

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Willie International Holdings Limited ('the Company') is a public company incorporated in Hong Kong and its shares are listed on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

The name of the Company was changed from China United International Holdings Limited to its present name which was effective from 15 June 2005.

2. ADOPTION OF NEW AND REVISED HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS

In the current year, the Group adopted the following new/revised Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs"), Hong Kong Accounting Standards ("HKASs") and Interpretations issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA"), which are effective for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2005. The major impacts on the changes in accounting policies are summarised below:

HKFRS 2: Share-based payment

The adoption of HKFRS 2 has resulted in a change in the accounting policy for the recognition of an expense and a corresponding entry to equity in respect of directors' and staff's share options. The Group has applied HKFRS 2 retrospectively and has taken advantage of the transitional provisions provided therein. As a result, the Group has applied HKFRS 2 only to share options granted after 7 November 2002 which had not yet vested on 1 January 2005. The accounting policy of share-based payment transactions is described in note 3 to the financial statements.

The adoption of HKFRS 2 had no significant impact on the results and financial position for the current and prior accounting years. The options granted during the year have been fully exercised. The expense so calculated is immaterial to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2005.

HKAS 17: Leases

The adoption of HKAS 17 has resulted in a change in the accounting policy relating to the reclassification of leasehold land from property, plant and equipment to operating leases. The up-front prepayments made for the leasehold land are expensed in the income statement on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease and where there is impairment, the impairment is expensed in the income statement. In prior years, the leasehold land was accounted for as part of property, plant and equipment and carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment.

Because of the allocation between the leasehold land and building elements cannot be made reliably, the leasehold interest in land is treated as a finance lease and continuously accounted for as leasehold land included within property, plant and equipment. The adoption of this Standard has no material impacts on the Group's financial statements for the current or prior accounting years.

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2. ADOPTION OF NEW AND REVISED HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS

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HKAS 32 Financial instruments: Disclosure and presentation and HKAS 39 Financial instruments: Recognition and measurement

HKAS 32 requires retrospective application and primarily addresses the classification of financial instruments issued by an entity and prescribes disclosure requirements of financial instruments. HKAS 39 deals with recognition, measurement, derecognition of financial instruments and also prescribes requirements for hedge accounting. HKAS 39 generally does not permit the recognition, derecognition, or measurement of financial assets and liabilities on a retrospective basis. The principal effects of the adoption of the requirements of HKAS 32 and HKAS 39 are summarised below:

Prior to 31 December 2004, the Group classified its equity securities in accordance with the alternative treatment of Statement of Standard Accounting Practice 24 *Accounting for Investments in Securities* ("SSAP 24"). Under SSAP 24, investments in equity securities were classified as "investments in securities" which were measured at fair value. Unrealised gains or losses of investments in securities were reported in income statement for the period in which gains or losses arose.

In accordance with HKAS 39, investments are classified into held-to-maturity investments, loans and receivables, financial assets at fair value through profit or loss and available-for-sale financial assets. Upon adoption of this Standard, the Group has redesignated its investments in securities as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, described as "investments held for trading". Details of their accounting policies are set out in note 3 to the financial statements.

Apart from certain changes in presentation and disclosures, the adoption of HKAS 32 and 39 has no impact on the Group's financial statements.

HKAS 39 also requires financial liabilities, except for those carried at fair value through profit or loss, to be carried at amortised cost using effective interest method. Convertible notes in issue by the Group during the year were split into the equity and liability portion. The liability portion of the loan was carried at amortised cost using effective interest method.

2. ADOPTION OF NEW AND REVISED HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS

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HKAS 40: Investment properties

In prior years, investment properties were stated at open market values on the basis of professional valuation. Changes in values are dealt with as movements in the investment property revaluation reserve. If the total of this reserve is insufficient to cover a deficit, on a portfolio basis, the excess of the deficit is charged to the income statement.

On adoption of HKAS 40, investment properties are stated at fair value at balance sheet date, with all changes in fair value recognised in the income statement. There is no impact on these financial statements as a result of this change in accounting policy because the Group's investment properties had a net revaluation deficit position as at 31 December 2004 and the changes in valuation of the Group's investment properties during the year ended 31 December 2005 would be recognised in the income statement whether under the old policy or the new policy.

Future changes in HKFRS

At the date of authorisation of these financial statements, the HKICPA has issued a number of new or revised accounting standards and interpretations that are not yet effective and the Group has not early adopted. Except for the following amendments, which will be effective from the next financial year, the directors anticipate that the adoption of these new/revised HKFRS in the future accounting periods will have no material impact on the results of the Group.

HKAS 39 and HKFRS 4 (Amendments): Financial guarantee contracts

A financial guarantee contract is a contract that requires the Group to make specified payments to reimburse the holder for a loss it incurs because a specified debtor fails to make payment when due in accordance with the original or modified terms of a debt instrument.

Financial guarantee contracts are accounted for as financial instruments under HKAS 39 and are initially recognised at fair value. Subsequently, such contracts are measured at the higher of the amount determined in accordance with HKAS 37 *Provisions, contingent liabilities and contingent assets* and the amount initially recognised less, where appropriate, cumulative amortisation recognised over the life of the guarantee on a straight-line basis.

The Group is currently assessing the potential impact of the amendments but is not yet in a position to reasonably determine the impact on the Group's financial statements.

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3. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants. In addition, the financial statements include applicable disclosures required by the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited and by the Companies Ordinance.

Basis of preparation

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, except for investment properties and investments held for trading, which are measured at fair value as explained in the principal accounting policies set out below.

Basis of consolidation

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

The results of subsidiaries acquired or disposed of during the year are included in the consolidated income statement from the effective date of acquisition or up to the effective date of disposal, as appropriate.

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

Subsidiaries

A subsidiary, in accordance with the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance, is an entity in which the Company, directly or indirectly, holds more than half of the issued share capital or controls more than half of the voting power or controls the composition of the board of directors or equivalent governing body.

In the Company's balance sheet, investments in subsidiaries are stated at cost less accumulated impairment losses. The carrying amount of the investment is reduced to its recoverable amount on an individual basis. The results of subsidiaries are accounted for by the Company on the basis of dividends received and receivable.

Associates

An associate is an entity, in which the Group has significant influence and which is neither a subsidiary nor a joint venture of the Group.

An investment in an associate is accounted for in the consolidated financial statements under the equity method and is initially recorded at cost and adjusted thereafter for the post acquisition change in the Group's share of the associate's net assets, less any impairment in the value of individual investments. When the Group's share of losses of an associate equals or exceeds its interest in the associate, including any other unsecured receivables, the Group does not recognise further losses, unless it has incurred obligations or guaranteed obligations in respect of the associate.

3. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

Goodwill

Goodwill on acquisition is initially measured at cost, being the excess of the cost of the acquisition over the Group's share of the fair value of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities. Goodwill on acquisitions of subsidiaries is recognised as a separate asset. Goodwill on acquisitions of associates or jointly controlled entities is included in interests in associates or jointly controlled entities. Goodwill is carried at cost less accumulated impairment losses. Goodwill is tested for impairment annually or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may be impaired. Goodwill is allocated to cash-generating units for the purpose of impairment testing and determination of gain or loss on disposal. An impairment loss on goodwill is not reversed.

Any excess of the Group's interest in the fair value of the acquiree's identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities over the cost of acquisition, after reassessment, is recognised immediately in the income statement.

Investment properties

Investment properties are properties which are held by lessee under finance lease to earn rentals and/or for capital appreciation and are stated at its fair value at the balance sheet date. Gains or losses arising from changes in the fair value of investment properties are included in income statement for the period in which they arise.

A property interest held under operating lease is classified and accounted for as investment property when the Group holds it to earn rental income and/or capital appreciation and applies the fair value model as above.

Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

The cost of an item of property, plant and equipment comprises its purchase price and any directly attributable costs of bringing the asset to its working condition and location for its intended use. Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Group and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are charged to the income statement during the year in which they are incurred.

The gain or loss arising from the retirement or disposal of property, plant and equipment is determined as the difference between the estimated net sales proceeds and the carrying amount of the assets and is recognised as income or expense in the income statement.

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3. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

Property, plant and equipment *(Continued)*

Depreciation is provided to write off the cost less accumulated impairment losses of property, plant and equipment over their estimated useful lives from the date on which they become fully operational and after taking into account of their estimated residual values, using the straight-line method, at the following rates per annum:

Leasehold land	Over the unexpired term of lease
Buildings	4%
Leasehold improvements	10% - 20%
Furniture and fixtures	10% - 20%
Office equipment	33 $\frac{1}{3}$ %
Motor vehicles	25%

Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised in the balance sheet when the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instruments, and on a trade date basis.

Investments held for trading

Investments held for trading are measured at fair value at each reporting dates. Gains and losses arising from changes in fair value are included in income statement for the period.

Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market and are not held for trading. They are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Amortised cost is calculated by taking into account any discount or premium on acquisition, over the year to maturity. Any gains and losses arising when the loans and receivables are derecognised or impaired, as well as through the amortisation process are recognised in the income statement.

3. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

Financial instruments *(Continued)*

Convertible notes

On the issue of convertible notes, the proceeds are split into liability and equity components. The fair value of the liability component is determined using a market rate for an equivalent non-convertible notes; and this amount, net of transaction costs, is carried as a non-current liability on the amortised cost basis until extinguished on conversion or redemption.

The remainder of the proceeds is allocated to the conversion option and is recognised and included in shareholders' equity, net of transaction costs. The carrying amount of the conversion option is not remeasured in subsequent years.

Payables and short-term borrowings

Payables and short-term borrowings are initially recognised at fair value, and are subsequently measured at amortised cost using effective interest method.

Revenue recognition

Revenue is recognised when it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Group and when the revenue and costs, if applicable, can be measured reliably and on the following bases.

Proceeds from sale of investments held for trading are recognised on the transaction date when the relevant sale and purchase contract is entered into.

Interest income is accrued on a time proportion basis on the principal outstanding and at the interest rate applicable.

Rental income under operating leases is recognised in the period in which the properties are let out and on the straight-line basis over the lease terms.

Leasing

Leases are classified as finance leases whenever the terms of the lease transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to the lessee. All other leases are classified as operating leases.

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to the income statement on a straight-line basis over the term of the relevant lease.

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3. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

Impairment

At each balance sheet date, the Group reviews internal and external sources of information to determine whether the carrying amounts of its tangible and intangible assets have suffered an impairment loss or impairment loss previously recognised no longer exists or may be reduced. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated, based on the higher of its fair value less costs to sell and value in use. Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the Group estimates the recoverable amount of the smallest group of assets that generates cash flows independently (i.e. a cash-generating unit).

If the recoverable amount of an asset or a cash-generating unit is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset or cash-generating unit is reduced to its recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognised as an expense immediately.

A reversal of impairment loss is limited to the carrying amount of the asset or cash-generating unit that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised in prior years. Reversal of impairment losses is recognised as income immediately.

Employee benefits

Defined contribution plans

The obligations for contributions to defined contribution retirement scheme are recognised as an expense in the income statement as incurred. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the Group in an independently administered fund.

Long service payment

The Group's net obligation in respect of long service payment under the Employment Ordinance is the amount of future benefit that employees have earned in return for their service in the current and prior periods. The obligation is calculated using the projected unit credit method and is discounted to its present value and the fair value of any related assets, including retirement scheme benefit, is deducted.

3. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

Taxation

The charge for current income tax is based on the results for the year as adjusted for items that are non-assessable or disallowed. It is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

Deferred tax is provided using the liability method, on all temporary differences between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements. Deferred tax liabilities or assets are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the period when the asset is recovered or liability is settled, based on the tax rates and the tax laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date. Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences, tax losses and credits can be utilised.

No deferred tax is provided for temporary differences arising from goodwill, the initial recognition of assets or liabilities in a transaction other than a business combination and that affecting neither accounting nor taxable profits, and investment in subsidiaries to the extent that they will probably not reverse in the foreseeable future.

Foreign currencies

Transactions involving foreign currencies are translated into Hong Kong dollars at the rates of exchange ruling at the transaction dates. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the balance sheet date are retranslated at the rates of exchange ruling at that date. Translation differences are included in the income statement.

Share-based payment

The Company issues equity-settled share-based payments to eligible employees including directors of the Company and its subsidiaries, any other persons including consultants, advisors, agents, customers, suppliers etc. to subscribe for shares in the Company. Equity-settled share-based payments are measured at fair value at the date of grant. The fair value determined at the grant date of the equity-settled share-based payments is expensed on a straight-line basis over the vesting period, based on the Group's estimate of shares that will eventually vest and adjusted for the effect of non market-based vesting conditions.

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3. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(Continued)*

Related parties

A party is related to the Group if (a) directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, the party controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, the Group; or has an interest in the Group that gives it significant influence over the Group; or has joint control over the Group; (b) the party is an associate of the Group; (c) the party is a joint venture in which the Group is a venturer; (d) the party is a member of the key management personnel of the Group or its parent; (e) the party is a close member of the family of any individual referred to in (a) or (d); (f) the party is an entity that is controlled, jointly controlled or significantly influenced by or for which significant voting power in such entity resides with, directly or indirectly, any individual referred to in (d) or (e); or (g) the party is a post-employment benefit plan for the benefit of employees of the Group, or of any entity that is a related party of the Group.

Cash equivalents

For the purpose of cash flow statement, cash equivalents represent short-term highly liquid investments which are readily convertible into known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value, net of bank overdrafts. For balance sheet classification, cash equivalents represent assets similar in nature to cash, which are not restricted as to use.

4. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY

Fair value estimation

The fair value of financial instruments traded in active markets such as investments held for trading is based on quoted market prices at the balance sheet date. The quoted market price used for financial assets held by the Group is the current bid price.

For the loans receivable carried at amortised cost, the Group uses the discounted cash flows valuation method together with impairment assessment if required to determine the carrying amount at the balance sheet date.

5. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVE AND POLICIES

The Group's major financial instruments include debt and equity investments, other receivables and other payables and borrowings. Details of these financial instruments are disclosed in the respective notes. The risks associated with these financial instruments and the policies applied by the Group to mitigate these risks are set out below. Management monitors these exposures to ensure appropriate measures are implemented in a timely and effective manner.

5. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVE AND POLICIES *(Continued)*

Financial risk factors

Interest rate risk

The Group's interest rates on its bank and other borrowings (included in current and non-current liabilities) are mainly the bank's prime rate plus certain percentage. The interest rates and terms of repayment have been disclosed in note 22.

Liquidity risk

The Group's liquidity risk is minimal in current year and is managed by matching the raising of loans or equity funding to cover expected cash demands. The Group's policy is to regularly monitor current and expected liquidity requirements and its compliance with lending covenants, to ensure that it maintains sufficient reserves of cash and adequate committed lines of funding from major financial institutions to meet its liquidity requirements in the short and longer term.

Price risk

The Group's investments held for trading are measured at fair value at each balance sheet date. Therefore, the Group is exposed to equity security price risk. The management manages this exposure by maintaining a portfolio of investments with different risk profiles.

6. TURNOVER

Turnover recognised from the principal activities of the Group during the year including investment holding, trading of listed investments, property investment and provision of financial services are as follows:

	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Proceeds from sale of investments held for trading	112,293	81,765
Interest income	12,028	10,661
Rental income	156	318
	<u>124,477</u>	<u>92,744</u>

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7. OTHER INCOME

	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Write back of other payables	3,155	—
Write back of provision for bad and doubtful debts	5,050	—
Increase in fair value of investment properties	400	3,350
Reversal of impairment loss on leasehold land and buildings	—	11,033
	<u>8,605</u>	<u>14,383</u>

8. SEGMENT INFORMATION

In accordance with the Group's internal financial reporting, the Group has determined that business segments are its primary reporting format and no geographical segments have been presented as the Group's operations and assets are located in Hong Kong for the years ended 31 December 2005 and 2004.

Business segments

Business segments of the Group comprise the following:

Trading of investments	:	Purchase and sale of securities
Provision of financial services	:	Provide securities brokerage services, financial advisory services and loan financing
Property investment	:	Lease of properties for rentals
Investment holding	:	Holding investments for dividend income and capital appreciation

The following tables show segment information for the years ended 31 December 2005 and 2004.

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8. SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

Year ended 31 December 2005

	Trading of investments HK\$'000	Provision of financial services HK\$'000	Property investment HK\$'000	Investment holding HK\$'000	Unallocated HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Segment revenue						
Turnover	112,293	12,028	156	—	—	124,477
Other revenue	—	5,050	400	2,540	615	8,605
Total revenue	<u>112,293</u>	<u>17,078</u>	<u>556</u>	<u>2,540</u>	<u>615</u>	<u>133,082</u>
Segment results	(37,954)	9,070	89	(2,026)	(7,944)	(38,765)
Reversal of impairment loss on interest in an associate						75,036
Impairment loss on amount due from an associate						(75,000)
Profit on deemed disposal of interest in an associate						1,406
Profit on disposal of interests in subsidiaries						5,925
Profit on disposal of an unlisted investment	20,528	—	—	—	—	20,528
Loss on deemed acquisition of interest in an associate						(13,331)
Share of loss of an associate	147	(4,743)	—	(94,605)	(150)	(99,351)
Finance costs						(8,163)
Taxation						—
Loss attributable to equity holders						<u>(131,715)</u>

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8. SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

Year ended 31 December 2004

	Trading of investments HK\$'000	Provision of financial services HK\$'000	Property investment HK\$'000	Investment holding HK\$'000	Unallocated HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Segment revenue						
Turnover	81,765	10,661	318	—	—	92,744
Other revenue	—	—	3,350	—	11,033	14,383
Total revenue	<u>81,765</u>	<u>10,661</u>	<u>3,668</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>11,033</u>	<u>107,127</u>
Segment results	(7,634)	(66,433)	2,986	(542)	7,352	(64,271)
Impairment loss on interest in an associate						(75,036)
Negative goodwill released upon recognition of impairment loss in an associate						21,246
Loss on deemed disposal of interest in an associate						(24,045)
Share of loss of an associate	5,997	(139,578)	—	(20,136)	(26,860)	(180,577)
Finance costs						(14,185)
Taxation						—
Loss attributable to equity holders						<u>(336,868)</u>

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8. SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

Assets and liabilities as at 31 December 2005

	Trading of investments HK\$'000	Provision of financial services HK\$'000	Property investment HK\$'000	Investment holding HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Assets					
Segment assets	13,626	40,280	9,964	18,274	82,144
Interests in associates					238,549
Unallocated assets					23,504
Total assets					<u>344,197</u>
Liabilities					
Segment liabilities	3,384	—	24	10,422	13,830
Unallocated liabilities					18,800
Total liabilities					<u>32,630</u>

Assets and liabilities as at 31 December 2004

	Trading of investments HK\$'000	Provision of financial services HK\$'000	Property investment HK\$'000	Investment holding HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Assets					
Segment assets	23,853	18,554	12,074	18,682	73,163
Interests in associates					181,113
Unallocated assets					31,659
Total assets					<u>285,935</u>
Liabilities					
Segment liabilities	—	18	42	178,020	178,080
Unallocated liabilities					16,404
Total liabilities					<u>194,484</u>

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8. SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

Other segment information for the year ended 31 December 2005

	Trading of investments HK\$'000	Provision of financial services HK\$'000	Property investment HK\$'000	Investment holding HK\$'000	Unallocated HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Capital expenditure	—	—	—	—	1,812	1,812
Depreciation expense	—	—	191	—	1,116	1,307
Reversal of impairment loss on interest in an associate	—	—	—	(75,036)	—	(75,036)
Impairment loss on goodwill arising from acquisition of additional interest in an associate (included in share of loss of an associate)	—	—	—	5,156	—	5,156
Impairment loss on amount due from an associate	—	—	—	75,000	—	75,000
Net unrealised holding loss on investments held for trading	16,694	—	—	—	—	16,694
Increase in fair value of investment properties	—	—	(400)	—	—	(400)

Other segment information for the year ended 31 December 2004

	Trading of investments HK\$'000	Provision of financial services HK\$'000	Property investment HK\$'000	Investment holding HK\$'000	Unallocated HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Capital expenditure	—	—	—	—	53	53
Depreciation expense	—	—	14	—	1,664	1,678
Impairment loss on goodwill arising from acquisition of additional interest in an associate (included in share of loss of an associate)	—	—	—	23,721	—	23,721
Impairment loss on interest in an associate	—	—	—	75,036	—	75,036
Net unrealised holding loss on investments held for trading	1,920	—	—	—	—	1,920
Increase in fair value of investment properties	—	—	(3,350)	—	—	(3,350)
Reversal of impairment loss on leasehold land and buildings	—	—	—	—	(11,033)	(11,033)
Net provision for bad and doubtful debts	—	63,747	—	—	—	63,747

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9. LOSS BEFORE TAXATION

	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
This is stated after charging (crediting):		
Contributions to MPF Scheme	214	216
Included in other operating expenses:		
Auditors' remuneration	1,148	950
Operating lease charges:		
Equipment	59	33
Office premises	929	855
Net unrealised holding loss on investments held for trading	16,694	1,920
Net provision for bad and doubtful debts	—	63,747
Release of negative goodwill to income (included in share of loss of an associate)	—	(2,741)
Impairment loss on goodwill arising from acquisition of additional interest in an associate (included in share of loss of an associate)	5,156	23,721
Loss (gain) on disposal of investment properties	237	(730)
(Gain) loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(119)	96
Rental income from investment properties	(156)	(318)
Less: Outgoings	42	100
	<u>(114)</u>	<u>(218)</u>

10. FINANCE COSTS

	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Interest on:		
Bank and other borrowings wholly repayable within five years	2,369	7,564
Bank and other borrowings wholly repayable over five years	1,226	1,555
Convertible notes	4,568	5,066
	<u>8,163</u>	<u>14,185</u>

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11. DIRECTORS' AND EMPLOYEES' EMOLUMENTS

Directors' emoluments

The aggregate amount of emoluments received or receivable by the Company's directors are as follows:

2005	Directors' fees HK\$'000	Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind HK\$'000	Retirement scheme contributions HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Executive directors				
Chuang Yueheng, Henry	—	2,400	12	2,412
Chung Wilson (redesignated to non-executive director on 15 September 2005)	—	357	9	366
Lo Kan Sun	—	810	12	822
King Phillip	—	592	9	601
Wong Wai Man, Raymond	—	269	8	277
Wong Ying Seung, Asiong	—	336	12	348
Non-executive directors				
Lau Da Yip	24	—	—	24
Chung Wilson	30	—	—	30
Independent non-executive directors				
Lam Ping Cheung	120	—	—	120
Lin Wai Yi	110	—	—	110
Miu Frank H.	120	—	—	120
Nakajima Toshiharu	24	—	—	24
Ong Peter	—	—	—	—
Pang Shuen Wai, Nichols	—	—	—	—
	<u>428</u>	<u>4,764</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>5,254</u>

11. DIRECTORS' AND EMPLOYEES' EMOLUMENTS (Continued)

Directors' emoluments (Continued)

2004	Directors' fees HK\$'000	Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind HK\$'000	Retirement scheme contributions HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Executive directors				
Chuang Yueheng, Henry	—	2,400	12	2,412
Chung Wilson	—	800	12	812
Lo Kan Sun	—	810	12	822
Wong Ying Seung, Asiong	—	415	12	427
Independent non-executive directors				
Lam Ping Cheung	120	—	—	120
Miu Frank H.	100	—	—	100
Ong Peter	—	—	—	—
	<u>220</u>	<u>4,425</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>4,693</u>

Emoluments of the directors are within the following bands:

	Number of directors	
	2005	2004
Nil to HK\$1,000,000	12	6
HK\$2,000,001 to HK\$2,500,000	1	1
	<u>13</u>	<u>7</u>

Employees' emoluments

The five highest paid employees of the Group during the year included four (2004: four) directors, details of whose emoluments are set out above. The emolument of the remaining highest paid employee (2004: one) is as follows:

	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Other emoluments	<u>768</u>	<u>768</u>

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12. TAXATION

Hong Kong Profits Tax has not been provided as the Group incurred a loss for taxation purposes for the years ended 31 December 2005 and 2004.

Details of unrecognised deferred taxation are set out in note 33 to the financial statements.

	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Reconciliation of tax expense		
Loss before tax	<u>(131,715)</u>	<u>(336,868)</u>
Income tax at applicable tax rate of 17.5% (2004: 17.5%)	(23,050)	(58,952)
Non-deductible expenses	36,650	59,477
Tax exempt revenue	(18,157)	(4,291)
Unrecognised tax losses	4,571	3,797
Unrecognised temporary differences	<u>(14)</u>	<u>(31)</u>
Tax (income) expense for the year	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>

The applicable tax rate is the Hong Kong Profits Tax rate of 17.5% (2004: 17.5%).

13. LOSS FOR THE YEAR

Of the Group's loss for the year of HK\$131,715,000 (2004: HK\$336,868,000), a loss of HK\$67,715,000 (2004: HK\$279,505,000) has been dealt with in the financial statements of the Company.

14. LOSS PER SHARE

The calculation of the loss per share is based on the loss for the year of HK\$131,715,000 (2004: HK\$336,868,000) and on the weighted average number of 2,071,246,000 shares (2004: 1,209,700,000 shares) in issue during the year.

No diluted loss per share is presented for the year of 2005 as there are no potential ordinary shares in issue in current year. No diluted loss per share was presented for the year of 2004 as conversion of the Company's outstanding convertible notes had an anti-dilutive effect.

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15. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Fair value of investment property		
At beginning of year	11,930	20,530
Disposals	(2,680)	(11,950)
Increase in fair value during the year	400	3,350
At balance sheet date	9,650	11,930

The carrying value of investment properties held by the Group at the balance sheet date comprised:

	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Land in Hong Kong:		
Long lease	6,850	6,780
Medium-term lease	2,800	5,150
	9,650	11,930

The fair value of the Group's investment properties as at the balance sheet date has been arrived at on the basis of valuation, supported by market evidence, carried out at that date by Centaline Surveyors Limited, Chartered Surveyors, independent valuers not connected with the Group.

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16. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	Leasehold land and buildings HK\$'000	Leasehold improvements HK\$'000	Furniture and fixtures HK\$'000	Office equipment HK\$'000	Motor vehicles HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Reconciliation of carrying amount – year ended 31 December 2004						
At beginning of year	28,799	644	501	487	285	30,716
Additions	—	—	21	32	—	53
Disposals	—	(533)	(130)	(284)	—	(947)
Depreciation	(1,107)	(23)	(116)	(147)	(285)	(1,678)
Reversal of impairment loss	11,033	—	—	—	—	11,033
At balance sheet date	38,725	88	276	88	—	39,177
Reconciliation of carrying amount – year ended 31 December 2005						
At beginning of year	38,725	88	276	88	—	39,177
Additions	—	849	211	310	442	1,812
Disposals	(16,897)	—	(147)	(6)	(241)	(17,291)
Depreciation	(638)	(182)	(114)	(172)	(201)	(1,307)
At balance sheet date	21,190	755	226	220	—	22,391
At 1 January 2005						
Cost	41,272	5,012	7,260	2,393	3,514	59,451
Accumulated depreciation and impairment losses	(2,547)	(4,924)	(6,984)	(2,305)	(3,514)	(20,274)
	38,725	88	276	88	—	39,177
At 31 December 2005						
Cost	25,758	5,861	902	1,932	—	34,453
Accumulated depreciation and impairment losses	(4,568)	(5,106)	(676)	(1,712)	—	(12,062)
	21,190	755	226	220	—	22,391

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16. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (Continued)

The leasehold land and buildings with a net book value of HK\$21,190,000 at the balance sheet date (2004: HK\$38,725,000) are held by the Group under medium-term lease in Hong Kong.

17. INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES

	The Company	
	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Unlisted shares, at cost	952,534	952,881
Impairment loss	(921,415)	(875,957)
	<u>31,119</u>	<u>76,924</u>
Due from subsidiaries	492,700	290,025
Provision for doubtful debts	(98,100)	(125,600)
	<u>394,600</u>	<u>164,425</u>
	<u>425,719</u>	<u>241,349</u>

The amounts due from (to) subsidiaries are unsecured, interest-free and have no fixed repayment terms. In the year of 2004, an amount due from a subsidiary of approximately HK\$25,913,000 was interest-bearing at 8% per annum.

In the opinion of the directors, a complete list of the particulars of all subsidiaries will be of excessive length and therefore the table below lists the principal subsidiaries at the balance sheet date which materially affect the result or assets of the Group.

Name of subsidiary	Place of incorporation and operations	Particulars of issued ordinary and paid up capital (Note)	Proportion of nominal value of issued capital held by the Company		Principal activities
			Directly	Indirectly	
Alpha Aim International Limited	British Virgin Islands	1 share of US\$1	100	—	Investment holding

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17. INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES *(Continued)*

Name of subsidiary	Place of incorporation and operations	Particulars of issued ordinary and paid up capital (Note)	Proportion of nominal value of issued capital held by the Company		Principal activities
			Directly	Indirectly	
Cuve Asset Management Limited	British Virgin Islands	26,000 shares of US\$1 each	—	100	Investment holding
China United International Administrative Services Limited	Hong Kong	53,000 shares of HK\$100 each	100	—	Provision of administrative service
CU International Finance Limited	Hong Kong	2 shares of HK\$1 each	—	100	Money lending
Embrace Assets Limited	British Virgin Islands	1 share of US\$1	—	100	Investment holding
Grand Wishes Limited	British Virgin Islands	1 share of US\$1	—	100	Investment holding
Golden Clip Limited	British Virgin Islands	1 share of US\$1	100	—	Investment holding
International Stamps & Coins Exchange Gallery Limited	Hong Kong	20,200 shares of HK\$1 each	—	100	Property investment
Leapfly Limited	British Virgin Islands	1 share of US\$1	100	—	Investment holding
Pearl Decade Limited	British Virgin Islands	1 share of US\$1	100	—	Investment holding
Radford Portfolio Management Limited	Hong Kong	10,000 shares of HK\$1 each	—	100	Property holding
Ronford Properties Limited	Hong Kong	2 shares of HK\$1 each	—	100	Property investment

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17. INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

Name of subsidiary	Place of incorporation and operations	Particulars of issued ordinary and paid up capital (Note)	Proportion of nominal value of issued capital held by the Company		Principal activities
			Directly	Indirectly	
Skill Cheer Limited	Cayman Islands	692,900,008 shares of HK\$1 each	63.92	36.08	Investment holding
Wellhand Limited	Hong Kong	2 shares of HK\$1 each	—	100	Property investment
Winport Limited	British Virgin Islands	1 share of US\$1	—	100	Investment holding
Yearwise Finance Limited	British Virgin Islands	1 share of US\$1	100	—	Investment holding

All of the above subsidiaries operate principally in Hong Kong.

Note:

No loan capital has been issued by any of the subsidiaries.

18. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES

	Note	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Share of net assets		32,549	128,827
Impairment loss		—	(75,036)
	18(a)	32,549	53,791
Due from an associate – HMIL	18(b)	131,000	127,322
Due from an associate – Found Macau Loan	18(j)	75,000	—
		238,549	181,113

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18. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES (Continued)

Notes:

(a) Details of the unlisted associates as at 31 December 2005 were as follows:

Name of associate	Place of incorporation	Particulars of issued ordinary and paid up capital held by the Group	Interest held	Principal activities
Hennabun Management International Limited ("HMIL")	British Virgin Islands	309,633,333 shares of US\$0.01 each	49.87%	Investment holding
Found Macau Investments International Limited ("Found Macau")	British Virgin Islands	30 shares of US\$1 each	29.7%	Investment holding and trading of prestige Hi-Fi equipment

- (i) During the year, the Group's interest in HMIL was firstly reduced from 42.03% to 41.54% because of HMIL's issue of shares to third parties and then increased from 41.54% to 44.50% because of HMIL's repurchase of own shares from a third party. As a result of the above change in shareholding in HMIL, profit on deemed disposal of HK\$1.4 million and loss on deemed acquisition of HK\$13.3 million were recognised in the income statement. The shareholding of HMIL was further increased to 49.87% as at 31 December 2005 by the conversion of 60 million of HMIL shares (details refer to note 18(b) and (d)).
- (ii) During the year, the Company, through its wholly-owned subsidiary, (a) acquired approximate 29.7% equity interest in Found Macau at the consideration of US\$30; (b) became a party to a shareholders agreement relating to Found Macau and made a shareholder loan of HK\$150 million to Found Macau (the "Found Macau Loan", details refer to note 18(j)); and (c) issued the New Convertible Notes (details refer to note 23) in the principal amount of HK\$100 million and paid cash of HK\$50 million to Found Macau to satisfy the Group's obligation to the Found Macau Loan.

18. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES (Continued)

(b) Details of the amount due from HMIL are as follows:-

	Note	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Convertible notes receivable:			
Existing Note			
At beginning of the year		127,322	—
Subscription through set-off of advances due		—	150,000
Interest accrued		2,978	7,022
Redemption		(25,300)	—
Partial disposal to a third party		—	(29,700)
Existing Note and interest accrued surrendered by the issue of Second New Note	(c)(ii)	(105,000)	—
		—	127,322
New Notes (including First New Note and Second New Note)			
Issue of New Notes	(c)(i,ii)	146,000	—
Conversion of convertible notes	(d)	(15,000)	—
At balance sheet date		131,000	127,322

(c) Pursuant to an agreement dated 3 August 2005 entered into by the Company and HMIL:

- (i) the Company transferred a wholly-owned subsidiary to HMIL in nominal value together with the assignment of loan receivable of HK\$41 million in exchange for the issue of a convertible note by HMIL in the principal amount of HK\$41 million ("First New Note") and
- (ii) the 6% convertible note issued by HMIL on January 2004 with the outstanding principal amount of HK\$95 million and accrued interest of HK\$10 million were surrendered to HMIL at a consideration of HK\$105 million which was satisfied by the issue of a convertible note issued by HMIL in the principal amount of HK\$105 million ("Second New Note").

The New Notes will bear interest at 8% per annum, payable monthly and will mature in ten years from the date of issue but can be converted into shares of HMIL at a conversion price of HK\$0.25 per ordinary share at any time after the date of issue of the convertible notes and before its maturity date.

- (iii) HMIL will provide an unsecured standby credit facility in the amount of HK\$50 million made available to the Company by HMIL or its subsidiaries or independent parties at prime rate and such facility is repayable on demand. The Company did not utilise such standby credit facility during the year ended 31 December 2005.
- (d) Subsequent to the completion of the agreement mentioned in note (c), the Group converted the convertible note with principal amount of HK\$15 million into 60,000,000 ordinary shares of US\$0.01 each of the HMIL at a conversion price of HK\$0.25 per share. Positive goodwill arising from the acquisition of such additional interest in HMIL of approximately HK\$5.1 million was fully impaired during the year. In determining whether the positive goodwill has suffered such impairment loss, the directors have given due consideration of the financial and operating performance of HMIL and its subsidiaries during the year ended 31 December 2005.
- (e) The directors considered the fair value of the New Notes is the transaction price initially recognised.

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18. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES (Continued)

- (f) During the year ended 31 December 2005, the Group received interest income amounting to approximately HK\$7,124,000 (2004: HK\$7,022,000) on convertible notes receivable from HMIL.
- (g) Subsequent to the balance sheet date, the shareholding of HMIL was diluted to 35.55% when HMIL issued new shares to third parties and the conversion price of the New Notes was adjusted to HK\$0.15 per share by HMIL.
- (h) Details of the consolidated operating results and financial position of HMIL based on audited financial statements, after adjusting for the fair value of assets acquired at the date of acquisition, are as follows:-

	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Operating results for the year ended 31 December 2005		
Turnover	<u>33,606</u>	<u>35,870</u>
Loss for the year	<u>(222,457)</u>	<u>(421,199)</u>
Loss for the year attributable to the Group	(94,195)	(159,597)
Release of negative goodwill as income	—	2,741
Impairment loss on goodwill arising from acquisition of additional interest in HMIL	<u>(5,156)</u>	<u>(23,721)</u>
Share of loss of HMIL	<u>(99,351)</u>	<u>(180,577)</u>
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Financial position at the balance sheet date		
Total non-current assets	94,909	8,500
Total current assets	348,266	522,345
Total current liabilities	(246,908)	(104,033)
Total non-current liabilities	<u>(131,000)</u>	<u>(120,300)</u>
Total equity	<u>65,267</u>	<u>306,512</u>
Amount attributable to the Group	<u>32,549</u>	<u>128,827</u>

- (i) In last year, HMIL's auditors had disclaimed their opinion because of the limitation of audit scope in respect of (1) the uncertainty of the consequential effect of the previous year's audit qualifications on the results of 2004, and (2) the auditors' inability to assess the financial strength of a director, who had provided a personal guarantee for the recoverability of certain loans receivable as at 31 December 2004. Therefore, the Group had made a further provision for impairment loss of approximately HK\$75 million against the interest in HMIL as at 31 December 2004.

During the year, HMIL has disposed of the subsidiary which held the relevant loans receivable at a loss and the Group's share of the loss of HMIL has included such loss on disposal. Accordingly, the provision of HK\$75 million previously made was no longer required and has been written back by the Group in the current year.

18. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES (Continued)

- (j) The carrying amount of the Found Macau Loan at the balance sheet date is measured at amortised cost, which represents the present value of its estimated future cash flows that have been discounted using the prevailing market rate at the balance sheet date, less impairment loss.

The Found Macau Loan was interest-free, unsecured and was repayable on demand after 8 years from 28 February 2005. Subsequent to the balance sheet date, the Found Macau Loan of HK\$150 million was disposed of to a third party at cash consideration of HK\$75 million. Accordingly, the Found Macau Loan was stated at the balance sheet date at its subsequent realisable value of HK\$75 million.

Under the equity method of accounting, the share of the loss of Found Macau attributable to the Group during 2005 was insignificant.

19. OTHER FINANCIAL ASSET

	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Option fee paid	<u>7,143</u>	<u>—</u>

During the year, the Company, through its wholly-owned subsidiary ("Leapfly"), and a brother of a director of the Company ("Mr. Chuang") entered into a conditional call option deed (the "deed") relating to the acquisition of 50% of registered capital of RMB15 million of Tianjin Kai Sheng Automobile Service Co., Ltd ("Kai Sheng"), which was newly established in the mainland China and to be engaged in the motor cars repairs and maintenance services and selling of car components.

Pursuant to the deed, the option fee paid of approximately HK\$7.14 million (equivalent to RMB7.5 million) represents the consideration paid to Mr. Chuang for an call option granted to the Group to be exercisable at any time during the period of 2 years commencing on 1 September 2008 (the "option period") to purchase Mr. Chuang's 50% equity interests in the registered capital of Kai Sheng of RMB7.5 million. The call option shall be lapsed if it has not been exercised during the option period. Before that, Mr. Chuang undertakes to Leapfly: i) to transfer all dividends received for his entitlement in Kai Sheng to Leapfly immediately after Kai Sheng declares dividends out of distributable profits in future; ii) to procure at least one representative of Leapfly to become a director of Kai Sheng.

At the balance sheet date, Kai Sheng was in the process of capital validation. Mr. Chuang and Mr. Wong Ying Seung, Asiong have been appointed as directors of Kai Sheng.

Subsequent to the balance sheet date, Leapfly together with the option was disposed of at a cash consideration of HK\$7 million to a third party.

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20. INVESTMENTS HELD FOR TRADING/INVESTMENTS IN SECURITIES

	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Equity securities		
Listed investments in Hong Kong	13,626	2,902
Unlisted investment	—	17,472
	<u>13,626</u>	<u>20,374</u>

As mentioned in note 2, following the adoption of HKAS 39, the Group's investments in securities have been reclassified as investments held for trading on 1 January 2005.

21. LOANS RECEIVABLE

Loans granted to borrowers are repayable according to set maturity dates. The balance comprises loans receivable from:

	The Group		The Company	
	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Third parties	40,280	158,342	40,280	—
Related company	—	20,460	—	—
	<u>40,280</u>	<u>178,802</u>	<u>40,280</u>	<u>—</u>
Provision for bad and doubtful debts	—	(160,000)	—	—
Balances due within one year included in current assets	<u>40,280</u>	<u>18,802</u>	<u>40,280</u>	<u>—</u>

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21. LOANS RECEIVABLE *(Continued)*

An aging analysis of loans receivable (before provision for bad and doubtful debts) as at the balance sheet date is set out below:

	The Group		The Company	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Within maturity dates	40,280	65,386	40,280	—
Balances overdue for repayment:				
1-3 months	—	—	—	—
4-6 months	—	15,362	—	—
7-12 months	—	26,518	—	—
Over 12 months	—	71,536	—	—
	40,280	178,802	40,280	—

22. INTEREST-BEARING BORROWINGS

	The Group		The Company	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Secured bank loans (Note ii)	18,399	32,054	—	—
Unsecured other loans (Note i & ii)	—	96,080	—	96,080
	18,399	128,134	—	96,080

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22. INTEREST-BEARING BORROWINGS (Continued)

Maturities of the above borrowings are as follows:

	The Group		The Company	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Within one year	4,629	104,683	—	96,080
In the second year	2,201	2,749	—	—
In the third year	2,388	2,902	—	—
In the fourth year	2,590	3,064	—	—
In the fifth year	2,809	3,236	—	—
Over five years	3,782	11,500	—	—
	13,770	23,451	—	—
	18,399	128,134	—	96,080

Note:

(i) Movements in other loans are as follows:

	The Group		The Company	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At beginning of year	96,080	90,519	96,080	90,519
Addition	77,000	84,921	77,000	84,921
Repayment	(173,080)	(79,360)	(173,080)	(79,360)
At balance sheet date	—	96,080	—	96,080

(ii) Bank loans are variable-rate borrowings which carried interest ranging from prime rate to prime rate plus 1% for the years of 2005 and 2004. Other loans carried interest ranging from prime rate to prime rate plus 2% and 2% per month for the years of 2005 and 2004.

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23. CONVERTIBLE NOTES

	The Group		The Company	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At beginning of year (Note i)	53,000	63,840	53,000	63,840
Issuance during the year (Note ii)	200,000	55,000	200,000	55,000
Redemption (Note i)	(53,000)	(58,800)	(53,000)	(58,800)
Conversion (Note iii)	(200,000)	(7,040)	(200,000)	(7,040)
At balance sheet date	—	53,000	—	53,000
Represented by:				
Current portion	—	53,000	—	53,000
Non-current portion	—	—	—	—
	—	53,000	—	53,000

Note:-

- (i) The convertible notes bear interest at 7.8% per annum and can be converted into ordinary shares of the Company at a conversion price of HK\$0.5 per share in integral multiples of HK\$1,000,000 at any time from date of issue and up to 7 days before (and excluding) the maturity date on 19 August 2009. The conversion price of the convertible notes is adjusted from HK\$0.5 to HK\$0.45 with effect from 10 November 2004 as a result of the bonus issue last year.

During the year, convertible notes with principal sum of HK\$53,000,000 were fully redeemed by the Group.

- (ii) On 28 February 2005, the Company issued a series of non-interest bearing convertible notes ("New Convertible Notes") with principal amounts of HK\$100,000,000 to Found Macau and HK\$100,000,000 to third parties. The New Convertible Notes will be converted into the ordinary shares of the Company at a conversion price of HK\$0.25 per share. The Company may redeem in whole or in part the notes in integral multiples of HK\$500,000 at any time from the date of issue and up to 7 days before (and excluding) the maturity date on 28 February 2010.

The carrying amounts of New Convertible Notes have been split between a liability component and an equity component at issuance of the notes in order to determine their respective fair values. The fair value of liability component (included in non-current liability) was calculated using an effective interest rate of 6.35% per annum which was determined when the notes were issued. The equity component represented the fair value of the embedded option to convert the liability into equity of the Group.

- (iii) During the year, the New Convertible Notes with principal sum of HK\$200,000,000 were fully converted into 800,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.1 each of the Company.

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24. ISSUED CAPITAL

	2005 HK\$	2004 HK\$
Authorised:		
Ordinary shares of HK\$0.1 each	<u>2,000,000,000</u>	<u>2,000,000,000</u>
Issued and fully paid:		
Ordinary shares of HK\$0.1 each	<u>303,208,635</u>	<u>136,938,906</u>
2004	Number of ordinary shares	Nominal value HK\$
Issued and fully paid:		
At beginning of year	368,868,495	36,886,850
Exercise of warrants	45,739,040	4,573,904
Conversion of convertible notes	7,405,405	740,541
Issuance of shares	130,440,000	13,044,000
Issuance of shares under share option scheme	24,573,467	2,457,347
Bonus issue	792,362,647	79,236,264
At balance sheet date	<u>1,369,389,054</u>	<u>136,938,906</u>
2005	Number of ordinary shares	Nominal value HK\$
	Note	
Issued and fully paid:		
At beginning of year	1,369,389,054	136,938,906
Exercise of warrants	(i) 13,338,925	1,333,892
Conversion of convertible notes	(ii) 800,000,000	80,000,000
Issuance of shares under share option scheme	(iii) 137,358,374	13,735,837
Issuance of shares	(iv) 712,000,000	71,200,000
At balance sheet date	<u>3,032,086,353</u>	<u>303,208,635</u>

24. ISSUED CAPITAL *(Continued)*

Note:

- (i) During the year, an aggregate of 13,338,925 new shares of HK\$0.1 each of the Company were issued to certain warrant holders upon exercise of warrants at the cash subscription price of HK\$0.14 per share.
- (ii) During the year, an aggregate of 800,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.1 each of the Company were issued to Found Macau and other convertible note holders upon the conversion of convertible notes as set out in note 23.
- (iii) Pursuant to the ordinary resolutions passed during the year, an aggregate of 137,358,374 ordinary shares of HK\$0.1 each of the Company were issued to certain individuals under the share option scheme at the exercise price range from HK\$0.1810 to HK\$0.2028 each.
- (iv) Pursuant to placing agreement dated 9 March 2005, the Company agreed to conditionally place 274,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.1 each of the Company on a fully underwritten basis to independent investors at a price of HK0.168 each.

Pursuant to placing agreement dated 21 November 2005, the Company agreed to conditionally place 438,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.1 each of the Company on a fully underwritten basis to independent investors at a price of HK0.18 each.

All the shares issued during the year rank pari passu in all respects with the then existing shares.

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25. RESERVES

Group	Share premium HK\$'000	Capital reserve HK\$'000	Merger reserve HK\$'000	Convertible notes – equity portion HK\$'000	Accumulated losses HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
At 1 January 2004	—	18,273	88,128	—	160,494	266,895
Exercise of warrants	11,474	—	—	—	—	11,474
Shares issued under share option scheme	4,177	—	—	—	—	4,177
Shares issued at premium, net of issuing expenses	88,070	—	—	—	—	88,070
Issue of bonus issue	(79,236)	—	—	—	—	(79,236)
Set off against accumulated losses	—	—	(88,128)	—	88,128	—
Loss for the year	—	—	—	—	(336,868)	(336,868)
At 31 December 2004	24,485	18,273	—	—	(88,246)	(45,488)

Group	Share premium HK\$'000	Capital reserve HK\$'000	Merger reserve HK\$'000	Convertible notes – equity portion HK\$'000	Accumulated losses HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
At 1 January 2005	24,485	18,273	—	—	(88,246)	(45,488)
Equity portion of convertible notes issued	—	—	—	55,725	—	55,725
Exercise of warrants	533	—	—	—	—	533
Shares issued under share option scheme	12,074	—	—	—	—	12,074
Shares issued at premium, net of issuing expenses	51,264	—	—	—	—	51,264
Conversion of convertible notes	121,690	—	—	(55,725)	—	65,965
Loss for the year	—	—	—	—	(131,715)	(131,715)
At 31 December 2005	210,046	18,273	—	—	(219,961)	8,358

Included in the reserves of the Group as at 31 December 2005 were accumulated losses of an associate attributable to the Group amounting to HK\$627,959,000 (2004: HK\$512,866,000).

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25. RESERVES (Continued)

Company	Share premium HK\$'000	Merger reserve HK\$'000	Convertible notes – equity portion HK\$'000	Accumulated losses HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
At 1 January 2004	—	291,448	—	(107,655)	183,793
Exercise of warrants	11,474	—	—	—	11,474
Shares issued at premium, net of issuing expenses	88,070	—	—	—	88,070
Shares issued under share option scheme	4,177	—	—	—	4,177
Issue of bonus issue	(79,236)	—	—	—	(79,236)
Set off against accumulated losses	—	(291,448)	—	291,448	—
Loss for the year	—	—	—	(279,505)	(279,505)
At 31 December 2004	24,485	—	—	(95,712)	(71,227)

Company	Share premium HK\$'000	Merger reserve HK\$'000	Convertible notes – equity portion HK\$'000	Accumulated losses HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
At 1 January 2005	24,485	—	—	(95,712)	(71,227)
Exercise of warrants	533	—	—	—	533
Equity portion of convertible notes issued	—	—	55,725	—	55,725
Shares issued under share option scheme	12,074	—	—	—	12,074
Shares issued at premium, net of issuing expenses	51,264	—	—	—	51,264
Conversion of convertible notes	121,690	—	(55,725)	—	65,965
Loss for the year	—	—	—	(67,715)	(67,715)
At 31 December 2005	210,046	—	—	(163,427)	46,619

The application of the Company's share premium account is governed by Section 48B of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

At the balance sheet date, the Company has no reserves available for distribution to the shareholders.

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26. SHARE OPTION SCHEME

Pursuant to the Group Reorganisation during 2002, a share option scheme ("New Scheme") of the Company was approved on 20 November 2002 by the shareholders of the Company and became effective on 3 January 2003. The New Scheme is valid and effective for a period of ten years. The board of directors of the Company may grant options to eligible employees including directors of the Company and its subsidiaries and any other persons including consultants, advisors, agents, customers, suppliers, etc. to subscribe for shares in the Company.

The total number of shares in respect of which options may be granted under the New Scheme is not permitted to exceed 30% of the shares of the Company in issue from time to time, without prior approval from the Company's shareholders. The number of shares in respect of which options may be granted to any individual in any 12 month period is not permitted to exceed 1% of the shares of the Company in issue from time to time, without prior approval from the Company's shareholders. Options granted to any director, chief executive or substantial shareholder of the Company or any of their respective associates in excess of 0.1% of the Company's share capital in issue and having an aggregate value in excess of HK\$5 million must be subject to prior approval by the Company's shareholders.

An amount of HK\$1 is payable on the grant of an option. Options may be exercised no later than ten years from the date of grant of the share option. The exercise price is determined by the directors of the Company, and will not be less than the higher of the closing price of the Company's shares on the date of grant, the average closing price of the shares for the five business days immediately preceding the date of grant and the nominal value of the shares on the date of grant.

(a) Movement in share option scheme

	2005 Number	2004 Number
At the beginning of year	—	—
Granted	137,358,374	24,573,467
Exercised	(137,358,374)	(24,573,467)
At balance sheet date	—	—

26. SHARE OPTION SCHEME (Continued)

(b) Details of share options exercised during the year

Exercise date	Exercise price HK\$	Market value per share at exercise date HK\$	Proceeds received HK\$	Number
21 January 2005	0.2028	0.188	2,028,000	10,000,000
24 January 2005	0.2028	0.185	1,086,678	5,358,374
26 January 2005	0.1914	0.181	6,124,800	32,000,000
28 January 2005	0.1852	0.187	9,260,000	50,000,000
4 February 2005	0.1880	0.181	1,880,000	10,000,000
15 February 2005	0.1810	0.184	5,430,000	30,000,000
			<u>25,809,478</u>	<u>137,358,374</u>

At the balance sheet date, no share option was granted by the Company but not vested under the share option scheme.

27. WARRANTS

During the year, the registered holders of 13,338,925 warrants exercised their rights to subscribe for ordinary shares. The 2003 Warrants of the Company was expired on 11 May 2005.

28. DISPOSAL OF SUBSIDIARIES

	2005 HK\$'000
Net assets disposed of:	
Property, plant and equipment	17,138
Loans receivable	41,416
Other receivables	340
Due from an associate	1,188
Trade and other payables	(287)
	<u>59,795</u>
Profit on disposal of subsidiaries	<u>5,925</u>
Total consideration	<u>65,720</u>

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28. DISPOSAL OF SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

Analysis of inflow of cash and cash equivalents in respect of disposal of subsidiaries:

	2005 HK\$'000
Total consideration	65,720
Convertible note of HK\$41 million issued by HMIL received (note 18(c) (i))	(41,000)
Net inflow of cash and cash equivalents	24,720

The subsidiaries disposed of during the year contributed approximately HK\$338,000 to turnover and contributed negatively to loss before tax of the Group in the amount of approximately HK\$3,117,000 during the period from the last balance sheet date to the date of disposal.

29. MAJOR NON-CASH TRANSACTIONS

Major non-cash transactions during the years of 2005 and 2004 have been disclosed in note 18, 23 and 24 respectively.

30. COMMITMENTS UNDER OPERATING LEASES

At the balance sheet date, the Group had total future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases in respect of office premises and equipment, which are payable as follows:

	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Within one year	846	855
In the second to fifth year inclusive	947	713
	1,793	1,568

The Group leases out all its investment properties under operating leases with average lease terms of 1 year. The future aggregate minimum rental receivable under non-cancellable operating leases is as follows:

	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Within one year	17	133
In the second to fifth year inclusive	—	—
	17	133

31. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Guarantees for banking facilities

At the balance sheet date, the Company had contingent liabilities not provided for in the financial statements in respect of guarantee of HK\$38,000,000 (2004: HK\$38,000,000) and HK\$30,000,000 (2004: HK\$75,000,000) for banking facilities granted to subsidiaries and an associate respectively, which were utilised by subsidiaries and an associate to the extent of HK\$18,399,000 (2004: HK\$32,054,000) and HK\$21,425,000 (2004: HK\$31,589,000) respectively.

32. PLEDGE OF ASSETS

At the balance sheet date, certain assets of the Group with the following carrying values have been pledged to secure general banking facilities granted to the Group:

	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Leasehold land and buildings	21,190	38,725
Investment properties	9,650	11,930
	<u>30,840</u>	<u>50,655</u>

33. DEFERRED TAXATION

Unrecognised deferred tax assets arising from

	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Deductible temporary differences	1,692	10,755
Tax losses	178,895	184,708
At balance sheet date	<u>180,587</u>	<u>195,463</u>

Both the tax losses and the deductible temporary differences have no expiry date under current tax legislation. Deferred tax assets of HK\$31,603,000 (2004: HK\$34,206,000) have not been recognised in respect of these items due to uncertainty of their recoverability.

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34. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Other than disclosed elsewhere in the financial statements, there are other related party transactions entered by the Group during the year, details of which are set out below:-

- (a) A property of the Group with net book value of HK\$21,190,000 (2004: HK\$21,724,000) is occupied by a brother of a director of the Company free of rental. The director's brother is a director of certain companies within the HMIL Group.
- (b) Details of the securities margin loans granted by HMIL Group to the executive directors of the Company are as follows:

Name of director	Granted by	Balance at 31.12.2005 HK\$'000	Balance at 1.1.2005 HK\$'000	Maximum amount outstanding during the year HK\$'000	Maturity	Interest rate per annum
King Phillip -margin loan	HMIL Group	264	—	561	N/A	5% - 7.5%
Wong Ying Seung, Asiong -margin loan	HMIL Group	6,011	45	7,545	N/A	5% - 7.5%
		<u>6,275</u>	<u>45</u>			

There was neither any interest due but unpaid nor any provision made against these loans at 31 December 2005.

- (c) During the year, the Group paid placing commission of HK\$690,480 (2004: HK\$825,000) and financial advisory fee of HK\$38,000 (2004: HK\$400,000) to subsidiaries of HMIL.
- (d) Compensation of key management personnel

The remuneration of directors and other members of key management during the year was as follows:

	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind	5,606	5,439
Contributions to MPF Scheme	78	72
	<u>5,684</u>	<u>5,511</u>

The remuneration of directors and key executives is reviewed by the remuneration committee having regard to the performance of individuals and market trends.

35. POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

Other than disclosed elsewhere in the financial statements, the following post balance sheet events were conducted:-

- (a) On 12 January 2006, the Company, through its subsidiary, entered into an agreement with a third party to acquire 25% interest in Amerinvest Coal Industry Holding Company Limited ("Amerinvest") at a consideration of HK\$66.25 million which has been satisfied by the issue and allotment of the 250,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.1 each of the Company at a price of HK\$0.265 per share to the third party. Amerinvest, through holding of 25% of the registered capital of West China Coking & Gas Company Limited, is an investment holding vehicle set up for the purpose of exploring and investing in coking and chemical projects in the mainland China.

On 20 March 2006, the Company, through its subsidiary, entered into another agreement with another third party to acquire a further 25% interest in Amerinvest at a consideration of HK\$69.9 million.

On completion of these agreements, Amerinvest will be accounted for as an associate of the Group.

- (b) On 13 January 2006, the Company, through its subsidiary, entered into an agreement ("the FM Agreement") with a third party to dispose of the Group's investment in Found Macau together with the Found Macau Loan of HK\$150 million at the cash consideration of HK\$75 million. Pursuant to the FM Agreement, a deposit of HK\$25 million has been received in January 2006 and the consecutive two instalments of HK\$25 million each will be paid on the dates falling 4 months and 8 months respectively from the date of the FM Agreement.
- (c) Subsequent to the balance sheet date, cash subscriptions of approximately HK\$51.3 million have been received for share options granted and exercised under the share option scheme.