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#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Patrick Lee Seng Wei Chief Executive

Li Chi Kong

Executive Director

Henry Lai Hin Wing

Non-Executive Director

Steven Lee Siu Chung

Non-Executive Director

John Douglas Mackie

Independent Non-Executive Director

Steven Samuel Zoellner

Independent Non-Executive Director

Alan Stephen Jones

Independent Non-Executive Director

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Patrick Lee Seng Wei Chairman Li Chi Kong

#### REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

Alan Stephen Jones Chairman Henry Lai Hin Wing John Douglas Mackie Steven Samuel Zoellner

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

Alan Stephen Jones Chairman Henry Lai Hin Wing John Douglas Mackie Steven Samuel Zoellner

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#### COMPANY SECRETARY

Phoebe Lau Mei Yi

#### **A**UDITORS

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Fred Kan & Co.

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#### Introduction

The core businesses of the Company and its subsidiaries and associates consist of property investment, property development, hospitality related activities and financial services. The Company is a subsidiary of Allied Group Limited ("Allied Group"). The Company's interests in property investment and development and hospitality related activities in Hong Kong are mainly held through its wholly owned subsidiaries or the 50% owned Allied Kajima Limited ("Allied Kajima"), and in respect of property investment and development and hospitality related activities in The People's Republic of China ("PRC"), through Tian An China Investments Company Limited ("Tian An"), being an associate held by Sun Hung Kai & Co. Limited ("Sun Hung Kai"). The Company's financial services business is mainly conducted through its 74.99% holding in Sun Hung Kai.

#### FINANCIAL RESULTS

The profit attributable to the equity holders of the Company for the year was approximately HK\$935.3 million. (2004: HK\$563.0 million, as restated). The increase was mainly represented by the gain in fair value of the investment property portfolio of the Group partially reduced by the termination of release of negative goodwill and amortisation of negative goodwill from the beginning 2005. Earnings per share amounted to HK\$1.74 (2004: HK\$1.14, as restated). The effects of the changes in accounting policies are outlined in note 3 to the financial statements.

#### DIVIDEND AND BOOK CLOSE

The board of directors of the Company ("Board") has proposed a final dividend of HK10 cents per share (2004: HK5 cents) payable to shareholders whose names appear on the register of members of the Company on Friday, 26th May, 2006.

The register of members of the Company will be closed from Monday, 22nd May, 2006 to Friday, 26th May, 2006, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be registered. In order to qualify for the final dividend, all transfers of shares accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's share registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited of Shops 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong for registration not later than 4:00 p.m. on Friday, 19th May, 2006. Subject to approval by the shareholders at the forthcoming annual general meeting ("AGM") of the Company to be held on Friday, 26th May, 2006, dividend warrants are expected to be despatched on Tuesday, 27th June, 2006.

#### PROPOSED BONUS ISSUE OF WARRANTS

The Board is also pleased to announce that the Company has proposed a bonus issue of warrants ("Bonus Issue") to the shareholders of the Company on the basis of one bonus warrant for every five shares held, at an initial subscription price of HK\$10.00 per share with a term of three years. Details of the Bonus Issue are set out in an announcement of the Company dated 12th April, 2006 and a circular for further details of the Bonus Issue will be sent to the shareholders as soon as practicable.

#### FINANCIAL REVIEW

#### Segmental Information

Detailed segmental information in respect of the Group's revenue and segmental results as well as other information is shown in note 8 to the financial statements.

#### Financial Resources, Liquidity and Capital Structure

The Group is principally financed by net cash inflow from operating activities and banking facilities granted by the banks. The banking facilities of the Group are reviewed from time to time and new banking facilities will be obtained or renewed to meet the funding requirements for capital commitments, investments and operations of the Group.

At 31st December, 2005, the current ratio (current assets/current liabilities) of the Group was 1.73 times, which increased from the 1.70 times applicable at the end of the preceding year.

At 31st December, 2005, the Group's net borrowings amounted to HK\$1,408.0 million (2004: HK\$1,179.9 million), representing bank borrowings and loan notes of HK\$1,890.2 million (2004: HK\$1,779.4 million) less bank deposits, bank balances and cash of HK\$482.2 million (2004: HK\$599.5 million) and the Group had equity attributable to equity holders of the Company of HK\$7,070.5 million (2004: HK\$5,376.5 million, as restated). Accordingly, the Group's gearing ratio of net borrowings to equity attributable to equity holders of the Company was 19.9% (2004: 21.9%).

20	005	2004
HK\$'	000	HK\$'000
Bank borrowings of the Group are repayable as follows:		
Within one year or on demand 950,5	33	603,180
More than one year but not exceeding two years 606,9	139	226,738
More than two years but not exceeding five years 211,2	:14	733,469
More than five years 57,6	510	86,362
1,825,9	96	1,649,749
Loan notes repayable within five years 64,5	252	129,637
1,890,2	48	1,779,386

Most of the bank borrowings of the Group are charged at floating interest rates.

#### Risk of Foreign Exchange Fluctuation

The fluctuation in exchange rates and market prices does not impose a significant risk to the Group as its level of foreign currency exposure is relatively immaterial.

#### Acquisitions and Disposals

During the year, Sun Hung Kai group acquired the entire interest in Hing Yip Holdings Limited and Sing Hing Investment Limited from a wholly-owned subsidiary of Tian An at a total consideration of HK\$52.3 million. These two subsidiaries are principally engaged in property investment in China and own certain office premises in the Tian An Centre in Shanghai. A portion of the office premises is occupied by Sun Hung Kai's Shanghai offices to facilitate expansion while some units not being occupied by the Sun Hung Kai group are leased out for rental income.

#### FINANCIAL REVIEW (CONT'D)

#### Acquisitions and Disposals (Cont'd)

In March 2005, Sun Hung Kai group acquired the entire interest in Excalibur Futures Limited ("Excalibur Futures") and Excalibur Securities Limited ("Excalibur Securities") at a total consideration of HK\$25.9 million. Excalibur Futures is principally engaged in futures dealing and broking whereas Excalibur Securities is engaged in securities broking.

Other than the above acquisitions, there were no material acquisitions or disposals of subsidiaries, associates and jointly controlled entities during the year.

#### **Contingent Liabilities**

Details of contingent liabilities are set out in note 44 to the financial statements.

#### Material Litigation Update

- (a) An update on the litigation by Shanghai Finance Holdings Limited ("SFHL") against Sun Tai Cheung Credits Limited ("STCC") and Sun Hung Kai Investment Services Limited ("SHKIS") (200/2004) and the litigation by New World Development Company Limited and Stapleton Development Limited against Sun Hung Kai Securities Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Sun Hung Kai are set out in paragraphs (b) and (c) of note 44 to the financial statements on "Contingent Liabilities".
- Shun Loong Finance Limited and Shun Loong Holdings Limited (together the "Petitioners"), both indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries of Sun Hung Kai, filed a winding-up petition on 19th February, 2004 in the British Virgin Islands ("B.V.I.") seeking an order that SFHL be wound up by reason of its failure to pay debts owing to the Petitioners. The B.V.I. proceedings were stayed by order of the B.V.I. court. The Petitioners have appealed that decision but have agreed not to pursue the appeal during the stay of 200/ 2004.
- Sun Hung Kai, STCC and SHKIS filed a writ on 7th February, 2004 (230/2004) naming as defendants Shanghai Land Holdings Limited, Stephen Liu Yiu Keung, Yeo Boon Ann, The Standard Newspapers Publishing Limited and Hong Kong Economic Times Limited and claiming damages for libel, injunctive relief, interest and costs. The case remains at an early stage.
- (d) SHKIS filed a notice of action on 8th June, 2004 in Canada naming as defendants Sung Chun ("Sung"), Song Lei ("Song") and the Bank of Montreal claiming from Sung and Song reimbursement for funds totalling US\$1,300,000 transferred by them in addition to costs, and against the Bank of Montreal for an injunction freezing the subject funds or alternatively for payment of the funds into court. SHKIS discontinued the action in respect of the Bank of Montreal, and agreed to a dismissal of the action against Song. On 31st March, 2005, the Court granted summary judgment to SHKIS ("Summary Judgment") in the amount of Canadian currency sufficient to purchase HK\$10,533,000 plus prejudgment and postjudgment interest thereon. On 24th January, 2006, SHKIS received in partial satisfaction of the Summary Judgment order C\$14,071 and US\$1,288,555 (i.e. together HK\$10,008,868) that had been held in custody of the Superior Court of Justice.
- (e) SHKIS filed a writ on 23rd July, 2004 in Hong Kong naming as defendants Sellon Enterprises Limited ("Sellon"), Sung and Song and seeking a declaration that Sellon holds property wholly or in part on trust for SHKIS. The case remains at an early stage.

## Review of Operations (Cont'd)

#### FINANCIAL REVIEW (CONT'D)

#### Pledge of Assets

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Details regarding pledge of assets are set out in note 48 to the financial statements.

#### Events After the Balance Sheet Date

Details regarding events after the balance sheet date are set out in note 51 to the financial statements.

#### **OPERATIONAL REVIEW**

#### **PROPERTIES**

#### Hong Kong

The Group's investment property portfolio continued to record improving results, benefiting from the buoyant local property market. St. George Apartments, Century Court, Allied Cargo Centre, Park Place, 22nd Floor of No. 9 Queen's Road Central and China Online Centre all achieved higher rental income as and when leases were renewed during the year. Contribution from Ibis North Point continued to strengthen during the second half of the year. The hotel operating income almost doubled compared with that of last year due to the rise in the number of rooms and the increased average room rates.

With the application of the new Hong Kong Accounting Standards, the Group has adopted the fair value model for its investment properties. As at the year end, the investment properties of the Group were revalued by an independent professional firm of valuers, resulting in a valuation surplus of approximately HK\$522.3 million which was reported in the consolidated income statement for the year.

Allied Kajima, 50% indirectly owned by the Group and holding properties including Allied Kajima Building, Novotel Century Hong Kong hotel and the Philippine Plaza Hotel, contributed an increase in profit of 363.9% in 2005 as compared to that of 2004. The increase was mainly due to a revaluation of its investment property and a stronger performance by Novotel Century Hong Kong hotel, which recorded significantly higher average room rates.

#### Mainland PRC

Tian An, a listed associate of Sun Hung Kai and the Group's PRC property unit, registered a 10.2% increase in net profit attributable to its equity holders to HK\$202.5 million. The increase in profit for the year is largely the result of an increase in the valuation of Tian An's investment properties. Tian An as a whole registered lower sales of total gross floor area of approximately 138,000 m<sup>2</sup>, as compared to 225,000 m<sup>2</sup> in 2004.

The decline in sales is the direct result of management's decision to maximise its profit margin from its development properties, and to retain for their rental income selected properties which Tian An believes will provide increasing rental streams with corresponding increases in value.

#### OPERATIONAL REVIEW (CONT'D)

#### Mainland PRC (Cont'd)

The major projects developed by the Tian An group that are expected to come on stream in the coming year comprise Shanghai Tian An Villa (Phase 2), Shanghai Tian An Place (Phase 1), Nantong Tian An Garden (Phase 3), Guangzhou Panyu Hi-Tech Ecological Park (Phase 3), and Shenzhen Tian An Cyber Park - Golf & Seaview Garden (Phase 3).

Tian An forecasts a positive outlook for the PRC economy and property market for the foreseeable future and accordingly its objectives for 2006 will be to continue to dispose of non-core assets, increase its land bank in major cities as and when opportunities arise, maximise its development profit, increase its recurrent rental income, streamline operating processes, and continue to strengthen the professional management team.

#### FINANCIAL SERVICES

Sun Hung Kai, the Group's broking arm, recorded a profit attributable to its equity holders of HK\$401.5 million (2004: HK\$378.7 million, as restated).

Securities broking commissions formed the principal source of Sun Hung Kai's income in 2005. The company actively participated in numerous issues of new shares offerings, sub-underwriting and placements of equities and warrants for clients. Third-party execution provided to non-exchange participants continued to contribute sound revenues. While Sun Hung Kai was not as active as a liquidity provider for warrant issuers as in the past, the income growth from structured products was generally pleasing.

Securities financing recorded strong net revenues as a result of the expanded loan portfolio and active participation in IPO financing.

During the year, Sun Hung Kai's corporate finance division successfully sponsored three IPOs on the main board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Stock Exchange") and completed the secondary placement of shares in a number of listed companies. Furthermore, the division was appointed as the financial adviser on the repurchase offer/mandatory general offer for shares and the independent financial adviser on certain notifiable and connected transactions of several listed companies. It was also actively involved in a number of underwriting exercises for IPO issues and will continue to focus on securing IPO projects for medium-sized enterprises in both Hong Kong and China as well as performing financial advisory and placing services for listed companies in Hong Kong.

A hedge fund division was formed in 2005 and the first in-house hedge fund was launched in June 2005. The division also hopes to launch a number of new hedge funds in 2006. A subsidiary company in the alternative investments division was appointed as the replacement manager for an umbrella fund in January 2006. This appointment brings a further US\$410 million of investor funds under Sun Hung Kai's management.

The Shun Loong group of companies which was acquired in 2003 is being actively integrated with the overall operations of Sun Hung Kai.

#### OPERATIONAL REVIEW (CONT'D)

#### **INVESTMENTS**

#### Quality HealthCare Asia Limited ("QHA")

QHA, a 34.39% owned listed associate of Sun Hung Kai, was successful in delivering significantly improved results for 2005 with a 24.7% increase in net profit to HK\$56.1 million. The improved performance was a result of increases in visits from both contract and private paying clients and an overall growth in the total number of corporate clients served.

Major resources were dedicated towards renovation and upgrading some of the key medical centres, including the flagship centre at Prince's Building. The purposes of the renovation were to upgrade the facilities, enhance the operational efficiency and improve the ambience of the centres in order to deliver a better experience for clients.

At 7th April, 2006, the Company, Sun Hung Kai and Allied Group, being the ultimate holding company, jointly announced that Wah Cheong Development (B.V.I.) Limited ("Wah Cheong"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Sun Hung Kai, had entered into a conditional option agreement pursuant to which Wah Cheong was granted an option to acquire further 34,155,666 shares in QHA from CLSA Capital Limited ("CLSA") at an option consideration of HK\$27,752,291. Details of the transaction are set out in note 51 to the financial statements.

#### Yu Ming Investments Limited ("Yu Ming")

Yu Ming, a 22.43% owned listed associate of Sun Hung Kai, recorded profit attributable to its equity holders of HK\$144.7 million (2004: HK\$39.4 million). The increase in profit was mainly as a result of share of profit from investment in Argyle Centre, which has appreciated significantly in value. However, Yu Ming's performance was adversely affected by Oriental Cashmere Limited ("Oriental Cashmere") and its high-yield bond portfolio.

At 31st December, 2005, Yu Ming's major investments were in AsiaWorld-Expo, retail shops in Mongkok and Causeway Bay, CR Airways Limited, Oriental Cashmere, high-yield bonds and equity securities.

AsiaWorld-Expo, of which Yu Ming has an effective 8.1% equity interest and 40% in the management right, was officially opened in December 2005. Bookings have already been received for 2009, and revenue is exceeding original expectations.

#### OPERATIONAL REVIEW (CONT'D)

#### INVESTMENTS (Cont'd)

#### Shanghai Allied Cement Limited ("SAC")

SAC, a 54.77% owned listed subsidiary of Tian An, reported a loss attributable to its equity holders of HK\$35.2 million (2004: profit of HK\$10.4 million, as restated). The loss resulted from the low cement price and strong coal price throughout the year, as well as the fact that two new production lines of SAC only commenced production in 2005. SAC's management is cautiously optimistic on the long-term prospects of the cement industry in the PRC and hopes to take advantage of the present competitive environment to review its businesses and improve its cost structure and efficiency.

#### MAJOR CUSTOMERS AND SUPPLIERS

The aggregate sales attributable to the Group's five largest customers accounted for less than 30% of the total turnover for the year. Also, the aggregate purchases attributable to the Group's five largest suppliers taken together were less than 30% of the Group's total purchases for the year.

#### **EMPLOYEES**

The total number of staff of the Group at 31st December, 2005 was 1,662 (2004: 1,774). Total staff costs, including Directors' emoluments, amounted to HK\$224.5 million (2004: HK\$231.7 million). The Group reviews remuneration packages from time to time and normally annually. Besides salary payments, other staff benefits include contributions to employee provident funds, medical subsidies and a discretionary bonus scheme.

#### MANAGEMENT OF RISKS

The management of risks in respect of the Group's broking and finance businesses is primarily conducted by Sun Hung Kai and described as follows:

#### Financial Risk

The financial risk management is discussed in note 6 to the financial statements on "Financial Risk Management Objectives and Policies".

#### MANAGEMENT OF RISKS (CONT'D)

#### Operational Risk

Operational risk has been defined as the risk of loss resulting from inadequate or failed internal processes, people and systems or from external events.

The Group places importance on ensuring that there is an effective operational risk management framework by maintaining strong risk and internal control cultures, including clear lines of responsibility and segregation of duties, effective internal reporting and contingency planning.

Line management is required to declare and submit annually its "responsibility statement for internal control procedures" for review by the internal audit and compliance department ("IAC").

#### Reputational Risk

A key factor for businesses in the financial services sector is their reputation for financial probity and prudence. In our case, with our important and valuable "brand", we manage these risks through our strong internal controls and risk management regime, by comprehensive employee training and operational manuals in key areas, and by the strength and independence of the IAC.

#### **O**UTLOOK

The Hong Kong economy is expected to continue to enjoy benefits from the stable local economic environment and the vigorous growth in the Mainland economy. With the improved employment situation, rising labour income and enhanced economic co-operation with the Pan-Pearl River Delta, the local economy is benefiting from solid growth in private expenditure. However, the persistently high global oil prices and interest rates are still the factors that may negatively influence the market sentiment in 2006.

The Group expects its office and residential portfolio will continue to benefit from the positive local property market, with occupancy rates of the Group's investment properties expected to remain high. The promising tourism industry in Hong Kong will be beneficial to the Group's hotel business.

Barring any unexpected external factors, the Group takes a positive outlook on local business conditions in the year 2006. However, given the high oil prices and interest rates, the rate of economic growth is anticipated to be slower than that of last year. The Group will maintain its cautious strategy by maintaining healthy cash management, balanced capital structure and will seek viable business opportunities that will deliver long term and sustainable values to the shareholders of the Company.

#### **APPRECIATION**

The Board would like to thank all the staff for achieving the commendable results for 2005, and would like to express appreciation to the shareholders for their continual support. Special mention should be made of Sir Gordon Macwhinnie who retired as Chairman of the Group at the end of 2005. The Group and its management have benefited from sharing his wealth of experience and his valuable advice. We wish him a happy retirement.

Patrick Lee Seng Wei

 $Chief\ Executive$ 

 $Hong\ Kong,\ 12th\ April,\ 2006$ 

#### PATRICK LEE SENG WEI

Mr. Patrick Lee Seng Wei, aged 54, joined the Company in February 1987 as an Executive Director and became the Chief Executive of the Company in March 1994. An architect, he worked for IBM Australia before becoming involved in property development in Malaysia and Hong Kong for more than twenty years. He has extensive experience in the property field. He is also an executive director of Sun Hung Kai and an executive director, chairman and the acting managing director of Tian An.

#### KENNETH LI CHI KONG

Mr. Kenneth Li Chi Kong, aged 52, a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland and a fellow of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA"), was appointed Financial Controller and Executive Director of the Company in August 1997 and October 1999 respectively. He has broad experience in the finance and accounting field, having worked in two major audit firms and as group financial controller for several sizeable listed companies in Hong Kong. He is also an executive director of Tian An and SAC, and the group financial controller of Allied Group.

#### HENRY LAI HIN WING

Mr. Henry Lai Hin Wing, aged 49, was appointed an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company in February 2001 and re-designated as a Non-Executive Director of the Company in September 2004. He is a partner of Messrs. P. C. Woo & Co., a firm of solicitors and notaries in Hong Kong, and has been practising in the legal field for more than twenty-three years. Graduated from the University of Hong Kong with a Bachelor of Law degree, Mr. Lai was admitted as a solicitor in Hong Kong, England and Wales and the State of Victoria, Australia. Mr. Lai is a Notary Public and a China Appointed Attesting Officer in Hong Kong. He also serves on the board of another listed company as an independent non-executive director.

#### STEVEN LEE SIU CHUNG

Mr. Steven Lee Siu Chung, aged 58, was appointed a Non-Executive Director of the Company in September 2004. He is an associate member of the Chartered Institute of Bankers, London, U.K. He has over thirty-two years of working experience at senior management level in the banking and financial industry in Hong Kong and overseas. Mr. Lee is an employee of AG Capital Limited ("AG Capital") which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Allied Group. He is also a non-executive director of SAC.

### JOHN DOUGLAS MACKIE

Mr. John Douglas Mackie, aged 77, was appointed an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company in February 2004. He is the founder and chairman of JDM Associates Limited, and was a major shareholder of a group of companies which is a leading distributor of sports and leisure merchandise in Hong Kong. Graduated from the University of Western Australia and Harvard Business School, Mr. Mackie has over fifty years of performance orientated experience as chief executive officer and lately sole proprietor serving in general, marketing consultancy and representation, and has had extensive experience and successes in agency distribution, manufacturing - proprietary and franchised retailing - supermarket, drugstore specialised products and sourcing. He is also an independent non-executive director of Allied Group.

#### STEVEN SAMUEL ZOELLNER

Mr. Steven Samuel Zoellner, aged 36, was appointed an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company in September 2004. He graduated from the Scots College in Sydney, Australia and completed a real estate licensing course. Mr. Zoellner has been a real estate agent since 1987 and has extensive experience in the industry. Mr. Zoellner has been involved in some of the more prominent upper end residential sales and development sites in Australia. He has previously owned Elders Double Bay for the provision of a variety of real estate services which he sold in the year 2000. He is currently a director of Laing & Simmons Double Bay which consistently sells the most exclusive real estate in Australia.

#### **ALAN STEPHEN JONES**

Mr. Alan Stephen Jones, aged 63, was appointed an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company in January 2006. Mr. Jones, a chartered accountant, has extensive experience in management, administration, accounting, property development, carparking, finance and trading and has been involved in successful mergers and acquisitions of a number of public companies in Australia and internationally. Mr. Jones is also an independent non-executive director of Allied Group and Sun Hung Kai.

#### Wu Kwan Yet

Mr. Wu Kwan Yet, aged 41, jointed the Company in 1998 and is the Qualified Accountant of the Company. He obtained a Master Degree in Professional Accounting from The Hong Kong Polytechnic University in 2001 and is an associate member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants and an associate member of the HKICPA.

#### PHOEBE LAU MEI YI

Miss Phoebe Lau Mei Yi, aged 39, was appointed Company Secretary of the Company in March 2004. She is an associate member of The Hong Kong Institute of Chartered Secretaries and The Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators. She is also the company secretary of Allied Group.

## Corporate Governance Report

The Company is committed to maintaining a high standard of corporate governance within a sensible framework with an emphasis on the principles of transparency, accountability and independence. The Board believes that good corporate governance is essential to the success of the Company and the enhancement of shareholders' value.

#### CODE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES

In the light of the Code on Corporate Governance Practices ("CG Code") contained in Appendix 14 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange ("Listing Rules") which came into effect on 1st January, 2005, the Board has reviewed the corporate governance practices of the Company with the adoption and improvement of the various procedures and documentation which are detailed in this report. The Company has applied the principles of and complied with the applicable code provisions of the CG Code during the year ended 31st December, 2005, except for certain deviations as specified with considered reasons for such deviations as explained below.

#### THE BOARD

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The Board currently comprises seven Directors and its composition is set out as follows:

**Executive Directors:** Patrick Lee Seng Wei (Chief Executive)

Li Chi Kong

**Non-Executive Directors:** Henry Lai Hin Wing

Steven Lee Siu Chung

**Independent Non-Executive Directors ("INEDs"):** John Douglas Mackie

> Steven Samuel Zoellner Alan Stephen Jones

(appointed on 3rd January, 2006)

The brief biographical details of the Directors are set out in the "Profile of Directors and Senior Management" section on pages 12 and 13.

The Non-Executive Directors (a majority of whom are independent) provide the Group with a wide range of expertise and experience. Their active participation in Board and committee meetings brings independent judgment on issues relating to the Group's strategy, performance and management process, taking into account the interests of all shareholders.

The Company has three INEDs representing more than one-third of the Board. At least one of the INEDs has appropriate professional qualifications or accounting or related financial management expertise under Rule 3.10 of the Listing Rules. The Board has received from each INED an annual confirmation of his independence and considers that all the INEDs are independent under the guidelines set out in Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules.

#### THE BOARD (CONT'D)

The Board meets regularly to discuss the overall strategy as well as the operation and financial performance of the Group, and to review and approve the Group's annual and interim results. During the year, five Board meetings were held and attendance of each Director at the Board meetings is set out as follows:

> Number of Board meetings attended/eligible to attend

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Executive Directors:	
Patrick Lee Seng Wei	5/5
Li Chi Kong	5/5
Non-Executive Directors:	
Henry Lai Hin Wing	3/5
Steven Lee Siu Chung	5/5
INEDs:	
John Douglas Mackie	4/5
Steven Samuel Zoellner	3/5
Gordon Macwhinnie (former Chairman)	5/5
(retired on 30th December, 2005)	

The Board has reserved for its decision or consideration matters covering mainly the Group's overall strategy, annual operating budget, annual and interim results, recommendations on Directors' appointment or re-appointment, material contracts and transactions as well as other significant policy and financial matters. The Board has delegated the daily operations and administration to the executive management under the supervision of the Executive Committee which has its specific written terms of reference. The respective functions of the Board and management of the Company have been formalised and set out in writing in terms approved by the Board in June 2005. The Board will review the same once a year.

Board meetings are scheduled one year in advance to facilitate maximum attendance of Directors and to be held at approximately quarterly intervals and as required by business needs. At least 14 days' notice of a Board meeting is normally given to all Directors who are given an opportunity to include matters for discussion in the agenda. The Company Secretary assists the Chairman in preparing the agenda for meetings and ensures that all applicable rules and regulations are complied with. The agenda and the accompanying board papers are normally sent to all Directors at least 3 days before the intended date of a regular Board meeting (and so far as practicable for such other Board meetings). Draft minutes of each Board meeting are circulated to all Directors for their comment before the same are tabled at the following Board meeting for approval. All minutes are kept by the Company Secretary and are open for inspection at any reasonable time on reasonable notice by any Director.

Every Director is entitled to have access to Board papers and related materials and has access to the advice and services of the Company Secretary. The Board and each Director also have separate and independent access to the Company's senior management. Directors will be continuously updated on the major development of the Listing Rules and other applicable regulatory requirements to ensure compliance and upkeep of good corporate governance practices. In addition, a written procedure was established in June 2005 to confirm the Directors' power in relation to their own duties to seek independent professional advice in appropriate circumstances at a reasonable cost to be borne by the Company.



#### ROLES OF CHAIRMAN AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE

The roles of the Chairman and the Chief Executive of the Company are separate to reinforce their respective independence and accountability. The Chairman of the Company is responsible for the leadership of the Board while the Chief Executive is responsible for running the business of the Company. On 30th December, 2005, Sir Gordon Macwhinnie retired as the Non-Executive Chairman and an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company. Thereafter, the post of the Chairman has been temporarily vacant as the Board is seeking for a suitable person to act as the Chairman. The Chief Executive of the Company is Mr. Patrick Lee Seng Wei who is also an Executive Director of the Company. The responsibilities of the Chairman and the Chief Executive are clearly segregated and have been set out in writing and approved by the Board in June 2005.

#### APPOINTMENT AND RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

In June 2005, the Board established and adopted a written nomination procedure ("Nomination Procedure") specifying the process and criteria for the selection and recommendation of candidates for directorship of the Company. The Executive Committee shall, based on those criteria as set out in the Nomination Procedure (such as appropriate experience, personal skills and time commitment etc.), identify and recommend a proposed candidate to the Board for approval of an appointment.

Every newly appointed Director of the Company will receive an information package from the Company Secretary on the first occasion of his appointment. This information package is a comprehensive, formal and tailored induction on the responsibilities and on-going obligations to be observed by a director pursuant to the Companies Ordinance, Listing Rules and Securities and Futures Ordinance ("SFO"). In addition, this information package includes materials to briefly describe the operations and business of the Company. Directors will be continuously updated on the major development of the Listing Rules and other applicable regulatory requirements to ensure compliance and upkeep of good corporate governance practices.

The Non-Executive Directors of the Company had no fixed term of office prior to 30th June, 2005, but retired from office on a rotational basis in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Company's Articles of Association. According to the Articles of Association of the Company then in effect before 3rd June, 2005, at each annual general meeting of the Company, one-third of the Directors for the time being or, if their number is not three or a multiple of three, then the number nearest one-third, should retire from office by rotation, provided that no Director holding office as an executive chairman or as a managing director or as a chief executive should be subject to retirement by rotation. Further, any Director appointed to fill a casual vacancy or as an addition to the Board should hold office only until the next following annual general meeting and would then be eligible for re-election at that meeting.

To fully comply with the code provision A.4.1 of the CG Code, all the existing Non-Executive Directors of the Company were appointed for a specific term which shall continue until 31st December, 2006, but subject to the relevant provisions of the Articles of Association of the Company or any other applicable laws whereby the Directors shall vacate or retire from their office. In addition, to ensure full compliance with the code provision A.4.2 of the CG Code, relevant amendments to the Articles of Association of the Company were proposed and approved by the shareholders at the annual general meeting of the Company held on 3rd June, 2005 so that (i) any Director appointed to fill a casual vacancy shall be subject to re-election by shareholders at the Company's first general meeting after the appointment; and (ii) every Director shall be subject to retirement by rotation at least once three years.

#### **BOARD COMMITTEES**

The Board has established various committees, including a Remuneration Committee, an Audit Committee and an Executive Committee, each of which has its specific written terms of reference. Copies of minutes of all meetings and resolutions of the committees, which are kept by the Company Secretary, are circulated to all Board members and the committees are required to report back to the Board on their decision and recommendations where appropriate. The procedures and arrangements for a Board meeting, as mentioned on page 14 in the section "The Board" above, have been adopted for the committee meetings so far as practicable.

#### **Remuneration Committee**

The Remuneration Committee has been established in December 1993 and currently consists of four members, including Messrs. Alan Stephen Jones (Chairman), John Douglas Mackie and Steven Samuel Zoellner being the INEDs, and Mr. Henry Lai Hin Wing being the Non-Executive Director. The Remuneration Committee is provided with sufficient resources to discharge its duties and has access to independent professional advice in accordance with the Company's policy if considered necessary.

The major roles and functions of the Remuneration Committee are:

- to review and recommend to the Board the remuneration policy and packages of the Directors and, where appropriate, to consult the Chairman and/or the Chief Executive about the committee's proposals relating to the remuneration of other Executive Directors;
- (ii) to review and recommend performance-based remuneration by reference to corporate goals and objectives approved by the Board from time to time;
- (iii) to review and recommend the compensation payable to Executive Directors relating to any loss or termination of their office or appointment;
- (iv) to review and recommend compensation arrangements relating to dismissal or removal of Directors for misconduct; and
- to ensure that no Director is involved in deciding his own remuneration.

The terms of reference of the Remuneration Committee of the Company were revised in June 2005 to comply with the code provision B.1.3 of the CG Code, but with a deviation from the code provision of the remuneration committee's responsibilities to determine the specific remuneration packages of all executive directors and senior management of a listed company. The Board considers that the Remuneration Committee of the Company should review (as opposed to determine) and make recommendations to the Board on the remuneration packages of Executive Directors only and not senior management for the following reasons:

the Board believes that the Remuneration Committee is not properly in a position to evaluate the performance of senior management and that this evaluation process is more effectively carried out by the **Executive Directors**;

#### Remuneration Committee (Cont'd)

- (ii) a majority of the Remuneration Committee members are INEDs who may not be industry skilled and come from differing professions and backgrounds and they are not involved in the daily operation of the Company. They may have little direct knowledge of industry practice and standard compensation packages. The Remuneration Committee is thus not in a position to properly determine the remuneration of the Executive Directors;
- (iii) the Executive Directors must be in a position to supervise and control senior management and thus must be able to control their compensation; and
- (iv) there is no reason for Executive Directors to pay senior management more than industry standards and thus shareholders will benefit by reducing costs in the fixing of such compensation packages.

The revised terms of reference of the Remuneration Committee have been posted on the Company's website in June 2005.

The Remuneration Committee shall meet at least once a year. One committee meeting was held in 2005 and the attendance of each member is set out as follows:

	Number of committee meeting
Committee member	attended/eligible to attend
Gordon Macwhinnie (former Chairman)	1/1
(retired on 30th December, 2005)	
Henry Lai Hin Wing	1/1
John Douglas Mackie	1/1
Steven Samuel Zoellner	1/1

In addition to the Committee meeting, the Remuneration Committee also dealt with matters by way of circulation during 2005. In 2005, the Remuneration Committee had performed the work as summarised below:

- reviewed and recommended for the Board's approval regarding the payment of a performance bonus to the Chief Executive for the year ended 31st December, 2004;
- (ii) reviewed and recommended for the Board's approval regarding the proposed consultancy fee of a newly appointed INED;
- (iii) reviewed and discussed the policy and structure for the remuneration of Directors; and
- (iv) reviewed and discussed the existing remuneration packages of all the Executive Directors and Non-Executive Directors (including the INEDs).

The remuneration payable to Directors will depend on their respective contractual terms under their employment contracts or service contracts as approved by the Board on the recommendation of the Remuneration Committee. Details of the Directors' remuneration are set out in note 10 to the financial statements.

#### **Audit Committee**

The Audit Committee has been established in December 1993 and currently consists of four Non-Executive Directors, three of whom are INEDs. To retain independence and objectivity, the Audit Committee has been chaired by an INED (with appropriate professional qualifications or accounting or related financial management expertise) since December 1993. The current members of the Audit Committee are Messrs. Alan Stephen Jones (Chairman), Henry Lai Hin Wing, John Douglas Mackie and Steven Samuel Zoellner. The Audit Committee is provided with sufficient resources to discharge its duties and has access to independent professional advice according to the Company's policy if considered necessary.

The major roles and functions of the Audit Committee are:

- to consider and recommend to the Board on the appointment, re-appointment and removal of the external auditors, to approve the remuneration and terms of engagement of the external auditors, and any questions of resignation or dismissal of those auditors;
- (ii) to consider and discuss with the external auditors the nature and scope of each year's audit;
- (iii) to review and monitor the external auditors' independence and objectivity;
- (iv) to review the interim and annual financial statements before submission to the Board;
- to discuss any problems and reservation arising from the interim review and final audit, and any matters the external auditors may wish to discuss;
- (vi) to review the external auditors' management letters and management's response;
- (vii) to review the Group's financial controls, internal control and risk management systems; and
- (viii) to consider any findings of major investigations of internal control matters as delegated by the Board and management's response.

The terms of reference of the Audit Committee of the Company were revised in June 2005 to comply with the code provision C.3.3 of the CG Code, but with the deviations from the code provision of the audit committee's responsibility to:

- implement policy on the engagement of the external auditors to supply non-audit services;
- ensure the management has discharged its duty to have an effective internal control system; and
- (iii) ensure coordination between the internal and external auditors, and ensure that the internal audit function is adequately resourced and has appropriate standing within the listed company.

#### **Audit Committee (Cont'd)**

The Board considers that the Audit Committee of the Company should recommend (as opposed to implement) the policy for the following reasons:

- it is proper, and appropriate for the Board and its committees to develop policy and make appropriate recommendations;
- (ii) the proper and appropriate mechanism for implementation of such policy and recommendations is through the Executive Directors and management; and
- (iii) INEDs are not in an effective position to implement policy and follow up the same on a day-to-day basis.

Further, the Board considers that the Audit Committee of the Company only possesses the effective ability to scrutinize (as opposed to ensure) whether management has discharged its duty to have an effective internal control system. The Audit Committee is not equipped to ensure that the same is in place as this would involve day-to-day supervision and the employment of permanent experts. The Audit Committee is not in a position either to ensure coordination between internal auditors (if any) and external auditors but it can promote such co-ordination. Similarly, the Audit Committee is not in a position to ensure that the internal audit function (if any) is adequately resourced but it can monitor whether it is adequately resourced.

The revised terms of reference of the Audit Committee have been posted on the Company's website in June 2005.

The Audit Committee shall meet at least twice a year. Two committee meetings were held in 2005 and the attendance of each member is set out as follows:

	Number of committee meetings
Committee member	attended/eligible to attend
Gordon Macwhinnie (former Chairman)	2/2
(retired on 30th December, 2005)	
Henry Lai Hin Wing	2/2
John Douglas Mackie	1/2
Steven Samuel Zoellner	2/2

#### **Audit Committee (Cont'd)**

During the meetings held in 2005, the Audit Committee had performed the work as summarised below:

- reviewed the external auditors' report of finding in relation to the final audit of the Group for the year ended 31st December, 2004;
- (ii) reviewed the external auditors' independent review report in relation to the 2005 interim review for the six months ended 30th June, 2005;
- (iii) reviewed the financial reports for the year ended 31st December, 2004 together with the relevant letter of representation and recommended the same to the Board for approval;
- (iv) reviewed the financial reports for the six months ended 30th June, 2005 and recommended the same to the Board for approval; and
- (v) reviewed the audit scope and fees proposed by the external auditors regarding the 2005 interim review for the six months ended 30th June, 2005 and recommended the same to the Board/Executive Committee for approval.

#### **Executive Committee**

The Executive Committee has been established in January 1993 and currently consists of two Executive Directors, being Messrs. Patrick Lee Seng Wei (Chairman) and Li Chi Kong. The Executive Committee is vested with all the general powers of management and control of the activities of the Group as are vested in the Board of the Company, save for those matters which are reserved for the Board's decision and approval pursuant to the written terms of reference of the Executive Committee.

The Executive Committee meets as and when necessary to discuss the operating affairs of the Group. It is mainly responsible for undertaking and supervising the day-to-day management and is empowered:

- (i) to formulate and implement policies for the business activities, internal control and administration of the Group; and
- (ii) to plan and decide on strategies to be adopted for the business activities of the Group.

#### CODES FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS BY DIRECTORS AND RELEVANT EMPLOYEES

The Company has adopted the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers ("Model Code") as set out in Appendix 10 of the Listing Rules as its code of conduct regarding securities transactions by the Directors. All Directors have confirmed, following a specific enquiry by the Company, that they have complied with the required standard as set out in the Model Code.

To comply with the code provisions A.5.4 of the CG Code, the Company has also established and adopted in June 2005 the Model Code, to regulate dealings in the securities of the Company by certain employees or officers of the Company who are considered to be likely in possession of unpublished price sensitive information in relation to the Company or its securities.

#### ACCOUNTABILITY AND AUDIT

#### **Financial Reporting**

The Directors acknowledge their responsibility for preparing, with the support from Accounts Department, the financial statements of the Group. In preparing the financial statements for the year ended 31st December, 2005, the accounting principles generally accepted in Hong Kong have been adopted and the requirements of the Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards, Hong Kong Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance were complied with.

The reporting responsibilities of the Company's external auditors, Messrs. Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu ("Deloitte"), are set out in the Auditors' Report on page 33.

#### **External Auditors' Remuneration**

During the year, the remuneration paid to former external auditors, namely Messrs. PricewaterhouseCoopers ("PWC"), of a subsidiary and the Company's external auditors, Deloitte, are set out as follows:

Services rendered for the Group	Fees paid to PWC HK\$'000	Fees paid to Deloitte HK\$'000
Audit services	3,786	2,093
Non-audit services		
– Taxation services	433	24
- Other professional services	457	398
Total	4,676	2,515

#### COMMUNICATION WITH SHAREHOLDERS

The Board recognises the importance of good communication with shareholders. Information in relation to the Group is disseminated to shareholders in a timely manner through a number of formal channels, which include interim and annual reports, announcements and circulars. As a channel to further promote effective communication, the corporate website is maintained to disseminate shareholder information and other relevant financial and non-financial information electronically on a timely basis.

The Company's AGM is a valuable forum for the Board to communicate directly with the shareholders. The Chairman actively participates in the AGM and he or his nominee personally chairs the meeting to answer any questions from the shareholders. A separate resolution is proposed by the Chairman in respect of each issue to be considered at the AGM. An AGM circular is distributed to all shareholders at least 21 days prior to the AGM, setting out details of each proposed resolution, voting procedures (including procedures for demanding and conducting a poll) and other relevant information. The Chairman explains the procedures for demanding and conducting a poll again at the beginning of the AGM, and (except where a poll is demanded) reveals how many proxies for and against have been received in respect of each resolution.

#### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE ENHANCEMENT

Enhancing corporate governance is not simply a matter of applying and complying with the CG Code of the Stock Exchange but about promoting and developing an ethical and healthy corporate culture. We will continue to review and, where appropriate, improve our current practices on the basis of our experience, regulatory changes and developments. Any views and suggestions from our shareholders are also welcome and will be taken into account in the ongoing enhancement of our transparency.

On behalf of the Board

Patrick Lee Seng Wei

Chief Executive

Hong Kong, 12th April, 2006

## Report of the Directors

The Directors are pleased to present their annual report and the audited financial statements of the Group and the Company for the year ended 31st December, 2005.

#### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

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The Company acts as an investment holding company. The principal activities of its principal subsidiaries, associates and jointly controlled entities at 31st December, 2005 are set out in notes 52, 53 and 54 to the financial statements respectively.

#### RESULTS AND APPROPRIATIONS

The results of the Group and appropriations of the Company are set out in the consolidated income statement on page 34 and in the accompanying notes to the financial statements.

The Directors have proposed the payment of a final dividend of HK10 cents per share payable to shareholders whose names appear on the register of members of the Company on Friday, 26th May, 2006. Since no interim dividend was paid, the total dividend for the year is HK10 cents per share. Details are set out in note 14 to the financial statements.

#### INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

During the year, the Group spent HK\$2,605,000 on investment properties and acquired a further HK\$39,362,000 of investment property on the acquisition of subsidiaries. Certain of the Group's properties held for sale with carrying value of HK\$47,160,000 were transferred to investment properties.

The Group's investment properties were revalued on 31st December, 2005 at HK\$2,784,100,000. The net increase in fair value of HK\$522,250,000 has been credited to the income statement.

Details of these and other movements in the investment properties of the Group during the year are set out in note 16 to the financial statements.

#### PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

During the year, the Group spent HK\$19,472,000 on property, plant and equipment and acquired a further HK\$11,028,000 of property, plant and equipment on the acquisition of subsidiaries. The Group also disposed of certain of its property, plant and equipment with a net carrying value of HK\$813,000.

Details of these and other movements in the property, plant and equipment of the Group during the year are set out in note 17 to the financial statements.

#### PROPERTIES HELD FOR DEVELOPMENT

The Group has invested in a property development project in the United States of America. An impairment loss previously recognised of HK\$34,700,000 has been reversed in respect of these properties.

The Group's properties held for development in the United States of America with carrying value of HK\$131,836,000 were transferred to properties held for sale.

Details of these and other movements in the properties held for development of the Group during the year are set out in note 18 to the financial statements.

#### **PROPERTIES**

Particulars of major properties of the Group at 31st December, 2005 are set out on pages 130 to 132.

#### SHARE CAPITAL

Details of movement in the share capital of the Company during the year are set out in note 35 to the financial statements.

#### **DIRECTORS**

The Directors during the year and up to the date of this report were:

Executive Directors: Patrick Lee Seng Wei Li Chi Kong

Non-Executive Directors: Henry Lai Hin Wing Steven Lee Siu Chung

Independent Non-Executive Directors:

John Douglas Mackie Steven Samuel Zoellner

Alan Stephen Jones (appointed on 3rd January, 2006) Gordon Macwhinnie (retired on 30th December, 2005)

In accordance with Article 105(A) of the Company's Articles of Association, Messrs. Patrick Lee Seng Wei and John Douglas Mackie will retire by rotation and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

In accordance with Article 96 of the Company's Articles of Association, Mr. Alan Stephen Jones, who has been appointed since the last AGM and before the date of this report, will retire at the forthcoming AGM and, being eligible, offers himself for re-appointment as Director.

#### **DIRECTORS' SERVICE CONTRACTS**

None of the Directors proposed for re-election at the forthcoming AGM have an unexpired service contract with the Group which is not determinable by the Group within one year without payment of compensation, other than statutory compensation.

#### TERMS OF OFFICE FOR THE NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

All the Non-Executive Directors (including the INEDs) were appointed for a specific term which shall continue until 31st December, 2006 but subject to the relevant provisions of the Articles of Association of the Company or any other applicable laws whereby the Directors shall vacate or retire from their office.

#### **DIRECTORS' INTERESTS**

At 31st December, 2005, Messrs. Patrick Lee Seng Wei, Li Chi Kong and Steven Lee Siu Chung, Directors of the Company, had the following interests in the shares and underlying shares of the Company and its associated corporations, within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO, as recorded in the register required to be kept under Section 352 of the SFO:

Name of Director	Name of Company	Number of shares and underlying shares held	Approximate % of the relevant issued share capital	Nature of interest
Patrick Lee Seng Wei	The Company	270,000 (Note 1)	0.05%	Personal interest (held as beneficial owner)
	Allied Group (Note 2)	550,000 (Note 3)	0.21%	Personal interest (held as beneficial owner)
Li Chi Kong	SAC (Note 2)	600,000 (Note 4)	0.08%	Personal interest (held as beneficial owner)
Steven Lee Siu Chung	Allied Group (Note 2)	200 (Note 3)	0.00000078%	Personal interest (held as beneficial owner)
	Sun Hung Kai (Note 2)	1,000 (Note 5)	0.00000080%	Personal interest (held as beneficial owner)

#### Notes:

- This represents an interest in 270,000 shares of the Company. 1.
- Allied Group is the ultimate holding company of the Company. Sun Hung Kai is an indirect non wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company. A controlled corporation (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) of the Company has a direct interest in more than 20% of the issued share capital of SAC. Therefore, Allied Group, Sun Hung Kai and SAC are associated corporations of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO.
- 3 These represent interests in 550,000 shares and 200 shares of Allied Group.
- This represents an interest in 600,000 share options of SAC giving rise to an interest in 600,000 underlying shares of SAC. The share options were granted on 28th July, 2003 for a consideration of HK\$10.00 and are exercisable at an exercise price of HK\$0.70 at any time during the period from 28th January, 2004 to 27th July, 2013 (both days inclusive).
- This represents an interest in 1,000 shares of Sun Hung Kai.
- 6. All interests stated above represent long positions.

Save as disclosed above, at 31st December, 2005, none of the Directors and chief executive of the Company had any interests or short positions in any shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations, within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO, as recorded in the register required to be kept under Section 352 of the SFO or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code.

#### DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN COMPETING BUSINESSES

During the year and up to the date of this report, Messrs. Patrick Lee Seng Wei and Li Chi Kong, Directors of the Company (not being the INEDs), are considered to have interests in the following competing businesses pursuant to the Listing Rules:

- (i) Mr. Patrick Lee Seng Wei is a director of Sun Hung Kai which, through certain of its subsidiaries, is partly engaged in the businesses of money lending and property investment;
- (ii) Mr. Li Chi Kong is a director of AG Capital, a subsidiary of Allied Group, which is partly engaged in the business of money lending;
- (iii) Mr. Li Chi Kong was a director of The Building and Loan Agency (Asia) Limited (formerly known as Goldnet Investment Limited), a subsidiary of Allied Group, which is partly engaged in the business of money lending. He resigned on 7th December, 2005;
- (iv) Messrs. Patrick Lee Seng Wei and Li Chi Kong are directors of Tian An which, through a subsidiary, is partly engaged in the business of money lending; and
- (v) Messrs. Patrick Lee Seng Wei and Li Chi Kong are directors of Allied Kajima which, through certain of its subsidiaries, is partly engaged in the businesses of property rental, management services and hospitality related activities.

As the Board is independent from the boards of the abovementioned companies and none of the above Directors can control the Board, the Group is capable of carrying on its businesses independently of, and at arm's length from, the businesses of such companies.

#### **DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN CONTRACTS**

No contracts of significance to which the Company, its holding company, or any of its fellow subsidiaries or subsidiaries was a party and in which the Directors had a material interest, whether directly or indirectly, subsisted at the end of the year or at any time during the year.

#### ARRANGEMENTS TO PURCHASE SHARES OR DEBENTURES

At no time during the year was the Company, its holding company, or any of its fellow subsidiaries or subsidiaries a party to any arrangements to enable the Directors to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in, or debentures of, the Company or any other body corporate with the exception of granting of share options to subscribe for shares in the Company's ultimate holding company, Allied Group, under its share option scheme.

#### SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' INTERESTS

At 31st December, 2005, the following shareholders had interests in the shares of the Company as recorded in the register required to be kept under Section 336 of the SFO:

	Approximate % of			
Name of Shareholder	Number of shares held	the issued share capital	Notes	
Allied Group	402,540,059	74.93%	1	
Lee and Lee Trust	402,540,059	74.93%	2, 3	

#### Notes:

- The interest includes the holding of: (i) 167,061,619 shares held by Capscore Limited ("Capscore"); (ii) 4,186,632 shares held by Citiwealth Investment Limited ("Citiwealth"); (iii) 134,953,783 shares held by Sunhill Investments Limited ("Sunhill"); and (iv) 96,338,025 shares held by Allied Group. Capscore, Citiwealth and Sunhill are all wholly-owned subsidiaries of Allied Group. Allied Group was therefore deemed to have an interest in the shares in which Capscore, Citiwealth and Sunhill were interested.
- 2. The figure refers to the same interest of Allied Group in 402,540,059 shares of the Company.
- 3. Mr. Lee Seng Hui, Ms. Lee Su Hwei and Mr. Lee Seng Huang are the trustees of Lee and Lee Trust, being a discretionary trust. They together own approximately 40.06% interest of the issued share capital of Allied Group and were therefore deemed to have an interest in the shares in which Allied Group was interested.
- The interest stated above represents a long position. At 31st December, 2005, no short positions were recorded in the register required to be kept under Section 336 of the SFO.

#### CONTINUING CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS

As disclosed in the announcement of the Company dated 14th September, 2005, the Company entered into a sharing of administrative services and management services agreement ("Services Agreement") with Allied Group on 14th September, 2005, pursuant to which the Company agreed to reimburse Allied Group the costs incurred in respect of the administrative services, which included the secretarial services, provision of office premises, utilities, courier and delivery, telephone (including international telephone), internet, photocopying and other ancillary office services provided by Allied Group to the Group (i.e. the Company and its subsidiaries, but excluding those in the group of Sun Hung Kai) ("Administrative Services") and management services, which included the management, strategic and business advice provided by the senior management of Allied Group to the Group (i.e. the Company and its subsidiaries, but excluding those in the group of Sun Hung Kai) ("Management Services"). Since Allied Group is the controlling shareholder and ultimate holding company of the Company, the entering into of the Services Agreement and the transactions contemplated thereunder regarding the sharing of the Management Services constituted continuing connected transactions for the Company under Rule 14A.14 of the Listing Rules. Pursuant to Rule 14A.31(8) of the Listing Rules, the transactions regarding the sharing of Administrative Services between the Company and Allied Group contemplated thereunder are exempt from the reporting, announcement and independent shareholders' approval requirements under the Listing Rules.

#### CONTINUING CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS (CONT'D)

Pursuant to Rule 14A.37 of the Listing Rules, the INEDs have reviewed the transactions regarding the sharing of the Management Services and have confirmed that the transactions were:

- (i) entered into in the ordinary and usual course of business of the Company;
- conducted on normal commercial terms; and
- (iii) entered into in accordance with the terms of the Services Agreement governing the transactions regarding the sharing of the Management Services and on terms that were fair and reasonable and in the interests of the shareholders of the Company as a whole.

Pursuant to Rule 14A.38 of the Listing Rules, the Board engaged the auditors of the Company to perform certain agreed upon procedures in respect of the above continuing connected transaction and the auditors have reported their factual findings on these procedures to the Board.

Pursuant to Rule 14A.34 of the Listing Rules, details of the Services Agreement and the aggregate amount of the Management Services for the year ended 31st December, 2005 of HK\$4,900,000 are required to be included in this report of the Company in accordance with Rule 14A.45 of the Listing Rules.

As disclosed in the announcement of the Company dated 4th January, 2006, a tenancy agreement ("Tenancy Agreement") was entered into on 30th December, 2005 between Hillcrest Development Limited ("Hillcrest"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, as the landlord and Allied Group as the tenant for the renewal of a tenancy of 60 Plantation Road, The Peak, Hong Kong for residential use for a further term of two years commencing from 1st January, 2006 to 31st December, 2007 at a monthly rental of HK\$238,000 (exclusive of rates and management fee). This property is held by Hillcrest for investment purposes. The rent was based on the prevailing market rent as reviewed by Savills (Hong Kong) Limited ("Savills") on 19th December, 2005. Savills is an independent firm of international property consultants and is not a connected person of the Company under the Listing Rules. Since Allied Group is the controlling shareholder and ultimate holding company of the Company, the renewed tenancy constituted a continuing connected transaction for the Company under Rule 14A.34 of the Listing Rules and is exempt from the independent shareholders' approval requirement.

#### CONTINUING CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS (CONT'D)

Pursuant to Rule 14A.37 of the Listing Rules, the INEDs have reviewed the transactions regarding the entering of the Tenancy Agreement and have confirmed that the transaction was:

- (i) entered into in the ordinary and usual course of business of the Company;
- conducted on normal commercial terms; and
- (iii) entered into in accordance with the terms of the Tenancy Agreement governing it and on terms that were fair and reasonable and in the interests of the shareholders of the Company as a whole.

Pursuant to Rule 14A.38 of the Listing Rules, the Board engaged the auditors of the Company to perform certain agreed upon procedures in respect of the above continuing connected transaction and the auditors have reported their factual findings on these procedures to the Board.

Pursuant to Rule 14A.34 of the Listing Rules, details of the Tenancy Agreement and the annual cap of HK\$2,856,000 are required to be included in this report of the Company in accordance with Rule 14A.45 of the Listing Rules.

#### DISCLOSURE PURSUANT TO RULES 13.20 AND 13.22 OF THE LISTING RULES

The following information is disclosed pursuant to Rules 13.20 and 13.22 of the Listing Rules.

At 31st December, 2005, the Group had advances to an entity which exceeded 8% of the market capitalisation of the Company. Pursuant to Rule 13.20 of the Listing Rules, the details of the advances are set out as follows:

	Advances at
Name of Entity	31st December, 2005
Tian An	HK\$ 323,456,000

The advances comprise the following:

- loan note issued by Tian An of HK\$78,000,000 to Sun Hung Kai on 29th August, 2003 which is unsecured and bears interest at 2.5% per annum payable on an annual basis. The loan note will mature on 29th August, 2008;
- term loans of HK\$245,000,000 drawn from a loan facility amounted to HK\$280,000,000 granted to a subsidiary of Tian An for a term of 36 months from 7th November, 2005. The interest on the term loans is charged at prime rate plus 1% per annum. The loans are guaranteed by Tian An; and
- (iii) other trade receivables of HK\$456,000 which are unsecured, non-interest bearing and repayable on demand.

#### DISCLOSURE PURSUANT TO RULES 13.20 AND 13.22 OF THE LISTING RULES (CONT'D)

(b) At 31st December, 2005, the Group had advances to certain affiliated companies totalling HK\$414,002,000, which exceeded 8% of the market capitalisation of the Company. Pursuant to Rule 13.22 of the Listing Rules, the proforma combined balance sheet of these companies based on their latest financial statements available is set out as follows:

HK\$'000
7,201,427
3,238,004
(3,523,605)
(1,831,558)
(416,889)
4,667,379
1,681,345

#### **EMOLUMENT POLICY**

Details of the Directors' emoluments and emoluments of the five highest paid individuals in the Group are set out in note 10 to the financial statements respectively.

The emolument policy of the employees of the Group is set up by the Executive Committee on the basis of their merit, qualifications and competence.

The emoluments payable to Directors of the Company will depend on their respective contractual terms under their employment contracts or service contracts as approved by the Board on the recommendation of the Remuneration Committee, having regard to the Company's operating results, individual performance and comparable market statistics.

#### PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF SHARES

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's shares during the year.

#### **DONATIONS**

The Group made charitable donations of HK\$354,000 during the year.

#### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The Company is committed to maintaining a high standard of corporate governance practices. Information on the corporate governance practices adopted by the Company is set out in the "Corporate Governance Report" on pages 14 to 23.

#### SUFFICIENCY OF PUBLIC FLOAT

Based on the information that is publicly available to the Company and within the knowledge of the Directors as at the date of this report, the Company has maintained sufficient public float as required under the Listing Rules.

#### **AUDITORS**

A resolution will be submitted to the AGM of the Company to re-appoint Deloitte as the auditors of the Company.

On behalf of the Board

Patrick Lee Seng Wei

Chief Executive

Hong Kong, 12th April, 2006

# Deloitte.

#### TO THE MEMBERS OF ALLIED PROPERTIES (H.K.) LIMITED

(incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability)

We have audited the financial statements on pages 34 to 128 which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in Hong Kong.

#### RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORS AND AUDITORS

The Companies Ordinance requires the Directors to prepare financial statements which give a true and fair view. In preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view it is fundamental that appropriate accounting policies are selected and applied consistently.

It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those financial statements and to report our opinion solely to you, as a body, in accordance with section 141 of the Companies Ordinance, and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility towards or accept liability to any other person for the contents of this report.

#### BASIS OF OPINION

We conducted our audit in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgments made by the Directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the circumstances of the Company and the Group, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance as to whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement. In forming our opinion, we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

#### **O**PINION

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and the Group as at 31st December, 2005 and of the profit and cash flows of the Group for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Ordinance.

**Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu** 

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Certified Public Accountants

Hong Kong, 12th April, 2006

for the year ended 31st December, 2005

	Notes	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000 (Restated)
Revenue	7 & 8	1,144,153	1,128,169
Other income		95,029	19,564
Total income		1,239,182	1,147,733
Cost of sales		(219,524)	(201,927)
Brokerage and commission expenses		(141,463)	(161,553)
Selling and marketing expenses		(5,491)	(292)
Administrative expenses		(363,062)	(348,176)
Changes in values of properties	9	608,686	121,957
Bad and doubtful debts (provided) written back		(12,042)	902
Other operating expenses		(149,446)	(130,054)
Finance costs	11	(96,778)	(47,208)
Release of negative goodwill		_	156,741
Amortisation of capital reserve		_	17,267
Share of results of associates		150,388	165,856
Share of results of jointly controlled entities		105,298	19,090
Profit before taxation	12	1,115,748	740,336
Taxation	13	(79,306)	(80,108)
Profit for the year		1,036,442	660,228
Attributable to:			
Equity holders of the Company		935,342	563,023
Minority interests		101,100	97,205
		1,036,442	660,228
Dividend	14	53,715	26,858
Earnings per share	15		
Basic		HK\$1.74	HK\$1.14
Diluted		N/A	HK\$1.12

at 31st December, 2005

	Notes	2005	2004
		HK\$'000	HK\$'000
			(Restated)
Non-current assets			
Investment properties	16	2,784,100	2,215,668
Property, plant and equipment	17	209,419	197,956
Properties held for development	18	_	97,377
Prepaid land lease payments	19	287,367	271,505
Goodwill	20	_	_
Negative goodwill	21	_	(389,264
Intangible assets	22	22,586	10,375
Interests in associates	24	2,710,057	2,463,020
Interests in jointly controlled entities	25	866,394	817,798
Available-for-sale financial assets	26	993,139	_
Statutory deposits		32,831	_
Investments	27	_	911,480
Loans and receivables	28	202,306	3,200
Deferred tax assets	29	4,143	10,279
		8,112,342	6,609,394
Current assets			
Properties held for sale and other inventories	30	520,950	401,721
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	31	179,204	_
Investments	27	_	48,263
Prepaid land lease payments	19	4,420	4,101
Accounts receivable, deposits and prepayments	32	2,612,044	2,330,938
Amounts due from associates		7,384	231
Amount due from a jointly controlled entity		2,159	2,040
Tax recoverable		3,842	1,464
Short-term pledged bank deposit		972	1,220
Bank deposits, bank balances and cash		481,196	598,254
		3,812,171	3,388,232
Current liabilities			
Accounts payable and accrued charges	33	1,031,946	1,120,797
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	38	17,756	_
Amount due to Allied Group Limited		8,183	6,094
Amounts due to associates		62,828	49,260
Amount due to a jointly controlled entity		81,063	141,063
• •			24,726
Bank borrowings due within one year	39	950,233	603,180
Other liabilities due within one year	41	33,366	42,122
		2,198,864	1,987,242
Net current assets		1,613,307	1,400,990
Total assets less current liabilities		9,725,649	8,010,384
Amount due to a jointly controlled entity Tax payable Bank borrowings due within one year Other liabilities due within one year  Net current assets Total assets less current liabilities		13,489 950,233 33,366 2,198,864 1,613,307	24 603 42 1,987 1,400

# at 31st December, 2005

	Notes	2005	2004
		HK\$'000	HK\$'000
			(Restated)
Capital and reserves			
Share capital	35	1,074,303	1,074,303
Reserves	36	5,996,232	4,302,155
Equity attributable to equity holders of the Company		7,070,535	5,376,458
Minority interests		1,481,741	1,270,428
Total equity		8,552,276	6,646,886
Non-current liabilities			
Bank borrowings due after one year	39	875,763	1,046,569
Loan notes	40	64,252	129,637
Deferred tax liabilities	29	230,615	183,653
Other liabilities due after one year	41	2,743	3,639
		1,173,373	1,363,498
		9,725,649	8,010,384

The financial statements on pages 34 to 128 were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 12th April, 2006, and are signed on its behalf by:

Patrick Lee Seng Wei

Director

Li Chi Kong

Director

**Balance Sheet** 37

# at 31st December, 2005

Notes 200	
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	(Restated)
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Patrick Lee Seng Wei

Director

Li Chi Kong

Director

# Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity

				Attri	butable to e	quity holders	of the Comp	any					
	Share capital HK\$'000	Share premium HK\$'000	Property revaluation reserve HK\$'000	Investment revaluation reserve HK\$'000	Special capital reserve HK\$'000	Capital redemption reserve HK\$'000	Translation reserve HK\$'000	Capital (goodwill) A reserve HK\$'000	accumulated profits HK\$'000	Dividend reserve HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000	Minority interests HK\$'000	Total equity HK\$'000
							(	Note 36(b))					
At 1st January, 2004													
As originally stated	978,768	492,784	245,739	69,379	2,320,430	72,044	(205,761)	(24,027)	939,958	-	4,889,314	1,148,929	6,038,243
Prior period adjustments arising													
from changes in accounting policies			(114,085)				95,488		(355,635)		(374,232)	(4,165)	(378,397
As restated	978,768	492,784	131,654	69,379	2,320,430	72,044	(110,273)	(24,027)	584,323		4,515,082	1,144,764	5,659,846
Distribution of interests in an associate to													
minority shareholders	_	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	_	-	1	-	1
Surplus arising on revaluation	_	-	-	156,090	-	-	-	_	_	_	156,090	52,082	208,172
Deferred tax liability arising on revaluation of assets	_	-	-	(166)	-	-	-	_	_	_	(166)	(56)	(222)
Exchange differences arising on translation of													
operations outside Hong Kong	-	-	-	-	-	-	31	-	-	-	31	(12)	19
Share of post-acquisition reserve movements													
of associates	-	-	9,819	4,067	-	-	244	-	-	-	14,130	4,713	18,843
Share of post-acquisition reserve movements of													
jointly controlled entities	-	-	8,840	-	-	-	14	-	-	-	8,854	-	8,854
Net income recognised directly in equity	_	_	18,659	159,992	_	_	289	_	_	_	178,940	56,727	235,667
Profit attributable to equity holders	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	563,023	_	563,023	97,205	660,228
Released on impairment of non-trading securities	_	_	_	12,672	_	_	_	_	_	_	12,672	4,226	16,898
Released on disposal of non-trading securities	_	_	_	4,985	_	_	_	_	_	_	4,985	1,663	6,648
Released on dilution of interests in an associate	_	_	(400)	31	_	_	_	(3)	_	_	(372)	(124)	(496
Capital reserve released on amortisation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(17,267)	-	-	(17,267)	-	(17,267
Total recognised income and expenses													
for the year	-	-	18,259	177,680	-	-	289	(17,270)	563,023	-	741,981	159,697	901,678
Distribution to minority interests												(2,389)	(2,389
Acquisition of additional interest in a subsidiary		_									_	(1,856)	(1,856)
Transferred from special capital reserve to												(1,000)	(1,000
accumulated profits	_	_	_	_	(2,320,430)	_	_	_	2,320,430	_	_	_	_
Transferred from accumulated profits to					(4,540,150)				4,040,100				
capital reserve	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	2,120	(2,120)	_	_	_	_
Dividend distribution to minority interests	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	-,,,,,	(=,1=0)	_	_	(29,788)	(29,788)
Exercise of warrants subscription rights	95,535	23,884	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	119,419	(43,700)	119,419
Share issue expenses	-	(24)	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	(24)	_	(24)
Final dividend	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(26,858)	26,858	-	-	-
At 31st December, 2004	1,074,303	516,644	149,913	247,059		72,044	(109,984)	(39,177)	3,438,798	26,858	5,376,458	1,270,428	6,646,886
AL JIM DUULIIDUI, 400T	1,077,303	310,011	113,313	417,000		74,011	(103,304)	(33,111)	J,TJ0,170	40,000	3,370,430	1,410,740	0,010,000

	Attributable to equity holders of the Company											
			Property	Investment	Capital		Capital					
	Share	Share	revaluation	revaluation	redemption	Translation	(goodwill)	Accumulated	Dividend		Minority	Total
	capital	premium	reserve	reserve	reserve	reserve	reserve	profits	reserve	Total	interests	equity
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At 1st January, 2005							(Note 36(b))					
As originally stated	1,074,303	516,644	226,488	247,059	72,044	(205,496)	(39,177)	3,899,912	26,858	5,818,635	1,275,939	7,094,574
Prior period adjustments arising	1,074,303	310,011	440,100	411,033	72,011	(403,130)	(33,177)	3,033,314	40,030	3,010,033	1,473,333	1,031,311
from changes in accounting policies	_	_	(76,575)	_	_	95,512	_	(461,114)	_	(442,177)	(5,511)	(447,688)
nom changes in accounting powers												
As restated, before opening												
balance adjustments	1,074,303	516,644	149,913	247,059	72,044	(109,984)	(39,177)	3,438,798	26,858	5,376,458	1,270,428	6,646,886
Opening balance adjustments arising												
from changes in accounting policies			(149,913)	(1,572)			41,987	623,558		514,060	49,010	563,070
As restated after prior period												
and opening balance adjustments	1,074,303	516,644		245,487	72,044	(109,984)	2,810	4,062,356	26,858	5,890,518	1,319,438	7,209,956
Gain on fair value changes												
of available-for-sale financial assets	-	-	-	255,662	-	-	-	-	-	255,662	85,266	340,928
Deferred tax arising on revaluation of assets	-	-	-	61	-	(124)	-	-	-	(63)	(21)	(84)
Exchange differences arising on translation												
of operations outside Hong Kong	-	-	-	-	-	246	-	-	-	246	143	389
Share of post-acquisition reserve movements												
of associates	-	-	-	7,723	-	19,551	1,754	-	-	29,028	9,681	38,709
Share of post-acquisition reserve movements												
of jointly controlled entities						3,566				3,566		3,566
Net income recognised directly in equity	-	-	-	263,446	-	23,239	1,754	-	-	288,439	95,069	383,508
Profit attributable to equity holders	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	935,342	-	935,342	101,100	1,036,442
Released on disposal of available-for-sale												
financial assets	-	-	-	(29,101)	-	-	-	-	-	(29,101)	(9,705)	(38,806
Impairment loss of available-for-sale												
financial assets transferred to income												
statement	-	-	-	10,807	-	-	-	-	-	10,807	3,604	14,411
Released on disposal of jointly controlled												
entities						(8)				(8)	(3)	(11)
Total recognised income and expenses												
for the year	-	-	-	245,152	-	23,231	1,754	935,342	-	1,205,479	190,065	1,395,544
Unclaimed dividend								1,396		1,396	466	1,862
Transferred from accumulated								Ť		,		, .
profits to capital reserve	_	-	-	_	-	_	263	(263)	_	-	-	-
Dividend paid	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(26,858)	(26,858)	-	(26,858)
Proposed final dividend	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(53,715)	53,715	-	-	-
Dividend distribution to minority interests											(28,228)	(28,228)
At 31st December, 2005	1,074,303	516,644		490,639	72,044	(86,753)	4,827	4,945,116	53,715	7,070,535	1,481,741	8,552,276

	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
		(Restated)
Operating activities		
Profit for the year	1,036,442	660,228
Adjustments for:		
Finance costs	96,778	47,208
Release of negative goodwill	_	(156,741)
Amortisation of capital reserve	_	(17,267)
Bad and doubtful debts (provided) written back	12,042	(902)
Share of results of associates	(150,388)	(165,856)
Share of results of jointly controlled entities	(105,298)	(19,090)
Taxation	79,306	80,108
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	24,479	21,603
Impairment loss recognised in respect of available-for-sale financial assets	14,411	_
Impairment loss recognised in respect of goodwill of associates	13,323	_
Impairment loss recognised in respect of an associate	4,981	_
Amortisation of prepaid land lease payments	4,401	3,275
Impairment loss recognised in respect of property, plant and equipment	3,680	_
Amortisation of intangible assets	3,662	2,701
Impairment loss recognised in respect of intangible assets	980	_
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	671	579
Impairment loss recognised in respect of goodwill of a subsidiary	267	_
Increase in fair value of investment properties	(522,250)	(91,719)
Profit on disposal of available-for-sale financial assets	(56,748)	_
Reversal of write-down of properties held for sale	(47,452)	(22,924)
Reversal of impairment loss of properties held for development	(34,700)	(3,000)
Reversal of impairment loss of buildings	(4,284)	(4,314)
Profit on disposal of an investment property	(2,061)	_
Profit on disposal/deemed disposal of a jointly controlled entity	(1,219)	(942)
Net unrealised profit on financial assets at fair value through		
profit or loss	(590)	_
Net unrealised loss on trading securities	_	2,109
Reversal of impairment loss of intangible assets	(320)	_
Excess of net fair value over consideration arising from		
acquisition of subsidiaries	(199)	_
Impairment loss recognised in respect of non-trading securities	_	16,418
Loss on dilution of interests in an associate	_	4,492
Loss on write off of intangible assets	_	96
Profit on disposal of non-trading securities	_	(2,483)
Profit on disposal of partial interest in a subsidiary		(789)
Operating cash flow before movements in working capital	369,914	352,790

Note	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
		(Restated)
Decrease in properties held for sale and other inventories	7	20,741
Increase in financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	(127,651)	_
Increase in trading securities	_	(14,634)
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable, deposits and prepayments	(277,130)	557,084
Increase in loans and receivables	_	(3,200)
Decrease in accounts payable and accrued charges	(82,591)	(499,683)
Increase in financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	17,756	_
Decrease in other liabilities	(9,606)	(3,046)
Increase (decrease) in amount due to Allied Group Limited	2,089	(23,719
Cash (used in) generated from operations	(107,212)	386,333
Interest paid	(85,689)	(47,193)
Hong Kong Profits Tax paid	(39,752)	(32,809)
Tax outside Hong Kong paid	(341)	(248
Net cash (used in) generated from operating activities	(232,994)	306,083
Investing activities		
Proceeds on disposal of available-for-sale financial assets	113,923	_
Proceeds on disposal of an investment property	14,661	_
Amounts repaid by associates	13,063	254,750
Dividend received from associates	8,162	6,182
Decrease in available-for-sale financial assets	5,620	_
Amount repaid by a jointly controlled entity	2,751	2,770
Decrease in pledged bank deposit	248	267
Proceeds on disposal of property, plant and equipment	142	56
Acquisition of subsidiaries (net of cash and cash equivalents acquired) 42	(62,416)	(125,239)
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(19,472)	(18,265)
Additions to intangible assets	(5,962)	(6,091
Acquisition of associates	(5,592)	(102,350)
Net payment of statutory deposits	(4,472)	_
Amount advanced to a jointly controlled entity	(2,870)	(3,772)
Additions to investment properties	(2,605)	(110
Purchase of available-for-sale financial assets	(705)	_
Amount advanced to an associate	(6)	(2)
Proceeds on disposal of non-trading securities	_	40,510
Purchase of non-trading securities	_	(32,285)
Additions to properties held for development	_	(14,186
Acquisition of a jointly controlled entity	_	(2,294)
Amounts advanced to investee companies	_	(1,950)
Acquisition of additional interest in a subsidiary	_	(954)
Net cash from (used in) investing activities	54,470	(2,963

	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
		(Restated)
Financing activities		
New bank loans raised	359,000	86,500
Amounts advanced by associates	426	_
Repayment of bank loans	(207,883)	(346,126)
Repurchase of loan notes	(60,000)	(100,426)
Dividends paid by subsidiaries to minority interests	(28,228)	(29,788)
Dividend paid	(26,858)	_
Net distribution to minority interests	(48)	(33)
Net proceeds received from issue of shares	-	119,395
Amount advanced by a jointly controlled entity	-	29,500
Repayment of obligations under a finance lease	-	(890)
Amounts repaid to associates	-	(148)
Amount repaid to a jointly controlled entity		(95)
Net cash from (used in) financing activities	36,409	(242,111)
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(142,115)	61,009
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes	(78)	12
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	540,349	479,328
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	398,156	540,349
Analysis of the balances of cash and cash equivalents		
Bank deposits, bank balances and cash	481,196	598,254
Bank overdrafts	(83,040)	(57,905)
	398,156	540,349

#### 1. GENERAL

The Company is a listed public limited company incorporated in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region ("Hong Kong"). Its ultimate holding company is Allied Group Limited ("Allied Group"), a listed public limited company which is also incorporated in Hong Kong.

The address of the registered office is 22nd Floor Allied Kajima Building, 138 Gloucester Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong.

The financial statements are presented in Hong Kong dollars which are the same as the functional currency of the Company.

The Company acts as an investment holding company. The principal activities of its principal subsidiaries, associates and jointly controlled entities are set out in notes 52, 53 and 54 respectively.

#### 2. APPLICATION OF HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS

In the current year, the Group has applied, for the first time, a number of new Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs"), Hong Kong Accounting Standards ("HKASs") and Interpretations (hereinafter collectively referred to as "new HKFRSs") issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA") that are effective for accounting periods beginning on or after 1st January, 2005. The application of the new HKFRSs has resulted in a change in the presentation of the income statement, balance sheet and the statement of changes in equity. In particular, the presentation of minority interests and share of tax of associates or jointly controlled entities has been changed. The changes in presentation have been applied retrospectively. The adoption of the new HKFRSs has resulted in changes to the Group's accounting policies in the following areas that have an effect on how the results for the current or prior accounting years are prepared and presented.

# **Business combinations**

In the current year, the Group has applied HKFRS 3 "Business Combinations" which is effective for business combinations for which the agreement date is on or after 1st January, 2005. The principal effects of the application of HKFRS 3 to the Group are summarised below:

# Goodwill

In previous years, goodwill arising on acquisitions prior to 1st January, 2001 was held in reserves, and goodwill arising on acquisitions after 1st January, 2001 was capitalised and amortised over its estimated useful life. The Group has applied the relevant transitional provisions in HKFRS 3. Goodwill previously recognised in reserves has been transferred to the Group's accumulated profits on 1st January, 2005. With respect to goodwill previously capitalised on the balance sheet, the Group has discontinued amortising such goodwill from 1st January, 2005 onwards and goodwill will be tested for impairment at least annually as well as in the financial year in which the acquisition takes place. Goodwill arising on acquisitions after 1st January, 2005 is measured at cost less accumulated impairment losses (if any) after initial recognition. As a result of this change in accounting policy, no amortisation of goodwill has been charged in the current period. Comparative figures for 2004 have not been restated.

# APPLICATION OF HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (CONT'D)

# **Business combinations (Cont'd)**

# Excess of the Group's interest in the net fair value of acquiree's identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities over cost (previously known as "negative goodwill")

In accordance with HKFRS 3, any excess of the Group's interest in the net fair value of acquiree's identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities over the cost of acquisition ("discount on acquisition") is recognised immediately in profit or loss in the period in which the acquisition takes place. In previous years, negative goodwill arising on acquisitions prior to 1st January, 2001 was held in reserves, and negative goodwill arising on acquisitions after 1st January, 2001 was presented as a deduction from assets and released to income based on an analysis of the circumstances from which the balance resulted. In accordance with the relevant transitional provisions in HKFRS 3, the Group has derecognised all negative goodwill at 1st January, 2005.

# Interests in jointly controlled entities

In previous years, interests in jointly controlled entities were accounted for using the equity method. In the current year, the Group has applied HKAS 31 "Interests in Jointly Controlled Entities" which allows entities to use either proportionate consolidation or the equity method to account for its interests in jointly controlled entities. Upon the application of HKAS 31, the Group has elected to continue applying the equity method to account for its interests in jointly controlled entities. As a result, there has been no change in accounting method in respect of the Group's interests in jointly controlled entities.

#### **Financial instruments**

In the current year, the Group has applied HKAS 32 "Financial Instruments: Disclosure and Presentation" and HKAS 39 "Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement". HKAS 32 requires retrospective application. The application of HKAS 32 has had no material effect on the presentation of financial instruments in the financial statements. HKAS 39, which is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1st January, 2005, generally does not permit an entity to recognise, derecognise or measure financial assets and liabilities on a retrospective basis. The principal effects resulting from the implementation of HKAS 39 are summarised below:

# Classification and measurement of financial assets and financial liabilities

The Group has applied the relevant transitional provisions in HKAS 39 with respect to classification and measurement of financial assets and financial liabilities that are within the scope of HKAS 39.

#### 2. APPLICATION OF HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (CONT'D)

# Financial instruments (Cont'd)

# Debt and equity securities previously accounted for under the alternative treatment of Statement of Standard Accounting Practice ("SSAP") 24

At 31st December, 2004, the Group classified and measured its debt and equity securities in accordance with the alternative treatment of SSAP 24. Under SSAP 24, investments in debt or equity securities were classified as "trading securities", "non-trading securities" or "held-to-maturity investments" as appropriate. Both "trading securities" and "non-trading securities" were measured at fair value. Unrealised gains or losses of "trading securities" were reported in the profit or loss for the period in which gains or losses arose. Unrealised gains or losses of "non-trading securities" were reported in equity until the securities were sold or determined to be impaired, at which time the cumulative gain or loss previously recognised in equity is included in the profit or loss for that period. From 1st January, 2005 onwards, the Group classifies and measures its debt and equity securities in accordance with HKAS 39. Under HKAS 39, financial assets are classified as "financial assets at fair value through profit or loss", "available-for-sale financial assets", "loans and receivables", or "held-to-maturity financial assets". "Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss" and "available-for-sale financial assets" are carried at fair value, with changes in fair values recognised in profit or loss and equity respectively. "Loans and receivables" and "held-to-maturity financial assets" are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

The effect of redesignation of investments together with their reclassification at 1st January, 2005 on the adoption of HKAS 39 is summarised in the table below:

						New designa	tion on 1st Ja	nuary, 2005		
	As originally stated at B1st December, 2004 HK\$'000	Effect on adoption of HKAS 39 HK\$'000	As restated at 1st January, 2005 HK\$'000	Intangible assets HK\$'000	Available- for-sale financial assets HK\$'000	Statutory deposits HK\$'000	Loans and receivables HK\$'000	Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss HK\$'000	Accounts receivable, deposits and prepayments HK\$'000	Accounts payable and accrued charges HK\$'000
The Group										
Investment in securities										
Non-trading securities	784,778	(2,096)		-	747,363	-	35,319	-	-	-
Trading securities	48,263	22	48,285	-	-	-	-	48,285	-	-
Other investments										
Club debentures and excha			0.404	0.409						
participation rights *	9,195	-	9,195	9,195	-	-	-	-	-	-
Statutory deposits and										
other deposits with Excha			00.004			00.004				
and Clearing Companies	26,624	-	26,624	-	-	26,624	-	-	-	-
Amounts due from										
investee companies,	92,774	(1,447)	91,327				87,921	250	9 156	
less impairment losses Amounts due to	92,774	(1,447)	91,347	-	-	_	07,941	430	3,156	_
investee companies	(1,891)	_	(1,891)	_	_	_	_	_	_	(1,891)
mvesice companies	(1,031)		(1,031)							
				9,195	747,363	26,624	123,240	48,535	3,156	(1,891)
The Company Other investments										
Club debentures*	510	-	510	510	-	-	-	-	-	-

Following the adoption of HKAS 39, the Group has reclassified its exchange participation rights and club debentures which were previously grouped under "other investments" to "intangible assets".



# APPLICATION OF HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (CONT'D)

# Financial instruments (Cont'd)

In addition, warrants of a listed associate and amounts due from associates, which were previously grouped under "interests in associates", together with their reclassification at 1st January, 2005 on the adoption of HKAS 39 are as follows:

Carrying	Amounts due	
value	from	Total
HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
2,340,530	142,583	2,483,113
(20,093)		(20,093)
2,320,437	142,583	2,463,020
2,469	_	2,469
153,481	_	153,481
7,298		7,298
2,483,685	142,583	2,626,268
(2,469)	_	(2,469)
_	(78,000)	(78,000)
	(282)	(282)
2,481,216	64,301	2,545,517
	value HK\$'000  2,340,530 (20,093)  2,320,437  2,469 153,481 7,298  2,483,685  (2,469)  -	value         from           HK\$'000         HK\$'000           2,340,530         142,583           (20,093)         -           2,320,437         142,583           2,469         -           153,481         -           7,298         -           2,483,685         142,583           (2,469)         -           -         (78,000)           -         (282)

The warrants of a listed associate which were previously grouped under "interests in associates" are classified as "financial assets at fair value through profit or loss" and carried at fair value in accordance with the provisions of HKAS 39.

# Financial assets and financial liabilities other than debt and equity securities

From 1st January, 2005 onwards, the Group classifies and measures its financial assets and financial liabilities other than debt and equity securities (which were previously outside the scope of SSAP 24) in accordance with the requirements of HKAS 39. As mentioned above, financial assets under HKAS 39 are classified as "financial assets at fair value through profit or loss", "available-for-sale financial assets", "loans and receivables" or "held-to-maturity financial assets". Financial liabilities are generally classified as "financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss" or "financial liabilities other than financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss (other financial liabilities)". "Other financial liabilities" are carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

# APPLICATION OF HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (CONT'D)

### Financial instruments (Cont'd)

# Bad and doubtful debts

In previous years, allowances for bad and doubtful debts were made having regard to those losses that, although not yet specifically identified, are known from experience to be present in the Group's portfolio of loans and advances and accounts receivable. In determining the level of allowance required, management considered numerous factors including but not limited to, domestic and international economic conditions, the composition of the loan portfolio and accounts receivable and prior loss experience in respect of loans and advances and accounts receivable.

On adoption of HKAS 39, impairment provisions for advances assessed individually are calculated using a discounted cash flow analysis for the impaired advances. Collective assessment of impairment for individually insignificant items or items where no impairment has been identified on an individual basis is made using formula based approaches and statistical methods. Impairment provisions for advances will be presented as individually assessed and collectively assessed instead of general provisions.

### Owner-occupied leasehold interest in land

In previous years, owner-occupied leasehold land and buildings were included in property, plant and equipment and measured using the cost model, as appropriate. In the current year, the Group has applied HKAS 17 "Leases". Under HKAS 17, the land and buildings elements of a lease of land and buildings are considered separately for the purposes of lease classification, unless the lease payments cannot be allocated reliably between the land and buildings elements, in which case, the entire lease is generally treated as a finance lease. To the extent that the allocation of the lease payments between the land and buildings elements can be made reliably, the leasehold interests in land are reclassified to prepaid land lease payments under operating leases, which are carried at cost and amortised over the lease term on a straightline basis. This change in accounting policy has been applied retrospectively. Alternatively, where the allocation between the land and buildings elements cannot be made reliably, the leasehold interests in land continue to be accounted for as property, plant and equipment.

#### **Investment properties**

In the current year, the Group has, for the first time, applied HKAS 40 "Investment Property". The Group has elected to use the fair value model to account for its investment properties which requires gains or losses arising from changes in the fair value of investment properties to be recognised directly in the profit or loss for the period in which they arise. In previous years, investment properties under SSAP 13 were measured at open market values, with revaluation surplus or deficits credited or charged to investment property revaluation reserve unless the balance on this reserve was insufficient to cover a revaluation decrease, in which case the excess of the revaluation decrease over the balance on the investment property revaluation reserve was charged to the income statement. Where a decrease had previously been charged to the income statement and revaluation subsequently arose, that increase was credited to the income statement to the extent of the decrease previously charged. The Group has applied the relevant transitional provisions in HKAS 40 and elected to apply HKAS 40 from 1st January, 2005 onwards. The amount held in property revaluation reserve has been transferred to the Group's accumulated profits on 1st January, 2005.

# APPLICATION OF HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (CONT'D)

# **Investment properties (Cont'd)**

The adoption of HKAS 40 has resulted in a change of classification of certain properties which were previously classified as investment properties in accordance with SSAP 13. In previous years, property with 15% or less by area of value that was occupied by the company or another company in the group should normally be regarded as an investment property in its entirety even though part of it is not held for investment purposes. HKAS 40 requires that, if a portion of the properties could be sold separately (or leased out separately under a finance lease), an entity accounts for the portions separately. If the portion could not be sold separately, the property is investment property only if an insignificant portion is held for use in the production or supply of goods or services or for administrative purposes. In the current year, the Group applied HKAS 40 and has reclassified certain of such owner-occupied properties that could be sold separately (or leased out separately under a finance lease) from investment properties to property, plant and equipment retrospectively. Comparative figures for 2004 have been restated.

# Hotel properties

In previous years, the Group's self-operated hotel properties were carried at revalued amounts and were not subject to depreciation. Hong Kong Interpretation 2 "The Appropriate Accounting Policies for Hotel Properties" ("HK-INT 2") requires owner-operated hotel properties to be classified as property, plant and equipment in accordance with HKAS 16 "Property, Plant and Equipment", and therefore be accounted for either using the cost model or the revaluation model. The Group has resolved to account for these hotel properties using the cost model. In the absence of any specific transitional provisions in HK-INT 2, the new accounting policy has been applied retrospectively. Comparative figures for 2004 have been restated.

#### Intangible assets

The adoption of HKAS 38 results in a change of the useful lives of intangible assets according to the provisions of HKAS 38. Certain exchange participation rights with amortisation on a straight line basis over its estimated useful lives of five years before 1st January, 2005 were changed to indefinite useful life on that date. Accumulated amortisation as at 31st December, 2004 has been eliminated with a corresponding decrease in the cost of these intangible assets.

#### Deferred taxes related to investment properties

In previous years, deferred tax consequences in respect of revalued investment properties were assessed on the basis of the tax consequence that would follow from recovery of the carrying amount of the properties through sale in accordance with the predecessor interpretation (SSAP-Interpretation 20). In the current year, the Group has applied HKAS Interpretation 21 (HKAS "INT-21") "Income Taxes - Recovery of Revalued Non-Depreciable Assets" which removes the presumption that the carrying amount of investment properties are to be recovered through sale. Therefore, the deferred tax consequences of the investment properties are now assessed on the basis that reflect the tax consequences that would follow from the manner in which the Group expects to recover the value of the property at each balance sheet date. In the absence of any specific transitional provisions in HKAS INT-21, this change in accounting policy has been applied retrospectively. Comparative figures for 2004 have been restated.

#### 2. APPLICATION OF HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (CONT'D)

# Effect of the changes in accounting policies

The effects of the above changes to the Group's accounting policies as a result of the new HKFRSs on the Group's financial results for the year are summarised in note 3.

# Potential impact arising on the new accounting standards not yet effective

The Group has not early applied the following new standards and interpretations that have been issued but are not yet effective and are pertinent to the operation of the Group. The Directors anticipate that the application of these standards and interpretations will have no material impact on the financial statements of the Group.

HKAS 1 (Amendment)	Capital Disclosures <sup>1</sup>
HKAS 19 (Amendment)	Actuarial Gains and Losses, Group Plans and Disclosures <sup>2</sup>
HKAS 21 (Amendment)	Net Investments in a Foreign Operation <sup>2</sup>
HKAS 39 (Amendment)	The Fair Value Option <sup>2</sup>

HKAS 39 & HKFRS 4 Financial Guarantee Contracts<sup>2</sup>

(Amendments)

HKFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures<sup>1</sup>

HK(IFRIC)-Int 4 Determining whether an Arrangement Contains a Lease<sup>2</sup>

Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1st January, 2007.

Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1st January, 2006.

# SUMMARY OF THE EFFECTS OF THE CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The effects of the changes in the accounting policies described in note 2 above on the results for the current and prior years are as follows:

	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Decrease in amortisation of intangible assets	846	_
Release of negative goodwill and capital reserve and		
decrease in amortisation of goodwill	(201,751)	_
Decrease in changes in fair value of investment		
properties arising from reclassification of investment		
properties to property, plant and equipment	(28,992)	(39,087)
Increase in deferred tax charge in relation to investment properties	(34,178)	(42,960)
Increase in depreciation arising from reclassification of		
investment properties to property, plant and equipment	(3,064)	(2,176)
Increase in amortisation of prepaid land lease payments	(2,733)	(2,636)
Loss arising from changes in fair value of financial		
liabilities, measured at fair value through profit or loss	(1,914)	_
Tax on loss arising from fair value changes of financial		
assets and liabilities, measured at fair value through		
profit or loss	2	_
Increase in finance costs	(8,692)	_
(Increase) decrease in deferred tax charge arising from		
restatement of property at cost	(18)	5
Increase in depreciation arising from restatement of		
property at cost	(449)	(31)
Increase in depreciation arising from reinstatement costs	(260)	(204)
Increase in deferred tax charge arising from reclassification	, ,	, ,
of land premium to prepaid land lease payments	(155)	(90)
Increase (decrease) in share of results of associates	117,210	(5,492)
Increase (decrease) in share of results of jointly controlled entities	60,553	(14,323)
Decrease in profit for the year	(103,595)	(106,994)
Attributable to:		
Equity holders of the Company	(125,306)	(105,479)
Minority interests	21,711	(1,515)
	(103,595)	(106,994)

# SUMMARY OF THE EFFECTS OF THE CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

Analysis of the decrease in profit for the year by line items presented according to their function:

	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Decrease in other income	(1,914)	_
Increase in other operating expenses	(5,400)	(4,880)
Increase in administrative expenses	(260)	(204)
Decrease in changes in fair value of investment properties	(28,992)	(22,669)
Reclassification of impairment losses recognised in respect of		
non-trading securities	_	(16,418)
Decrease in release of negative goodwill	(155,219)	_
Decrease in amortisation of capital reserve	(17,267)	_
Increase (decrease) in share of results of associates	87,945	(5,455)
Increase (decrease) in share of results of jointly controlled entities	60,553	(14,323)
Increase in finance costs	(8,692)	_
Increase in taxation	(34,349)	(43,045)
	(103,595)	(106,994)

# SUMMARY OF THE EFFECTS OF THE CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

The cumulative effect of the application of the new HKFRSs on the balance sheet at 31st December, 2004 and 1st January, 2005 are summarised below:

	At 31st		At 31st		At 1st
	December,		December,		January,
	2004		2004		2005
	(Originally stated)	Adjustments	(Restated)	Adjustments	(Restated)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
		(Note)			
Investment properties	2,611,336	(395,668)	2,215,668	_	2,215,668
Property, plant and equipment	130,199	67,757	197,956	_	197,956
Interests in associates	2,483,113	(20,093)	2,463,020	82,497	2,545,517
Interests in jointly controlled entit	ies 1,036,507	(218,709)	817,798	_	817,798
Prepaid land lease payments	_	275,606	275,606	_	275,606
Negative goodwill	(389,264)	_	(389,264)	389,264	_
Deferred tax assets	10,170	109	10,279	_	10,279
Deferred tax liabilities	(25,029)	(158,624)	(183,653)	_	(183,653)
Other assets/liabilities	1,237,542	1,934	1,239,476	91,309	1,330,785
Net assets	7,094,574	(447,688)	6,646,886	563,070	7,209,956
Share capital	1,074,303	_	1,074,303	_	1,074,303
Property revaluation reserve	226,488	(76,575)	149,913	(149,913)	_
Translation reserve	(205,496)	95,512	(109,984)	_	(109,984)
Capital (goodwill) reserve	(39,177)	_	(39,177)	41,987	2,810
Accumulated profits	3,899,912	(461,114)	3,438,798	623,558	4,062,356
Other reserves	862,605	_	862,605	(1,572)	861,033
Minority interests		1,270,428	1,270,428	49,010	1,319,438
Total equity	5,818,635	828,251	6,646,886	563,070	7,209,956
Minority interests	1,275,939	(1,275,939)			

# SUMMARY OF THE EFFECTS OF THE CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

The financial effects of the application of the new HKFRSs to the Group's equity at 1st January, 2004 are summarised below.

	At 1st January, 2004		At 1st January, 2004
	(Originally stated)	Adjustments	(Restated)
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
		(Note)	
Share capital	978,768	_	978,768
Property revaluation reserve	245,739	(114,085)	131,654
Translation reserve	(205,761)	95,488	(110,273)
Accumulated profits	939,958	(355,635)	584,323
Other reserves	2,930,610	_	2,930,610
Minority interests	1,148,929	(4,165)	1,144,764
Total equity	6,038,243	(378,397)	5,659,846

Note: The amounts represent adjustments to comparative figures arising from the reclassification of certain investment properties of the Group to property, plant and equipment and prepaid land lease payments as a result of the application of HKASs 3, 16, 17 and 40, recognition of deferred tax liabilities in respect of revalued investment properties in accordance with HKAS INT-21, share of adjustments of associates and jointly controlled entities and changes in presentation of balance sheet items in accordance with HKAS 1. These changes of accounting policies have been applied retrospectively.

Following the adoption of HKAS 39, the Company has reclassified its club debentures which were previously grouped under "other investments" to "intangible assets" at 1st January, 2005.

#### 4. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Basis** of preparation

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 ("Listing Rules") on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Stock Exchange") and by the Companies Ordinance.

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

#### Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries. 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.

# SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

# Basis of consolidation (Cont'd)

Where necessary, adjustments are made to the financial statements of subsidiaries to bring their accounting policies into line with those used by other members of the Group.

All intra-group transactions, balances, income and expenses are eliminated on consolidation.

Minority interests in the net assets of consolidated subsidiaries are identified separately from the Group's equity therein. Minority interests consist of the amount of those interests at the date of the original business combination (see below) and the minority's share of changes in equity since the date of the combination. Losses applicable to the minority in excess of the minority's interest in the subsidiary's equity are allocated against the interests of the Group except to the extent that the minority has a binding obligation and is able to make an additional investment to cover the losses.

# Business combinations (after 1st January, 2005)

The acquisition of subsidiaries is accounted for using the purchase method. The cost of the acquisition is measured at the aggregate of the fair values, at the date of exchange, of assets given, liabilities incurred or assumed, and equity instruments issued by the Group in exchange for control of the acquiree, plus any costs directly attributable to the business combination. The acquiree's identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities that meet the conditions for recognition under HKFRS 3 are recognised at their fair values at the acquisition date.

Goodwill arising on acquisition is recognised as an asset and initially measured at cost, being the excess of the cost of the business combination over the Group's interest in the net fair value of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities recognised. If, after reassessment, the Group's interest in the net fair value of the acquiree's identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities exceeds the cost of the business combination, the excess is recognised immediately in profit or loss.

The interest of minority shareholders in the acquiree is initially measured at the minority's proportion of the net fair value of the assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities recognised.

# Investments in subsidiaries

Investments in subsidiaries are included in the Company's balance sheet at cost less any identified impairment loss. Results of subsidiaries are accounted for by the Company on the basis of dividends received or receivable during the year.

#### Interests in associates

An associate is an entity over which the Group has significant influence and that is neither a subsidiary nor an interest in a joint venture. Significant influence is the power to participate in the financial and operating policy decisions of the investee but is not control or joint control over those policies.

# SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

### Interests in associates (Cont'd)

The results and assets and liabilities of associates are incorporated in the financial statements using the equity method of accounting less any identified impairment loss. Under the equity method, investments in associates are carried in the consolidated balance sheet at cost as adjusted for post-acquisition changes in the Group's share of the net assets of the associate, less any impairment in the value of individual investments. Losses of an associate in excess of the Group's interest in that associate (which includes any long-term interests that, in substance, form part of the Group's net investment in the associate) are not recognised.

Any excess of the cost of acquisition over the Group's share of the net fair value of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities of the associate recognised at the date of acquisition is recognised as goodwill. The goodwill is included within the carrying amount of the investment and is assessed for impairment as part of the investment. Any excess of the Group's share of the net fair value of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities over the cost of acquisition, after reassessment, is recognised immediately in profit or loss.

Where a group entity transacts with an associate of the Group, profits and losses are eliminated to the extent of the Group's interest in the relevant associate.

# Interests in jointly controlled entities

A joint venture is a contractual arrangement whereby the Group and other parties undertake an economic activity that is subject to joint control, that is when the strategic financial and operating policy decisions relating to the activities require the unanimous consent of the parties sharing control.

Joint venture arrangements that involve the establishment of a separate entity in which each venturer has an interest are referred to as jointly controlled entities. The Group reports its interests in jointly controlled entities using the equity method of accounting less any identified impairment loss. Under the equity method, investments in jointly controlled entities are carried in the consolidated balance sheet at cost as adjusted for post-acquisition changes in the Group's share of the net assets of the jointly controlled entity, less any impairment in the value of individual investments. Losses of jointly controlled entities in excess of the Group's interest in that jointly controlled entity (which includes any long-term interests that, in substance, form part of the Group's net investment in the jointly controlled entity) are not recognised.

Any excess of the cost of acquisition over the Group's share of the net fair value of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities of the jointly controlled entity recognised at the date of acquisition is recognised as goodwill. The goodwill is included within the carrying amount of the investment and is assessed for impairment as part of the investment. Any excess of the Group's share of the net fair value of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities over the cost of acquisition, after reassessment, is recognised immediately in profit or loss.

Where the Group transacts with its jointly controlled entities, unrealised profits and losses are eliminated to the extent of the Group's interest in the joint venture.

# SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

# Goodwill and negative goodwill (capital reserve)

# Goodwill arising on acquisitions prior to 1st January, 2005

Goodwill arising on an acquisition of a subsidiary, an associate or a jointly controlled entity for which the agreement date is before 1st January, 2005 represents the excess of the cost of acquisition over the Group's interest in the fair value of the identifiable assets and liabilities of the relevant subsidiary, associate or jointly controlled entity at the date of acquisition.

For previously capitalised goodwill arising on acquisitions before 1st January, 2001, the Group has discontinued amortisation from 1st January, 2005 onwards, and such goodwill is tested for impairment annually, and whenever there is an indication that the cash generating unit to which the goodwill relates may be impaired.

# Goodwill arising on acquisitions on or after 1st January, 2005

Goodwill arising on an acquisition of a subsidiary, an associate or a jointly controlled entity for which the agreement date is on or after 1st January, 2005 represents the excess of the cost of acquisition over the Group's interest in the fair value of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities of the relevant subsidiary, associate or jointly controlled entity at the date of acquisition. Such goodwill is carried at cost less any accumulated impairment losses.

Capitalised goodwill arising on an acquisition of a subsidiary is presented separately in the balance sheet. Capitalised goodwill arising on an acquisition of an associate or a jointly controlled entity is included in the cost of the investment of the relevant associate or jointly controlled entity.

# Impairment testing on capitalised goodwill

For the purposes of impairment testing, goodwill arising from an acquisition is allocated to each of the relevant cash-generating units, or groups of cash-generating units, that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the acquisition. A cash-generating unit to which goodwill has been allocated is tested for impairment annually, and whenever there is an indication that the unit may be impaired. For goodwill arising on an acquisition in a financial year, the cash-generating unit to which goodwill has been allocated is tested for impairment before the end of that financial year. When the recoverable amount of the cashgenerating unit is less than the carrying amount of the unit, the impairment loss is allocated to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill allocated to the unit first, and then to the other assets of the unit pro rata on the basis of the carrying amount of each asset in the unit. Any impairment loss for goodwill is recognised directly in the income statement. An impairment loss for goodwill is not reversed in subsequent periods.

On subsequent disposal of a subsidiary, an associate or a jointly controlled entity, the attributable amount of goodwill capitalised is included in the determination of the amount of profit or loss on disposal.

# SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

# Goodwill and negative goodwill (capital reserve) (Cont'd)

Excess of an acquirer's interest in the net fair value of an acquiree's identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities over cost ("discount on acquisitions")

A discount on acquisition arising on an acquisition of a subsidiary, an associate or a jointly controlled entity for which an agreement date is on or after 1st January, 2005 represents the excess of the net fair value of an acquiree's identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities over the cost of the business combination. Discount on acquisition is recognised immediately in profit or loss. A discount on acquisition arising on an acquisition of an associate or a jointly controlled entity is included as income in the determination of the investor's share of results of the associate or jointly controlled entity in the period in which the investment is acquired.

As explained above, all negative goodwill as at 1st January, 2005 has been derecognised with a corresponding adjustment to the Group's accumulated profits.

# Revenue recognition

Revenue is measured at the fair value of consideration received or receivable.

When properties are developed for sale, income is recognised on the execution of a binding sales agreement or when the relevant building occupation permit is issued by the building authority, whichever is the later. Payments received from purchasers prior to this stage are recorded as deposits received, which are shown as a current liability. When the consideration is in the form of cash or cash equivalents, and the receipt of the consideration is deferred, the fair value of the consideration is determined by discounting all future receipts using an imputed rate of interest.

Rental income, including rentals invoiced in advance from properties under operating leases, is recognised on a straight line basis over the terms of the relevant leases.

Sales of investments are recognised on a trade date or contract date basis, where appropriate.

Service income is recognised when services are provided.

Revenue from hotel operations is recognised when services are provided.

Interest income is accrued on a time basis, by reference to the principal outstanding and at the effective interest rate applicable, which is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial asset to that asset's net carrying amount.

Dividend income from investments is recognised when the shareholder's right to receive payment has been established.

# SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

# Revenue recognition (Cont'd)

Commission income is recognised as income on trade date basis.

Underwriting commission, sub-underwriting income, placing commission and sub-placing commission are recognised as income in accordance with the terms and conditions of the relevant agreement or deal mandate when a relevant significant act has been completed.

Fees for management and advisory of funds are recognised when the related services are rendered.

Realised profits or losses from financial assets at fair value through profit or loss and derivative contracts are recognised on a trade date basis whilst the unrealised profits or losses are recognised from valuation at the balance sheet date.

Profits or losses on trading in foreign currencies include both realised and unrealised gains less losses and charges less premium arising from position squaring and valuation at the balance sheet date of foreign currency positions on hand.

## 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.

#### The Group as lessor

Amounts due from lessees under finance leases are recorded as receivables at the amount of the Group's net investment in the leases. Finance lease income is allocated to accounting periods so as to reflect a constant periodic rate of return on the Group's net investment outstanding in respect of the leases. Rental income from operating leases is recognised on a straight-line basis over the term of the relevant lease. Initial direct costs incurred in negotiating and arranging an operating lease are added to the carrying amount of the leased asset and recognised on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

# The Group as lessee

Assets held under finance leases are recognised as assets of the Group at their fair value at the inception of the lease or, if lower, at the present value of the minimum lease payments. The corresponding liability to the lessor is included in the balance sheet as a finance lease obligation. Lease payments are apportioned between finance charges and reduction of the lease obligation so as to achieve a constant rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability. Finance charges are charged directly to profit or loss, unless they are directly attributable to qualifying assets, in which case they are capitalised in accordance with the Group's general policy on borrowing costs (see below).

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the term of the relevant lease. Benefits received and receivable as an incentive to enter into an operating lease are also spread on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

# SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

# Foreign currencies

The individual financial statements of each group entity are presented in the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates (its functional currency). For the purpose of the consolidated financial statements, the results and financial position of each entity are expressed in Hong Kong dollars, which is the functional currency of the Company, and the presentation currency for the consolidated financial statements.

In preparing the financial statements of the individual entities, transactions in currencies other than the entity's functional currency (foreign currencies) are recorded at the rates of exchanges prevailing on the dates of the transactions. At each balance sheet date, monetary items denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing on the balance sheet date. Non-monetary items carried at fair value that are denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing on the date when the fair value was determined. Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are not retranslated.

Exchange differences arising on the settlement of monetary items and on the retranslation of monetary items are included in profit or loss for the period. Exchange differences arising on the retranslation of nonmonetary items carried at fair value are included in profit or loss for the period except for differences arising on the retranslation of non-monetary items in respect of which gains and losses are recognised directly in equity. For such non-monetary items, any exchange component of that gain or loss is also recognised directly in equity.

For the purpose of presenting consolidated financial statements, the assets and liabilities of the Group's foreign operations (including comparatives) are expressed in Hong Kong dollars using exchange rates prevailing on the balance sheet date. Income and expense items (including comparatives) are translated at the average exchange rates for the period, unless exchange rates fluctuated significantly during that period, in which case the exchange rates at the dates of the transactions are used. Exchange differences arising, if any, are classified as equity and transferred to the Group's translation reserve. Such translation differences are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which the foreign operation is disposed of.

Goodwill and fair value adjustments arising on the acquisition of a foreign operation are treated as assets and liabilities of the foreign operation and translated at the closing rate.

#### **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 added to the cost of those assets until such times as 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 eligible for capitalisation.

All other borrowing costs are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they are incurred.

# SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

# **Employee benefits**

Employee entitlements to annual leave are recognised when they accrue to employees. A provision is made for the estimated liability for annual leave as a result of services rendered by employees up to the balance sheet date.

The contributions payable to the Group's retirement benefit schemes and mandatory provident fund schemes are charged to the income statement when incurred.

## **Taxation**

Taxation represents the sum of the tax currently payable and deferred tax.

The tax currently payable is based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit differs from profit as reported in the income statement because it excludes items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years, and it further excludes income statement items that are never taxable or deductible. The Group's liability for current tax is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

Deferred tax is recognised on differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the financial statements and the corresponding tax bases used in the computation of taxable profit, and is accounted for using the balance sheet liability method. Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognised for all taxable temporary differences and deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which deductible temporary differences can be utilised. Such assets and liabilities are not recognised if the temporary differences arise from goodwill or from the initial recognition (other than in a business combination) of other assets and liabilities in a transaction that affects neither the taxable profit nor the accounting profit.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for taxable temporary differences arising on investments in subsidiaries and interests in associates and jointly controlled entities, except where the Group as a parent or a venturer is able to control the reversal of the temporary difference and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at each balance sheet date and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available to allow all or part of the asset to be recovered.

Deferred tax is calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period when the liability is settled or the asset realised, based on tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date. Deferred tax is charged or credited in the income statement, except when it relates to items charged or credited directly to equity, in which case the deferred tax is also dealt with in equity.

# **Investment properties**

Investment property, which is property held to earn rentals and/or for capital appreciation, is stated at its fair value at the balance sheet date. Gains or losses arising from changes in the fair value of investment property are included in profit or loss for the period in which they arise.

#### 4. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

#### Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost less depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Expenditure on major inspections and overhauls of property, plant and equipment is capitalised as a separate component of the relevant asset.

Depreciation is provided to write off the cost of items of property, plant and equipment over their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method, at the following rates per annum:

Land and buildings 2% to 3% or over the remaining terms of the leases

Leasehold improvements 20%

Furniture, fixtures and equipment 10% to 50% Motor vehicles and vessels 16\%% to 20%

The gain or loss arising on the disposal or retirement of an item of property, plant and equipment is determined as the difference between the sales proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset and is recognised in profit or loss.

## Properties held for development

Freehold land and buildings in the course of development for production, rental or administrative purposes or for purposes not yet determined, are carried at cost, less any impairment loss considered necessary by the Directors. Cost includes freehold land cost, development cost, borrowing cost and other direct costs attributable to such properties, net of any rentals and interest income earned, until the relevant properties reach a marketable state. Depreciation of these assets, calculated on the same basis as other property assets, commences when the assets are put into use.

# Prepaid land lease payments

The up-front prepayments made for the leasehold land and land use rights are expensed in the income statement on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

#### Intangible assets

On initial recognition, intangible assets acquired separately and from business combinations are recognised at cost and at fair value respectively.

Gains or losses arising from derecognition of an intangible asset are measured at the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset and are recognised in the income statement when the asset is derecognised.

#### Exchange participation rights and club debentures

They comprise:

- The eligibility right to trade through the Stock Exchange, Hong Kong Futures Exchange Limited and other Exchanges; and
- The eligibility right to use the facilities of various clubs.



# SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

# Intangible assets (Cont'd)

# Exchange participation rights and club debentures (cont'd)

The exchange participation rights are considered by the management of the Group as having an indefinite useful life because they are expected to contribute to net cash flows indefinitely. The management also considers that the club debentures does not have a definite useful life. They are carried at cost less any impairment losses and are tested for impairment annually by comparing their recoverable amount with their carrying amount. Useful lives are also examined on an annual basis and adjustments where applicable are made on a prospective basis.

#### Computer software

Acquired computer software licenses are capitalised on the basis of the costs incurred to acquire and bring to use the specific software. These costs are amortised using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives (three to five years).

Costs associated with developing or maintaining computer software are recognised as an expense as incurred. Costs that are directly associated with the production of identifiable and unique software controlled by the Group, and that will probably generate economic benefits exceeding costs beyond one year, are recognised as intangible assets. Direct costs include the software development employee costs and an appropriate portion of relevant overheads.

Computer software development costs recognised as assets are amortised from the dates when the software are available for use using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives (not exceeding ten years).

# Impairment of tangible and intangible assets excluding goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite

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 impairment losses. 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. An impairment loss is recognised as an expense immediately.

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.

# SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

#### **Financial instruments**

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised in the consolidated balance sheet when the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial assets and financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value. Transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of financial assets and financial liabilities (other than financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss) are added to or deducted from the fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities, as appropriate, on initial recognition. Transaction costs directly attributable to the acquisition of financial assets or financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are recognised immediately in profit or loss.

#### Financial assets

Financial assets are classified into one of four categories, being financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, loans and receivables, held-to-maturity investments and available-for-sale financial assets. All regular way purchases or sales of financial assets are recognised and derecognised on a trade date basis. Regular way purchases or sales are purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within the time frame established by regulation or convention in the marketplace. The accounting policies adopted in respect of each category of financial assets are set out below.

#### Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss has two subcategories, including financial assets held for trading and those designated at fair value through profit or loss on initial recognition. At each balance sheet date subsequent to initial recognition, financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are measured at fair value, with changes in fair value recognised directly in profit or loss in the period in which they arise.

## Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. At each balance sheet date subsequent to initial recognition, loans and receivables (including trade receivables, loan receivable and other receivables) are carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any identified impairment losses. An impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss when there is objective evidence that the asset is impaired, and is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of the estimated future cash flows discounted at the original effective interest rate. Impairment losses are reversed in subsequent periods when an increase in the asset's recoverable amount can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, subject to a restriction that the carrying amount of the asset at the date the impairment is reversed does not exceed what the amortised cost would have been had the impairment not been recognised.

# SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

### Financial instruments (Cont'd)

## Available-for-sale financial assets

Available-for-sale financial assets are non-derivatives that are either designated or not classified as any of the other categories (set out above). At each balance sheet date subsequent to initial recognition, available-forsale financial assets are measured at fair value. Changes in fair value are recognised in equity, until the financial asset is disposed of or is determined to be impaired, at which time, the cumulative gain or loss previously recognised in equity is removed from equity and recognised in profit or loss. Any impairment losses on available-for-sale financial assets are recognised in profit or loss. Impairment losses on availablefor-sale equity investments will not reverse through profit or loss in subsequent periods. For available-forsale debt investments, impairment losses are subsequently reversed if an increase in the fair value of the investment can be objectively related to an event occurring after the recognition of the impairment loss.

For available-for-sale equity investments that do not have a quoted market price in an active market and whose fair value cannot be reliably measured and derivatives that are linked to and must be settled by delivery of such unquoted equity instruments, they are measured at cost less any identified impairment losses at each balance sheet date subsequent to initial recognition. An impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss when there is objective evidence that the asset is impaired. The amount of the impairment loss is measured as the difference between the carrying amount of the asset and the present value of the estimated future cash flows discounted at the current market rate of return for a similar financial asset. Such impairment losses will not reverse in subsequent periods.

#### Financial liabilities and equity

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into and the definitions of a financial liability and an equity instrument.

An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the group after deducting all of its liabilities. Financial liabilities are generally classified into financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss and other financial liabilities. The accounting policies adopted in respect of financial liabilities and equity instruments are set out below.

# Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss

Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss has two subcategories, including financial liabilities held for trading and those designated at fair value through profit or loss on initial recognition. At each balance sheet date subsequent to initial recognition, financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are measured at fair value, with changes in fair value recognised directly in profit or loss in the period in which they arise.

#### Other financial liabilities

Other financial liabilities including accounts payable and accrued charges, amount due to Allied Group Limited, amounts due to associates, amounts due to a jointly controlled entity and bank and other borrowings are subsequently measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

# SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

# Financial instruments (Cont'd)

## Fair value measurement principles

Fair values of quoted investments are based on bid prices. For unlisted securities or financial assets without an active market, the Group establishes the fair value by using valuation techniques including the use of recent arm's length transaction, reference to other investments that are substantially the same, discounted cash flow analysis, and option pricing models.

## Equity instruments

Equity instruments issued by the Company are recorded at the proceeds received, net of direct issue costs.

## Properties held for sale

Properties held for sale are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost includes freehold and leasehold land cost, development cost, borrowing costs and other direct costs attributable to such properties, until the relevant properties reach a marketable state. Net realisable value is determined by reference to management estimates of the selling price based on prevailing market conditions, less all estimated costs to completion and costs to be incurred in marketing and selling.

#### **Inventories**

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

#### 5. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY

In preparing these financial statements, management is required to exercise significant judgments in the selection and application of accounting principles, including making estimates and assumptions. The following is a review of the more significant accounting policies that are impacted by judgments and uncertainties and for which different amounts may be reported under a different set of conditions or using different assumptions.

# Estimate of fair value of investment properties

The investment properties were revalued at the balance sheet date on market value existing use basis by independent professional valuers. Such valuations were based on certain assumptions, which are subject to uncertainty and might materially differ from the actual results. In making the judgment, the Group considers information from current prices in an active market for similar properties and uses assumptions that are mainly based on market conditions existing at each balance sheet date.

#### Impairment allowances on loans and receivables

The Group periodically reviews its loan portfolios to assess whether impairment allowances exist. In determining whether impairment allowances should be recorded in the income statement, the Group has individually evaluated each loan account for impairment after taking into account the value of each client account's underlying collateral and the latest financial position of those borrowers in default of settlement.

# CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY (CONT'D)

#### Impairment of available-for-sale financial assets

For listed available-for-sale equity investments, a significant or prolonged decline in fair value below cost is considered to be objective evidence of impairment. Judgment is required when determining whether a decline in fair value has been significant or prolonged. In making this judgment, the historical data on market volatility as well as the price of the specific investment are taken into account.

For those unlisted equity investments, the Group determines their fair values by using appropriate valuation techniques and making assumptions that are based on market conditions existing at each balance sheet date. The Group also takes into account other factors, such as industry and sector performance and financial information regarding the investee.

# Estimated impairment of goodwill

The Group conducts tests for impairment of goodwill annually in accordance with the relevant accounting standards. Determining whether the goodwill is impaired requires an estimation of the value in use on basis of data available to the Group. Where the future cash flows are less than expected, an impairments loss may arise.

#### Deferred tax

Estimating the amount for deferred tax asset arising from tax losses requires a process that involves determining appropriate provisions for taxation, forecasting future years' taxable income and assessing the Group's ability to utilise tax benefits through future earnings. In case where the actual future profits generated are less than expected, a reversal of the deferred tax asset may arise, which would be recognised in the income statement for the period in which such a reversal takes place. The Group's deferred tax asset arising from tax losses is mainly from term loan business. While the current financial models indicate that the tax losses can be utilised in future, any changes in assumptions, estimates and tax regulation can affect the recoverability of this deferred tax assets.

# Provisions and contingent liabilities

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of a past event if it is probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation. Were the Group expects some or all of a provision to be reimbursed, the reimbursement is recognised as a separate asset but only when the reimbursement is virtually certain. The expense relating to any provision is presented in the income statement net of any reimbursement.

A contingent liability is a possible obligation that arises from past events and whose existence will only be confirmed by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the control of the Group. It can also be a present obligation arising from past events that is not recognised because it is not probable that outflow of economic resources will be required or the amount of obligation cannot be measured reliably.

A contingent liability is not recognised but is disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. When a change in the probability of an outflow occurs so that the outflow is probable, it will then be recognised as a provision.

# CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY (CONT'D)

### Depreciation and amortisation

The Group's net book value of property, plant and equipment as at 31st December 2005 was HK\$209,419,000. The Group depreciates the property, plant and equipment on a straight line basis over the estimated useful life of three to fifteen years, after taking into account of their estimated residual value, using the straight-line method, commencing from the date the property, plant or equipment is placed into productive use. The estimated useful life and dates that the Group places the property, plant or equipment into productive use reflects the directors' estimate of the periods that the Group intend to derive future economic benefits from the use of the Group's property, plant and equipment.

#### Litigation

Sun Hung Kai Securities Limited ("SHKS"), an indirectly non-wholly owned subsidiary, has obtained leave to appeal the judgment of the Court of Appeal made on 29th June, 2005 ("Court of Appeal Judgment") to the Court of Final Appeal ("Final Appeal") in relation to litigation involving SHKS, New World Development Company Limited ("NWDC") and Stapleton Development Limited ("SDL"). The litigation relates to a disputed interest in a joint venture between NWDC and/or SDL and IGB Corporation Bhd. to purchase land and to build two hotels at the city centre of Kuala Lumpur. The Group's understanding of the effect of the Court of Appeal Judgment is that SHKS now effectively owns 25% ("SHKS Interest") of NWDC's entire interest in the joint venture. The Final Appeal will be heard between 19th June, 2006 and 21st June, 2006. The Group has considered that it is not possible to decide with any degree of accuracy as to what the final position may be.

At 31st December, 2005, a sum of HK\$118,003,000 representing SHKS Interest was recognised, as amounts due from investee companies under Loans and Receivables. In addition, contingent liabilities amounting to approximately HK\$37,500,000 have been disclosed regarding the payments demanded by NWDC for what it asserts as pro-rata shareholders' contributions advanced by NWDC on behalf of SHKS. Furthermore, included in the 2004 income statement was a sum of HK\$2,934,000 representing the interest expense paid by SHKS to NWDC pursuant to the 1st April, 2004 judgment of the High Court of Hong Kong (the "Judgment") on shareholders' contributions advanced by NWDC on behalf of SHKS. The nature of the interests and the uncertainty of the Final Appeal result in a situation where it is not possible to decide with any degree of accuracy as to what the final position may be. This in turn affects the recovery of the above mentioned receivables or interest payments and the crystallisation or discharge of the above mentioned contingent liabilities. The Group has thus decided that it is not presently appropriate to make any impairment allowance for the above mentioned receivables, any provisions in respect of the above mentioned contingencies, or any recoveries of the above mentioned interest expenses. Details of the receivables, contingent liabilities and interest expenses are disclosed in notes 28, 44, and 12 respectively.

#### 6. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

The Group's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: market risk, credit risk, liquidity risk and interest rate risk. The Group's overall risk management programme focuses on the unpredictability of financial markets and seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the Group's financial performance.

# FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONT'D)

The Group has established policies and procedures for risk management which are reviewed regularly by the management and the credit & risks management committee ("CRM"), which reports to the executive committee of the concerned group company, to ensure the proper monitoring and control of all major risks arising from the Group's activities at all times. The concerned internal audit and compliance department ("IAC") (which reports independently to respective chairman and the audit committee) also performs regular reviews to supplement the various internal control measures adopted by the management and various divisions within the Group, to ensure compliance with policies and procedures.

#### Market risk

#### (i)Trading Risk

Market risk arises from trading activities, including market-making and proprietary trading. Trading activities across the Group are subject to limits approved by management. The Group's trading risk control unit ("TRCU") of the concerned group company independently monitors and reports the positions, risks and profit and loss of its proprietary trading activities involving derivatives, foreign exchange and bullion. In addition to the TRCU, part of the Group's proprietary trading exposure is closely monitored by the credit department. Proprietary trading exposures are measured on both a "mark-to-market" and a "mark-to-fair" basis, and "maximum loss" and "position" limits are used. Value at Risk ("VaR") and stress-tests are also used in the assessment of risk. These are approaches that assist in the quantification of risk by combining the size of a position and the extent of a potential market movement into a potential impact on the profit and loss.

The Group's various proprietary trading positions and the profit and loss are reported daily to senior management for review. The Group's IAC also performs audits to supplement the above controls to ensure compliance with the established market risk limits and guidelines.

## (ii) Foreign Exchange Risk

Foreign exchange risk is the risk to earnings or capital arising from movements of foreign exchange

The Group's foreign exchange risk primarily arises from currency exposures originating from its leveraged foreign exchange business or purchases of foreign securities on behalf of clients. Foreign exchange risk is managed and monitored by the relevant department under the limits approved by the management. In relation to our leveraged foreign exchange activity, our position is that of a market-maker, and accordingly our risk is our open currency positions which are subject to management approved limits and are monitored and reported daily. The other possible risk is primarily a derivative foreign exchange risk for a client who does not or cannot meet margin calls following any period of substantial currency turbulence. Our principal lending operations are carried out in local currency to obviate foreign exchange risk. Accordingly, the Group has no significant exposure to foreign exchange fluctuations on loan assets.

# FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONT'D)

#### Credit risk

Credit risk arises from a number of areas. These include the possibility that a customer or counter-party in a transaction may default during the settlement process. It also arises from lending, settlement, treasury, market-making, derivatives, proprietary trading, rental business and hotel operation and other activities undertaken by the Group.

The Group's credit manual sets out in detail the credit approval and monitoring procedures, which are established in accordance with sound business practices, the requirements and provisions of the relevant ordinances, and where applicable, the codes or guidelines issued by the Securities and Futures Commission.

Day-to-day credit management is performed by the credit department with reference to the aforementioned criteria including creditworthiness, collateral pledged, and risk concentration of the counter-parties. Decisions made daily by the credit department are reported and reviewed by the management of the Group and by the CRM at its regular meetings.

## Liquidity risk

The Group manages its liquidity position to ensure the Group maintains a prudent and adequate liquidity ratio, in strict accordance with statutory requirements. This is achieved by the management, monitoring the liquidity position of the Group on a daily basis to ensure the availability of sufficient liquid funds to meet all obligations and compliance with the statutory requirements such as the Financial Resources Rules applying to various licensed subsidiaries.

# Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk primarily results from timing differences in the re-pricing of interest bearing assets, liabilities and commitments. The Group's interest rate risk exposure arises mainly from margin financing and other lending activities undertaken. The Group has the legal capacity to quickly recall such loans or re-price its margin loans to an appropriate level. Its interest-sensitive positions can readily be identified. Interest rates paid by the Group are managed by the finance department with the aim of maximising the spread of interest consistent with liquidity and funding obligations. Most of the Group's bank borrowings are subject to floating interest rates.

# FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONT'D)

# Interest rate risk (cont'd)

The exposure of the Group's material fixed-rate assets and liabilities to fair value interest rate risk and their contractual maturity dates are as follows:

	Interest	In	In second	In third	In fourth	In fifth	More than	
	rates	first year	year	year	year	year	5 years	Total
		HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At 31st December, 2005								
Fixed deposits	0.28% to $7.25%$	110,902	_	_	_	-	_	110,902
Treasury bills	3.78%	7,680	_	_	_	-	_	7,680
Loan note due from								
a listed associate	2.5%	_	_	78,000	_	-	_	78,000
Bank loans	4.85% to $5.35%$	(255,000)	_	_	_	-	_	(255,000)
Loan notes (note)	7.9%			(64,252)				(64,252)
At 31st December, 2004								
Fixed deposits	0.01% to $7.50%$	144,181	-	-	-	-	-	144,181
Loan note due from								
a listed associate	2.5%	_	_	_	78,000	-	_	78,000
Marketable debt securities	1.86%	7,741	_	_	_	-	_	7,741
Loan notes (note)	7.9%				(129,637)			(129,637)

Note: The coupon rate of the loan notes is 4.00% per annum. The interest rate disclosed in the table above represents the effective interest rate applied in calculating the corresponding amortised cost of the loan notes.

The exposure of the Group's material floating rate assets and liabilities to cash flow interest rate risk and their contractual maturity dates are as follows:

	Interest	In	In second	In third	In fourth	In fifth	More than	
	rates	first year	year	year	year	year	5 years	Total
		HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At 31st December, 2005								
Secured margin loans	7.00% to $30.00%$	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1,293,285
Term loans	7.00% to $26.82%$	371,909	_	_	_	_	_	371,909
Bank overdrafts	4.85% to $8.50%$	(83,040)	_	_	_	_	_	(83,040)
Bank loans	4.89% to $6.69%$	(612,193)	(606,939)	(36,119)	(100,473)	(74,622)	(57,610)	(1,487,956)
At 31st December, 2004								
Secured margin loans	4.00% to 30.00%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1,441,056
Term loans	5.00% to 26.82%	181,310	3,200	_	_	_	_	184,510
Bank overdrafts	5.5%	(57,905)	_	_	_	_	_	(57,905)
Bank loans	1.15% to $3.00%$	(545,275)	(226,738)	(613,160)	(28,981)	(91,328)	(86,362)	(1,591,844)

#### 7. REVENUE#

Revenue represents the gross proceeds received and receivable derived from the sale of properties, securities trading and broking, income from property rental, hotel operations and property management services, interest and dividend income, income from corporate finance and advisory services, and income from securities margin financing and term loan financing and insurance broking services, and the following stated net of losses: income from bullion transactions and differences on foreign exchange transactions.

	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Securities broking	225,664	236,854
Interest income	180,696	171,510
Property rental, hotel operations and management services	173,358	169,935
Income from corporate finance and others	169,297	156,849
Income from forex, bullion, commodities and futures	149,289	149,380
Securities trading	203,993	145,205
Dividend income	41,856	73,653
Sale of properties		24,783
	1,144,153	1,128,169

Revenue is also the Group's turnover.

#### 8. SEGMENTAL INFORMATION

The Group has the following main business segments:

- Investment, broking and finance trading in securities, provision of securities broking and related services, provision of broking services in forex, bullion and commodities, provision of securities margin financing and insurance broking services, provision of related financing and advisory products, and provision of term loan financing.
- Property rental, hotel operations and management services property rental, hotel operations managed by third parties and provision of property management services.
- Sales of properties and property based investments development and sale of properties and property based investments.

Business segments are presented as the primary reporting format and geographical segments as the secondary reporting format.

## SEGMENTAL INFORMATION (CONT'D)

Analysis of the Group's business segmental information is as follows:

		2	2005	
	Investment, broking and finance HK\$'000	Property rental, hotel operations and management services HK\$'000	Sale of properties and property based investments HK\$'000	<b>Total</b> HK\$'000
Revenue Less: inter-segment revenue	987,628 (16,833)	177,957 (4,599)		1,165,585 (21,432)
O .	970,795	173,358		1,144,153
Segment results Finance costs Share of results of associates Share of results of jointly controlled entities	299,353	631,147	26,340	956,840 (96,778) 150,388 105,298
Profit before taxation Taxation				1,115,748 (79,306)
Profit for the year				1,036,442
Segment assets Interests in associates Interests in jointly controlled entities Deferred tax assets Amounts due from associates Amount due from a jointly controlled entity Tax recoverable	4,697,322	3,112,221	520,991	8,330,534 2,710,057 866,394 4,143 7,384 2,159 3,842
Total assets				11,924,513
Segment liabilities Amounts due to associates Amount due to a jointly controlled entity Tax payable Bank and other borrowings Deferred tax liabilities	(1,029,132)	(63,144)	(744)	(1,093,020) (62,828) (81,063) (13,489) (1,891,222) (230,615)
Total liabilities				(3,372,237)
Other information Depreciation Amortisation of prepaid land	17,258	7,221	-	24,479
lease payments Amortisation of intangible assets Impairment losses recognised (reversed) Increase in fair value of investment	1,645 3,662 37,462	2,756 - (4,424)	- - (82,152)	4,401 3,662 (49,114)
properties Allowance for bad and doubtful debts Capital additions	1,079 22,081	(522,250) 10,963 5,958	- - -	(522,250) 12,042 28,039

# SEGMENTAL INFORMATION (CONT'D)

	2004				
	Investment, broking and finance HK\$'000 (Restated)	Property rental, hotel operations and management services HK\$'000 (Restated)	Sale of properties and property based investments HK\$'000 (Restated)	Total HK\$'000 (Restated)	
Revenue Less: inter-segment revenue	944,846 (11,395)	172,835 (2,900)	24,783	1,142,464 (14,295)	
	933,451	169,935	24,783	1,128,169	
Segment results Finance costs Release of negative goodwill Amortisation of capital reserve Share of results of associates Share of results of jointly controlled entities	232,585	169,473	26,532	428,590 (47,208) 156,741 17,267 165,856 19,090	
Profit before taxation Taxation				740,336 (80,108)	
Profit for the year				660,228	
Segment assets Interests in associates Interests in jointly controlled entities Deferred tax assets Amounts due from associates Amount due from a jointly controlled entity Tax recoverable	3,609,403	2,593,453	499,938	6,702,794 2,463,020 817,798 10,279 231 2,040 1,464	
Total assets				9,997,626	
Segment liabilities Amounts due to associates Amount due to a jointly controlled entity Tax payable Bank and other borrowings Deferred tax liabilities	(1,084,601)	(86,305)	(648)	(1,171,554) (49,260) (141,063) (24,726) (1,780,484) (183,653)	
Total liabilities				(3,350,740)	
Other information Depreciation Amortisation of prepaid land	15,852	5,751	-	21,603	
lease payments	616	2,659	_	3,275	
Amortisation of intangible assets	2,701	- (4 914)	(95.094)	2,701	
Impairment losses recognised (reversed) Increase in fair value of investment properties	16,418	(4,314) (91,719)	(25,924)	(13,820) (91,719)	
Allowance for bad and doubtful debts					
written back Capital additions	(528) 18,930	(374) 20,248	253	(902) 39,431	

## SEGMENTAL INFORMATION (CONT'D)

Inter-segment transactions have been entered into on terms agreed by the parties concerned.

During the year, less than 10% of the operations of the Group in terms of revenue, segment results and assets were carried on or were situated outside Hong Kong. Accordingly, no geographical segmental information is shown.

## CHANGES IN VALUES OF PROPERTIES

	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
		(Restated)
Changes in values of properties comprise:		
Increase in fair value of investment properties	522,250	91,719
Reversal of write-down of properties held for sale	47,452	22,924
Reversal of impairment loss of properties held for development	34,700	3,000
Reversal of impairment loss of buildings	4,284	4,314
	608,686	121,957

The impairment losses reversed were determined with reference to the respective fair values based on independent professional valuations at 31st December, 2005.

### 10. Information Regarding Directors' and Employees' Emoluments

(a) The emoluments paid or payable to each of the seven (2004: seven) Directors were as follows:

			2005		
		Salaries, consultancy	Performance related	Retirement benefit	
	Directors'	fees and	incentive	scheme	Total
	fees	other benefits	payments	contributions	emoluments
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
			(Note)		
Gordon Macwhinnie ***	10	1,145	-	_	1,155
Patrick Lee Seng Wei	10	2,952	1,000	88	4,050
Li Chi Kong	_	494	95	22	611
Henry Lai Hin Wing	_	75	-	_	75
Steven Lee Siu Chung	-	325	55	13	393
John Douglas Mackie	-	_	_	_	-
Steven Samuel Zoellner		40			40
	20	5,031	1,150	123	6,324

Certain Directors of the Company received remuneration from the Company's ultimate holding company or its wholly owned subsidiary. The ultimate holding company provided management services to the Group and charged the Group a fee, which is included in share of management service expenses/management service fee as disclosed in note 49(a), for services provided by those Directors as well as other management personnel who are not Directors of the Company.

Prior to 2005, the management service fee could not be apportioned and allocated to any individuals. From 1st January, 2005, the management service fee is calculated by reference to the time devoted by the management personnel on the affairs of the Group and can be apportioned to the Directors mentioned above. The total of such apportioned amounts, which have been included in the above table, is HK\$2,149,000.

Note: The amounts represented the actual bonus of year 2004 or before paid to the respective Directors during 2005. The bonus of year 2005 has yet to be decided.

## 10. Information Regarding Directors' and Employees' Emoluments (Cont'd)

(a) The emoluments paid or payable to each of the seven (2004: seven) Directors were as follows: (Cont'd)

		2004			
		Salaries,	Performance	Retirement	
		consultancy	related	benefit	
	Directors'	fees and	incentive	scheme	Total
	fees	other benefits	payments	contributions	emoluments
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Gordon Macwhinnie	10	_	_	_	10
Patrick Lee Seng Wei	10	2,911	250	86	3,257
Li Chi Kong	_	_	-	_	-
Henry Lai Hin Wing	-	75	-	-	75
Steven Lee Siu Chung	-	_	-	_	-
John Douglas Mackie *	-	_	-	_	-
Steven Samuel Zoellner **		10			10
	20	2,996	250	86	3,352

Appointed on 1st February, 2004

Appointed on 28th September, 2004

Retired on 30th December, 2005

## 10. Information Regarding Directors' and Employees' Emoluments (Cont'd)

## (b) Employees' emoluments

The five highest paid individuals included one (2004: one) of the Directors, details of whose emoluments are set out in note 10(a) above. The combined emoluments of the remaining four (2004: four) individuals are as follows:

	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Salaries and other benefits	10,129	9,992
Performance related incentive payments	4,811	4,760
Retirement benefit scheme contributions	237	222
	15,177	14,974

The emoluments of the above employees, who were not Directors of the Company, were within the following bands:

	Number of employees	
	2005	2004
HK\$2,000,001 – HK\$2,500,000	_	1
HK\$2,500,001 – HK\$3,000,000	1	2
HK\$3,000,001 – HK\$3,500,000	1	_
HK\$3,500,001 – HK\$4,000,000	1	_
HK\$5,000,001 – HK\$5,500,000	1	_
HK\$7,000,001 – HK\$7,500,000	_	1

## 11. FINANCE COSTS

	2005	2004 HK\$'000
	HK\$'000	
Interest on:		
Bank borrowings wholly repayable within five years	81,935	35,287
Bank borrowings not wholly repayable within five years	6,151	4,749
Loan notes wholly repayable within five years	8,692	7,175
Obligations under a finance lease	_	26
Other borrowings wholly repayable within five years		106
	96,778	47,343
Less: Amount capitalised in respect of properties held for development		(135)
	96,778	47,208

## 12. Profit before Taxation

	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000 (Restated)
Profit before taxation has been arrived at after charging:		
Auditors' remuneration		
Current year	5,161	4,671
Overprovision in prior years	(697)	(76)
	4,464	4,595
Amortisation of intangible assets (included in other operating expenses)	3,662	2,701
Amortisation of prepaid land lease payments	4,401	3,275
Commission expenses and sales incentives to account executives		
and certain staff	135,592	128,783
Depreciation		
Owned assets	24,437	21,090
Asset under a finance lease	42	513
	24,479	21,603
Impairment loss recognised in respect of an associate	4,981	_
Impairment loss recognised in respect of available-for-sale		
financial assets transferred from investment revaluation reserve	14,411	_
Impairment loss recognised in respect of intangible assets	980	_
Impairment loss recognised in respect of goodwill of associates	13,323	_
Impairment loss recognised in respect of goodwill of a subsidiary	267	_
Impairment loss recognised in respect of non-trading securities	-	16,418
Impairment loss recognised in respect of property, plant and equipment	3,680	_
Loss on dilution of interests in an associate	_	4,492
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	671	579
Loss on write off of intangible assets	23	96
Net unrealised loss on trading securities	744	2,109
Net unrealised loss on derivatives  Provision for interest in respect of a litigation with NWDC (note)	744	9.024
Provision for interest in respect of a litigation with NWDC (note)  Retirement benefit scheme contributions, net of forfeited	_	2,934
contributions of HK\$242,000 (2004: HK\$805,000) (note 47)	10,918	10,096
Staff costs (including Directors' emoluments but excluding	10,310	10,030
retirement benefit scheme contributions)	213,584	221,627
and after crediting:		
Dividend income from listed equity securities	16,853	36,843
Dividend income from unlisted equity securities	25,003	36,810
Excess of net fair value over consideration arising from acquisition	,	/
of subsidiaries	199	_
Net profit on other dealing activities	7,733	8,141
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## 12. Profit before Taxation (Cont'd)

	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000 (Restated)
Net realised profit on derivatives	20,513	15,455
Net realised profit on trading in equity securities	3,132	_
Net realised profit on trading securities	_	4,321
Net unrealised profit on trading in equity securities	1,334	_
Profit on dealing in foreign currencies	6,753	18,180
Profit on disposal of an investment property	2,061	_
Profit on disposal of available-for-sale financial assets	56,748	_
Profit on disposal of non-trading securities	_	2,483
Profit on disposal of partial interest in a subsidiary	_	789
Profit on disposal/deemed disposal of a jointly controlled entity	1,219	942
Rental income from investment properties under operating leases,		
net of outgoings of HK\$21,369,000 (2004: HK\$18,000,000)	65,841	50,952
Repayment of interest expenses in respect of litigation with		
NWDC pursuant to court of Appeal Judgment (note)	14,783	_
Reversal of impairment loss of intangible assets	320	_
Write back of loss arising from default of loan agreement with		
Millennium Touch Limited		2,847

#### Note:

On 1st April, 2004, the High Court of Hong Kong awarded the Judgment in favour of NWDC against SHKS, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Sun Hung Kai & Co. Limited ("Sun Hung Kai"), following legal proceedings regarding a joint venture in respect of land and two hotels in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. The Judgment was for a principal amount of HK\$80,117,653 together with interest of HK\$25,416,366 and interest at judgment rate from 16th December, 1998 until payment, and costs.

SHKS has since year 2000 recorded as "Investments" (note 27) (redesignated as loans and receivables on 1st January, 2005 on adoption of HKAS 39) an amount of approximately HK\$118,003,000 including payments already made to NWDC in a total sum of HK\$35,319,000. Additionally, a provision of approximately HK\$18,700,000 for interest was made in 2000. A further provision of HK\$58,364,000 has been made in these accounts in respect of interest and legal costs in 2003 and interest expense of HK\$2,934,000 was paid in 2004.

SHKS appealed against the Judgment to the Court of Appeal. The Court of Appeal has handed down the Court of Appeal Judgment in which the Court of Appeal ordered a repayment to SHKS of part of the interest element for the period from 16th December, 1998 to 31st March, 2004 previously ordered against SHKS in the High Court but otherwise broadly confirmed the Judgment. The sum repayable amounted to HK\$14,783,091 and has now been repaid.

SHKS has obtained leave to appeal the Court of Appeal Judgment to the Court of Final Appeal. The Final Appeal will be heard on 19th June, 2006.

Pending any judgment pursuant to the Final Appeal, Sun Hung Kai's present understanding of the effect of the Court of Appeal Judgment is that SHKS now effectively owns 25% of NWDC's entire interest (including the shareholder loans advanced by, or on behalf of, NWDC, and/or SDL and/or SHKS to Great Union Properties Sdn Bhd ("GUP")) in the Joint Venture (as defined in the Judgment), being the 50-50 joint venture between NWDC and/or SDL and IGB Corporation Bhd. to purchase land and to build two hotels of 1,000 rooms and a 200 unit service apartment block at the city centre of Kuala Lumpur and SDL holds 12.5% of the shares in GUP on trust for SHKS.

## 13. Taxation

	2004
HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(Restated)
26,254	31,637
229	3,099
26,483	34,736
52,823	45,372
79,306	80,108
	26,254 229 26,483 52,823

Hong Kong Profits Tax is calculated at 17.5% (2004: 17.5%) of the estimated assessable profit for the year.

Taxation outside Hong Kong is calculated at the rates prevailing in the relevant jurisdictions.

The total charge for the year can be reconciled to the profit before taxation as follows:

	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
		(Restated)
Profit before taxation	1,115,748	740,336
Less: Share of results of associates	(150,388)	(165,856)
Share of results of jointly controlled entities	(105,298)	(19,090)
	860,062	555,390
Tax at Hong Kong Profits Tax rate of 17.5% (2004: 17.5%)	150,510	97,193
Effect of different income tax rate of overseas subsidiaries	1,289	(1,476)
Tax effect of expenses that are not deductible for tax purposes	16,182	46,930
Tax effect of income that is not assessable for tax purposes	(84,206)	(77,546)
Tax effect of tax losses not recognised	2,645	6,748
Tax effect of utilisation of tax losses not previously recognised	(7,074)	(3,377)
Tax effect of utilisation of unrecognised deductible temporary difference	(302)	(2,951)
Tax effect of initial recognition exemption	_	13,652
Others	262	935
Taxation for the year	79,306	80,108

Details of deferred taxation are set out in note 29.

### 14. DIVIDEND

A final dividend of HK10 cents (2004: HK 5 cents) per share has been proposed by the Directors and is subject to approval by the shareholders at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting of the Company.

The amount of the proposed final dividend for the year ended 31st December, 2005 has been calculated by reference to 537,151,901 shares in issue at 12th April, 2006.

### 15. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The calculation of the basic earnings per share is based on the profit attributable to equity holders of the Company of HK\$935,342,000 (2004: HK\$563,023,000, as restated) and on the weighted average number of 537,151,901 (2004: 492,746,074) shares in issue during the year.

Changes in the Group's accounting policies during the year are described in detail in note 2. To the extent that those changes have had an impact on results reported for 2005 and 2004, they have had impact on the amounts reported for earnings per share. The following tables summarise that impact on both the basic and diluted earnings per share.

Basic earnings per share

	2005	2004
	HK\$	HK\$
Figure before adjustments	1.97	1.36
Adjustments arising from changes in accounting policies	(0.23)	(0.22)
As reported/restated	1.74	1.14
Diluted earnings per share		
		2004
		HK\$
Figure before adjustments		1.32
Adjustments arising from changes in accounting policies	_	(0.20)
As restated	_	1.12
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Diluted earnings per share is not presented for the year as the Company had no dilutive potential ordinary shares during the year. The calculation of the diluted earnings per share for 2004 was based on the profit attributable to equity holders of the Company of HK\$563,023,000, as restated, and on the weighted average number of 504,809,099 shares in issue during the year 2004 after adjusting for the effects of all dilutive potential ordinary shares.

## 16. Investment Properties

	Hotel property HK\$'000	Others HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
The Group			
Valuation			
At 1st January, 2004, as originally stated	278,038	1,978,035	2,256,073
Effect on adoption of HKAS 17, HKAS 40 and HK-INT 2			
- transferred to property, plant and equipment			
and prepaid land lease payments	(278,038)	(22,980)	(301,018)
At 1st January, 2004, as restated	-	1,955,055	1,955,055
Additions	_	110	110
Acquisition of a subsidiary	_	126,375	126,375
Transferred from properties held for sale	_	44,795	44,795
Overprovision of construction costs	_	(2,386)	(2,386)
Increase in fair value during the year		91,719	91,719
At 31st December, 2004	_	2,215,668	2,215,668
Additions	_	2,605	2,605
Acquisition of subsidiaries	_	39,362	39,362
Disposal	_	(12,600)	(12,600)
Transferred from properties held for sale	_	47,160	47,160
Transferred to property, plant and equipment			
and prepaid land lease payments	_	(17,531)	(17,531)
Overprovision of construction costs	_	(12,814)	(12,814)
Increase in fair value during the year		522,250	522,250
At 31st December, 2005		2,784,100	2,784,100

The carrying amount of investment properties held by the Group at 31st December, 2005 and 2004 comprises:

	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Properties in Hong Kong		
Long-term	2,300,400	1,823,868
Medium-term	440,300	391,800
Medium-term properties outside Hong Kong	43,400	
	2,784,100	2,215,668

## 16. Investment Properties (Cont'd)

The Group's investment properties are held for rental purposes under operating leases. The fair value of the Group's investment properties at 31st December, 2005 has been arrived at on the basis of a valuation carried out at that date by Norton Appraisals Limited, independent valuers not connected with the Group. Norton Appraisals Limited have appropriate qualifications and recent experiences in the valuation of similar properties in the relevant locations. The valuation, which conforms to The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors Valuation Standards on Properties (1st Edition) published by the Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors, was based on rental capitalisation.

Details of the Group's investment properties and other assets being pledged to secure loans and general banking facilities are set out in note 48.

# 17. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	Hotel	Land and	Leasehold	Furniture, fixtures and	Motor vehicles and	
	property HK\$'000	buildings HK\$'000	improvements HK\$'000	equipment HK\$'000	vessels HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
The Group					П	
Cost						
At 1st January, 2004, as originally stated	_	99,743	33,480	96,046	22,181	251,450
Effect on adoption of HKASs 17, 40 and HK-INT 2 $\begin{tabular}{ll} \begin{tabular}{ll} \begin{tabular}{$	339,755	(62,920)	147			276,982
At 1st January, 2004, as restated	339,755	36,823	33,627	96,046	22,181	528,432
Exchange adjustments	-	-	(1)	(4)	-	(5)
Additions	_	-	5,674	9,332	3,904	18,910
Transferred from properties held for						
development	32,049	_	_	_	_	32,049
Disposals		_	(1,190)	(815)	(1,588)	(3,593)
At 31st December, 2004	371,804	36,823	38,110	104,559	24,497	575,793
Exchange adjustments	_	_	6	(264)	-	(258)
Additions	2,395	-	4,637	12,440	_	19,472
Transferred from investment properties	_	5,849	-	_	_	5,849
Acquisition of subsidiaries	_	5,228	-	5,800	_	11,028
Disposals		_	(2,270)	(2,721)	(347)	(5,338)
At 31st December, 2005	374,199	47,900	40,483	119,814	24,150	606,546
Accumulated depreciation and						
impairment						
At 1st January, 2004, as originally stated	_	6,697	21,348	69,696	21,308	119,049
Effect on adoption of HKASs 17, 40 and HK-INT 2	242,719	1,721	21			244,461
At 1st January, 2004, as restated	242,719	8,418	21,369	69,696	21,308	363,510
Exchange adjustments	_	-	(1)	(3)	_	(4)
Provided for the year	2,064	1,106	5,702	12,001	730	21,603
Eliminated on disposals	_	-	(661)	(709)	(1,588)	(2,958)
Impairment loss reversed	(4,314)					(4,314)
At 31st December, 2004	240,469	9,524	26,409	80,985	20,450	377,837
Exchange and other adjustments	-	-	29	(89)	-	(60)
Provided for the year	2,863	907	6,101	13,647	961	24,479
Eliminated on disposals	_	-	(1,629)	(2,594)	(302)	(4,525)
Impairment loss (reversed)	(4,284)	_		3,675		(604)
At 31st December, 2005	239,048	10,431	30,910	95,624	21,114	397,127
Carrying amounts						
At 31st December, 2005	135,151	37,469	9,573	24,190	3,036	209,419
At 31st December, 2004	131,335	27,299	11,701	23,574	4,047	197,956

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## 17. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (CONT'D)

The carrying amount of furniture, fixtures and equipment at 31st December, 2005 of HK\$24,190,000 (2004: HK\$23,574,000) included nil amount (2004: HK\$1,067,000) in respect of asset held under a finance lease.

The Company did not have any property, plant and equipment at 31st December, 2005 or 2004.

### 18. Properties Held for Development

222	
2005	2004
HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(Restated)
97,377	131,174
	(19,200)
97,377	111,974
(241)	131
_	14,321
34,700	3,000
(131,836)	_
	(32,049)
_	97,377
	97,377 ———————————————————————————————————

The carrying value of properties held for development held by the Group at 31st December, 2004 represented freehold properties outside Hong Kong.

The impairment loss reversal was determined with reference to the fair value based on an independent professional valuation at 31st December, 2005.

## 19. PREPAID LAND LEASE PAYMENTS

The Group's prepaid land lease payments comprise:

	The Group	
2005	2004	
HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
	(Restated)	
282,364	274,796	
8,693	_	
730	810	
291,787	275,606	
287,367	271,505	
4,420	4,101	
291,787	275,606	
	282,364  8,693 730 291,787  287,367 4,420	

# 20. GOODWILL

	The Group
	HK\$'000
Cost	
Arising on acquisition of subsidiaries and	
at 31st December, 2005	267
Impairment	
Amount recognised during the year and	
at 31st December, 2005	267
Carrying amount	
At 31st December, 2005	_

## 21. Negative Goodwill

	The Group
	HK\$'000
Gross amount	
At 1st January, 2004	765,570
Adjustment on acquisition of subsidiaries in prior year	15,700
Acquisition of additional interest in a subsidiary	902
At 31st December, 2004	782,172
Released to income statement	
At 1st January, 2004	236,167
Released during the year	156,741
At 31st December, 2004	392,908
Carrying amount	
At 31st December, 2004	389,264
Derecognised upon adoption of HKFRS 3	(389,264)
At 31st December, 2005	_

### 22. Intangible Assets

	Computer software HK\$'000	Exchange participation rights HK\$'000	Club debentures HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
The Group				
Cost				
At 1st January, 2004	9,633	_	_	9,633
Additions	6,091	_	_	6,091
Write off	(120)			(120)
At 31st December, 2004	15,604	_	_	15,604
Opening balance adjustments arising				
from changes in accounting policies	_	2,507	6,868	9,375
Exchange adjustments	284	_	_	284
Acquisition of subsidiaries	_	1,200	_	1,200
Additions	5,962	_	_	5,962
Write off			(23)	(23)
At 31st December, 2005	21,850	3,707	6,845	32,402
Amortisation and impairment				
At 1st January, 2004	2,552	_	_	2,552
Provided for the year	2,701	_	_	2,701
Eliminated on write off	(24)	_	_	(24)
At 31st December, 2004 Opening balance adjustments arising	5,229	_	_	5,229
from changes in accounting policies	_	_	180	180
Exchange adjustments	85	_	_	85
Provided for the year	3,662	_	_	3,662
Impairment loss	10	240	730	980
Impairment loss reversed			(320)	(320)
At 31st December, 2005	8,986	240	590	9,816
Carrying amounts				
At 31st December, 2005	12,864	3,467	6,255	22,586
At 31st December, 2004	10,375			10,375
The Company Cost				
Opening balance adjustment arising from changes in accounting policies and at 31st December, 2005			510	510

The computer software included above have finite useful lives, over which the assets are amortised whereas the exchange participation rights and club debentures have infinite useful lives and are not subject to amortisation. The amortisation period for computer software is three to five years.

### 23. Interests in Subsidiaries

	2005 HK\$'000	2004 HK\$'000
Investment, at cost	14	14
Amounts due from subsidiaries, less allowance	3,231,969	2,696,483
	3,231,983	2,696,497

The amounts due from subsidiaries are unsecured and interest-free. These amounts are considered as quasi-equity loans to the subsidiaries.

Other than the loan notes issued by Sun Hung Kai, terms of which are shown in note 40, none of the subsidiaries had any debt securities outstanding at the end of the year or at any time during the year.

Particulars of the Company's principal subsidiaries at 31st December, 2005 are set out in note 52.

### 24. Interests in Associates

The Group	
2005	2004
HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(Restated)
2,560,483	2,305,571
149,574	157,449
2,710,057	2,463,020
	2005 HK\$'000 2,560,483 149,574

## 24. Interests in Associates (Cont'd)

		The G	The Group	
		2005	2004	
		HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
			(Restated)	
Notes	:			
(i)	Listed securities in Hong Kong			
	Cost of investment	1,806,717	1,801,125	
	Share of post-acquisition reserves	753,766	579,140	
	Negative goodwill on acquisition of associates (note (iv))		(152,694)	
		2,560,483	2,227,571	
	Amount due from an associate		78,000	
		2,560,483	2,305,571	
	Market value of listed securities	1,301,161	1,109,200	

Included in cost of investment is goodwill of HK\$86,127,000 (2004: HK\$84,998,000) arising on acquisition of certain associates. The movement is set out in note (iii) below.

		The Group	
		2005	2004
		HK\$'000	HK\$'000
			(Restated)
(ii)	Unlisted shares		
	Cost of investment	35,376	35,376
	Share of post-acquisition reserves	76,489	80,178
	Negative goodwill on acquisition of associates (note (vi))		(787)
		111,865	114,767
	Less: impairment loss recognised	(26,873)	(21,892)
		84,992	92,875
	Amounts due from associates	64,582	64,574
		149,574	157,449

In 2004, cost of investment included goodwill of HK\$894,000 arising on acquisition of certain associates. The movement is set out in note (v) below.

The amounts due from associates are unsecured and interest-free. They are considered as quasi-equity loans.

## 24. Interests in Associates (Cont'd)

# (iii) Goodwill on acquisition of listed associates

	The Group
	HK\$'000
Cost	
At 1st January, 2004	232,304
Acquisition of associates	3,469
Disposal of associates	(433)
At 31st December, 2004	235,340
Eliminated against accumulated amortisation upon adoption of HKFRS $3$	(150,342)
Acquisition of additional interests in associates	13,683
Disposal of associates	(125)
At 31st December, 2005	98,556
Amortisation	
At 1st January, 2004	119,899
Provided for the year	30,860
Disposal of associates	(417)
At 31st December, 2004	150,342
Eliminated upon adoption of HKFRS 3	(150,342)
At 31st December, 2005	
Impairment	
Amount recognised during the year and at 31st December, 2005	12,429
Carrying amounts	
At 31st December, 2005	86,127
At 31st December, 2004	84,998

## 24. Interests in Associates (Cont'd)

(iv) Negative goodwill on acquisition of listed associates

	The Group
	HK\$'000
Gross amount	
At 1st January, 2004	(339,190)
Acquisition of associates	(11,997)
Disposal of associates	1,755
At 31st December, 2004	(349,432)
Released to income statement	
At 1st January, 2004	(138,821)
Released during the year	(58,693)
Disposal of associates	776
At 31st December, 2004	(196,738)
Carrying amount	
At 31st December, 2004	(152,694)
Derecognised upon adoption of HKFRS 3	152,694
At 31st December, 2005	-

## 24. Interests in Associates (Cont'd)

# (v) Goodwill on acquisition of unlisted associates

	The Group
	HK\$'000
Cost	
At 1st January, 2004	14,169
Adjustment in goodwill	(5,145)
At 31st December, 2004	9,024
Eliminated against accumulated amortisation upon adoption of HKFRS $3$	(8,130)
At 31st December, 2005	894
Amortisation	
At 1st January, 2004	8,229
Adjustment in amortisation	(343)
Provided for the year	244
At 31st December, 2004	8,130
Eliminated upon adoption of HKFRS 3	(8,130)
At 31st December, 2005	
Impairment	
Amount recognised during the year and at 31st December, 2005	894
Carrying amounts	
At 31st December, 2005	-
At 31st December, 2004	894
At 51st December, 2007	034

## 24. Interests in Associates (Cont'd)

(vi) Negative goodwill on acquisition of unlisted associates

	The Group
	HK\$'000
Gross amount	
At 1st January, 2004 and 31st December, 2004	(2,981)
Released to income statement	
At 1st January, 2004	(1,606)
Released during the year	(588)
At 31st December, 2004	(2,194)
Carrying amount	
At 31st December, 2004	(787)
Derecognised upon adoption of HKFRS 3	787
At 31st December, 2005	_

The Group tests goodwill annually, or whenever there is an indication that goodwill might be impaired. The impairment loss of HK\$13,323,000 arose during the year mainly from the Group's interests in associates due to the prolonged decline in the fair value of the Group's interests in the associates below the Group's carrying amount.

Particulars of the Group's principal associates at 31st December, 2005 are set out in note 53.

The summarised financial information in respect of the Group's associates is set out below:

	2005	2004	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Total assets	12,504,896	10,936,258	
Total liabilities	(6,112,961)	(5,117,700)	
Minority interests	(569,177)	(451,110)	
Net assets	5,822,758	5,367,448	
Revenue	2,990,345	3,157,413	
Profit for the year	469,356	338,208	

## 25. Interests in Jointly Controlled Entities

	The Group		
	2005	2004	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
		(Restated)	
Unlisted shares			
Cost of investment	1,536	3,830	
Share of post-acquisition reserves	882,480	831,590	
	884,016	835,420	
Elimination of unrealised profit	(17,622)	(17,622)	
	866,394	817,798	

In 2004, cost of investment included goodwill of HK\$506,000 arising from acquisition of certain jointly controlled entities. The movement is set out in note below.

Note: Goodwill on acquisition of a jointly controlled entity

	The Group
	HK\$'000
Cost	
Acquisition of a jointly controlled entity	1,253
Released on deemed disposal	(626)
At 31st December, 2004	627
Eliminated against accumulated amortisation upon adoption of HKFRS 3	(121)
Disposal of a jointly controlled entity	(506)
At 31st December, 2005	
Amortisation	
Provided for the year	219
Released on deemed disposal	(98)
At 31st December, 2004	121
Eliminated upon adoption of HKFRS 3	(121)
At 31st December, 2005	
Carrying amounts	
At 31st December, 2005	
At 31st December, 2004	506

Particulars of the Group's principal jointly controlled entities at 31st December, 2005 are set out in note 54.

## 25. Interests in Jointly Controlled Entities (Cont'd)

The summarised financial information of the Group's jointly controlled entities is set out below:

	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Non-current assets	2,115,265	1,929,003
Current assets	319,212	409,289
Non-current liabilities	(575,870)	(567,377)
Current liabilities	(89,638)	(103,837)
Revenue	371,773	335,303
Expenses	(294,621)	(287,093)
Increase in fair value of investment properties	183,297	

# 26. AVAILABLE-FOR-SALE FINANCIAL ASSETS

	The Group	
	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Listed equity securities, at market value, issued by corporate entities		
Hong Kong	530,543	_
Outside Hong Kong	4,444	
	534,987	
Unlisted equity securities, at fair value, issued by corporate entities		
Hong Kong (note)	399,901	_
Outside Hong Kong	58,251	
	458,152	
	993,139	_

Note: The amount includes the Group's interest in a fellow subsidiary of HK\$399,900,000.

## 27. Investments

	Non-tradin	g securities	T1!		0.1			
	Non-trading securities Trading securities		Other investments		Total	tal		
	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
The Group								
Listed equity securities,								
at market value,								
issued by corporate entities								
Hong Kong	-	476,810	-	23,152	-	-	-	499,962
Outside Hong Kong	-	4,474	-	3,740	-	-	-	8,214
issued by banks								
Hong Kong	-	-	-	13,133	-	-	-	13,133
Outside Hong Kong	-	-	-	59	-	-	-	59
issued by public utility entities								
Hong Kong	-	_	-	32	-	_	_	32
		401.004		40.110				F01 400
		481,284		40,116				521,400
Unlisted equity securities issued by	y							
corporate entities	'							
Hong Kong (note (i))	_	183,501	_	_	_	_	_	183,501
Outside Hong Kong		,						,
(note (ii))	_	119,993	_	_	_	_	_	119,993
		202.404						202 404
		303,494						303,494
Unlisted marketable debt								
securities issued by overseas								
government	_	_	_	7,741	_	_	_	7,741
Oder of the Lorentzian				400				400
Other unlisted securities				406				406
Club debentures, exchange seats								
and statutory deposits and other	r							
deposits with Exchange and								
Clearing Companies	_	_	-	-	-	35,819	-	35,819
A								
Amounts due from investee								
companies less impairment						00.000		00.000
losses recognised (note (ii))						90,883		90,883
	_	784,778	_	48,263	_	126,702	_	959,743
Carrying amount analysed for								
reporting purposes as:		<u></u>						
Non-current	-	784,778	-	-	-	126,702	-	911,480
Current				48,263				48,263
	_	784,778	_	48,263	_	126,702	_	959,743

## 27. Investments (Cont'd)

#### Investments in securities Non-trading securities **Trading securities** Other investments **Total** 2005 2004 2005 2004 2005 2004 2005 2004 HK\$'000 HK\$'000 HK\$'000 HK\$'000 HK\$'000 HK\$'000 HK\$'000 HK\$'000 The Company Club debentures 510 510 Carrying amount analysed for reporting purposes as: Non-current 510 510

#### Notes:

- The investment represents the Group's interest in a fellow subsidiary. (i)
- Included a sum totalling HK\$118,003,000 for the interests in the Kuala Lumpur hotels project in comparative figures of 2004. Please refer to footnote of note 28.

#### 28. LOANS AND RECEIVABLES

	The Group	
	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Loan note of a listed associate	78,000	_
Amounts due from investee companies (note)	124,687	_
Other	1,066	3,200
	203,753	3,200
Less: impairment	(1,447)	
	202,306	3,200

The fair value of the Group's loans and receivables at 31st December, 2005 was approximate to the corresponding carrying amounts.

Note: Pending any Judgment pursuant to such appeal to the Court of Final Appeal, Sun Hung Kai's present understanding of the effect of the Court of Appeal Judgment is that SHKS now effectively owns 25% ("SHKS Interest") of NWDC's entire interest (including the shareholder loans advanced by, or on behalf of, NWDC and/or SDL and/or SHKS to GUP) in the Joint Venture (as defined in the Judgment), being the 50-50 joint venture between NWDC and/or SDL and IGB Corporation Bhd. to purchase land and to build two hotels of 1,000 rooms and a 200 unit service apartment block at the city centre of Kuala Lumpur and SDL holds 12.5% of the shares in GUP on trust for SHKS. A sum totalling HK\$118,003,000 is included in "amounts due from investee companies" being the amount, (excluding interest which has been expensed in prior years) which represents the carrying value of the SHKS Interest.

## 28. Loans and Receivables (Cont'd)

Note: (cont'd)

The Group has decided that it is not presently appropriate to make any provisions in respect of the litigation or for impairment of the value of its interest in the total Kuala Lumpur hotels project pursuant to the Judgment and the Court of Appeal Judgment (together "Judgments"). This decision has been taken because it is considered that the current circumstances regarding the nature and value of the interest existing under the Judgments and the uncertainty of the Final Appeal, result in a situation where it is not possible to decide with any degree of accuracy as to what the final position may be. On the one hand if SHKS is completely successful in the Final Appeal then it may be entitled to recovery of monies already paid. On the other hand if it is not successful or only partially successful then it may be possible that further provision for impairment of the value of its final interests in the Kuala Lumpur hotels project may be required. The extent of such provision is not presently capable of determination as the holding company of the hotel namely GUP has not provided a current valuation of the project and SHKS has not had sufficient access to the detailed books and records of GUP to reach a supportable view as to the value of the project.

#### 29. Deferred Taxation

The following are the major deferred tax liabilities and assets recognised by the Group and movements thereon during the current and prior reporting years:

		Revaluation			Un-		
		of			distributed		
	Accelerated	properties			earnings		
	tax	and other		Unrealised	and	Tax	
	depreciation	assets	Provisions	profit	others	losses	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At 1st January, 2004,							
as originally stated	50,587	13,282	(5,431)	1,393	1,708	(49,986)	11,553
Effect of changes in							
accounting policies	94,815	54,187	(377)			(35,881)	112,744
At 1st January, 2004, as restated	145,402	67,469	(5,808)	1,393	1,708	(85,867)	124,297
Exchange adjustments	_	_	-	(13)	_	-	(13)
Transferred from tax payable	_	_	_	_	2,726	_	2,726
Acquisition of a subsidiary	770	-	-	-	-	-	770
Charged (credited) to income							
statement	22,178	31,638	(2,078)	(106)	(869)	(5,391)	45,372
Charged to equity		167			55		222
At 31st December, 2004	168,350	99,274	(7,886)	1,274	3,620	(91,258)	173,374
Exchange adjustments	-	-	-	67	-	-	67
Acquisition of subsidiaries	_	_	-	132	_	(8)	124
Charged (credited) to income							
statement	9,325	47,638	1,447	31	(866)	(4,752)	52,823
(Credited) charged to equity		(26)			110		84
At 31st December, 2005	177,675	146,886	(6,439)	1,504	2,864	(96,018)	226,472

## 29. Deferred Taxation (Cont'd)

The following is the analysis of the deferred tax balances (after offset) for balance sheet presentation purposes:

	The C	Group	
	2005	2004	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
		(Restated)	
Deferred tax liabilities	230,615	183,653	
Deferred tax assets	(4,143)	(10,279)	
	226,472	173,374	

At 31st December, 2005, the Group had unrecognised deductible temporary differences of HK\$5,880,000 (2004: HK\$6,023,0000) and estimated unused tax losses of HK\$2,012,760,000 (2004: HK\$1,977,056,000, as restated) available for offset against future profits. A deferred tax asset has been recognised in respect of HK\$548,679,000 (2004: HK\$521,474,000, as restated) of such losses. No deferred tax asset has been recognised in respect of the remaining HK\$1,464,081,000 (2004: HK\$1,455,582,000, as restated) due to the unpredictability of future profit streams. There were no other significant temporary differences that are not recognised arising during the year or at the balance sheet date.

Included in unrecognised tax losses are losses of HK\$4,467,000, HK\$54,000 and HK\$13,349,000 that will expire in 2006, 2007 and 2008, respectively. Other losses may be carried forward indefinitely.

At 31st December, 2005 the Company had estimated unused tax losses of HK\$24,456,000 (2004: HK\$23,511,000) available for offset against future profits. No deferred tax asset has been recognised in respect of such losses due to the unpredictability of future profit streams. Tax losses may be carried forward indefinitely.

#### 30. Properties Held for Sale and other Inventories

	The Group	
	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Properties in Hong Kong, at net realisable value	389,000	401,600
Non-current freehold properties outside Hong Kong, at net realisable value	131,836	_
Other inventories, at cost	114	121
	520,950	401,721

Certain of the Group's properties previously held for sale with a net realisable value of HK\$47,160,000 (2004: HK\$44,795,000) were rented out under operating leases during the year and were therefore reclassified as investment properties.

The cost of properties held for sale recognised as an expense in 2005 was nil (2004: HK\$20,753,000).

The non-current freehold properties outside Hong Kong represent a property project in the United States of America. The Group has the intention to realise this asset. The freehold properties are included in the Group's sale of properties and property based investments for segment reporting purpose (note 8).

### 31. Financial Assets at Fair Value through Profit or Loss

The Group	
2005	2004
HK\$'000	HK\$'000
32,396	_
2,534	_
20,654	_
87	_
33	
55,704	_
119,514	_
3,508	_
478	
179,204	_
	2005 HK\$'000 32,396 2,534 20,654 87 33 55,704 119,514 3,508 478

## 32. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE, DEPOSITS AND PREPAYMENTS

Included in accounts receivable, deposits and prepayments are trade receivables totalling HK\$1,181,355,000 (2004: HK\$833,906,000, as restated), the aged analysis of which is as follows:

	The Group		
	<b>2005</b> 200		
HK\$	<b>6'000</b> HK\$'00		
	(Restated		
30 days 1,155	<b>5,721</b> 790,28		
180 days 16	<b>6,849</b> 20,67		
o 365 days	<b>778</b> 2,88		
365 days	7,080 218,20		
1,340	<b>0,428</b> 1,032,05		
vance for doubtful debts (159	<b>9,073</b> ) (198,14		
1,181	1 <b>,355</b> 833,90		
1,181	l		

No aging analysis on margin clients' receivables is disclosed as, in the opinion of the Directors, an aging analysis is not meaningful in view of the nature of the business of securities margin financing.

Details of the interest rates and maturity dates of term loans and margin loans are disclosed in note 6.

## 32. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE, DEPOSITS AND PREPAYMENTS (CONT'D)

There were listed and unlisted securities and properties of clients held as collateral against secured margin loans and term loans. The fair value of the listed securities at 31st December, 2005 was HK\$6,272,527,000 (2004: HK\$6,420,945,000).

## 33. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED CHARGES

Included in accounts payable and accrued charges are trade payables of HK\$848,151,000 (2004: HK\$921,363,000), the aged analysis of which is stated as follows:

	The	Group
	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
0 to 30 days	820,787	855,672
31 to 180 days	4,336	9,787
181 to 365 days	508	1,296
over 365 days	22,520	54,608
	848,151	921,363

### 34. Current Assets and Current Liabilities

The fair value of the Group's accounts receivable, amounts due from associates, amount due from a jointly controlled entity, short-term pledged bank deposit, bank deposits, bank balances and cash, accounts payable and accrued charges, amount due to Allied Group Limited, amounts due to associates and amount due to jointly controlled entity at 31st December was approximate to the corresponding carrying amounts.

The Group maintains trust and segregated accounts with licensed banks to hold clients' deposits arising from normal business transactions. At 31st December, 2005, trust and segregated accounts not otherwise dealt with in these accounts totalled HK\$2,130,593,000 (2004: HK\$2,178,901,000).

Amounts due from associates of the Group are unsecured, non-interest bearing and are expected to be settled within one year.

The fair value of the Company's accounts receivable, bank deposits, bank balances and cash, accounts payable and accrued charges and amount due to Allied Group Limited at 31st December was approximate to the corresponding carrying amount.

## 35. SHARE CAPITAL

36.

	Number of shares	Value HK\$'000
Authorised:		
Ordinary shares of HK\$2.0 each at 31st December, 2004 and		
at 31st December, 2005	3,000,000,000	6,000,000
Issued and fully paid:		
Ordinary shares of HK\$2.0 each at 1st January, 2004	489,384,217	978,768
Exercise of warrant subscription rights	47,767,684	95,535
Ordinary shares of HK\$2.0 each at 31st December, 2004 and		
31st December, 2005	537,151,901	1,074,303
Reserves		
	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
		(Restated)
-		
Share premium	516,644	(Restated) 516,644
Share premium Property revaluation reserve	516,644	(Restated) 516,644 149,913
Share premium Property revaluation reserve	516,644 - 490,639	(Restated) 516,644 149,913
Share premium Property revaluation reserve Investment revaluation reserve	_	(Restated) 516,644 149,913 247,059
Share premium Property revaluation reserve Investment revaluation reserve Capital redemption reserve	490,639	(Restated) 516,644 149,913 247,059 72,044
Share premium Property revaluation reserve Investment revaluation reserve Capital redemption reserve Translation reserve	- 490,639 72,044	(Restated) 516,644 149,913 247,059 72,044 (109,984
Share premium Property revaluation reserve Investment revaluation reserve Capital redemption reserve Translation reserve Capital (goodwill) reserve (note 36 (b))	- 490,639 72,044 (86,753)	(Restated) 516,644 149,913 247,059 72,044 (109,984 (39,177
The Group Share premium Property revaluation reserve Investment revaluation reserve Capital redemption reserve Translation reserve Capital (goodwill) reserve (note 36 (b)) Accumulated profits Dividend reserve	- 490,639 72,044 (86,753) 4,827	(Restated) 516,644

## 36. Reserves (Cont'd)

	Share premium HK\$'000	Special capital reserve HK\$'000	Capital redemption reserve HK\$'000	Accumulated profits (losses) HK\$'000	Dividend reserve HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
The Company						
At 1st January, 2004	492,784	2,320,430	72,044	(1,485,404)	_	1,399,854
Transferred from special capital reserve to accumulated profits						
(losses) (note 36(a))	-	(2,320,430)	-	2,320,430	_	-
Premium on issue of shares	23,884	-	-	_	_	23,884
Share issue expenses	(24)	_	_	_	_	(24)
Final dividend	_	_	_	(26,858)	26,858	_
Loss attributable to						
equity holders	_			(197,844)		(197,844)
At 31st December, 2004	516,644	-	72,044	610,324	26,858	1,225,870
Dividend paid	_	-	_	_	(26,858)	(26,858)
Proposed final dividend	_	_	_	(53,715)	53,715	_
Profit attributable to						
equity holders				572,577		572,577
At 31st December, 2005	516,644		72,044	1,129,186	53,715	1,771,589

The Company's reserves available for distribution to shareholders at 31st December, 2005 are represented by accumulated profits and dividend reserve totalling HK\$1,182,901,000 (2004: 637,182,000).

### Notes:

When sanctioning a reduction in nominal value of the Company's shares in 1998, the High Court of Hong Kong (a) stipulated that the credit arising on the reduction be transferred to a special capital reserve, and that the reserve is not to be distributable until all of the liabilities of the Company as at the date of the order, 14th July, 1998, are settled. There were no outstanding liabilities at 31st December, 2004 in respect of liabilities in existence at 14th July, 1998. Accordingly, the special capital reserve became distributable and was transferred to accumulated profits (losses) at 31st December, 2004.

## 36. Reserves (Cont'd)

Notes (Cont'd)

		Capital	Statutory	
	Goodwill	reserve	reserve	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
The Group				
At 1st January, 2004	(79,888)	54,464	1,397	(24,027
Released on dilution of interests				
in an associate	-	-	(3)	(3
Amortisation of capital reserve	-	(17,267)	-	(17,267)
Transferred from accumulated profits			2,120	2,120
At 31st December, 2004	(79,888)	37,197	3,514	(39,177)
Opening balance adjustment arising				
from changes in accounting policies	79,888	(37,197)	(704)	41,987
Balance after opening balance adjustments	_	_	2,810	2,810
Share of post-acquisition reserve				
movements of associates	-	1,754	-	1,754
Transferred from accumulated profits			263	263
At 31st December, 2005	_	1,754	3,073	4,827

Statutory reserve represents reserve required under relevant rules and regulations of Mainland China.

### 37. Amounts due to Subsidiaries

The amounts due to subsidiaries are unsecured. An amount of HK\$156,016,000 (2004: HK\$229,980,000) bears interest at 3.2% (2004: 2.5%) per annum and the remaining balances are non-interest bearing. The amounts due to subsidiaries are not repayable within twelve months from the balance sheet date and the balances are therefore shown as non-current liabilities.

The interest-free amounts are considered as quasi-equity loans from subsidiaries to finance the Company's investment in other subsidiaries.

### 38. Financial Liabilities at Fair Value Through Profit or Loss

The Group	
2005	2004
HK\$'000	HK\$'000
17,700	_
56	
17,756	
	2005 HK\$'000 17,700 56

## 39. BANK BORROWINGS

The Group		The Company	
2005	2004	2005	2004
HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
1,742,956	1,591,844	_	_
83,040	57,905	3,115	
1,825,996	1,649,749	3,115	
1,792,881	1,649,749	_	-
33,115		3,115	
1,825,996	1,649,749	3,115	
950,233	603,180	3,115	_
606,939	226,738	_	_
		_	_
57,610	86,362		
1,825,996	1,649,749	3,115	-
(950,233)	(603,180)	(3,115)	
875,763	1,046,569	_	_
	2005 HK\$'000 1,742,956 83,040 1,825,996 1,792,881 33,115 1,825,996 950,233 606,939 211,214 57,610 1,825,996	2005     2004       HK\$'000     HK\$'000       1,742,956     1,591,844       83,040     57,905       1,825,996     1,649,749       1,792,881     1,649,749       33,115     -       1,825,996     1,649,749       950,233     603,180       606,939     226,738       211,214     733,469       57,610     86,362       1,825,996     1,649,749       (950,233)     (603,180)	2005       2004       2005         HK\$'000       HK\$'000       HK\$'000         1,742,956       1,591,844       -         83,040       57,905       3,115         1,825,996       1,649,749       3,115         1,825,996       1,649,749       -         33,115       -       3,115         1,825,996       1,649,749       3,115         950,233       603,180       3,115         606,939       226,738       -         211,214       733,469       -         57,610       86,362       -         1,825,996       1,649,749       3,115         (950,233)       (603,180)       (3,115)

Most of the bank loans and overdrafts are in Hong Kong Dollars. Details of the interest rates and dates of maturity are disclosed in note 6.

Details of the assets of the Group pledged to secure bank borrowings are set out in note 48.

The fair value of the Group's bank borrowings was approximate to the corresponding carrying amount.

### 40. Loan Notes

The amount represents the loan notes issued in part consideration of the repurchase of shares by a listed subsidiary. The loan notes bear interest at 4% per annum and are due on 7th March, 2008. The effective interest rate is 7.9% per annum.

	The Group	
	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Principal		
At 1st January	129,637	231,637
Repurchased and cancelled	(60,000)	(102,000)
	69,637	129,637
Difference using the effective interest method		
At 1st January	_	_
Adjustments to opening balance on the adoption of HKAS 39	(14,077)	_
Interest expense	8,692	
At 31st December	(5,385)	
Carrying amounts at 31st December	64,252	129,637

The fair value of the Group's loan notes was approximate to the corresponding amount.

## 41. OTHER LIABILITIES

	The Group	
	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
		(Restated)
Provisions (note)	35,135	44,739
Advance from minority shareholders	974	1,022
	36,109	45,761
Less: Amount repayable within one year and shown under current liabilities	(33,366)	(42,122)
Amount due after one year	2,743	3,639

# 41. Other Liabilities (Cont'd)

Note:

		The Group	
	Employee		
	benefits	Others	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At 1st January, 2005	43,871	868	44,739
Provided for the year	33,449	846	34,295
Written back	(13,473)	_	(13,473)
Utilisation of provision	(11,428)	_	(11,428)
Amount paid during the year	(18,922)	(76)	(18,998)
At 31st December, 2005	33,497	1,638	35,135
Less: Amount repayable within one			
year and shown under current liabilities	(32,520)	(846)	(33,366)
	977	792	1,769

# 42. Acquisition of Subsidiaries

The Group acquired the following subsidiaries during the year:

Name	Principal activities	Date of acquisition	Percentage acquired	Component of cost	Cost including capitalised expenses HK\$'000
Hing Yip Holdings Limited	Property investment	1st February, 2005	100%	Cash	13,811
Excalibur Futures Limited	Futures dealing and broking	17th March, 2005	100%	Cash	16,853
<b>Excalibur Securities Limited</b>	Securities broking	17th March, 2005	100%	Cash	9,033
Sing Hing Investment Limited	Property investment	18th April, 2005	100%	Cash	38,477
					78,174

# 42. Acquisition of Subsidiaries (Cont'd)

The net assets acquired and the goodwill arising from the acquisition are as follows:

	Acquiree's	
	carrying	
	amount	Fair value
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Net assets acquired:		
Investment property	26,934	39,362
Property, plant and equipment	9,565	11,028
Prepaid land lease payments	6,408	8,900
Intangible assets	1,200	1,200
Statutory deposits	1,734	1,734
Accounts receivable, deposits and prepayments	17,723	16,823
Bank balances and cash	15,758	15,758
Accounts payable and accrued charges	(16,575)	(16,575)
Deferred tax liabilities	(124)	(124)
Net assets	62,623	78,106
Total consideration, satisfied by cash		78,174
		68
Excess of net fair value over consideration recognised		
in consolidated income statement as other income		199
Goodwill		267
Net cash outflow arising on acquisition:		
Cash consideration paid		78,174
Bank balances and cash acquired		(15,758)
		62,416

The goodwill is attributable to the synergies expected to arise after the Group's acquisition of the subsidiaries.

## 42. Acquisition of Subsidiaries (Cont'd)

The aggregate revenue and the profit for the year of the acquired subsidiaries are as follows:

		Post
	For the year	acquisition
	ended 31st	attributable
	December, 2005	to the Group
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Total revenue	46,695	43,743
Profit for the year	11,061	7,800

The subsidiary acquired in 2004 did not have any significant impact on the Group's revenue and profit for that year.

The information for the year 2005 is for illustrative purposes only and is not necessarily an indication of revenue and results of operation of the acquired subsidiaries that are included in the consolidated income statement of the Group, nor is it intended to be a projection of future results.

## 43. Major Non-Cash Transaction

During the year, dividend income declared by a jointly controlled entity of HK\$60,000,000 (2004: HK\$60,000,000) was recorded by setting off the amount against the current account of the jointly controlled entity.

#### 44. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

(a) At 31st December, 2005, the Group had guarantees as follows:

	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Guarantees for banking facilities granted to an		
investee company	6,979	7,000
Indemnities on banking guarantees made available to a		
clearing house and regulatory body	5,540	5,540
Other guarantees	7,084	3,184
	19,603	15,724

## 44. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES (CONT'D)

(b) On 4th February, 2004, Sun Tai Cheung Credits Limited ("STCC") and Sun Hung Kai Investment Services Limited ("SHKIS"), both indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries of Sun Hung Kai, were served with a writ attaching a statement of claim ("200/2004") by Shanghai Finance Holdings Limited ("SFHL"), claiming, inter alia, that the sale of the shares in Shun Loong Holdings Limited ("Shun Loong Shares") by STCC as assignee to SHKIS (for a consideration of HK\$36,500,000 subject to additional amounts of HK\$15,700,000 which may be payable one year from the date of completion under certain conditions) pursuant to a sale and purchase agreement dated 25th June, 2003 be set aside, or alternatively, against STCC for damages and the amount received by STCC in respect of the Shun Loong Shares. The writ is being vigorously defended. STCC and SHKIS were properly advised at all times during the transaction and believe that the claim is not soundly based and have applied to have the claim struck-out. The proceedings have now been stayed until further order by the court.

While a provision has been made for legal costs, at this stage, the management is of the view that it is not appropriate for any other provision to be made with respect to this action.

(c) By the Judgment of High Court of Hong Kong on 1st April, 2004 ("Judgment") in HCA 3191/1999 between NWDC and SDL against SHKS, SHKS was ordered to pay NWDC the sum of HK\$105,534,018 together with interest on the principal sum of HK\$80,117,653 at judgment rate from 16th December, 1998 until payment, pursuant to the terms of an oral agreement which was found by the court ("Oral Agreement"). As at 17th June, 2004, the date when the Judgment sum was paid, the amount was HK\$150,115,682 (being HK\$105,534,018 plus interest of HK\$44,581,664). SHKS has paid the Judgment amounts. SHKS has filed an appeal against the Judgment both as to liability and quantum to the Court of Appeal. That Court of Appeal has now handed down the Court of Appeal Judgment in which the Court of Appeal ordered a repayment to SHKS of part of the interest element for the period from 16th December, 1998 to 31st March, 2004 previously ordered against SHKS in the High Court but otherwise broadly confirmed the Judgment. The sum repayable amounted to HK\$14,783,091 and has now been repaid.

SHKS has obtained leave to appeal the Court of Appeal Judgment to the Court of Final Appeal. The Final Appeal will be heard on 19th June, 2006.

Since the handing down of the Judgment, NWDC has written to SHKS demanding payment of three further amounts for what it asserts as pro-rata shareholders' contributions advanced by NWDC on behalf of SHKS ("New Claims"):

- on 1st March, 2000 in the sum of HK\$27,234,754;
- (ii) on 2nd January, 2001 in the sum of HK\$7,697,418 (Sun Hung Kai understands that a further writ was issued by NWDC in April 2004, naming SHKS as defendant, and claiming the aforesaid two amounts as well as interest thereon from March 2000 and January 2001 respectively ("Further Writ"). The Further Writ has not been served on SHKS); and
- (iii) on 4th June, 2004 in the sum of HK\$2,565,839 in respect of a bank loan by GUP. (a provision has been made with respect to this claim in the accounts of SHKS).

## 44. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES (CONT'D)

#### (c) (Cont'd)

The Group understands that a second further writ including a statement of claim ("HCA 376/2006") was issued by NWDC and SDL in February 2006, claiming, inter alia, the sum of HK\$37,498,011 being the aggregate of amounts of the New Claims, together with interest thereon at such rate and for such period as the Court considers appropriate. This second further writ has not been served on SHKS.

The outcome of the Final Appeal as well as other issues will be relevant to the determination of whether SHKS is liable to pay the New Claims which NWDC asserts are due under the Oral Agreement. Accordingly, the Group takes the view that the New Claims are a contingent liability, and that while a provision has been made for legal costs, it is considered that it is not presently appropriate for any other provision to be made with respect to the Final Appeal or the Further Writ. An analysis as to the possible financial implications for the Group depending on the ultimate outcome of the Final Appeal was provided in note 28.

At 31st December, 2005, the Company had guarantees of HK\$1,470,857,000 (2004: HK\$1,559,800,000) given to banks in respect of credit facilities utilised by its subsidiaries.

#### 45. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

	The Group	
	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Capital expenditure contracted for but not provided for in the		
financial statements	29,952	29,039
Capital expenditure authorised but not contracted for	2,259	2,209

The Company did not have any significant capital commitments at 31st December, 2005 and 2004.

#### 46. OPERATING LEASE ARRANGEMENTS

#### The Group as lessee

	The Group	
	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Minimum lease payments under operating leases recognised		
in the income statement for the year:		
Land and buildings	17,170	17,374
Others	50	658
	17,220	18,032

## 46. OPERATING LEASE ARRANGEMENTS (CONT'D)

At 31st December, 2005, the Group had outstanding minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases, which fall due as follows:

	The Group				
	2005		200	2004	
	Land and		Land and		
	buildings	Others	buildings	Others	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Within one year	14,477	406	20,155	578	
In the second to fifth year inclusive	14,463		34,466		
	28,940	406	54,621	578	

Operating leases are negotiated for terms ranging from one to two years.

#### The Group as lessor

Property rental income earned during the year was HK\$87,210,000 (2004: HK\$68,952,000). The property held has committed tenants whose tenancy agreements expire or are terminable over the next three years.

At 31st December, 2005, the Group had contracted with tenants for the following future minimum lease payments:

	The Group	
	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Within one year	69,460	39,746
In the second to fifth years inclusive	37,793	18,487
	107,253	58,233

The Company did not have any significant lease commitments as lessee or lessor under non-cancellable operating leases at 31st December, 2005 and 2004.

#### 47. RETIREMENT BENEFIT SCHEMES

The Group operates defined contribution retirement benefit schemes for all qualifying employees in Hong Kong. The assets of the schemes are held separately from those of the Group under provident funds managed by independent trustees.

The retirement benefit cost charged to the income statement represents contributions payable to the fund by the Group at rates specified in the rules of the schemes. Where there are employees who leave the schemes prior to vesting fully in the contributions, in accordance with the terms of the schemes, the contributions payable by the Group are reduced by the amount of forfeited employer's contributions.

At 31st December, 2005 and 2004, there were no material forfeited contributions which arose when employees left the retirement benefit schemes before they were fully vested in the contributions and which were available to reduce the contributions payable by the Group in the future years.

The schemes have been closed in 2000 to new employees as a consequence of the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance introduced by the Hong Kong Government.

From 1st December, 2000 onwards, new staff in Hong Kong joining the Group are required to join the Mandatory Provident Fund Scheme ("MPF Scheme"). The Group is required to contribute 5%, while the employees are required to contribute 5% of their salaries to the MPF Scheme.

#### 48. PLEDGE OF ASSETS

At 31st December, 2005, certain of the Group's investment properties, land and buildings, properties held for development, prepaid land lease payments and properties held for sale with an aggregate carrying value of HK\$3,545,804,000 (2004: HK\$3,026,237,000, as restated), certain securities in respect of a listed subsidiary with a cost of HK\$902,933,000 (2004: HK\$902,933,000), and listed investments belonging to the Group and margin clients with an aggregate carrying value of HK\$1,387,659,000 (2004: HK\$1,074,406,000) were pledged to secure loans and general banking facilities to the extent of HK\$3,098,756,000 (2004: HK\$3,404,144,000) granted to the Group. Facilities amounting to HK\$1,792,881,000 (2004: HK\$1,649,749,000) were utilised at 31st December, 2005.

At 31st December, 2005, a bank deposit of HK\$972,000 (2004: HK\$1,220,000) was pledged to secure a bank guarantee amounting to HK\$2,000,000 (2004: HK\$2,000,000).

At 31st December, 2005 and 2004, the Company had not pledged any assets.

## 49. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS AND BALANCES

The following is a summary of the significant transactions and balances with related parties during the year and as at the year end.

## (a) Summary of transactions

	(Income)/Expense	
	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Ultimate holding company		
Share of management service expenses/		
corporate management service fee (note)	7,120	6,112
Share of administrative expenses (note)	661	6,935
Advertising income	(800)	(800)
Rent, property management and air-conditioning fees (note)	(3,437)	(3,464)
Fellow subsidiaries		
Management service fee	_	2,200
Advertising income	(400)	(400)
Dividend income	(21,810)	(7,270)
Jointly controlled entity		
Administration, management and consultancy fees	(3,775)	(4,860)
Dividend income	(60,000)	(60,000)
Property management and air-conditioning fees		
and other property related service fee	(13,996)	(14,020)
Associates		
Dividend income	(750)	(6,182)
Interest income	(6,754)	(7,287)
Insurance premium	(4,402)	(4,543)
Service fee income	(2,718)	(1,137)
Rent, property management, air-conditioning fees and		
other related service fees	(1,674)	(910)

## 49. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS AND BALANCES (CONT'D)

(b) Key management personnel compensation

2005	2004
HK\$'000	HK\$'000
11,437	5,879
	175
11,703	6,054
	HK\$'000 11,437 266

Certain key management personnel of the Group received remuneration from the Company's ultimate holding company or its wholly-owned subsidiary. The ultimate holding company provided management services to the Group and charged the Group a fee, which is included in share of management service expenses/management service fee as disclosed above in part (a) of this note, for services provided by those personnel as well as others who are not key management personnel of the Group.

Prior to 2005, the management service fee could not be apportioned and allocated to any individuals. From 1st January, 2005, the management service fee is calculated by reference to the time devoted by the management personnel on the affairs of the Group and can be apportioned to the above key management personnel. The total of such apportioned amounts, which have been included in the key management personnel compensation above for 2005, is HK\$4,400,000.

- (c) During the year, both the Group and a joint venture partner, each having a 50% interest in a jointly controlled entity, received and repaid various interest-free loans from such jointly controlled entity. At 31st December 2005, the amounts lent to the Group totalling HK\$81,000,000 (2004: HK\$141,000,000) are unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand.
- (d) During the year, the Group acquired two companies from a subsidiary of a listed associate at a total consideration of HK\$52.283.000.
- (e) During the year, a loan facility to the extent of HK\$280,000,000 was granted to a subsidiary of a listed associate for a term of 36 months from 7th November, 2005. The loan is charged at an interest rate of 1% over prime rate per annum and guaranteed by the listed associate. At 31st December, 2005, the loan drawn down amounted to HK\$245,000,000.

Note: Apart from the tenancy agreement entered into by a subsidiary of the Company and the Sharing of Administrative Services and Management Services Agreement entered into by the Company with the ultimate holding company, none of the above related party transactions constitutes a discloseable connected transaction as defined in Listing Rules.

# 49. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS AND BALANCES (CONT'D)

The net balances due from (to) related parties at 31st December, 2005 and 2004 are summarised as follows:

	The Group		The C	ompany
	2005	2004	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Ultimate holding company	(8,235)	(6,115)	(8,183)	(6,094)
Associates	331,822	88,444	_	911
Jointly controlled entities	(78,916)	(139,023)		
	244,671	(56,694)	(8,183)	(5,183)

The above amounts are included in the balance sheets of the Group and the Company in the following ways:

	The	e Group	The C	Company
	2005	2004	2005	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Interests in associates	64,582	136,953	_	_
Loans and receivables from an associate	78,000	_	_	_
Accounts receivable, deposits and				
prepayments	245,116	979	_	911
Amounts due from associates	7,384	231	_	_
Amount due from a jointly controlled				
entity	2,159	2,040	_	_
Accounts payable and accrued charges	(496)	(480)	_	_
Amount due to Allied Group Limited	(8,183)	(6,094)	(8,183)	(6,094)
Amounts due to associates	(62,828)	(49,260)	_	_
Amount due to a jointly controlled				
entity	(81,063)	(141,063)		
	244,671	(56,694)	(8,183)	(5,183)

## 50. MATURITY PROFILE OF TERM ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

The following table lists the assets and liabilities of the Group which have a term of maturity. Overdue assets are included as on demand.

	At 31st December, 2005							
-	On	Within 3	3 months	1 year to	After 5			
	demand	months	to 1 year	5 years	years	Total		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000		
Assets								
Fixed deposits with banks	_	110,902	_	_	-	110,902		
Term loan of a listed associate	_	245,000	_	_	_	245,000		
Loan note of a listed associate	_	_	_	78,000	-	78,000		
Treasury bills	_	7,680	_	_	_	7,680		
Term loans	183,630	66,200	5,667			255,497		
Liabilities								
Bank loans and overdrafts	_	554,910	395,323	818,153	57,610	1,825,996		
Loan notes	_	_	_	64,252	_	64,252		
		At 3	1st December, 2	2004				
-	On	Within 3	3 months	1 year to	After 5			
	demand	months	to 1 year	5 years	years	Total		
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000		
Assets								
Fixed deposits with banks	_	144,181	_	_	_	144,181		
Loans and receivables	_	_	_	3,200	_	3,200		
Loan note of a listed associate	_	_	_	78,000	_	78,000		
Term loans	232,911	61,145	34,600	_	_	328,656		
Marketable debt securities	_	7,741	_	_		7,741		
Liabilities								
<b>Liabilities</b> Bank loans and overdrafts	_	76,247	526,933	960,207	86,362	1,649,749		

#### 51. Events After the Balance Sheet Date

(a) on 3rd April, 2006, Wah Cheong Development (B.V.I.) Limited ("Wah Cheong"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Sun Hung Kai, entered into a conditional option agreement with CLSA Capital Limited ("CLSA"), pursuant to which Wah Cheong was granted the option to acquire further 34,156,666 shares in Quality HealthCare Asia Limited ("QHA") from CLSA at an option consideration of HK\$27,752,291. The option agreement will only take effect after the approval of the shareholders of the Company, Sun Hung Kai and Allied Group Limited, the ultimate holding company of the Company respectively, and the confirmation from the Securities and Futures Commission on terms that are not considered detrimental that Wah Cheong and CLSA will not be regarded as parties acting in concert and that Wah Cheong is not required to make a mandatory offer to all QHA's shareholders until it exercises the option.

The option will entitle Wah Cheong to:

- acquire all (but not part) of the option shares (being 34,156,666 QHA shares held by CLSA) at an aggregate exercise price of HK\$83,256,873 (i.e. HK\$2.4375 per option share), and
- exercise all or part of the option warrants (being such number of QHA warrants held by CLSA as would, if exercised, lead to the subscription of 6,943,333 QHA shares at HK\$2.5 per share).

The option is exercisable by Wah Cheong, with respect to the option shares, at any time within a period of 4 years and, with respect to the option warrants, on or before 13th January, 2007.

At 7th April, 2006, Wah Cheong has an equity interest of approximately 34.39% in QHA. It also holds such number of warrants as would, if exercised, lead to the subscription of 12,544,632 shares. Exercise of such warrants in full would result in Wah Cheong holding an equity interest of approximately 38.36% in QHA.

Assuming that (i) no new shares are issued by QHA (other than those issued following exercise in full of the option warrants), (ii) the option is exercised in respect of the option shares and the option warrants as mentioned in the option agreement have been exercised, and (iii) Wah Cheong does not exercise any of the warrants held by it, Wah Cheong's equity interest in QHA will increase to approximately 53.54% of the enlarged capital. In case Wah Cheong exercises all the warrants held by it, Wah Cheong's equity interest in QHA will further increase to approximately 56.25%.

- (b) On 6th April, 2006, the following agreements were entered into
  - a placing agreement between Sun Hung Kai as vendor and 3V Capital Limited as a placing agent in respect of the placing of 175,000,000 existing shares in Tian An China Investments Company Limited ("Tian An") to independent investors at a price of HK\$5.1 per share, and
  - a subscription agreement between Sun Hung Kai and Tian An in respect of Sun Hung Kai's subscription for 175,000,000 new shares in Tian An ("Subscription Shares") at the same price on completion of the placing.

# 51. Events After the Balance Sheet Date (Cont'd)

The placing agreement is unconditional and completion of the placing has taken place. However, the subscription agreement is conditional upon:

- the Stock Exchange granting listing of and permission to deal in the Subscription Shares.
- granting of a waiver from any obligation to make a general offer under Rule 26 of the Takeover Code arising as a result of the subscription, and
- completion of the placing.

The completion of the above will result in Sun Hung Kai's equity interest in Tian An reducing from approximately 48.60% to approximately 40.51%. The Board does not anticipate any significant gain or loss to the Group arising from this transaction.

## 52. Particulars of Principal Subsidiaries

Particulars of the Company's principal subsidiaries at 31st December, 2005 which have their principal place of operations in Hong Kong are set out below:

		value of i	ssued capital	I		
	Paid up issued	held by	attributable			
	ordinary	the Company*/	to the			
Subsidiaries	share capital	subsidiaries	Group	Principal activity		
	HK\$	%	%			
Alaston Development Limited	US\$1	100	100	Property trading		
Allied Real Estate Agency Limited	2	100	100	Real estate agency		
AP Administration Limited	2	100	100	Provision of management and consultancy services		
AP Corporate Services Limited	2	100	100	Provision of corporate services		
AP Development Limited	2	100*	100	Investment holding		
AP Diamond Limited	US\$1	100	100	Property trading and holding		
AP Emerald Limited	US\$1	100	100	Investment holding		
AP Finance Limited	2	100	100	Money lending		
AP Property Management Limited	2	100	100	Building managemen		
Bali International Finance Limited	137,500,000	100	75	Financial service and investment holding		
Bali Securities Co. Limited	7,000,000	100	75	Securities dealer		
Best Melody Development Limited	5,000	100	100	Property holding		
Cheeroll Limited	2	100	75	Investment holding, securities and bullion trading		
Cowslip Company Limited	2	100	75	Investment holding		
Excalibur Futures Limited	20,000,000	100	75	Futures dealing and broking		
Excalibur Securities Limited	20,000,000	100	75	Securities broking		
Fame Arrow Company Limited	100,000	95	95	Loan financing		
Florich Development Limited	10,000	100	100	Investment holding		
Front Sail Limited	5,000	100	100	Property holding		
Gilmore Limited	2	100	100	Property holding		
Gloria (Nominees) Limited	200	100	75	Investment holding		
Gloxin Limited	2	100	75	Investment holding		
Grand Securities Company Limited	20,000,000	100	75	Securities broking		
Hilarious (Nominees) Limited	10,000	100	75	Investment holding		
Hillcrest Development Limited	20	100	100	Property holding		
Hi-Link Limited	200	100	100	Investment holding		
Integrated Custodian Limited	2	100	100	Property holding		
Itso Limited	2	100	75	Securities trading		
Jaffe Development Limited	US\$1	100	100	Property holding		

# 52. Particulars of Principal Subsidiaries (Cont'd)

			on of nominal	
	Paid up issued	held by	attributable	
	-	the Company*/	to the	
Subsidiaries	share capital	subsidiaries	Group	Principal activity
	HK\$	%	%	,
Kalix Investment Limited	2	100	100	Property holding
King Policy Development Limited	2	100	100	Property holding
Lexshan Nominees Limited	2	100	75	Nominee service
Macdonnell (Nominees) Limited	10,000	100	75	Investment holding
Maxplan Investment Limited	2	100	100	Securities trading
Mightyton Limited	10,000	100	100	Property holding
Oakfame Investment Limited	2	100	75	Investment holding
Ontone Limited	2	100	100	Hotel operations,
				property development
				and property holding
Pioneer Score Development Limited	2	100	75	Investment holding
Plentiwind Limited	2	100	75	Futures trading
Polyking Services Limited	2	100	65	Building maintenance
				and cleaning services
Protech Property Management Limited	d 5,000	100	65	Building management
Quick Art Limited	3,540,000	100	75	Property holding
Ranbridge Finance Limited	20,000,000	100	75	Money lending
San Pack Properties Limited	10	100	100	Property holding
Scienter Investments Limited	20	100	75	Share trading
SHK Consultancy Services Limited	2	100	75	Provision of
·				consultancy service
SHK Financial Data Limited	100	51	38	Provision of financial
				information service
SHK Fund Management Limited	5,000,000	100	75	Funds marketing
0				and management
SHK Investment Services Limited	1,000,000	100	75	Asset holding and
	, , ,			leasing
SHK Online (Securities) Limited	30,000,000	100	75	Online securities
,	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,			broking and
				margin financing

# 52. Particulars of Principal Subsidiaries (Cont'd)

		-	on of nominal	
	Paid up issued	held by	attributable	
	ordinary	the Company*/	to the	
Subsidiaries	share capital	subsidiaries	Group	Principal activity
	HK\$	%	%	
SHK Online Limited	20,000,000	100	75	Online financial services
SHK Pearl River Delta Investment Company Limited	75,000,000	100	75	Investment holding
Shun Loong Bullion Limited	6,000,000	100	75	Bullion dealing and broking
Shun Loong Capital Limited	6,500,000	100	75	Investment holding
Shun Loong Finance Limited	1,000,000	100	75	Money lending
Shun Loong Forex Company Limited	32,000,000	100	75	Leveraged foreign exchange dealing and broking
Shun Loong Futures Limited	15,000,000	100	75	Futures and option dealing
Shun Loong Holdings Limited	200,000,000	100	75	Investment holding
Shun Loong Nominees Limited	100,000	100	75	Provision of nominee and secretarial services
Shun Loong On-line Investment Services (H.K.) Limited	25,000,000	100	75	Computer and marketing advisory services and securities trading
Shun Loong Securities Company Limited	50,000,000	100	75	Securities broking and share margin financing
Sierra Joy Limited	2	100	100	Property holding
Splendid Gain Limited	2	100	75	Investment holding
Sun Hing Bullion Company Limited	5,000,000	100	75	Bullion trading
Sun Hung Kai & Co. Limited **	249,140,631	75	75	Investment holding
Sun Hung Kai (Nominees) Limited	200	100	75	Nominee service
Sun Hung Kai Bullion Company Limited	30,000,000	100	75	Bullion trading and investment holding
Sun Hung Kai Commodities Limited	80,000,600	100	75	Commodities broking
Sun Hung Kai Forex Limited	150,000,000	100	75	Foreign exchange dealing

# 52. Particulars of Principal Subsidiaries (Cont'd)

		_	on of nominal ssued capital	
	Paid up issued	held by	attributable	
	ordinary	the Company*/	to the	
Subsidiaries	share capital	subsidiaries	Group	Principal activity
	HK\$	%	%	
Sun Hung Kai Insurance Consultants Limited	1,000,000	100	75	Insurance broking and consultancy services
Sun Hung Kai International Limited	10,000,000	100	75	Corporate finance service
Sun Hung Kai International Commodities Limited	5,000,000	100	75	Securities, futures and options trading
Sun Hung Kai Investment Services Limited	290,000,000	100	75	Investment holding, share broking and margin financing
Sun Hung Kai Research Limited	100,000	100	75	Securities research service
Sun Hung Kai Securities (Overseas) Limited	60,000	100	75	Investment holding
Sun Hung Kai Securities (Trustees) Limited	3,000,000	100	75	Provision of trustee service
Sun Hung Kai Securities Capital Markets Limited	1,000	100	75	Investment holding
Sun Hung Kai Securities Limited	124,898,589	100	75	Investment holding
Sun Hung Kai Venture Capital Limited	2	100	75	Investment holding
Sun Hung Kai Wealth Management Limited	5,000,000	100	75	Investment advisory, financial planning and wealth management
Sun Tai Cheung Credits Limited	150,000,000	100	75	Share margin financing
Sun Tai Cheung Finance Company Limited	25,000,000	100	75	Financial service
Texgulf Limited	20	100	75	Property holding
To Wan Development Company Limited	10,000	100	75	Investment holding
Tung Wo Investment Company, Limited	10,000	100	75	Investment holding
Wah Cheong Development Company, Limited	25,100,000	100	75	Investment holding
Wineur Secretaries Limited	2	100	75	Secretarial service
Yee Li Ko Investment Limited	58,330,000	100	75	Property holding

With the exception of Alaston Development Limited, AP Diamond Limited, AP Emerald Limited and Jaffe Development Limited, which were incorporated in the British Virgin Islands, all the above subsidiaries were incorporated in Hong Kong.

# 52. Particulars of Principal Subsidiaries (Cont'd)

Particulars of the Company's principal subsidiaries at 31st December, 2005 which were incorporated and have their principal place of operations outside Hong Kong are set out below:

	Proportion of nominal							
		value of issued capital						
	Place of	Paid up issued	held by	attributable				
	incorporation/	ordinary	the Company*/	to the				
Subsidiaries	operation	share capital	subsidiaries	Group	Principal activity			
	-	•	%	%				
Allied Properties China Limited	Cayman Islands	US\$1,000	100*	100	Investment holding			
Best Decision Investments Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$50,000	65	49	Investment holding			
Best Delta International Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$1	100	75	Investment holding			
Boneast Assets Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$1	100	75	Investment holding			
Constable Development S.A.	Panama	US\$5	100	75	Investment holding			
Hing Yip Holdings Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$1	100	75	Property holding			
I-Market Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$1	100	75	Investment holding			
Kenworld Corporation	Republic of Liberia	US\$1	100	100	Investment holding			
Lakewood Development Corporation	United States of America	US\$1,000	100	100	Property held for sale			
Ranbridge, Inc.	The Philippines	Peso5,385,000	100	75	Money lending			
Shipshape Investments Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$1	100	75	Investment holding			
SHK Absolute Return Managers Limited	Cayman Islands	US\$10	100	75	Investment holding			
SHK Global Managers Limited	British Virgin Islands	US\$5,000	100	75	Funds management			
SHK Quant Managers Limited	Cayman Islands	US\$10	100	75	Funds management			

## 52. Particulars of Principal Subsidiaries (Cont'd)

#### Proportion of nominal value of issued capital Place of Paid up issued held by attributable ordinary the Company\*/ incorporation/ to the **Subsidiaries** subsidiaries operation share capital Group Principal activity % % Sing Hing Investment British Virgin Islands 100 Property holding US\$1 75 Limited SL Meridian Holdings British Virgin Islands HK\$1,000,000 100 75 Investment holding Limited Sun Hung Kai International Brunei Darussalam SGD10,000,000 100 75 International Bank [Brunei] Limited banking business Investment holding British Virgin Islands US\$50.000 100 75 Sun Hung Kai International Investment Management Limited Sun Hung Kai Investment Macau MOP1,000,000 100 75 Property holding Services (Macau) Limited Sun Hung Kai Online British Virgin Islands US\$1 100 75 Online service Limited Sun Hung Kai Securities Bermuda US\$12,000 100 75 Investment holding (Bermuda) Limited and management service Sun Hung Kai Securities The Philippines Peso 100 75 Investment holding (Phil.), Inc. 273,600,000 75 Swan Islands Limited British Virgin Islands US\$1 100 Investment holding **Tailwind Consultants** British Virgin Islands US\$1 100 75 Investment holding Limited Upper Selection British Virgin Islands US\$1 100 75 Investment holding Investments Limited **Upstand Assets Limited** British Virgin Islands US\$1 100 75 Investment holding Wah Cheong Development British Virgin Islands US\$2,675,400 100 75 Investment holding (B.V.I.) Limited Zeal Goal International British Virgin Islands US\$1 100 75 Investment holding Limited

The above tables list the subsidiaries of the Company which, in the opinion of the Directors, principally affected the results for the year or formed a substantial portion of the net assets of the Group. To give details of other subsidiaries would, in the opinion of the Directors, result in particulars of excessive length.

This subsidiary is listed in Hong Kong and further details about this subsidiary are available in its published audited accounts.

#### 53. Particulars of Principal Associates

Particulars of the Group's principal associates at 31st December, 2005 are set out below:

	Proportion of nominal					
	Place of	value of	issued capital			
	incorporation/	held by	attributable to			
Associates	operation	subsidiaries	the Group	Principal activity		
		%	%			
Chronicle Gain Limited	Hong Kong	45	34	Property holding		
Drinkwater Investment Limited	Hong Kong	22	16	Property holding		
Omicron International Limited	British Virgin Island	ls 44	33	Investment holding		
Quality HealthCare Asia Limited **	Bermuda	34	25	Investment holding		
Real Estate Investments (N.T.)	Hong Kong	40	30	Property development		
Limited						
Silver York Development Limited	Hong Kong	40	30	Investment holding		
Start Hold Limited	Hong Kong	33	25	Investment holding		
Tian An China Investments Company	Hong Kong	49	37	Investment holding		
Limited **						
Yu Ming Investments Limited **	Hong Kong	22	16	Investment holding		

These associates are listed in Hong Kong and further details about these associates are available in their published audited accounts.

The above table lists the associates of the Group which, in the opinion of the Directors, principally affected the results for the year or formed a substantial portion of the net assets of the Group. To give details of other associates would, in the opinion of the Directors, result in particulars of excessive length.

# 54. Particulars of Principal Jointly Controlled Entities

Particulars of the Group's principal jointly controlled entities at 31st December, 2005 are set out below:

		Proportion of nominal				
	Place of	value of	issued capital			
	${\bf incorporation}/$	held by	attributable to			
Jointly controlled entities	operation	subsidiaries	the Group	Principal activity		
		%	%			
Allied Kajima Limited	Hong Kong	50	50	Property and		
				investment holding		
SHK Corporate Finance	People's Republic	33	25	Corporate finance		
(Shanghai) Limited	of China			advisory		

The above table lists the jointly controlled entities of the Group which, in the opinion of the Directors, principally affected the results for the year or formed a substantial portion of the net assets of the Group.

	Financial year ended 31st December,							
	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005			
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000 (Restated)	HK\$'000			
Results								
Revenue	660,361	903,629	862,783	1,128,169	1,144,153			
Operating (loss) profit	(164,752)	(423,017)	160,493	428,590	956,840			
Finance costs	(111,391)	(72,183)	(60,016)	(47,208)	(96,778)			
Release of negative goodwill	36,524	66,019	140,282	156,741	_			
Amortisation of capital reserve	20,417	17,267	17,267	17,267	_			
Share of results of associates	118,661	117,460	135,708	165,856	150,388			
Share of results of jointly controlled entities	51,377	29,527	41,941	19,090	105,298			
(Loss) profit before taxation	(49,164)	(264,927)	435,675	740,336	1,115,748			
Taxation	(29,818)	(53,300)	(71,449)	(80,108)	(79,306)			
(Loss) profit for the year	(78,982)	(318,227)	364,226	660,228	1,036,442			
Attributable to:								
Equity holders of the Company	(178,931)	(400,863)	311,020	563,023	935,342			
Minority interests	99,949	82,636	53,206	97,205	101,100			
	(78,982)	(318,227)	364,226	660,228	1,036,442			
Basic (loss) earnings per share	HK\$(0.48)	HK\$(0.88)	HK\$0.64	HK\$1.14	HK\$1.74			
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	2001	2002	At 31st Decen 2003	2005				
				2004				
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000 (Restated)	HK\$'000			
Assets and liabilities				(Restated)				
Total assets	10,526,091	9,084,999	10,247,955	9,997,626	11,924,513			
Total liabilities	(3,362,087)	(2,853,370)	(4,209,712)	(3,350,740)	(3,372,237)			

Certain amounts for the year 2004 have been restated to reflect the adoption of the new and revised HKFRSs.

Particulars of major properties held by the subsidiaries and jointly controlled entities of the Group at 31st December, 2005 are as set out below:

Name/location	Lease expiry	Туре	Gross floor area (S.M.)	Effective % held by the Group	Stage of completion
Hong Kong				<b>-</b>	
Park Place 7 Tai Tam Reservoir Road Hong Kong	2056 +	R	3,475	100.00	Existing
Allied Cargo Centre 150-164 Texaco Road Tsuen Wan, New Territories	2047	G	46,594	100.00	Existing
60 Plantation Road The Peak, Hong Kong	2066	R	639	100.00	Existing
Orchid Court 38 Tung On Street Mongkok, Kowloon	2049	R C	1,011 201	100.00 100.00	Existing Existing
The Redhill Peninsula 18 Pak Pat Shan Road Tai Tam, Hong Kong	2056 +	R CP	596 79 ###	100.00 100.00	Existing Existing (Phase IV)
China Online Centre 333 Lockhart Road Wanchai, Hong Kong	2026 ++	С	15,680	100.00	Existing
St. George Apartments No. 81 Waterloo Road Ho Man Tin, Kowloon	2006 +	R CP	9,499 75 ###	100.00 100.00	Existing Existing
Ibis North Point 138 Java Road North Point, Hong Kong	2008 +	Н	6,825	100.00	Existing
Century Court 239 Jaffe Road Wanchai, Hong Kong	2027 ++	R C	2,592 1,311	100.00 100.00	Existing Existing
No. 9 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong	2854	С	1,277	100.00	Existing

	Lease		Gross floor	Effective % held by	Stage of
Name/location	expiry	Туре	area (S.M.)	the Group	completion
Hong Kong – cont'd					
Allied Kajima Building 138 Gloucester Road Wanchai, Hong Kong	2047	С	20,442	50.00 *	Existing
Novotel Century Hong Kong 238 Jaffe Road Wanchai, Hong Kong	2047	Н	27,364	50.00 *	Existing
Tregunter Tower 3 14 Tregunter Path Hong Kong	2051	R	745	100.00	Existing
Admiralty Centre 18 Harcourt Road Hong Kong	2053 +	С	2,171 #	74.99	Existing
Houses C7 Hawaii Garden No. 18 Silver Cape Road Sai Kung New Territories	2047	R	218	74.99	Existing
Wing On House 71 Des Voeux Road Central Hong Kong	2902	С	533 #	74.99	Existing
Outside Hong Kong					
FM 2100 Road and Diamond Head Boulevard Harris County Texas U.S.A.	Freehold	R	13,888,933 ##	100.00	Existing
Philippine Plaza Hotel Cultural Centre of the Philippines Complex Roxas Boulevard Pasay City Manila, Philippines	2014 +++	Н	73,866	50.00 *	Existing

Name/location	Lease expiry	Туре	Gross floor area (S.M.)	Effective % held by the Group	Stage of completion
Outside Hong Kong – cont'd					
Tian An Centre No. 338 Nanjing Road West Huangpu District Shanghai People's Republic of China	2044	С	1,873	74.99	Existing

Notes:

Types of properties: R-Residential, C-Commercial, G-Godown, H-Hotel, CP-Car Parking Spaces

- Indicates properties held through a jointly controlled entity
- With option to renew for a further term of 75 years
- With option to renew for a further term of 99 years
- With option to renew for a further term of 25 years
- Saleable area
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- ### Number of car parking spaces