4. CURRENCY RISK

The Group's foreign currency exposures arising from non-trading and structural position which constitute 10% or more of the total net position in all foreign currencies are as follows:

	2000			
	US\$	MOP	THB	Total
Equivalent in thousands of HK\$				
Spot assets	6,774,270	10,000	35,094	6,819,364
Spot liabilities	(6,856,051)	(17,106)	(3)	(6,873,160)
Forward purchases	165,915	_	_	165,915
Forward sales	(60,280)	_	_	(60,280)
Net long (short) position	23,854	(7,106)	35,091	51,839
				MOP
Net structural position				48,545

5. OVERDUE AND RESCHEDULED LOANS

	2000			
	Gross	Percentage		Net
	amount of	to total	Specific	amount of
	advances	advances	provision	advances
	HK\$'000		HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Advances overdue for				
– 6 months or less but over 3 months	600,252	3.2	17,007	583,245
 1 year or less but over 6 months 	483,918	2.6	14,947	468,971
– over 1 year	825,096	4.5	232,102	592,994
	1,909,266	10.3	264,056	1,645,210
Rescheduled advances	93,394	0.5	2,485	90,909
Total overdue and rescheduled				
advances	2,002,660	10.8	266,541	1,736,119
Total overdue advances	1,909,266	10.3	264,056	1,645,210
Less: Advances overdue for more				
than 3 months and on which				
interest is still being accrued	829,793	4.5	_	829,793
Add: Advances overdue for 3 months				
or less and on which interest				
is being placed in suspense or				
on which interest accrual has ceased	39,799	0.2	3,320	36,479
Total non-performing advances	1,119,272	6.0	267,376	851,896

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5. OVERDUE AND RESCHEDULED LOANS - continued

	1999			
	Gross	Percentage		Net
	amount of	to total	Specific	amount of
	advances	advances	provision	advances
	HK\$'000		HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Advances overdue for				
– 6 months or less but over 3 months	100,103	0.5	9,182	90,921
 1 year or less but over 6 months 	301,325	1.6	22,819	278,506
– over 1 year	872,918	4.5	300,233	572,685
	1,274,346	6.6	332,234	942,112
Rescheduled advances	149,905	0.8		149,905
Total overdue and rescheduled				
advances	1,424,251	7.4	332,234	1,092,017
Total overdue advances	1,274,346	6.6	332,234	942,112
Less: Advances overdue for more than 3 months and on which interest is still being accrued	89,317	0.4	893	88,424
Add: Advances overdue for 3 months or less and on which interest is being placed in suspense or on which interest accrual has ceased				
Total non-performing advances	1.185.029	6.2	331 341	853,688
Total non-performing duvances	=======================================		====	=====

Non-performing advances are advances on which interest is being placed in suspense or on which interest accrual has ceased.

The value of the security of the above overdue advances are analysed as follows:

	2000	1999
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Total overdue advances	1,909,266	1,274,346
Secured amount	1,574,234	1,092,497
Unsecured amount	335,032	181,849
	1,909,266	1,274,346
Market value of security	2,355,506	988,797

There were no advances to banks and other financial institutions which were overdue for over 3 months nor were there any rescheduled advances to banks and other financial institutions.

6. CAPITAL ADEQUACY AND LIQUIDITY RATIO

	2000	1999
	%	%
Capital adequacy ratio at 31 December		
- Unadjusted	21.64	21.17
- Adjusted	21.60	21.12
Average liquidity ratio for the year	54.35	58.56

The capital adequacy ratio is calculated as the ratio, expressed as a percentage, of the capital base to the risk assets, as specified in the Third Schedule of the Banking Ordinance, with reference to the financial information of the Bank, Liu Chong Hing Finance Limited, Liu Chong Hing Bank (International) Limited, Liu Chong Hing Banking Corporation, Cayman, and Right Way Investments Limited.

The adjusted capital adequacy ratio which takes into account of market risks as at the balance sheet date is calculated on the same basis as the unadjusted capital adequacy ratio and in accordance with the Guideline "Maintenance of Adequate Capital Against Market Risks" issued by the Hong Kong Monetary Authority.

The average liquidity ratio is calculated as the ratio, expressed as a percentage, of the average of each calendar month's average ratio, as specified in the Fourth Schedule of the Banking Ordinance, with reference to the financial information of the Bank, Liu Chong Hing Finance Limited, Liu Chong Hing Bank (International) Limited, Liu Chong Hing Banking Corporation, Cayman, and Right Way Investments Limited.

7. OTHER FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The components of the total capital base after deductions as reported under Part I of the Capital Adequacy Return are as follows:

2000	1999
HK\$'000	HK\$'000
217,500	217,500
4,352,773	4,144,838
4,570,273	4,362,338
525,919	517,810
11,025	7,525
273,443	224,019
5,380,660	5,111,692
527,338	472,893
4,853,322	4,638,799
	HK\$'000 217,500 4,352,773 4,570,273 525,919 11,025 273,443 5,380,660 527,338