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DYNAMIC HOLDINGS LIMITED 達力集團有限公司

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability) (在百慕達註冊成立之有限公司)



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CORPORATE INFORMATION

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COMPANY SECRETARY

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Management Statement

The Directors hereby present their management statement and the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group") for the six months ended 31st December, 2004.

INTERIM RESULTS

For the six months ended 31st December, 2004, the Group recorded a turnover of HK\$82,876,000, compared to HK\$197,184,000 for the last corresponding period. This decrease was attributable to the drop of revenue (by about HK\$116,726,000) from property sales of Chaoyang Garden in Beijing, as most of the residential units in its first and second phases has been sold and the result thereof having been reflected in the last financial year.

The Group's gross profit for the period amounted to HK\$23,802,000 and profit from operations was HK\$14,875,000, showing a decrease of 29% and 33% respectively as compared to those of the last corresponding period.

The net profit for the period was HK\$12,078,000 showing the earnings per share of 5.51 Hong Kong cents, representing a fall of 34% as against the last corresponding period.

SEGMENTAL INFORMATION

Details of the segmental information of the Group's turnover and contribution to profit from operations by principal activity and geographical location of operations for the period are set out in note 2 to the condensed financial statements.

INTERIM DIVIDEND

The Directors have declared an interim dividend of 2 Hong Kong cents (2003: 2 Hong Kong cents) per share for the six months ended 31st December, 2004 to all shareholders whose names appear on the register of members of the Company on 22nd April, 2005. The dividend warrants are expected to be despatched to those entitled on or about 6th May, 2005.

BUSINESS REVIEW

Chaoyang Garden/The Sun Crest

In Beijing, the high-end property market remained robust during the period under review. Chaoyang Garden recorded another HK\$59,308,000 in sales representing most of the remaining units of Phase II. With little that was left from Phase II and with the final phase only now coming on stream, the Group's overall sales during the period dropped about 66% as compared to the last corresponding period.

Pre-sales of Phase III started earlier this month and public response was encouraging.

Dynamic Cargo Center

In the period under review, occupancy of Dynamic Cargo Center reached around 95% and rental income showed an increase of about 10%. In general, the Group's cargo center has regained its leasing level of 2001-2002.

Tung Kok Tau

A continued growth in demand for logistics support has brought about an increase of income from port operations in Tung Kok Tau, Shekou of about 14% with the operating profits showing a significant increase of about 121%.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The financial position of the Group remains sound and liquid. At 31st December, 2004, the total shareholders' fund of the Group amounted to HK\$757,096,000 (30th June, 2004: HK\$749,400,000) with net asset value per share of HK\$3.46 (30th June, 2004: HK\$3.42). Total borrowings of the Group, both secured and unsecured, were about HK\$262,233,000 (30th June, 2004: HK\$268,168,000) as at 31st December, 2004, which were in Hong Kong and United States dollars and repayable within two years at average interest rate of about 2.7% (30th June, 2004: 2.2%) per annum. As at 31st December, 2004, the gearing ratio of the Group was about 23% (30th June, 2004: 20%) based on the Group's net debt (after deducting bank balances and cash) to its shareholders' equity. The extent of credit facilities unutilised by the Group as at 31st December, 2004 amounted to HK\$89,435,000 (30th June. 2004: HK\$86,306,600), of which HK\$15,000,000 (30th June, 2004: HK\$9,500,000) was banking facilities and HK\$74,435,000 (30th June, 2004: HK\$76,806,600) was a credit facility provided by a related company.

As at 31st December, 2004, the Group pledged certain of its assets (including investment properties with an aggregate carrying value of HK\$420,000,000) to financial institutions as security against general banking facilities granted to the Group, and also pledged its bank deposits of HK\$23,559,000 (30th June, 2004: HK\$21,488,000) to banks to secure mortgage bank loans granted to the home buyers. The contingent liabilities of the Company for guarantees given to financial institutions in respect of banking facilities granted to the Group amounted to HK\$172,854,000 (30th June, 2004: HK\$175,073,000). In addition, the Group and the Company have given guarantees in respect of mortgage loans provided by banks to the home buyers of a property project in the PRC. At 31st December, 2004, the Group and the Company had a maximum amount of mortgage loans which were subject to these guarantees HK\$704.060.000) HK\$708.299.000 (30th June, 2004: of and HK\$38,873,000 (30th June, 2004: HK\$39,000,000) respectively.

FINANCIAL REVIEW (Continued)

In the period, sufficient cashflow was generated by sales proceeds of Chaoyang Garden/The Sun Crest, rental income of Dynamic Cargo Center and revenue of port operations. As at 31st December, 2004, the Group's bank balances and cash stood at HK\$86,179,000 (30th June, 2004: HK\$119,734,000) denominated primarily in Renminbi yuans. No significant exposure to foreign currency fluctuations affected the Group in the period under review. The funding requirements for development projects of Chaoyang Garden and redevelopment of Tung Kok Tau are intended to be financed by internal resources, bank borrowings and such other means of financing as the Directors may deem expedient.

EMPLOYEES

At 31st December, 2004, the Group had about 160 employees in Hong Kong and the Mainland at prevailing market remunerations with employee benefits such as medical insurance, provident fund schemes and share option scheme.

PROSPECTS

In Beijing, the tightening of control over new development has eased competition and demands for residential and commercial units remain strong. The Group expects that the sales of Phase III will be on target.

In Hong Kong, the warehousing sector is experiencing a revival of demand due to growth in re-export trade and shortage of new warehousing development. It is expected that rental will continue to follow a steady upward trend.

Shenzhen official re-planning of the Western Corridor Coastal area involving the Group's site has been delayed. In the meantime, talks with the Chinese joint venture partner are continuing.

CLOSURE OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS

The register of members of the Company will be closed from Monday, 18th April, 2005 to Friday, 22nd April, 2005, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be effected. In order to qualify for the interim dividend, all transfer forms accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's Branch Share Registrars in Hong Kong, Tengis Limited at Ground Floor, BEA Harbour View Centre, 56 Gloucester Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong for registration not later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, 15th April, 2005.

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES

As at 31st December, 2004, the interests of the Directors and their associates in the shares of the Company (within the meaning of the Securities and Futures Ordinance ("SFO")) as recorded in the register required to be maintained under Section 352 of the SFO were as follows:

	Number o ordinary sl (long po	Percentage of the issued share		
Name of Director	Personal interests	Corporate interests	capital of the Company	
Mr. CHUA Domingo (Note)	4,000,000	89,321,279	42.59%	
Mr. PANG Kit Man, John	1,302,000	_	0.59%	

Note: The corporate interests of Mr. CHUA Domingo were held through Dynamic Development Corporation. Dynamic Development Corporation is wholly-owned by Carnation Investments Inc. of which Mr. CHUA Domingo is the sole shareholder.

Save as disclosed above, none of the Directors or their associates had any interests or short positions in any shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations as defined in the SFO as at 31st December, 2004; or would required, pursuant to Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of the Listed Companies, to be notified to the Company and The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange").

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS

As at 31st December, 2004, the interests of substantial shareholders (other than a Director of the Company) in the shares of the Company as recorded in the register as required to be kept under Section 336 of the SFO were as follows:

Name of shareholder	Number of issued ordinary shares held (long position)	Percentage of the issued share capital of the Company
Plus Holdings Limited (Note)	13,152,000	6%

Note: The interests of Plus Holdings Limited were held through Telecom Plus Investment Limited, its wholly-owned subsidiary.

Other than as disclosed above and the interests disclosed in the Directors' interests in shares in respect of Mr. CHUA Domingo, the Company has not been notified of any other interests or short position and underlying shares of the Company as required to be recorded in the register under Section 336 of the SFO as at 31st December, 2004.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The Company has complied throughout the six months ended 31st December, 2004 with the Code of Best Practice as set out in the old Appendix 14 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange (the "Listing Rules").

The Company has adopted a code of conduct regarding securities transactions by Directors as set out in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules and all Directors have complied with the required standard of dealings set out therein during the relevant accounting period.

PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF THE COMPANY'S LISTED SECURITIES

During the period, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Audit Committee of the Company has reviewed with the management the accounting practices and principles adopted by the Group and discussed auditing, internal control and financial reporting matters including the review of this interim report.

By Order of the Board

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PANG Kit Man, John Director and Chief Executive Officer

Hong Kong, 18th March, 2005

Condensed Consolidated Income Statement

For the six months ended 31st December, 2004

		Unaudi Six months 31st Dece	ended
	Notes	2004 HK\$'000	2003 HK\$'000
Turnover Cost of sales	2	82,876 (59,074)	197,184 (163,661)
Gross profit Other operating income Administrative expenses	3 4	23,802 2,268 (11,195)	33,523 1,657 (13,130)
Profit from operations Finance costs	5	14,875 (71)	22,050 (573)
Profit before taxation Taxation	6	14,804 (1,708)	21,477 (1,931)
Profit for the period Minority interests		13,096 (1,018)	19,546 (1,144)
Net profit for the period		12,078	18,402
Dividend	7	4,382	4,382
Basic earnings per share (Hong Kong cents)	8	5.51	8.40

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet

At 31st December, 2004

	Notes	Unaudited At 31st December, 2004 <i>HK\$'000</i>	Audited At 30th June, 2004 <i>HK\$</i> '000
Non-current Assets Property, plant and equipment Investment properties Properties held for development Goodwill Loan receivables — due after one year		13,574 420,000 202,271 161 11,304	13,541 420,000 200,195 161 14,729
Current Assets Properties under development Properties held for sale Loan receivables — due within one year Trade and other receivables Amounts due from minority shareholders Tax recoverable Bank deposits — pledged Bank balances and cash	9	647,310 199,171 161,824 8,503 26,390 4,973 11,792 23,559 86,179	648,626 138,079 202,420 10,550 24,330 4,922 7,727 21,488 119,734
Current Liabilities Trade and other payables Pre-sale deposits received Tax liabilities Bank loans — due within one year	10 11	522,391 92,314 18,408 692 27,936	529,250 90,944 32,430 340 24,937
Net Current Assets Total Assets less Current Liabilities		139,350 383,041 1,030,351	148,651 380,599 1,029,225

$Condensed\ Consolidated\ Balance\ Sheet\ {\tiny (Continued)}$

At 31st December, 2004

	Notes	Unaudited At 31st December, 2004 HK\$'000	Audited At 30th June, 2004 <i>HK\$</i> '000
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Capital and Reserves	12	210 104	210 104
Share capital	12	219,104	219,104
Reserves		537,992	530,296
		757,096	749,400
Minority Interests		29,164	28,146
Non-current Liabilities			
Bank loans			
— due after one year Other payable	11	129,918	140,636
— due after one year		493	493
Loan from a related company		104,379	102,595
Deferred tax liabilities		9,301	7,955
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		244,091	251,679
		1,030,351	1,029,225

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity

For the six months ended 31st December, 2004

	Share capital HK\$`000	Share premium HK\$'000	reserve	Negative goodwill HK\$'000	Capital redemption reserve HK\$'000	Translation reserve HK\$'000	Statutory reserve HK\$`000	Retained profits HK\$'000	Total HK\$`000
At 30th June, 2003									
(audited)									
As originally stated	219,104	426,608	55,018	3,178	1,644	(2,428)	721	24,614	728,459
Prior period adjustment									
(Note 1)	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	4,651	4,65
As restated	219,104	426,608	55,018	3,178	1,644	(2,428)	721	29,265	733,110
Exchange difference arising on translation of overseas operations not recognised in the									
income statement	_	_	_	_	_	(711)	_	_	(711
Net profit for the period	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	18,402	18,402
Cash dividend	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	(4,382)	(4,382
At 31st December, 2003 (unaudited)	219,104	426,608	55,018	3,178	1,644	(3,139)	721	43,285	746,419
At 30th June, 2004 (audited) Net profit for the period Cash dividend	219,104	426,608	55,018 	3,178	1,644 —	(2,428)	721	45,555 12,078 (4,382)	749,400 12,078 (4,382
At 31st December, 2004 (unaudited)	219,104	426,608	55,018	3,178	1,644	(2,428)	721	53,251	757,09

Condensed Consolidated Cash Flow Statement

For the six months ended 31st December, 2004

	Unaudited Six months ended 31st December,		
	2004 HK\$'000	2003 HK\$'000	
Net cash from operating activities	35,960	110,739	
Net cash used in investing activities	(60,139)	(194,686)	
Net cash (used in) from financing activities	(9,376)	170,595	
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(33,555)	86,648	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period	119,734	50,433	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period	86,179	137,081	
Analysis of the balances of cash and cash equivalents Bank balances and cash	86,179	137,081	

1. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

These unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of Appendix 16 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities (the "Listing Rules") on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") and the Statement of Standard Accounting Practice ("SSAP") No. 25 "interim financial reporting" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those adopted in the annual financial statements of the Group for the year ended 30th June, 2004. In the prior period, prior period adjustment was made as a result of the Group's adoption of the revised SSAP 12 "Income Taxes" to account for its deferred tax.

These condensed consolidated financial statements of the Group for the six months ended 31st December, 2004 are unaudited and have been reviewed by the Audit Committee of the Company.

2. SEGMENTAL INFORMATION

Business segments

For management purposes, the Group is currently organised into three operating divisions — property sales, property rental and port operations. These principal operating activities are the basis on which the Group reports its primary segmental information.

Principal activities are as follows:

Property sales	_	sales of properties developed by the Group
Property rental		leasing of investment properties
Port operations	—	operations of the port

2. SEGMENTAL INFORMATION (Continued)

Business segments (Continued)

Segmental information about these businesses is presented below:

	Property sales		Property rental Port oper			cations Consolidated		dated
				Unau	dited			
			Six me	onths ended	31st Decem	ıber,		
	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
TURNOVER								
External sales	59,308	176,034	14,733	13,375	8,835	7,775	82,876	197,184
SEGMENT RESULT	3,932	12,932	13,461	12,258	2,740	1,241	20,133	26,431
Unallocated other								
operating income							_	1,037
Unallocated corporate								
expenses							(5,258)	(5,418)
Profit from operations							14,875	22,050
Finance costs							(71)	(573)
Profit before taxation							14,804	21,477
Taxation							(1,708)	(1,931)
Profit for the period							13,096	19,546
Minority interests							(1,018)	(1,144)
Net profit for the period							12,078	18,402

Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)

For the six months ended 31st December, 2004

2. SEGMENTAL INFORMATION (Continued)

Geographical segments

The following table provides an analysis of the Group's sales by geographical market, irrespective of the origin of the goods/services:

	Turnov geographic Six	al market Unau	Profit from dited l 31st Decembo	•
	2004 HK\$'000	2003 <i>HK\$</i> '000	2004 HK\$'000	2003 HK\$'000
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region				
("Hong Kong") Other regions in the People's	14,733	13,375	13,461	12,258
Republic of China ("PRC")	68,143	183,809	6,672	14,173
	82,876	197,184	20,133	26,431
Unallocated other operating income			_	1,037
Unallocated corporate expenses			(5,258)	(5,418)
Profit from operations			14,875	22,050

3. OTHER OPERATING INCOME

	Six mon	udited ths ended ecember,
	2004 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2003 <i>HK\$</i> '000
Bank interest income Bad debt recovered Sundry income	1,041 	376 1,027 254
	2,268	1,657

	Unauc Six month 31st Dec	is ended
	2004 HK\$'000	2003 <i>HK\$</i> '000
Profit from operations has been arrived at after charging:		
Amortization of goodwill (included in administrative expenses)	_	571
Depreciation	805	749
Less: Amount capitalised and included in properties under development	(210)	(251)
	595	498

4. DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION

5. FINANCE COSTS

	Unaudited Six months ended 31st December,	
	2004 HK\$'000	2003 HK\$'000
Interest on bank borrowings wholly repayable within five years Less: Amount capitalised and included in properties under development by applying a capitalisation rate of	1,199	2,599
4.7% (2003: 4.0%) to expenditure on qualifying assets	(1,128)	(2,026)
Interest on loan from a related company wholly repayable within five years Less: Amount capitalised and included in properties held for development by applying a capitalisation rate of 3.9% (2003: Nil) to expenditure on qualifying assets	2,076 (2,076)	
	71	573

6. TAXATION

	Six month	Unaudited Six months ended 31st December,	
	2004 <i>HK\$'000</i>	2003 HK\$'000	
The tax charge comprises:			
Hong Kong Profits Tax Overprovision in prior years PRC Income Tax	(4)	_	
Current period Overprovision in prior years Deferred Tax	2,363 (1,997)	3,838 (3,237)	
Current period	1,346	1,330	
	1,708	1,931	

No Hong Kong Profits Tax is provided as there is no estimated assessable profit for 2004 and 2003.

PRC Foreign Enterprise Income Tax is calculated at the rates prevailing in the PRC.

Deferred tax has been provided on temporary differences using the current applicable rate.

7. **DIVIDEND**

On 14th January, 2005, a final dividend of 2 Hong Kong cents (2003: 2 Hong Kong cents) per share was paid to the Company's shareholders as a final dividend for the year ended 30th June, 2004.

The Directors have declared an interim dividend of 2 Hong Kong cents (2003: 2 Hong Kong cents) per share for the six months ended 31st December, 2004 to all shareholders whose names appear on the register of members of the Company on 22nd April, 2005.

8. BASIC EARNINGS PER SHARE

The calculation of basic earnings per share is based on net profit of HK\$12,078,000 (2003: HK\$18,402,000) for the period and on 219,103,681 (2003: 219,103,681) ordinary shares in issue throughout the period.

No diluted earnings per share is shown as there is no dilutive effect on the earnings per share.

9. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

At 31st December, 2004, the balance of trade and other receivables included trade receivables of HK\$1,776,000 (30th June, 2004: HK\$4,110,000). For property sales, other than home loans the Group allows an average credit period of 30 days to its customers. Rental receivables from tenants and service income receivables from customers are payable on presentation of invoices. The aged analysis of trade receivables is as follows:

	Unaudited At 31st December, 2004 HK\$'000	Audited At 30th June, 2004 <i>HK\$</i> '000
0 – 60 days 61 – 90 days Over 90 days	658 17 1,101	3,020 18 1,072
	1,776	4,110

10. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

At 31st December, 2004, the balance of trade and other payables included trade payables of HK\$29,443,000 (30th June, 2004: HK\$32,972,000). The aged analysis of trade payables is as follows:

	Unaudited At 31st December, 2004 <i>HK\$</i> '000	Audited At 30th June, 2004 <i>HK\$'000</i>
0 – 60 days 61 – 90 days Over 90 days	11,840 5,512 12,091	17,733 15,239
	29,443	32,972

11. BANK LOANS

	Unaudited At 31st December, 2004 HK\$'000	Audited At 30th June, 2004 <i>HK\$</i> *000
The bank loans are repayable as follows:		
Within one year or on demand	27,936	24,937
More than one year, but not exceeding two years	129,918	140,636
Less: Amount repayable within	157,854	165,573
one year shown under current liabilities	(27,936)	(24,937)
Amount due after one year	129,918	140,636
Secured Unsecured	150,400 7,454	158,300 7,273
	157,854	165,573

The loans bear average interest rate of about 1.0% (30th June, 2004: 1.0%) over Hong Kong Interbank Offered Rate per annum and are repayable either in instalments or in one lump sum within two years.

	Number o	of shares	Amo	unt
	Unaudited At 31st December, 2004	Audited At 30th June, 2004	Unaudited At 31st December, 2004 <i>HK\$'000</i>	Audited At 30th June, 2004 <i>HK\$</i> '000
Ordinary shares of HK\$1.00 each				
Authorised	300,000,000	300,000,000	300,000	300,000

12. SHARE CAPITAL

13. SHARE OPTION SCHEME

The Company adopted a share option scheme on 21st December, 2001 (the "Share Option Scheme").

The Share Option Scheme was adopted for the purpose of providing incentives to Directors, employees and eligible participants and will expire on 20th December, 2011. Under the Share Option Scheme, the board of Directors of the Company may grant options to Executive Directors, employees of the Company and its subsidiaries and such eligible participants at the discretion of the board of Directors of the Company pursuant to the terms of the Share Option Scheme, to subscribe for shares of the Company at a price per share not less than the highest of i) the closing price of a share of the Company listed on the Stock Exchange at the date of grant of the option; ii) the average of the closing price of a share of the Company on the Stock Exchange for the five trading days immediately preceding the date of grant of the option; and iii) the nominal value of a share of the Company.

No share option was granted to or exercised by any of the Company's and its subsidiaries' Directors, employees and such eligible participants under the Share Option Scheme since its adoption, and there were no share options outstanding as at 31st December, 2004 and 31st December, 2003.

14. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

	The Company	
	Unaudited	Audited
	At 31st	At 30th
	December,	June,
	2004	2004
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Guarantees given to financial institutions in respect of banking facilities granted to		
subsidiaries	172,854	175,073

The extent of such facilities utilised and unutilised by the subsidiaries at 31st December, 2004 amounted to approximately HK\$157,854,000 (30th June, 2004: HK\$165,573,000) and HK\$15,000,000 (30th June, 2004: HK\$9,500,000).

In addition, the Group and the Company have given guarantees in respect of the settlement of mortgage loans provided by banks to the home buyers of a property project in the PRC. At 31st December, 2004, the Group and the Company had a maximum amount of mortgage loans which were subject to these guarantees of HK\$708,299,000 (30th June, 2004: HK\$704,060,000) and HK\$38,873,000 (30th June, 2004: HK\$39,000,000), respectively.

A subsidiary has been named as a defendant in a High Court action in respect of an alleged breach of contractual undertakings. The plaintiff is claiming for an amount of HK\$14,879,000. The subsidiary and its legal counsel are strongly resisting this claim and a counterclaim has been lodged against the plaintiff for, inter alia, damages in an amount of about HK\$49,309,000 (subject to the Court's assessment). In the opinion of the Directors, the outcome of this case would not have a material adverse impact on the financial position of the Group, accordingly, no provision for any potential liability has been made in the financial statements.

15. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the period, the Group has entered into the following transactions with related companies:

	Unaudited Six months ended 31st December,	
	2004 HK\$'000	2003 HK\$'000
Rental income received (<i>Note a</i>) Rental and management fees paid (<i>Note a</i>) Consultancy service fees paid (<i>Note a</i>) Finance costs and charge paid (<i>Note a</i>)	82 693 500 2,121	74 693

The outstanding balances with these related companies and minority shareholders at 31st December, 2004 were as follows:

	Unaudited At 31st December, 2004 HK\$'000	Audited At 30th June, 2004 <i>HK\$</i> *000
Amounts due from related companies included in trade		
and other receivables (<i>Note b</i>)	3,045	1,951
Amounts due from minority	-,	-,,
shareholders (Note b)	4,973	4,922
Amounts due to related companies		
included in trade and other		
payables (Note b)	547	652

Notes:

a. The transactions were carried out based on the contractual agreements made between both parties and were at market price.

b. The amounts are unsecured, interest free and repayable on demand.

The related companies are companies in which certain Directors have common directorship.