Lascelles de Mercado & Co. Ltd. 1998

Statement of Cash Flows

September 30, 1998

	1998 \$000s	1997 \$000s
Cash flows from operating activities (Loss)/profit attributable to members	(23,010)	256 , 657
Adjustments to reconcile (loss)/profit to net cash provided by operating activities:	(23,010)	230,037
Depreciation	117,048	91,666
Loss/(gain) on disposals of fixed assets and investments	72,009	(18,263)
Construction in progress written off	7 , 735	-
Increase in insurance funds	30,432	16,214
Results retained in associated companies	20,522	13,438
Cumulative translation adjustment	18,068	22,809
Minority interests in loss for the year	(192)	(1,949)
	242,612	380,572
(Increase)/decrease in current assets:		
Accounts receivable	(124,839)	110,801
Due from associated companies	37 , 905	(53 , 598)
Due from other related parties	36,806	(91,736)
Taxation recoverable	(6 , 175)	(1,223)
Inventories	(201,936)	(17,035)

<pre>Increase/(decrease) in current liabilities:</pre>		
Accounts payable	199,960	397
Taxation	(5,336)	(18,012)
Due to other related parties	47,801	79 , 909*
Net cash provided by operating activities	226,798	390,075
Cash flows from investing activities		
Additions to fixed assets	(503,784)	(249 , 524)
Additions to investments	(245,481)	(652 , 580)
Proceeds of sale of fixed assets	22,646	9 , 837
Proceeds of sale of investments	104,601	510 , 570
Investment in associated company	(32 , 677)	(20,198)
Surplus on acquisition of a subsidiary	8 , 562	-
Long term loan to a related party	(122 , 126)	-
Term deposits and monetary instruments	64,164	46,355
Net cash used by investment activities	(704,095)	(355,540)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Decrease in bank loans and overdrafts	(23,346)	(206,255)
Decrease in unsecured loans	(185,609)	(305,834)*
Long term liabilities, net of repayments	751 , 102	316,865 *
Dividends paid to minority shareholders of subsidiaries	(171)	(171)
Net cash provided/(used) by financing activities	541,976	(195,395)
Cash provided/(used) before dividend and		
distribution payments	64 , 679	(160 , 860)
Dividends and distributions paid	(2,082)	(2,082)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash	62 , 597	(162,942)
Cash at beginning of year	739 , 791	902,733
Cash at end of year	802,388	739,791

^{*}Reclassified to conform with 1998 presentation.

The accompanying notes form an integral part of the financial statements.