CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

| | | 2007 | 2006 |
|---|-------|---------|----------|
| For the year ended 31 December | Notes | HK\$'m | HK\$'m |
| Cash flows from operating activities | | | |
| Operating cash inflow before taxation | 43(a) | 37,047 | 20,809 |
| Hong Kong profits tax paid | | (2,822) | (2,409) |
| Overseas profits tax paid | | (85) | (55) |
| Net cash inflow from operating activities | | 34,140 | 18,345 |
| Cash flows from investing activities | | | |
| Purchase of properties, plant and equipment | 32 | (1,147) | (736) |
| Acquisition of an associate | 30 | (24) | _ |
| Proceeds from disposal of properties, plant and equipment | | 40 | 203 |
| Proceeds from disposal of investment properties | | 208 | 560 |
| Proceeds from dissolution/disposal of associates | 30 | 1 | 2 |
| Dividends received from associates | 30 | 3 | 4 |
| Net cash (outflow)/inflow from investing activities | | (919) | 33 |
| Cash flows from financing activities | | | |
| Acquisition of a subsidiary | | _ | (900) |
| Dividends paid to equity holders of the Company | | (9,251) | (9,315) |
| Dividends paid to minority shareholders | | (157) | (70) |
| Net cash outflow from financing activities | | (9,408) | (10,285) |
| Increase in cash and cash equivalents | | 23,813 | 8,093 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January | | 128,257 | 120,164 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December | 43(b) | 152,070 | 128,257 |

The notes on pages 98 to 215 are an integral part of these financial statements.