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14. ADVANCES AND OTHER ACCOUNTS - continued

The specific provisions were made after taking into account the value of collateral in respect of such advances to customers.

There are no advances to banks and other financial institutions on which interest is being placed in suspense or has ceased to be accrued.

Advances to customers of the Group include receivables under finance leases as follows:

			Prese	nt value
	Minimum lease payments		of minimum lease payments	
	2001 2000		2001 2000	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Within one year	5,295	2,668	4,670	2,219
In the second to fifth year inclusive	3,236	3,771	3,206	3,118
	8,531	6,439	7,876	5,337
Less: unearned finance income	(655)	(1,102)		
Present value of minimum lease				
payments receivable	7,876	5,337	7,876	5,337
Analysed as:				
Non-current finance lease receivables				
(recoverable after 12 months)			3,206	3,118
Current finance lease receivables				
(recoverable within 12 months)			4,670	2,219
			7,876	5,337

15. CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT HELD

All the certificates of deposit are held-to-maturity and are unlisted.

Certificates of deposit of approximately HK\$37,428,000 (2000: HK\$51,475,000) held by the San Francisco Branch of the Bank, which have been pledged to the State of California of the United States of America in compliance with the requirements of the California Financial Code.

16. INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES

	2001	2000
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Unlisted shares, at cost	547,715	547,715
Amounts due from subsidiaries	3,633	58,197
	551,348	605,912

The amounts due from subsidiaries are unsecured, non-interest bearing and have no fixed repayment terms.

16. INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES - continued

Details of the subsidiaries are as follows:

Principal activities	Percentage of issued share capital directly held	Issued and fully paid ordinary share capital	Place of incorporation/operation	Name of company
Provision of property management services	100%	HK\$100,000	Hong Kong	Liu Chong Hing (Management) Limited
Provision of nominee services	100%	HK\$100,000	Hong Kong	Liu Chong Hing (Nominees) Limited
Deposit-taking	100%	HK\$25,000,000	Hong Kong	Liu Chong Hing Finance Limited
Provision of electronic data processing services	100%	HK\$100,000	Hong Kong	Liu Chong Hing Data Processing Limited
Banking	100%	AU\$200,000	Republic of Vanuatu/ Hong Kong	Liu Chong Hing Bank (International) Limited
General merchant banking	100%	US\$65,000,000	Cayman Islands/ Hong Kong	Liu Chong Hing Banking Corporation, Cayman
Stockbroking	100%	HK\$10,000,000	Hong Kong	Chong Hing Securities Limited
Investment holding and commodities and futures broking	100%	HK\$5,000,000	Hong Kong	Chong Hing Commodities and Futures Limited
Property investment	100%	US\$12,000	Bermuda/ Hong Kong	Right Way Investments Limited
Inactive	100%	HK\$10,000	Hong Kong	Gallbraith Limited

None of the subsidiaries had any loan capital subsisting at the end of the year or at any time during the year.

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17. INTEREST IN AN ASSOCIATE

	THE GROUP		THE BANK	
	2001	2000	2001	2000
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Unlisted shares, at cost	-	-	5	5
Share of net assets	3,813	3,813		
	3,813	3,813	5	5
Amount due from associate	356,326	340,954	356,326	340,954
	360,139	344,767	356,331	340,959

At 31 December 2001, the Bank held 47.37% of the issued ordinary share capital of Alain Limited, a private limited company incorporated in Hong Kong. The associate is engaged in the development of high-class commercial buildings in Shanghai.

The amount due from associate is secured by the property and assets charged under a debenture in favour of the Group, bears interest at Hong Kong prime rate and has no fixed terms of repayment.

18. INTEREST IN JOINTLY CONTROLLED ENTITIES

	THE GROUP		THE BANK	
	2001	2000	2001	2000
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Unlisted shares, at cost	-	-	57,500	33,000
Share of net assets	38,618	33,000		
	38,618	33,000	57,500	33,000
Loans to jointly controlled entities	37,050	18,800	37,050	18,800
	75,668	51,800	94,550	51,800

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18. INTEREST IN JOINTLY CONTROLLED ENTITIES - continued

As at 31 December 2001, the Bank had interests in the following jointly controlled entities:

	Place of		Proportion of nominal value	
Name of company	incorporation and operation	Class of share held	of issued capital held by the Bank	Nature of business
Bank Consortium Holding Limited	Hong Kong	Ordinary	14.3%	Provision of Mandatory Provident Fund services
BC Reinsurance Limited	Hong Kong	Ordinary	10.5%	Reinsurance
Card Alliance Company Limited	Hong Kong	Ordinary	33.3%	Credit card management
Hong Kong Life Insurance Limited	Hong Kong	Ordinary	11.7%	Life insurance underwriting
Net Alliance Co., Limited	Hong Kong	Ordinary	15%	Provision of internet banking services

The financial statements of all jointly controlled entities are not audited by Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu.

The loans to jointly controlled entities are unsecured, non interest bearing and have no fixed repayment terms, except for a loan to Bank Consortium Holding Limited amounting to HK\$27,000,000 which will be repayable on 28 December 2008.