$14.3 million to a bank in respect of credit facilities granted to prospective purchasers of properties developed by a jointly controlled entity of the Group, Tianjin Winson, in proportion to the Group's equity interest in Tianjin Winson. The Group has also made unsecured, interest-free advances to Tianjin Winson in proportion to its equity interest in Tianjin Winson. The balance of advances and accrued interest at 31st December, 2001 amounted to approximately HK\$40.5 million (31.12.2000: HK\$92,571,000). During the year, all the shareholders of Tianjin Winson agreed to waive their interest receivable from Tianjin Winson. The amount waived by the Group was approximately HK\$43.1 million. China Poly Group also has a 20% indirect beneficial interest in Tianjin Winson other than that held by the Group.

(I) CONNECTED PERSONS (Continued)

(C) Disproportionate financing

Prior to Taicang Xinhaikang Xiexin Thermal Power Company Limited ("Taicang Xinhaikang") became a 51% indirectly owned subsidiary of the Group, during the year, the Group had provided a shareholder's loan of approximately HK\$16.9 million to Taicang Xinhaikang; whereas the minority shareholder had provided a shareholder's loan of approximately HK\$21.2 million to Taicang Xinhaikang.

(II) RELATED PARTIES, OTHER THAN CONNECTED PERSONS

		THE GROUP		
		1.1.2001	1.4.2000	
	Nature of	to	to	
Related parties	transactions	31.12.2001	31.12.2000	
		HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Associate	Management fees received (note i)	12,000	9,000	
Jointly controlled entities	Interest income received (note ii)	2,912	3,557	

Notes:

- (i) The management fees were charged to the associate with reference to the administration costs incurred by the Group.
- (ii) Interest income was calculated with reference to the principal outstanding and at market interest rates.
- (iii) Balances with the Group's jointly controlled entities are set out in note 19.

44. PRINCIPAL SUBSIDIARIES

Details of the Company's principal subsidiaries, all of which are wholly-owned and held indirectly by the Company except otherwise indicated, at 31st December, 2001 are as follows:

Name of subsidiary	Place of incorporation/ establishment	Nominal value of issued and fully paid share capital/ registered capital	Principal activity
Traine or substatuty	CSIGDIISIIIICIII	registered capital	Timo par delivity
Bassington Investments Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$2	Property investment
Bontec Developments Ltd.	British Virgin Islands	US\$2	Investment holding
California Hero Property Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$1	Investment holding
CMIC Finance Limited #	Hong Kong	HK\$2	Financial services
CMIC Management Services Limited #	Hong Kong	HK\$100	Management services
CMIC-NCHK Energy Holdings Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$100	Investment holding
CMIC Trading Limited #	Hong Kong	HK\$2	General trading
Fainland Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$2	Property investment
First Great Investments Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$2	Investment holding
Geldy Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$10,000	Property holding
Gold Star Enterprises S.A.	Liberia	US\$10,000	Ship owning
Golden Mountain Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$1	Investment holding
Grandful International Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$2	Investment holding

44. PRINCIPAL SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

	Place of incorporation/	Nominal value of issued and fully paid share capital/	
Name of subsidiary	establishment	registered capital	Principal activity
High Wealth International Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$2	Property investment
Honorlink Investments Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$2	Property investment
Jinfeng Shipping Inc.	Panama	US\$2	Ship owning
New Gain Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$350	Investment holding
Overseas Mariner Investment Company Limited #	Bermuda	US\$12,000	Investment holding
Poly Plaza Limited ("PPL") *	PRC	U\$\$10,000,000	Investment, management and operation of a hotel complex
Polystar Digidisc Co., Ltd. ** ("Polystar")	PRC	RMB9,000,000	Manufacturing and wholesaling of compact discs, video compact discs and digital video discs
Prime Brilliant Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$2	Property investment
Propwood Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$2	Property investment
Regal Step Investments Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$2	Property investment
Richwood Corporation	Liberia	US\$10,000	Ship owning
Saneble Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$2	Property investment
Shengzhou Xinzhonggang Thermal Power Co., Ltd. ("Shengzhou")***	PRC	RMB123,000,000	Provision of electricity and gas
Silver Point Assets Limited #	British Virgin Islands	US\$1	Investment holding

44. PRINCIPAL SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

Name of subsidiary	Place of incorporation/ establishment	Nominal value of issued and fully paid share capital/ registered capital	Principal activity
Silver Spirit Enterprises Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$1	Investment holding
Taicang Xinhaikang ****	PRC	RMB84,150,000	Provision of electricity and gas
Taksin Limited #	British Virgin Islands	US\$1	Investment holding
Topower Assets Limited #	British Virgin Islands	US\$1	Securities investment
Upperace Developments Ltd. #	British Virgin Islands	US\$1	Securities investment
Volgala International Ltd.	British Virgin Islands	US\$1	Securities investment

- # These subsidiaries are directly held by the Company.
- * PPL is 75% indirectly held by the Company and established for a term of 17 years commencing 9th July, 1986 (see note 12(i) for details in connection with the arrangement to extend the joint venture term).
- ** Polystar is 66% indirectly held by the Company and established for a term of 20 years commencing 18th December, 2000.
- *** Shengzhou is 52% indirectly held by the Company and established for a term of 35 years commencing 17th October, 1997.
- Taicang Xinhaikang is 51% indirectly held by the Company and established for a term of 17 years commencing 17th March, 1999.

The above table only lists those subsidiaries of the Company which, in the opinion of the directors, principally affected the results or assets of the Group. To give details of other subsidiaries would, in the opinion of the directors, result in particulars of excessive length.

All the above subsidiaries are principally operating in their place of incorporation/establishment except otherwise stated.

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For the year ended 31st December, 2001

	Property investment and management HK\$'000	Mo Shipping HK\$'000	anufacturing and media HK\$'000	Hotel and restaurant operations HK\$'000	Financial services HK\$'000	Supply of electricity and gas HK\$'000	Eliminations HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
By principal activity REVENUE External revenue	75,736	70,685	58,510	51,689	48,737	36,619		341,976
Inter-segment revenue	6,110				36,312		(42,422)	
Total revenue	81,846	70,685	58,510	51,689	85,049	36,619	(42,422)	341,976
CONTRIBUTION TO PROFIT (LOSS) FROM OPERATIONS	35,292	(16,026)	(893)	7,999	17,509	6,472		50,353
Central administrative expenses								(15,184)
Profit from operations Finance costs Share of losses of associates Share of losses of jointly	-	-	(10,417)	_	(1,278)	_		35,169 (18,123) (11,695)
controlled entities	(9,183)	_	_	_	_	2,984		(6,199)
Loss before taxation Taxation								(848) (1,919)
Loss before minority interests	;							(2,767)
ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT 31ST DECEMBER, 2001								
ASSETS Segment assets Interest in associates Interest in jointly	945,303 —	365,272 —	114,578 303,052	669,149	426,976 71,418	411,254 —		2,932,532 374,470
controlled entity	47,654							47,654
	992,957	365,272	417,630	669,149	498,394	411,254		3,354,656
LIABILITIES Segment liabilities Unallocated corporate	(71,600)	(8,665)	(58,060)	(87,179)	(2,841)	(106,832)		(335,177)
liabilities								(553,844)
								(889,021)
OTHER INFORMATION Capital expenditure Depreciation and	1,479	-	20,698	2,174	-	365,124		389,475
amortisation Impairment losses	8,806	23,644	9,847	10,257	_	4,237		56,791
recognised in income		29,591						29,591

45. BUSINESS AND GEOGRAPHICAL SEGMENTS (Continued)

For the year ended 31st December, 2001 (Continued)

An analysis of the Group's turnover and contribution to operating results by geographical location of its customers is presented below:

		The PRC	Other	
		other than	parts of	
	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	the world	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
REVENUE	67,540	203,402	71,034	341,976
CONTRIBUTION TO PROFIT				
(LOSS) FROM OPERATIONS	25,640	40,390	(15,677)	50,353
Central administrative expenses				(15,184)
Profit from operations				35,169
Finance costs				(18,123)
Share of losses of associates	_	(11,695)	_	(11,695)
Share of losses of jointly controlled entities	_	(6,199)	_	(6,199)
Loss before taxation				(848)
Taxation				(1,919)
Loss before minority interests				(2,767)

The following is an analysis of the carrying amount of segment assets, and capital expenditure analysed by the geographical area in which the assets are located.

ASSETS

Carrying amount of				
segment assets	497,941	2,069,319	365,272	2,932,532
Capital expenditure	364	389,111		389,475

45. BUSINESS AND GEOGRAPHICAL SEGMENTS (Continued)

For the year ended 31st December, 2000 (Continued)

	Property investment and management HK\$'000	Shipping HK\$'000	Manufacturing and media HK\$'000	Hotel and restaurant operations HK\$'000	Financial services HK\$'000	Supply of electricity and gas HK\$'000	Eliminations HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
By principal activity								
REVENUE External revenue Inter-segment revenue	50,085 6,833	54,846	1,094	27,259 	55,409 14,000		(20,833)	188,693
Total revenue	56,918	54,846	1,094	27,259	69,409		(20,833)	188,693
CONTRIBUTION TO PROFIT (LOSS) FROM OPERATIONS	(8,878)	9,078	1,056	(5,205)	5,717			1,768
Central administrative expenses								(17,740)
Loss from operations Finance costs Share of losses of associates Share of losses of jointly	s –	_	(7,783)	-	_	-		(15,972) (15,541) (7,783)
controlled entities	(11,951)	_	-	_	_	3,788		(8,163)
Loss before taxation Taxation								(47,459) (1,692)
Loss before minority interest	S							(49,151)
ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT 31ST DECEMBER, 2000								
ASSETS Segment assets Interest in associates Interest in jointly	948,125 —	418,427 —	82,742 237,349	659,331	567,699 73,738	=		2,676,324 311,087
controlled entities	53,925					52,418		106,343
	1,002,050	418,427	320,091	659,331	641,437	52,418		3,093,754
LIABILITIES Segment liabilities Unallocated corporate	(80,463)	(19,589)	(152,958)	(29,058)	(1,696)	-		(283,764)
liabilities								(456,263)
								(740,027)
OTHER INFORMATION Capital expenditure Depreciation and	21,082	_	58,748	40,782	-	-		120,612
amortisation Impairment losses	5,022	17,814	_	4,302	_	_		27,138
recognised in income	26,949			7,543	19,108			53,600

45. BUSINESS AND GEOGRAPHICAL SEGMENTS (Continued)

For the year ended 31st December, 2000 (Continued)

An analysis of the Group's turnover and contribution to operating results by geographical location of its customers is presented below:

		The PRC other than	Other parts of	
	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	the world	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
REVENUE	68,901	64,946	54,846	188,693
CONTRIBUTION TO PROFIT				
(LOSS) FROM OPERATIONS	18,291	(25,601)	9,078	1,768
Central administrative expenses				(17,740)
Loss from operations				(15,972)
Finance costs				(15,541)
Share of losses of associates Share of losses of jointly	_	(7,783)	_	(7,783)
controlled entities	_	(8,163)	_	(8,163)
Loss before taxation				(47,459)
Taxation				(1,692)
Loss before minority interests				(49,151)

The following is an analysis of the carrying amount of segment assets, and capital expenditures analysed by the geographical area in which the assets are located.

ASSETS

Carrying amount of				
segment assets	684,377	1,573,519	418,427	2,676,323
Capital expenditure	140	120,472		120,612