

2002 Interim Results Press Conference

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Presenters on behalf of our Management Team

Attendees	Title
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Mr. Zhu Chi	Deputy Chief Executive
Mr. Ding Yansheng	Deputy Chief Executive
Mr. Or Man Ah	Deputy Chief Executive
Mr. David Lam	Deputy Chief Executive
Mr. Norman Law	Chief Financial Officer

Agenda



- 1H2002 Financial Results and Operating Performance
- Strategic Focus

Key Interim Results Highlights

- Achieved annualized ROAE of 12.9%
 - 1H2002 net profit of HK\$3.4 billion
 - Represented 54% of our 2002 profit forecast
 - Exceeded our 2001 full year profit of HK\$2.8 billion

Adjusted 1H2002 EPS of HK\$0.323, greater than 2001 adjusted EPS of HK\$0.262

NPL levels significantly lowered to an NPL ratio of 8.97%

On track to meet our HK\$6.3 billion profit forecast and our ROAE target



		lonths 30 June	% Change 1H01 vs	Year Ended 31 Dec
(HK\$ million)	2002	2001	1H02	2001
Total Operating Income	8,901	9,990	(10.9)%	19,009
Total Operating Expenses	2,899	2,868	1.1%	5,847
Operating Profit before Provisions	6,002	7,122	(15.7)%	13,162
Charges for Bad and Doubtful Debts	s 1,766	1,848	(4.4)%	7,412
Operating Profit after Provisions	4,236	5,274	(19.7)%	5,750
Profit attributable to shareholders	3,418	4,195	(18.5)%	2,768
Adjusted EPS	HK\$0.323	HK\$0.397	(18.6)%	HK\$0.262

2002 Interim Highlights Balance Sheet



(HK\$ million)	As at 30 June 2002	As at 31 Dec 2001
Total Assets	737,778	766,140
Total Liabilities	683,040	712,904
Gross Loans	317,634	323,038
Total Customer Deposits	611,470	606,428
Shareholders' Funds	53,654	52,170

2002 Interim Highlights Key Financial Ratios



	Six Months Ended 30 June		Year Ended 31 Dec
(%)	2002	2001	2001
Net Interest Margin	1.98	1.97	1.95
Non-Interest Income / Operating Income	22.58	22.58	21.16
Cost to Income Ratio	32.57	28.71	30.76
NPL Ratio	8.97		10.99
LLR Coverage	54.52		48.19
Capital Adequacy Ratio	14.68	-	14.38

- Improved net interest margin
- Cost to income ratio among lowest in industry
- Improvement in NPL and Loan Loss Reserve Coverage
- Strong capital adequacy

Summary of P&L



	Six Months Ended 30 June		
(HK\$ million)	2002	2001	
Net Interest Income	6,891	7,734	
Other Operating Income	2,010	2,256	
Total Operating Income	8,901	9,990	
Operating Expenses	2,899	2,868	
Operating Profit before Provisions	6,002	7,122	
Charge for Bad and Doubtful Debts	1,766	1,848	
Operating Profit after Provisions	4,236	5,274	
Restructuring Charges	-	(295)	
Others	(25)	100	
Profit before Taxation	4,211	5,079	
Profit Attributable to Shareholders	3,418	4,195	
EPS (HK\$)	0.065	0.079	
Adjusted EPS (HK\$) ⁽¹⁾	0.323	0.397	

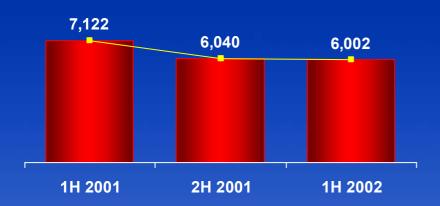
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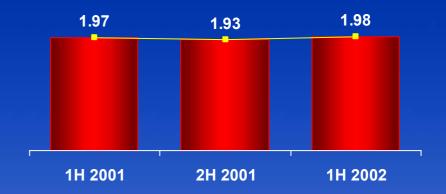
Key Trends



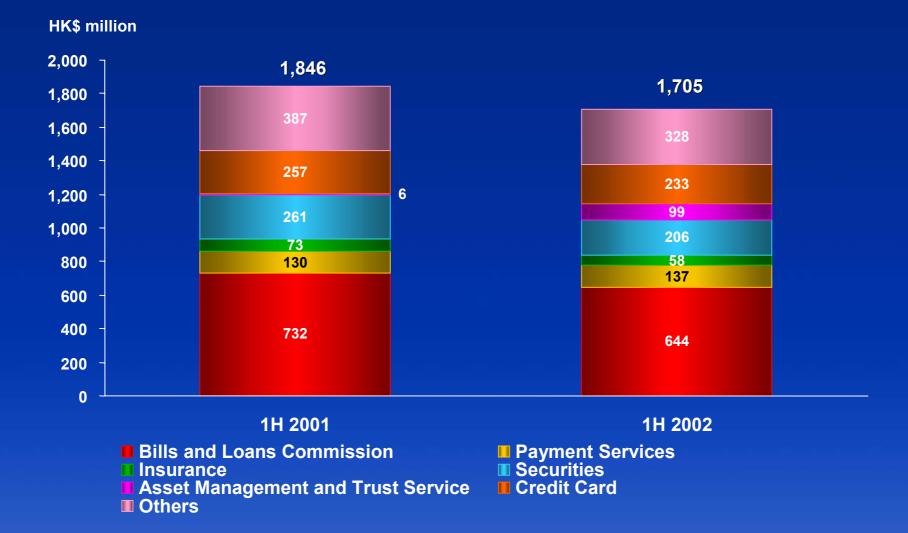
Other Operating Income







Fees and Commission Income



Operating Expenses



	Six Months E	% Change	
(HK\$ million)	2002	2001	
Staff Costs	1,761	1,905	(7.6)%
Premises and Equipment	360	376	(4.3)%
Depreciation	359	213	68.5%
Others	419	374	12.0%
Operating Expenses	2,899	2,868	1.1%

Provisions for Bad and Doubtful Debt

(HK\$ million)	As at 30 June 2002	As at 31 Dec 2001
General Provisions	6,538	6,538
Specific Provisions	8,999	10,576
LLR	15,537	17,114
Total Loans	317,634	323,038
NPLs	28,498	35,512
SP/NPLs	31.6%	29.8%
GP/Total Loans	2.1%	2.0%
LLR/NPLs	54.5%	48.2%

Assets Breakdown



(HK\$ million)	As at 30 June 2002	As at 31 Dec 2001
Cash and short-term funds	109,408	196,255
Interbank placements	100,918	80,773
Trade bills	584	382
Certificates of deposit held	17,471	19,474
HKSAR Gov't certificates of indebtedness	28,290	25,510
Held-to-maturity securities	102,555	50,988
Investment securities	50	44
Other investments in securities	48,760	56,169
Advances and other accounts	303,983	308,108
Fixed assets	20,636	21,049
Investments in associates	366	416
Other assets	4,757	6,972
Total assets	737,778	766,140

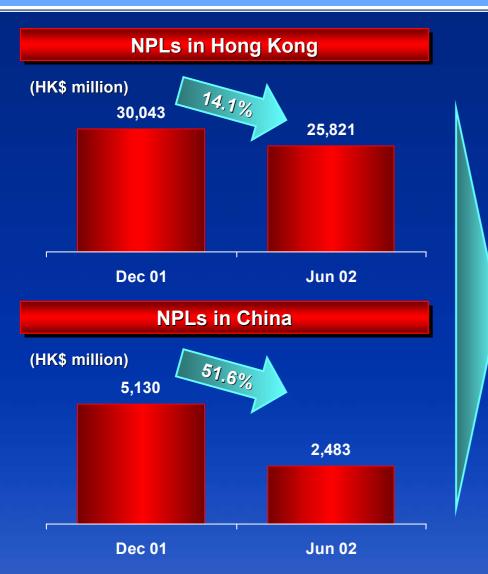
Loan Portfolio Breakdown Industry Sectors

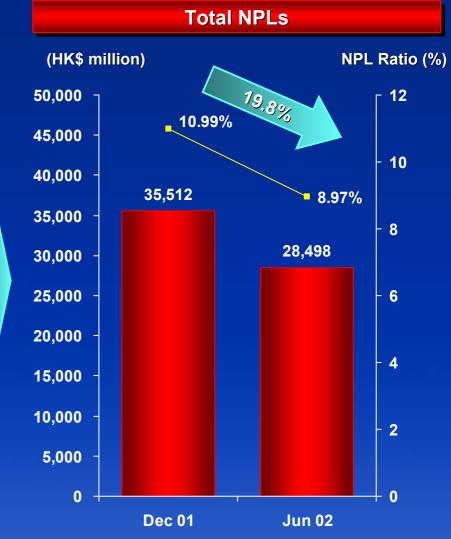


	As at 30 June 2002		As at 31 Dec 2001		% Change
	HK\$ million	%	HK\$ million	%	76 Change
Industrial, Commercial and Financial	173,230	54.5%	178,880	55.4%	(3.2)%
Individuals	118,463	37.3%	115,540	35.8%	2.5%
Trade Finance	9,763	3.1%	10,566	3.3%	(7.6)%
Loans used Outside Hong Kong	16,178	5.1%	18,052	5.5%	(10.4)%
Total Advances to Customers	317,634	100%	323,038	100%	(1.7)%

Non-Performing Loans







Liabilities Breakdown



(HK\$ million)	As at 30 June, 2002	As at 31 Dec, 2001
HKSAR currency notes in circulation	28,290	25,510
Interbank deposits	16,115	55,295
Customer deposits	611,470	606,428
Certificates of deposit issued	5,000	5,000
Other accounts and provisions	22,165	20,671
Total liabilities	683,040	712,904

Strategic Focus

	Key Focus Areas
	Introduce tailored products
	Target higher net worth customers and SME customers
Revenue	Expand non-interest income, such as credit card and investment
Enhancement	funds
	Penetrate RMB business through mainland branches
	Enhance customer relationship management
	Strengthen risk management systems and practices
Asset Quality Improvement	Monitor special mention loans to minimize loan downgrades
	Minimize new NPL formation and maximize recoveries

Strategic Focus (Cont'd)

	Key Focus Areas
	Redesign and rationalize branch network and distribution
	channels
Cost Synergies	Automate loan processes
	Increase IT expenses to enhance hardware/infrastructure and
	software
	Optimize capital structure
Capital Management	Enhance asset-liability mix and focus on higher yielding assets
	Maintain 60-70% dividend payout ratio