Consolidated Profit and Loss Account

Year ended December 3	1
2004 2003	

In \$ millions	Note	2004	2003
Interest income		4,011	3,640
Less: Interest expense		1,445	1,265
Net interest income	5	2,566	2,375
Fee and commission income	6	1,013	884
Dividend income	7	72	51
Rental income	8 9	33 1,244	36
Other income Income before operating expenses	9	4,928	4,198
income before operating expenses		4,720	4,190
Less: Staff costs		970	865
Other operating expenses		1,036	976
Goodwill amortisation		440	430
Operating expenses	10	2,446	2,271
Operating profit before provisions		2,482	1,927
Less: Provision for possible loan losses and	44	47	F 44
diminution in value of other assets	11	47	541
Operating profit		2,435	1,386
Add: Share of profits less losses of			
- associated companies		66	54
- joint venture companies		11	(3)
Net profit before taxation		2,512	1,437
Less: Taxation	12	423	337
Share of taxation of associated companies		1 <i>7</i>	12
Share of taxation of joint venture companies		2	_
Net profit after taxation		2,070	1,088
Less: Minority interests		52	63
Net profit attributable to members		2,018	1,025
Earnings per ordinary share	13		
- Basic	13	134 Cents	68 Cents
- Diluted		130 Cents	66 Cents
Earnings per ordinary share (excluding goodwill amortisation)	13		
- Basic		164 Cents	98 Cents
- Diluted		158 Cents	94 Cents

Consolidated Balance Sheet

December	

In \$ millions	Note	2004	2003
Share capital and reserves			
Share capital	15	1,559	1,556
Reserves			
Share premium account	16.1	2,208	2,171
Non-distributable reserves	16.2	6,585	6,499
Revenue reserve	16.3	6,150	4,670
		14,943	13,340
Shareholders' funds		16,502	14,896
Minority interests	17	1,128	1,125
Liabilities			
Deposits and balances of banks		10,939	7,497
Deposits and other accounts of non-bank customers	18	113,206	108,041
Bills payable		350	363
Current taxation		635	500
Deferred tax liabilities	19	63	104
Other liabilities	20	18,833	15,772
Other borrowings	0.4	401	424
Other debt securities in issue	21	7,132	5,180
Subordinated term debts	22	6,364	5,693
Total liabilities and shareholders' funds	37	175,553	159,595
Assets			
Cash, and balances and placements with central banks		10,479	5,007
Singapore Government securities and treasury bills	23	11,194	11,438
Trading securities	24	11,695	6,433
Balances, placements with, and loans and advances to banks	٥٦	25,168	27,472
Bills receivable from non-bank customers	25 25	2,333	1,481
Loans and advances to non-bank customers Investment securities		67,331 24,209	62,854
Associated and joint venture companies	27 30	24,208 517	22,828 547
Goodwill	31	6,931	7,371
Fixed assets	32	1,798	2,016
Deferred tax assets	19	103	129
Other assets	33	13,796	12,019
Total assets	37, 40	175,553	159,595
Off-balance sheet items			
Contingent liabilities	34	8,529	6,984
Commitments	35	70,774	60,173
Financial derivatives	36	1,518,507	1,256,240

Consolidated Cashflow Statement

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Consolidated Statement of Changes in Shareholders' Equity

Year ended December 31

In \$ millions	Note	Ordinary shares	Non-voting convertible preference shares (CPS)	Non-voting redeemable CPS	Total share capital	Share premium	Non- distributable reserve	Revenue reserve	Total reserves
2004									
Balance at January 1, 2004		1,470	20	66	1,556	2,171	6,499	4,670	13,340
Exercise of share options Conversion of DBSH non-voting	15.1	3			3	37			37
CPS to ordinary shares Net exchange translation	15.2	20	(20)		-		(00)		-
adjustments during the year Appropriation from profit							(29)		(29)
and loss account Net profit attributable to							97	(97)	-
members Final dividends paid on								2,018	2,018
ordinary and preference shares for the previous year Interim dividends paid on								(199)	(199)
ordinary and preference shares for the current year								(224)	(224)
Goodwill transferred on disposal of subsidiary company							18	(18)	-
Balance at December 31, 2004		1,493	#	66	1,559	2,208	6,585	6,150	14,943
2003									
Balance at January 1, 2003		1,469	20	66	1,555	2,163	6,324	4,195	12,682
Exercise of share options Conversion of DBSH non-voting	15.1	1			1	8			8
CPS to ordinary shares Net exchange translation	15.2	#	#		_				-
adjustments during the year Appropriation from profit							(11)		(11)
and loss account							186	(186)	_
Net profit attributable to members								1,025	1,025
Final dividends paid on								(194)	(194)
ordinary and preference shares for the previous year								(,	(.,,,
								(170)	(170)

[#] Amount under \$500,000

DBS Group Holdings Ltd - Holding Company

Balance Sheet

As at December 31

In \$ millions	Note	2004	2003
Share capital and reserves			
Share capital	15	1,559	1,556
Share premium account	16.1	2,208	2,171
Capital redemption reserve	16.2	28	28
Revenue reserve		3,000	3,001
Shareholders' funds	_	6,795	6,756
Liabilities Correct toyotics		,	ш
Current taxation		I "	#
Deferred tax liabilities Other liabilities		#	#
Other liabilities	_	4	9
Total liabilities and shareholders' funds	_	6,800	6,765
Assets			
Balance, placements with, and loans and advances to other banks		3	3
Subsidiary companies	29.1	6,797	6,762
Total assets	_	6,800	6,765

[#] Amount under \$500,000

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements

These notes form an integral part of and should be read in conjunction with the accompanying financial statements.

GENERAL

The consolidated financial statements of DBS Group Holdings Ltd ("DBSH") for the year ended December 31, 2004 were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on February 18, 2005.

The consolidated financial statements are expressed in Singapore dollars. DBSH is incorporated and domiciled in Singapore. It is an investment holding company. The principal activities of the subsidiary companies of DBSH are disclosed in Notes 29.2 and 29.3.

The registered office of DBSH is located at 6 Shenton Way, DBS Building Tower One, Singapore 068809.

Key details of DBS Bank Ltd ("DBS Bank")'s financial statements are included as supplementary information to these financial statements.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following is a summary of the significant accounting policies applied by DBSH and its subsidiary companies ("DBSH Group") and, except where noted, are consistent with those applied in the previous financial year. The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these consolidated financial statements are set out below:

2.1 BASIS OF PRESENTATION

- **2.1.1** These financial statements of DBSH Group are prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention, modified by the revaluation of certain treasury instruments to market value.
 - The financial statements comply with Singapore Financial Reporting Standards ("FRS") including related Interpretations promulgated by the Council on Corporate Disclosure and Governance ("CCDG").
- 2.1.2 In July 2004, CCDG adopted the revised FRS 39, "Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement" but the Standard will be effective from January 1, 2005. The implementation of FRS 39 is expected to have a significant impact on certain financial assets and liabilities. An opening adjustment will be required, representing unrealised gains or losses on certain financial assets and financial liabilities including derivatives to be measured at fair value on January 1, 2005. The differences between carrying amount and fair value will be adjusted to retained earnings.
- 2.1.3 FRS 102, "Share-based Payment" has been adopted by the CCDG during the financial year but the Standard will be effective from January 1, 2005. The Standard requires an expense to be recognised where DBSH Group buys goods or services in exchange for shares or other equity instruments (equity-settled transactions), or in exchange for other assets equivalent in value to a given number of shares or other equity instruments (cash-settled transactions). The main impact of FRS 102 on DBSH Group will be the expensing of such share-based incentives awarded to employees and directors.
- 2.1.4 FRS 103, "Business Combinations" has been adopted by the CCDG during the financial year and it applies to business combinations for annual periods beginning on or after July 1, 2004. The effect of the adoption of FRS 103 is that upon acquisition of subsidiaries or business undertakings, DBSH Group will include items like intangible assets and contingent liabilities as part of the identifiable assets and liabilities acquired, at their fair values as at the acquisition date.

Additionally, the adoption of FRS 103 will require DBSH Group to cease charging of goodwill amortisation to the profit and loss account. DBSH Group will also need to review the goodwill balance for impairment annually (unless an event occurs during the year which requires the goodwill to be tested more frequently) in accordance with FRS 36, "Impairment of Assets" (revised in 2004), from January 1, 2005 onwards.

2.2 BASIS OF CONSOLIDATION

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the financial statements of DBSH and its subsidiary companies. These subsidiary companies are companies in which DBSH, directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries, has an interest of more than 50% in the issued share capital at balance sheet date or other entities (including Special Purpose Entities ("SPEs")) in which DBSH Group, directly or indirectly, has power to govern the financial and operating policies. The names of these SPEs are disclosed in Note 29.4. The existence and effect of potential voting rights that are presently exercisable or presently convertible are considered when assessing whether DBSH Group controls another entity.

The results of subsidiary companies acquired or disposed of during the year are included from the date of acquisition or up to the date of disposal. All significant intercompany balances and transactions are eliminated on consolidation. Where necessary, accounting policies for subsidiary companies have been changed to ensure consistency with the policies adopted by DBSH.

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2.3 SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES

Investments in subsidiary companies (as defined in Note 2.2) are stated in the financial statements of DBSH and its subsidiary companies at cost less impairment losses.

2.4 ASSOCIATED AND JOINT VENTURE COMPANIES

Associated companies are companies in which DBSH Group has an equity interest of between 20% and 50% and over whose financial decisions and operating policies DBSH Group exercises significant influence. A joint venture is a contractual arrangement whereby DBSH Group and its joint venture partners undertake an economic activity, which is subject to joint control, and none of the parties involved unilaterally have control over the economic activity.

Investments in associated and joint venture companies are stated in the financial statements of DBSH and its subsidiary companies at cost less impairment losses. At DBSH Group, these are accounted for by the equity method of accounting. DBSH Group's share of the results of its associated and joint venture companies are included in the consolidated profit and loss account. DBSH Group's share of the post acquisition reserves of its associated and joint venture companies are included in the carrying value of its investments in associated and joint venture companies in the consolidated balance sheet. The results of the associated and joint venture companies are taken from the latest audited accounts or unaudited management accounts of the associated and joint venture companies concerned, prepared at dates not more than three months prior to the end of the financial year of DBSH Group.

Unrealised gains on transactions between DBSH Group and its associated and joint venture companies are eliminated to the extent of DBSH Group's interest in these companies; unrealised losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of an impairment of the asset transferred. Equity accounting is discontinued when the carrying amount of the investment in an associated and joint venture company reaches zero, unless DBSH Group has incurred obligations or guaranteed obligations in respect of these companies.

2.5 GOODWILL

Goodwill may arise on the acquisition of subsidiary companies or business undertakings. It represents the excess of the cost of an acquisition over the fair value of DBSH Group's share of the identifiable net assets of the acquired subsidiary companies or business undertakings at the date of acquisition. Goodwill on the acquisition of subsidiary companies or business undertakings occurring on or after January 1, 2001 is reported in the balance sheet as an intangible asset and is amortised using a straight-line method over its estimated useful life, subject to a maximum of 20 years. Goodwill on acquisitions of subsidiary companies or business undertakings that occurred prior to January 1, 2001 was charged in full to reserve in shareholders' equity; such goodwill has not been retroactively capitalised and amortised.

On the acquisition of a foreign subsidiary company, goodwill arising is determined initially in the applicable foreign currency and is translated into Singapore dollars at the exchange rate prevailing at the date of acquisition. The goodwill in Singapore dollars determined at the date of acquisition is its carrying value, which will be subsequently amortised.

The carrying value of goodwill is reviewed periodically or when circumstances or events indicate that there may be uncertainty over the carrying amount. Goodwill is written down for impairment when the net present value of the forecast future cash flows of the business are insufficient to support the carrying value.

2.6 FOREIGN CURRENCIES

Assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into Singapore dollars using the closing exchange rates at balance sheet date. Income and expenses are translated using exchange rates at the transaction date. All resulting changes are recognised in the profit and loss account.

The profit and loss account of foreign entities not reporting in Singapore dollars are translated at the average rates of exchange. Balance sheets are translated at closing rates. Exchange differences arising from the retranslation of opening foreign currency net investments and the related cost of hedging as well as exchange differences arising from retranslation of the result for the year from average rates to the year end rates are accounted for in reserve.

2.7 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and cash equivalents are carried in the balance sheet at cost. For the purposes of the cash flow statement, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and deposits held at call with the central banks.

2.8 LOANS AND ADVANCES

Loans and advances are carried at recoverable amounts i.e., outstanding balances after deduction of provisions for bad and doubtful debts.

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Loans are classified in accordance with the Monetary Authority of Singapore's ("MAS")' guidelines as well as internal loan grading policies. These classifications, and underlying collateral valuations, are used to determine the amount of provision required. MAS' guidelines require banks to classify their loan portfolios into five categories - two categories for performing loans (Pass and Special Mention) and three categories for classified, or non-performing loans (Substandard, Doubtful or Loss).

When concessions are granted to the original terms of the loan for reasons that related to the financial difficulties of the borrower, the loan is considered a Restructured Loan. A Restructured Loan is generally graded as Substandard or worse. Restructured Loans are not returned to performing status until specific conditions have been met, including there being no longer any reasonable doubt regarding the timely collection of principal and interest and there having been a reasonable period of sustained performance under the restructured terms.

2.9 PROVISION FOR LOAN LOSSES

Provision for loan losses comprise specific provisions against certain loans and advances and a general provision on total loans and advances.

A specific provision is made when a loan is classified as Substandard or worse and there is insufficient collateral security or other unencumbered assets available to repay the loan in full. Specific provisions are based on several factors including the loan amount, other commitments to the borrower, the borrower's payment history and business prospects, collateral value, and the estimated costs to obtain repayment. The actual percentage provided depends on management's judgement and whether the loan is graded Substandard, Doubtful, or Loss. Substandard loans will generally have a specific provision of 10% to 49% of the unsecured principal amount. Doubtful loans will typically have a specific provision of 50% to less than 100% of the unsecured principal amount, and Loss grade loans are provisioned at 100% of the unsecured principal amount. Interest on Substandard and worse loans is provisioned at 100% of the accrued amount.

General provisions are maintained for losses that can reasonably be expected to arise, based on historical experience, from the existing overall loan portfolio over its remaining life but which are not yet identifiable. In determining the level of general provision, reference is also made to country conditions, the composition of the portfolio and industry practices.

In the case of loans managed on an individual basis, bad debts are written off against provisions when recovery action has been instituted and the losses can be determined with reasonable certainty. For loans managed on a portfolio basis, unsecured bad debts are written off against provisions when amounts owing are 180 days past due while secured bad debts are written off to provisions when the collateral has been disposed of or sold. DBSH Group continues to make every effort to recover amounts owing, even after write-offs have been recorded.

2.10 DEBT SECURITIES AND EQUITIES

2.10.1 Singapore Government Securities and Treasury Bills

Singapore Government securities and treasury bills classified for trading purposes are recorded at fair value on the balance sheet, with changes in fair value recorded in "Other income" in the profit and loss account, while those classified for investment purposes are stated at cost less provision. Provision is made for the investment portfolio when there is deemed to be a permanent diminution in value and this is recognised as a charge to the profit and loss account as it arises. Interest income for Singapore Government securities and treasury bills, for both trading and investment purposes, are included in interest income.

2.10.2 Trading Securities

Trading securities are recorded at fair value on the balance sheet, with changes in fair value recorded in "Other income" in the profit and loss account. Where the market price may not be achievable as a result of operating in illiquid markets, appropriate adjustments to the market value are made. Interest earned and dividend received are included in interest and dividend income respectively.

2.10.3 Investment Securities

Investments in other government securities and treasury bills, equity securities and debt securities not classified as held for trading are classified as investment securities, and are stated at cost less provision. Specific provision is made for an individual investment when there has been a diminution in value, except where such diminution is temporary and is recognised as a charge to the profit and loss account as it arises. General provision is made for certain securities for possible losses that may arise, but which are not yet identifiable.

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2.11 REPURCHASE AND REVERSE REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS ("REPOS" AND "REVERSE REPOS")

Repos are treated as collateralised borrowing and the amount borrowed is shown as a liability. The securities sold under repos are treated as pledged assets and remain on the balance sheet as an asset, included in "Singapore Government securities and treasury bills" (Note 23), "Trading securities" (Note 24) and "Investment securities" (Note 27). Reverse repos are treated as collateralised lending and the amount lent is shown as an asset. The difference between the amount received and the amount paid under repos and reverse repos is amortised as interest expense and interest income respectively on a straight-line basis.

2.12 FORECLOSED PROPERTIES

Foreclosed properties are acquired in full or partial satisfaction of debts, and are accounted for at the lower of settlement or market value on an individual asset basis. The shortfall between the prevailing market value of the foreclosed asset and the related loan outstanding is recognised as a loss in the profit and loss account in the year the foreclosed properties are taken over in satisfaction of the debt. Market value is based on the appraised value of an independent appraiser less selling costs. The excess of the cost over the market value is recognised as a loss in the profit and loss account. Gains and losses on disposals of such properties are recognised in the profit and loss account at the date of disposal.

2.13 FIXED ASSETS, INCLUDING INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

Fixed assets are stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation. The basis of depreciation is as follows:

- 2.13.1 Leasehold land, where the balance of the leasehold period is 100 years or less, is amortised over the remaining period of the lease. No amortisation is made on freehold land and on leasehold land where the unexpired lease period is more than 100 years.
- **2.13.2** Buildings, excluding equipment installed therein, are depreciated on a straight-line basis over their useful lives estimated at 50 years or over the period of the respective leases, whichever is shorter.
- 2.13.3 Other fixed assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives, including:

Computer hardware and software 3-5 years Office equipment 5-8 years Furniture and fittings 1-10 years

The estimated useful lives of these fixed assets are assessed on a periodic basis to ensure that they continue to be appropriate.

Fixed assets are periodically reviewed for impairment. Where the carrying amount of an asset is greater than its estimated recoverable amount, it is written down immediately to its recoverable amount. Gains and losses on disposals of fixed assets are determined by reference to their carrying amount and are taken into account in determining operating profit.

2.14 TREASURY RELATED OFF-BALANCE SHEET FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The accounting treatment applied to treasury related off-balance sheet financial instruments, including forwards, swaps, futures and options, is based upon the intention for entering into the transactions as elaborated below.

2.14.1 Non-Trading Transactions

Derivatives may be used to hedge interest rate, exchange rate or other price exposures that are inherent in the assets and liabilities of DBSH Group.

The criteria required for a derivative instrument to be classified as a designated hedge are:

- (i) the derivative instrument must be reasonably expected to match or eliminate a significant proportion of the risk inherent in the assets, liabilities, other positions or cash flows being hedged; and
- (ii) there is adequate evidence of the intention to hedge. Linkage with the underlying risk inherent in the assets, liabilities, other positions or cash flows being hedged, must be established at the outset of the transaction.

Profits and losses on derivatives entered into for specifically designated hedging purposes against assets, liabilities, other positions or cash flows measured on an accrual accounting basis are included in the related category of income or expense in the profit and loss account on the same basis as that arising from the underlying hedging transactions.

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Hedging transactions, which have been superseded, or ceased to be effective prior to the end of the life of the assets, liabilities, other positions or cash flows being hedged, are measured at fair value. Any profit or loss arising from the fair value measurement or on termination of hedging transaction is deferred and amortised as interest income or expense in the profit and loss account over the remaining life of the items previously being hedged.

When the underlying assets, liabilities, other positions or cash flows are terminated prior to the hedging transactions, or anticipated transactions are no longer likely to occur, the hedging transactions are measured at fair value prior to being transferred to the trading portfolio. The profit or loss arising from the fair value measurement prior to the transfer to the trading portfolio is included in the category of income and expense in the profit and loss account relating to the previously hedged transactions.

2.14.2 Trading Transactions

Transactions undertaken for trading purposes are stated at fair value. Quoted market prices, when available, are used to determine the fair values of derivatives held for trading. Where mid prices are used, a bid-offer spread adjustment will be made to ensure that all long positions are marked to bid prices and short positions to offer prices. Liquidity reserve is taken when a market price may not be achievable as a result of certain material positions held by DBSH Group. Methodology deficiency reserves address approximation uncertainties from modelling methods and numerical methods. When parameters are unobservable or stem from illiquid markets, uncertainty in their true (market implied) value arises and a parameter deficiency reserve is taken for the potential impact on mark to market valuations.

Resultant gains and losses from changes in fair value of trading transactions are recognised as "Other income" in the profit and loss account. Unrealised valuation gains or losses are included in "Other assets" or "Other liabilities" respectively.

2.15 OFFSETTING FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the balance sheet when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

2.16 INTEREST INCOME

Interest income is recognised on an accrual basis.

Interest earned but not received on non-performing loans is not recognised as income in the profit and loss account until receipt. All interest accrued previously and recognised in the profit and loss account is reversed from interest income once a loan is classified as non-performing.

Amortisation of premiums and discounts are recognised as interest expense or interest income on a straight-line basis over the life of the asset or liability.

2.17 FEE AND COMMISSION INCOME

Fee and commissions are recognised in the profit and loss account as and when the service is performed and when considered recoverable. Fee income relating to loans and guarantees is recognised over the period during which the related service is provided or credit risk is undertaken. Where a fee is charged in lieu of interest, such fee is amortised over the same period as the related income is recognised.

2.18 DIVIDEND INCOME

Dividends from equities are recognised when declared payable.

2.19 STAFF COSTS, EQUITY COMPENSATION AND SHARE OPTION PLANS

DBSH Group has adopted a total compensation package that consists of base pay, cash bonuses, other staff-related allowances and long-term incentive plans. These long-term incentives are the DBSH Share Ownership Scheme, the DBSH Share Option Plan, the DBSH Performance Share Plan and the DBSH Employee Share Plan. The details of these share schemes/plans are described in the Directors' Report and Note 14.

Remuneration expenses on base pay, cash bonuses, contributions to defined contribution plans, e.g., the Central Provident Fund, other staff-related allowances and contributions to the DBSH Share Ownership Scheme are recognised in the profit and loss account once incurred. For defined contribution plans, contributions are made to publicly or privately administered funds on a mandatory, contractual or voluntary basis. Once the contributions have been paid, DBSH Group has no further payment obligations.

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For the DBSH Performance Share Plan and the DBSH Employee Share Plan, a trust has been set up for each share plan. The shares purchased are recorded as "Other assets" in the balance sheet at cost less provision for diminution in value. When the shares are awarded, remuneration expenses are computed using the average purchase price (adjusted for provision for diminution in value) and recognised in the profit and loss account on a straight-line basis over the relevant performance period.

Options granted under the DBSH Share Option Plan are not recognised as remuneration expenses. When the options are exercised, the proceeds received net of any transaction costs are credited to share capital (par value) and share premium accounts.

Employee entitlement to annual leave is recognised when they accrue to employees. A provision is made for the estimated liability for annual leave as a result of services rendered by employees up to the balance sheet date.

2.20 OPERATING LEASES

Operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease. When an operating lease is terminated before the lease period has expired, any payment required to be made to the lessor by way of penalty is recognised as an expense in the period when termination takes place.

2.21 TAXATION

The current taxation charged to the profit and loss account represents tax at the current rate based on taxable profits earned during the financial year. Deferred income tax is provided in full, using the liability method, on temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements. Currently enacted tax rates are used in the determination of deferred income tax.

The principal temporary differences arise from depreciation of fixed assets, provision for loan losses, tax losses carried forward; and, in relation to acquisitions, on the difference between the fair values of the net assets acquired and their tax base.

Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilised.

Deferred income tax is provided on temporary differences arising from investments in subsidiaries and associates, except where the timing of the reversal of the temporary difference can be controlled and it is probable that the difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

2.22 PROVISIONS AND OTHER LIABILITIES

Provisions are recognised when DBSH Group has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events, it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation, and a reliable estimate of the amount of the obligation can be made.

2.23 SHARE CAPITAL

Ordinary shares, non-voting convertible preference shares and non-voting redeemable convertible preference shares with discretionary dividends are classified as equity.

Incremental external costs directly attributable to the issue of new shares, other than on a business combination, are deducted from equity net of any related income taxes.

FRS 32, "Financial Instruments: Disclosures and Presentation", requires the issuer of a financial instrument to classify the instrument either as a liability or equity in accordance with the substance of the contractual arrangement on initial recognition. Preference shares which are highly likely to be redeemed are classified as liabilities.

2.24 DIVIDEND

Interim dividends are recorded during the financial year in which they are declared payable. Final dividends are recorded during the financial year in which the dividends are approved by the shareholders at the Annual General Meeting.

2.25 FIDUCIARY ACTIVITIES

Assets and income arising thereon together with related undertakings to return such assets to customers are excluded from the financial statements where DBSH Group acts in a fiduciary capacity such as nominee, trustee or agent.

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2.26 BORROWINGS

Borrowings are recognised initially at "cost", being their issue proceeds (fair value of consideration received) net of transaction costs incurred.

2.27 DEPOSITS AND OTHER ACCOUNTS OF CUSTOMERS

Deposits and other accounts are recognised initially at cost.

2.28 PLACEMENTS WITH AND DEPOSITS OF BANKS

The balances due from and to banks are stated at the initial amount placed or deposited. Provision, if required, is made for any placements or loans considered to be doubtful of collection.

3. COMPARATIVES

Where necessary, certain comparative figures were adjusted in order to provide proper comparison with current year's presentation.

4. SEGMENTAL PRESENTATION

The business segment results are prepared based on information and data generated from DBSH Group's internal financial reporting systems and adjusted to reflect the organisation's management reporting structure. The activities of DBSH Group are highly integrated and accordingly, internal allocation has to be made in preparing the segment information. As a result, amounts for each business segment are shown after the allocation of certain centralised costs, funding income and the application of transfer pricing, where appropriate. Definitions of business segments have been refined and comparative figures were adjusted to provide proper comparison with current year's definitions. Transactions between segments are recorded within the segment as if they are third party transactions and are eliminated on consolidation.

Unless otherwise stated, the analyses of geographical segments are generally based on the location of the office recording the transactions.

Descriptions of business and geographical segments are set out in Note 40.

5. NET INTEREST INCOME

Interest income comprises interest arising from various types of lending activities and includes interest on trading and investment debt securities.

Interest expense comprises interest incurred on deposits and borrowings from financial institutions and other sources, including interest on trading debt securities.

6. FEE AND COMMISSION INCOME

Fee and commission income comprises the following:

	DBSH	Group
In \$ millions	2004	2003
Stockbroking	198	169
Loan-related (include guarantee fees)	183	155
Wealth management (unit trust distribution and bancassurance)	132	90
Trade and remittances	128	111
Investment banking	104	83
Deposit-related	99	103
Credit card	87	89
Fund management	43	40
Others	39	44
Total	1,013	884

7. DIVIDEND INCOME

Dividend income includes gross dividend from trading and investment equity holdings.

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8. RENTAL INCOME

Rental income represents income on the tenanted areas of the buildings owned by DBSH's subsidiary companies.

9. OTHER INCOME

Other income comprises the following:

	DBSH	Group
In \$ millions	2004	2003
Net gain on treasury related activities, including structured investment products (a)	590	650
Net gain on investment securities (b)	644	185
Net gain on fixed assets	4	3
Others	6	14
Total	1,244	852

⁽a) Net gain on treasury related activities include gains and losses from market making, structuring and trading of financial products including foreign exchange, securities, and interest rate/credit/equity/foreign exchange derivatives, from proprietary and customer driven activities.

10. OPERATING EXPENSES

Operating expenses comprises the following:

	DBSH	Group
In \$ millions	2004	2003
Staff costs	970	865
Other operating expenses	1,036	976
 Technology-related expenses 	312	287
- Occupancy expenses	181	203
 Revenue-related expenses 	202	183
- Other expenses	341	303
Goodwill amortisation (Note 31)	440	430
Total	2,446	2,271

- 10.1 Staff costs include salaries, bonuses, contributions to defined contribution plans, e.g., the Central Provident Fund, and all other staff-related expenses (Note 2.19). Contributions to defined contribution plans were \$52 million for 2004 (2003: \$58 million). At December 31, 2004, DBSH and its subsidiary companies employed 11,454 (2003: 12,144) staff.
- **10.2** Technology-related expenses include depreciation, hire and maintenance of computer hardware and software, fees for outsourcing certain technology-related functions, and other computer-related expenses.

Occupancy expenses include amounts incurred in the maintenance and service of buildings owned by DBSH's subsidiary companies, rental and depreciation expenses of office and branch premises, and other occupancy expenses.

Revenue-related expenses include commission and brokerage expenses, and other expenses directly related to revenue generation.

Other expenses include postage, printing & stationery, telecommunication, office equipment expenses, advertising, professional and consultancy fees, security guard expenses and other general expenses.

⁽b) Net gain on investment securities includes net gains and losses on debt securities, including Singapore Government securities, and equities in the investment portfolio. Included in 2004 were one-time gains of \$310 million from sale of a 59% stake in DBS Thai Danu Public Company Limited ("DTDB") and \$187 million from sale of a 10% stake in Wing Lung Bank.

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10.3 Operating expenses include the following:

	DBSH	Group
In \$ millions	2004	2003
(1) Auditors' remuneration	6	6
Audit fees		
– E&Y Singapore ^(a)	3	2
 Other auditors, including associated firms of E&Y Singapore (a) 	3	3
Fees for non-audit services (b)		
– E&Y Singapore ^(a)	#	1
- Other auditors, including associated firms of E&Y Singapore (a)	#	#
(2) Hire and maintenance of fixed assets, including building-related expenses	108	120
(3) Rental of premises	65	73
(4) Depreciation of fixed assets	147	168

[#] Amount under \$500,000

11. PROVISION FOR POSSIBLE LOAN LOSSES AND DIMINUTION IN VALUE OF OTHER ASSETS

The charge to the profit and loss account is analysed as follows:

	DBSH G	roup
In \$ millions	2004	2003
Loans (Note 26)	(1)	382
Specific provisionGeneral provision	86 (87)	352 30
Investment securities (Note 28)	133	99
Specific provisionGeneral provision	128 5	65 34
Fixed assets and others (Note 28)	(85)	60
Specific provisionGeneral provision	(162) 77	35 25
Total	47	541

⁽a) E&Y = Ernst & Young

⁽b) Fees are mainly for services provided for specific projects closely related to audit activities such as due diligence on merger and acquisition projects.

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12. TAXATION

Taxation charge in respect of profit for the financial year is analysed as follows:

	DBSH	Group
n \$ millions	2004	2003
Current taxation		
- current year	421	358
– prior years' over provision	#	(1)
Deferred taxation		
 origination and reversal of temporary differences 	(14)	(18)
- reduction in tax rate	2	_
prior years' overprovision	14	(2)
Total	423	337

[#] Amount under \$500,000

12.1 The deferred charge/(credit) in the profit and loss account comprises the following temporary differences:

	DBSH (Group
In \$ millions	2004	2003
Accelerated tax depreciation	(19)	(39)
Provision for loan losses Other temporary differences	22 (1)	27 (8)
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Deferred taxation charged/(credited) to profit and loss account	2	(20)

12.2 The tax on DBSH Group's operating profit differs from the theoretical amount that would arise using the Singapore basic tax rate as follows:

	DBSH	Group
In \$ millions	2004	2003
Operating profit	2,435	1,386
Prima facie tax calculated at a tax rate of 20% (2003: 22%)	487	305
Effect of different tax rates in other countries	(26)	(29)
Effect of change in tax rate	2	#
Income not subject to tax	(121)	(14)
Income taxed at concessionary rate	(29)	(72)
Non-tax deductible provisions	23	13
Goodwill amortisation	88	94
Others	(1)	40
Taxation charged to profit and loss account	423	337

[#] Amount under \$500,000

Further information on deferred taxation is presented in Note 19.

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13. EARNINGS PER ORDINARY SHARE

13.1 Basic earnings per ordinary share ("EPS") is calculated by dividing the DBSH Group's net profit attributable to members and after preference dividends by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the year.

	DBSH	Group
In millions	2004	2003
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue (a)	1,489	1,470
In \$ millions	DBSH 2004	Group 2003
Net profit attributable to members Less: Preference dividends	2,018 16	1,025 20
Net profit attributable to members after adjustment of preference dividends (b) Add: Goodwill amortisation	2,002 440	1,005 430
Net profit attributable to members after adjustment of preference dividends and goodwill amortisation (c)	2,442	1,435
Basic Earnings Per Ordinary Share (Cents) (b)/(a) Basic Earnings Per Ordinary Share (excluding goodwill amortisation) (Cents) (c)/(a)	134 164	68 98

13.2 For the purpose of calculating the diluted earnings per ordinary share, the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue is adjusted to take into account the dilutive effect arising from the full conversion of DBSH non-voting convertible preference shares ("CPS") and DBSH non-voting redeemable CPS to ordinary shares. In addition, where applicable, the calculation would take into account the exercise of all outstanding share options granted to employees where such shares would be issued at a price lower than the average share price during the financial year.

The effect of the exercise of DBSH share options and conversion of DBSH non-voting CPS and DBSH non-voting redeemable CPS on the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue is as follows:

	DBSH	Group
In millions	2004	2003
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue	1,489	1,470
Full conversion of DBSH non-voting CPS	1	20
Full conversion of DBSH non-voting redeemable CPS	66	66
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue assuming dilution (a)	1,556	1,556

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The effect of the exercise of DBSH share options and conversion of DBSH non-voting CPS and DBSH non-voting redeemable CPS on DBSH Group's net profit attributable to members is as follows:

	DBSH	l Group
In \$ millions	2004	2003
Net profit attributable to members Less: Preference dividends	2,018 16	1,025 20
Net profit attributable to members after adjustment of preference dividends Adjustment to net profit arising from: (i) Full conversion of DBSH non-voting CPS (ii) Full conversion of DBSH non-voting redeemable CPS	2,002 - 16	1,005 5 15
Adjusted net profit attributable to members (b) Add: Goodwill amortisation	2,018 440	1,025 430
Adjusted net profit attributable to members (excluding goodwill amortisation) (c)	2,458	1,455
Diluted Earnings Per Ordinary Share (Cents) (b)/(a) Diluted Earnings Per Ordinary Share (excluding goodwill amortisation) (Cents) (c)/(a)	130 158	66 94

14. SHARE OPTIONS AND SHARE PLANS

14.1 DBSH SHARE OWNERSHIP SCHEME

The DBSH Share Ownership Scheme is a fund set up to hold units of DBSH ordinary shares and is administered by DBS Trustee Ltd, a wholly-owned subsidiary company of DBS Bank. All confirmed employees with at least one year of service and who are not participating in the DBSH Share Option Plan are eligible to contribute up to 10% of their monthly base pay to buy units of DBSH ordinary shares. DBSH Group will top up 50% of the employee's contribution as additional incentive to the employee.

Details of the DBSH ordinary shares held by DBS Trustee Ltd pursuant to the DBSH Share Ownership Scheme are as follows:

		Number of DBSH ordinary shares		ue of DBSH ry shares llions)
	2004	2003	2004	2003
At beginning of the year	3,580,829	3,281,329	53	36
At end of the year	3,477,829	3,580,829	56	53

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14.2 DBSH SHARE OPTION PLAN

Under the DBSH Share Option Plan (the "Option Plan"), options to subscribe for DBSH ordinary shares could be granted to DBSH Group executives who hold the rank of Vice President (or equivalent rank) and above and selected employees of DBSH Group of a rank below the rank of Vice President (or equivalent rank). This would also include executives of associated companies of DBSH Group who hold the rank of Vice President (or equivalent rank) and non-executive directors of DBSH.

The movements of the unissued ordinary shares of DBSH of par value \$1.00 each comprised in outstanding DBSH options granted under the Option Plan were as follows:

DBSH options	Number of unissued ordinary shares		During the ye	ar	Number of unissued ordinary shares	Subscription price per ordinary share	Date of expiration
	January 1, 2004	Granted	Exercised	Lapsed	December 31, 2004		
1999	3,801,036	_	319,902	124,351	3,356,783	\$15.30	July 27, 2009
March 2000	1,586,200	_	_	89,200	1,497,000	\$20.87	March 5, 2010
July 2000	1,114,600	_	_	52,600	1,062,000	\$22.33	July 26, 2010
March 2001	11,625,000	_	_	952,000	10,673,000	\$17.70	March 14, 2011
June 2001	21,000	_	_	_	21,000	\$14.76	May 31, 2011
August 2001	1,414,000	_	422,000	56,000	936,000	\$12.93	July 31, 2011
January 2002	50,500	_	_	_	50,500	\$13.70	January 1, 2012
March 2002	11,776,240 ^(a)	_	788,030	736,000	10,252,210	\$14.73	March 27, 2012
August 2002	1,215,000	_	178,200	140,100	896,700	\$12.27	August 15, 2012
October 2002	9,260	-	_	_	9,260	\$11.73	October 9, 2012
December 2002	20,000	-	_	_	20,000	\$11.47	December 17, 2012
February 2003	13,526,200 ^(a)	-	1,581,540	947,230	10,997,430	\$10.40	February 23, 2013
March 2003	15,000	_	_	_	15,000	\$9.18	March 9, 2013
March 2004	_	7,494,000	-	531,500	6,962,500	\$14.73	March 1, 2014
	46,174,036 ^(a)	7,494,000	3,289,672	3,628,981	46,749,383		

⁽a) Restated since last reported at December 31, 2003 due to withdrawal of staff resignation in 2004.

Ordinary shares of DBSH of par value \$1.00 issued upon exercise of share options during the year yielded the following proceeds, at the following market value:

In \$ millions	2004	2003
Ordinary share capital – at par	3	#
Share premium	37	2
Proceeds	40	2
Market value, at exercise date, of shares issued	50	3

[#] Amount under \$500,000

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14.3 DBSH PERFORMANCE SHARE PLAN

The DBSH Performance Share Plan (the "PSP") is a stock-based plan where DBSH ordinary shares are given free to eligible employees. Eligible employees currently are similar to the DBSH Share Option Plan (Note 14.2).

During the financial year, awards in respect of an aggregate of 727,400 (2003: 768,360) DBSH ordinary shares were granted to selected employees pursuant to the PSP. When the shares are awarded, remuneration expenses are computed using the average purchase price (adjusted for provision for diminution in value) and recognised in the profit and loss account on a straight-line basis over the relevant performance period.

14.4 DBSH EMPLOYEE SHARE PLAN

The DBSH Employee Share Plan (the "ESP") is intended to cater to all employees of the DBSH Group and associated companies of the DBSH Group who are not eligible to participate in the DBSH Share Option Plan, the DBSH Performance Share Plan or other equivalent plans.

During the current and previous financial years, there were no DBSH ordinary shares granted to eligible employees pursuant to the ESP. When the shares are awarded, remuneration expenses are computed using the average purchase price (adjusted for provision for diminution in value) and recognised in the profit and loss account on a straight-line basis over the relevant performance period.

15. SHARE CAPITAL

The share capital of DBSH at December 31, 2004, is as follows:

	DI	BSH
In \$ millions	2004	2003
Authorised		
4,000,000,000 ordinary shares of \$1 each	4,000	4,000
500,000,000 non-voting convertible preference shares ("CPS") of \$1 each	500	500
500,000,000 non-voting redeemable CPS of \$1 each	500	500
	1,000	1,000
Issued and fully paid-up		
1,492,730,436 (2003: 1,469,965,595) ordinary shares of \$1 each	1,493	1,470
120,436 (2003: 19,595,605) non-voting CPS of \$1 each	#	20
66,475,374 (2003: 66,475,374) non-voting redeemable CPS of \$1 each	66	66
Total Issued and Paid-up Share Capital of DBSH	1,559	1,556

[#] Amount under \$500,000

- **15.1** During the financial year, pursuant to the DBSH Share Option Plan, DBSH issued 3,289,672 ordinary shares (2003: 1,117,200 ordinary shares of which 906,745 ordinary shares were issued under the DBSH Share Option Scheme which expired in 2003) of par value \$1.00 each, fully paid in cash upon the exercise of the options granted.
- **15.2** During the financial year, DBSH issued 19,475,169 (2003: 13,236) ordinary shares of par value \$1.00 each, fully paid in cash upon the conversion of the non-voting convertible preference shares.

The newly issued shares rank pari passu in all respects with the previously issued shares.

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16. RESERVES

16.1 SHARE PREMIUM ACCOUNT

	DBSH	Group
In \$ millions	2004	2003
Balance at January 1 Exercise of share options (Note 15.1)	2,171 37	2,163 8
Balance at December 31	2,208	2,171

16.2 NON-DISTRIBUTABLE RESERVES

Non-distributable reserves comprise the following:

In \$ millions	General reserve (a)	Capital reserve (b)	DBSH Group 2004 Capital redemption reserve (c)	Other reserve (d)	Total
Dalaman 1, 2004	0.000	(00)	00	4.071	
Balance at January 1, 2004	2,230	(30)	28	4,271	6,499
Appropriation from profit and					
loss account (Note 16.3)	97	-	-	-	97
Net exchange translation adjustments					
during the year	_	(29)	_	_	(29)
Goodwill transferred to revenue reserve		, ,			, ,
on disposal of subsidiary company	_	18	_	_	18
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Balance at December 31, 2004	2,327	(41)	28	4,271	6,585

In \$ millions	General reserve (a)	Capital reserve (b)	DBSH Group 2003 Capital redemption reserve (c)	Other reserve (d)	Total
Balance at January 1, 2003 Appropriation from profit and loss	2,044	(19)	28	4,271	6,324
account (Note 16.3)	186	_	_	_	186
Net exchange translation adjustments					
during the year	_	(11)	-	_	(11)
Balance at December 31, 2003	2,230	(30)	28	4,271	6,499

⁽a) The movement in General reserve relates to the amounts transferred to the Reserve Fund to comply with the Banking Act, and the other statutory regulations.

⁽b) The Capital reserve included net exchange translation adjustments arising from translation differences on opening net investments in foreign subsidiaries, associated companies and branches, and the related foreign currency borrowings designated as a hedge.

⁽c) The Capital redemption reserve arises out of the redemption of non-voting redeemable convertible preference shares by way of capital reduction in the financial year ended December 31, 2000.

⁽d) Other reserve relates to the share premium of DBS Bank prior to the restructuring of DBS Bank under a financial services holding company, DBSH, pursuant to a scheme of arrangement under Section 210 of the Singapore Companies Act on June 26, 1999.

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16.3 REVENUE RESERVE

		Group
In \$ millions	2004	2003
Balance at January 1	4,670	4,195
Net profit attributable to members	2,018	1,025
Transfer to general reserve (Note 16.2)	(97)	(186)
Goodwill transferred from capital reserve on disposal of subsidiary company	(18)	_
Amount available for distribution	6,573	5,034
Less: Final dividend on ordinary shares of 16% net of 20% (2003: 22%)		
tax paid for the previous financial year	191	183
Final dividend on DBSH non-voting CPS and non-voting redeemable CPS	0	11
of 16% net of 20% (2003: 22%) tax paid for the previous financial year Interim dividend on ordinary shares of 18% net of 20% tax (2003: 14% net of 22% tax)	8	11
paid for the current financial year	215	161
Interim dividend on DBSH non-voting CPS and non-voting redeemable CPS		
of 18% net of 20% tax (2003: 14% net of 22% tax) paid for the current financial year	9	9
Balance at December 31	6,150	4,670

16.4 DIVIDEND PROPOSED

Final dividends are not accounted for until they have been ratified at the Annual General Meeting. At the meeting on April 29, 2005, the following dividends will be proposed. The financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2004 do not reflect this resolution, which will be accounted for in shareholders' funds as an appropriation of revenue reserves in the year ending December 31, 2005.

In \$ millions	DBSH Group 2004
Proposed final dividend on ordinary shares of 22% net of 20% tax Proposed final dividend on DBSH non-voting CPS and non-voting redeemable	263
CPS of 12% net of 20% tax	6
Total	269

17. MINORITY INTERESTS

The minority interests of DBSH Group represent the interest of third parties in the equity shares of DBSH Group's subsidiary companies and are as follows:

	DBSH	Group
In \$ millions	2004	2003
Preference shares issued by DBS Bank (Note 17.1) Other subsidiaries	1,100 28	1,100 25
Total	1,128	1,125

17.1 \$1,100 million 6% non-cumulative non-convertible perpetual preference shares, of par value of \$0.01 and a liquidation preference of \$100 each, was issued on May 28, 2001 by DBS Bank, a subsidiary company of DBSH, to third parties. This qualifies as Tier I capital for the calculation of DBSH Group's capital adequacy ratios. Dividends, if declared by the Board of Directors of DBS Bank, are payable semi-annually on May 15 and November 15 at a fixed rate of 6% gross of the liquidation preference per annum, ending on or prior to May 15, 2011, and thereafter on February 15, May 15, August 15 and November 15 in each year at a floating rate per annum equal to the three-month Singapore Swap Offer Rate plus 2.28%.

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	DBS	H Group
In \$ millions	2004	2003
Analysed by Currency		
Singapore dollar	62,052	56,641
US dollar	23,709	23,309
Hong Kong dollar	17,900	17,241
Thai baht	29	3,539
Others	9,516	7,311
Total	113,206	108,041
Analysed by Product	-	
Savings accounts (include Autosave)	49,697	48,028
Current accounts	11,694	10,486
Fixed deposits	45,767	45,130
Other deposits	6,048	4,397
Total	113,206	108,041
DEFERRED TAXATION		
The movement in deferred tax is as follows:		
	DBS	H Group
In \$ millions	2004	2003
Balance at January 1	(25)	(5)

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	DBSH Group		
In \$ millions	2004	2003	
Balance at January 1	(25)	(5)	
Provision/(Release) during the year	5	(19)	
Disposal of subsidiary company	(17)	_	
Exchange differences	(3)	(1)	
Balance at December 31	(40)	(25)	

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are attributable to the following items:

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2003
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(168)
(26)
(194)

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Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities and when the deferred income taxes relate to the same fiscal authority. The following amounts, determined after appropriate offsetting, are shown in the balance sheet:

	DBSH G	roup
In \$ millions	2004	2003
Deferred tax assets Deferred tax liabilities	(103) 63	(129) 104
	(40)	(25)

Deferred income tax liabilities have not been established for the withholding tax and other taxes that would be payable on the unremitted revenue reserves of certain subsidiary companies, as such amounts are permanently reinvested. The unremitted revenue reserves amounted to \$1,454 million at December 31, 2004 (2003: \$976 million).

20. OTHER LIABILITIES

	DBSH Group	
In \$ millions	2004	2003
Balances arising from revaluation of financial instruments (Note 36)	10,116	8,245
Payable in respect of short sale of debt securities	4,789	2,973
Sundry creditors	1,527	1,819
Interest payable	565	473
Other payables (Note 20.1)	1,836	2,262
Total	18,833	15,772

20.1 Other payables includes \$399 million (2003: \$721 million) of collateral received from external counterparties to cover a temporary shortfall in the valuation of a specific portfolio of derivative instruments over a pre-determined threshold. This is governed by a collateral support agreement.

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21. OTHER DEBT SECURITIES IN ISSUE

The following is a summary of the other debt securities in issue (unsecured unless otherwise stated) at December 31:

21.1 NEGOTIABLE CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSITS

					Group
In \$ millions				2004	2003
Face value	Interest rate and repayment terms	Issue date	Maturity date		
Issued by D	BS Bank				
TWD20m	1.150%, payable on maturity	Dec 10, 2004	Jan 10, 2005	1	_
TWD120m	0.985%, payable on maturity	Dec 2, 2003	Jan 2, 2004	_	6
TWD200m	1.030%, payable on maturity	Dec 31, 2003	Jan 31, 2004	_	10
TWD300m	0.985%, payable on maturity	Dec 8, 2003	Jan 8, 2004	_	15
TWD300m	1.030%, payable on maturity	Dec 25, 2003	Mar 25, 2004	_	15
TWD300m	1.030%, payable on maturity	Sep 7, 2004	Jan 7, 2005	15	_
TWD500m	1.025%, payable on maturity	Dec 31, 2003	Mar 31, 2004	_	25
TWD500m	1.160%, payable on maturity	Dec 21, 2004	Mar 21, 2005	26	_
TWD500m	1.165%, payable on maturity	Dec 28, 2004	Mar 28, 2005	26	_
TWD500m	1.163%, payable on maturity	Dec 30, 2004	Mar 30, 2005	26	_
TWD500m	1.140%, payable on maturity	Oct 7, 2004	Apr 7, 2005	26	_
TWD600m	1.150%, payable on maturity	Dec 28, 2004	Jan 28, 2005	30	-
Issued by D	BS Bank (Hong Kong) Limited				
HK\$5m	4.49%, payable quarterly	Sep 10, 2001	Sep 10, 2004	_	1
HK\$5m	3.74%, payable quarterly	Sep 28, 2001	Sep 28, 2004	_	1
HK\$5m	3.30%, payable quarterly	Oct 12, 2001	Oct 12, 2004	_	1
HK\$6.5m	4.45%, payable quarterly	Oct 10, 2001	Oct 10, 2006	1	1
HK\$10m	3.72%, payable quarterly	Mar 23, 2002	Mar 12, 2004	_	2
HK\$22m	4.61%, payable quarterly	Jun 10, 2002	Jun 13, 2006	4	5
HK\$50m	8.00%, payable quarterly	Mar 8, 2000	Mar 8, 2005	11	11
HK\$50m	3.016%, payable quarterly	May 18, 2004	Jan 5, 2007	11	_
HK\$50m	3.22%, payable quarterly	Jul 23, 2004	Jul 30, 2007	11	_
HK\$100m	2.185%, payable quarterly	Aug 7, 2002	Feb 16, 2004	_	22
HK\$100m	4.66%, payable quarterly	Mar 23, 2002	Jan 10, 2005	21	22
HK\$100m	4.45%, payable quarterly	Mar 23, 2002	Feb 7, 2005	21	22
HK\$100m	8.336%, payable quarterly	May 10, 2000	Nov 12, 2007	21	22
HK\$100m	1.50%, payable quarterly	Aug 26, 2003	Sep 2, 2004	_	22
HK\$100m	0.55%, payable quarterly	Feb 26, 2004	Mar 2, 2005	21	_
HK\$100m	2.00%, payable quarterly	May 14, 2003	May 23, 2005	21	22
HK\$100m	1.88%, payable quarterly	May 15, 2003	May 30, 2005	21	22
HK\$100m	1.32%, payable quarterly	Apr 20, 2004	Oct 24, 2005	21	_
HK\$100m	1.91%, payable quarterly	Jul 20, 2004	Jan 23, 2006	21	_
HK\$100m	1.50%, payable quarterly	Apr 7, 2004	Apr 18, 2006	21	_
HK\$100m	2.33%, payable quarterly	Aug 23, 2004	Sep 6, 2006	21	_
HK\$150m	7.85%, payable quarterly	Mar 7, 2000	Mar 7, 2005	32	33
HK\$190m	1.645%, payable quarterly	Aug 18, 2004	Aug 25, 2005	40	_
HK\$200m	8.30%, payable quarterly	Sep 14, 1999	Sep 14, 2004	_	44
HK\$200m	1.33%, payable quarterly	Feb 12, 2004	Feb 20, 2006	42	_
HK\$200m	2.38%, payable quarterly	May 15, 2003	May 29, 2006	42	44

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					Group
In \$ millions				2004	2003
Face value	Interest rate and repayment terms	Issue date	Maturity date		
HK\$200m	2.13%, payable quarterly	Feb 12, 2004	Feb 21, 2007	42	_
HK\$300m	2.70%, payable quarterly	Jul 24, 2002	Jul 30, 2004	_	65
HK\$50m	2.555%, payable half yearly	Jul 30, 2002	Mar 15, 2004	_	11
HK\$50m	2.71%, payable half yearly	Jul 28, 2004	Aug 4, 2006	11	_
HK\$6.5m	0.75%, payable yearly	Dec 3, 2004	Dec 8, 2005	1	_
HK\$10m	2.41%, payable yearly	Aug, 7, 2002	Aug 12, 2004	_	2
HK\$20m	3.78%, payable yearly	May 10, 2002	May 14, 2004	_	4
HK\$50m	0.585%, payable yearly	Mar 22, 2004	Mar 21, 2005	11	_
HK\$50m	1.08%, payable yearly	Apr 26, 2004	May 3, 2005	11	_
HK\$50m	1.86%, payable yearly (a)	May 19, 2003	May 26, 2005	- · · <u>-</u>	11
HK\$50m	2.705%, payable yearly	Sep 25, 2003	Oct 2, 2006	11	11
HK\$70m	0.91%, payable yearly	Oct 6, 2003	Oct 12, 2004		15
HK\$82m	1.70%, payable yearly	Aug 27, 2004	Sep 1, 2005	1 <i>7</i>	-
HK\$100m	8.65%, payable yearly	Nov 3, 1999	Nov 3, 2004	_	22
HK\$100m	1.385%, payable yearly	Nov 6, 2003	Nov 15, 2004	_	22
HK\$100m	1.43%, payable yearly	Jun 12, 2003	Dec 20, 2004	_	22
HK\$100m	1.40%, payable yearly	Oct 7, 2003	May 30, 2005	21	22
HK\$100m	1.59%, payable yearly	Nov 28, 2003	Jun 6, 2005	21	22
HK\$100m	2.09%, payable yearly	Jun 10, 2003	Jun 17, 2006	21	22
HK\$100m	2.28%, payable yearly	Jun 26, 2003	Jul 3, 2006	21	22
HK\$110m	0.53%, payable yearly	Feb 24, 2004	Mar 8, 2005	23	_
HK\$110m				23	_
	2.25%, payable yearly	Dec 17, 2004	Dec 24, 2007	23 24	- 25
HK\$115m HK\$115m	1.80%, payable yearly	Jul 9, 2003 Nov 12, 2004	Jul 25, 2005	24	-
	1.00%, payable yearly		Nov 21, 2005		- 27
HK\$125m HK\$130m	1.185%, payable yearly	Oct 23, 2003	Oct 21, 2004	-	28
HK\$130m	1.131%, payable yearly	Jun 27, 2003	Jul 7, 2004	_	28
	8.40%, payable yearly	Nov 30, 1999	Nov 30, 2004	-	33
HK\$150m	1.275%, payable yearly	Oct 30, 2003	Nov 6, 2004	32	
HK\$150m	0.715%, payable yearly	Jan 5, 2004	Jan 4, 2005		- 22
HK\$150m	2.035%, payable yearly	Oct 15, 2003	Oct 24, 2005	32	33
HK\$150m	1.89%, payable yearly	Nov 25, 2004	Dec 4, 2006	32	_
HK\$150m	3.13%, payable yearly	Sep 6, 2004	Sep 13, 2007	32	_
HK\$150m	2.42%, payable yearly	Nov 10, 2004	Nov 16, 2007	32	_
HK\$150m	2.51%, payable yearly	Nov 23, 2004	Nov 23, 2007	32	_
HK\$150m	2.58%, payable yearly	Dec 3, 2004	Dec 3, 2007	32	_
HK\$160m	2.175%, payable yearly	Dec 23, 2004	Dec 28, 2007	33	-
HK\$170m	0.88%, payable yearly	Nov 20, 2003	Nov 19, 2004	-	37
HK\$180m	0.90%, payable yearly	Nov 20, 2003	Nov 19, 2004	-	39
HK\$186m	0.91%, payable yearly	Nov 21, 2003	Dec 2, 2004	-	41
HK\$200m	1.03%, payable yearly	Nov 17, 2003	Jan 17, 2005	42	44
HK\$200m	1.545%, payable yearly	Oct 10, 2003	Apr 17, 2005	42	44
HK\$200m	1.88%, payable yearly	Jul 28, 2004	Aug 4, 2005	42	-
HK\$200m	2.45%, payable yearly	Aug 27, 2004	Sep 3, 2006	42	
HK\$250m	1.36%, payable yearly	Nov 4, 2003	Nov 9, 2004	-	55
HK\$250m	Payable yearly (b)	Jul 14, 2004	Jul 22, 2005	52	-

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				DBSH	Group
In \$ millions				2004	2003
Face value	Interest rate and repayment terms	Issue date	Maturity date		
HK\$250m	1.34%, payable yearly	Dec 21, 2004	Jun 29, 2006	52	_
HK\$300m	1.56%, payable yearly	Aug 6, 2003	Aug 16, 2004	-	66
HK\$350m	1.32%, payable yearly	Nov 10, 2003	Nov 15, 2004	-	77
HK\$1,000m	1.05%, payable yearly	Nov 12, 2004	Nov 21, 2005	210	-
HK\$40m	3-mth Hibor* - 0.10%, payable quarterly	Feb 3, 2004	Feb 26, 2007	8	-
HK\$78m	3-mth Hibor* + 0.12%, payable quarterly	Jul 2, 2003	Jul 7, 2006	16	17
HK\$100m	3-mth Hibor* + 0.18%, payable quarterly	Feb 17, 2002	Jul 22, 2005	21	22
HK\$140m	3-mth Hibor* - 0.03%, payable quarterly (a)	Nov 13, 2003	Nov 27, 2013	-	31
HK\$175m	3-mth Hibor* + 0.09%, payable quarterly	Jul 28, 2003	Aug 1, 2006	36	38
HK\$200m	3-mth Hibor* + 0.09%, payable quarterly	May 13, 2003	May 19, 2005	42	44
HK\$200m	3-mth Hibor*, payable quarterly	Jan 16, 2004	Jan 21, 2008	42	-
HK\$200m	3-mth Hibor* + 0.03%, payable quarterly (a)	Jan 8, 2003	Jan 21, 2008	_	44
HK\$200m	3-mth Hibor* - 0.03%, payable quarterly (a)	Aug 19, 2003	Sep 3, 2008	_	44
HK\$230m	3-mth Hibor* + 0.12%, payable quarterly	Jun 19, 2003	Jun 23, 2006	48	50
HK\$230m	3-mth Hibor* + 0.07%, payable quarterly	Nov 30, 2004	Dec 7, 2007	48	-
HK\$240m	3-mth Hibor* + 0.18%, payable quarterly	Jul 23, 2002	Jul 29, 2005	50	52
HK\$250m	3-mth Hibor* + 0.03%, payable quarterly	Apr 23, 2003	Apr 28, 2005	52	55
HK\$350m	3-mth Hibor* + 0.18%, payable quarterly	Jul 26, 2002	Jul 29, 2005	73	77
HK\$400m	3-mth Hibor* + 0.10%, payable quarterly	Feb 5, 2002	Feb 7, 2005	84	88
HK\$450m	3-mth Hibor* + 0.02%, payable quarterly	Aug 12, 2004	Aug 18, 2005	94	_
CAD\$10m	6-mth CAD CCDOR** - 0.10%,				
	payable half yearly	Nov 14, 2002	Nov 21, 2007	14	14
Total				2,203	1,794
				,	,
Repayable: - Less than or	•			1,380	758
- Over one y	ear			823	1,036
Total Negotia	ble Certificates of Deposits			2,203	1,794

Hibor: Hong Kong Interbank Offer Rate

^{**} CAD CCDOR: Canada Interbank Offer Rate

⁽a) These notes were redeemed during the financial year ended December 31, 2004.(b) A discounted fixed rate certificate of deposit with zero coupon rate.

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21.2 OTHER DEBT SECURITIES

In \$ millions	Note	2004	2003
Issued by DBS Bank			
Equity linked notes	21.2.1	938	640
Credit linked notes	21.2.2	1 <i>,</i> 748	1,356
Interest rate linked notes	21.2.3	453	314
Exchange linked notes	21.2.4	6	1
Issued by DBS China Square Ltd			
Collateralised notes	21.2.5	71	93
Issued by ALCO 1 Limited			
Collateralised notes	21.2.6	224	224
Issued by Tampines Assets Limited			
Senior secured bonds	21.2.7	103	108
Issued by New Heights Investment Limited			
Secured asset backed medium term notes	21.2.8	57	57
Issued by Singa Secured Assets Limited			
Asset-backed short-term notes programme (Money Plus)	21.2.9	-	245
Issued by Red Orchid Secured Assets Limited			
Asset-backed short-term notes programme	21.2.10	696	213
Issued by Constellation Investment Ltd			
Credit linked notes	21.2.11	610	135
Equity linked notes	21.2.12	23	-
Total		4,929	3,386
	_		
Repayable:		1 514	972
Less than one yearOver one year		1,516 3,413	2,414
Total other debt securities	_	4,929	3,386
Total other debt securities in issue	_	7,132	5,180
	_		

- **21.2.1** The outstanding notes at December 31, 2004, with an embedded equity option, were issued between December 13, 2000 and December 31, 2004 and mature between January 3, 2005 and June 4, 2014. The payouts at maturity are linked to the closing value of certain underlying equities listed on various stock exchanges or the closing value of certain underlying stock exchange indices or the net asset value of certain underlying equity funds.
- 21.2.2 The outstanding notes at December 31, 2004, with an embedded credit default swap, were issued between February 9, 2001 and December 29, 2004 and mature between January 17, 2005 and December 18, 2013. The notes will be redeemed at face value on maturity date provided there is no occurrence of a credit event. If there is an occurrence of a credit event, the underlying asset or the market value of the underlying asset in cash term, depending on the terms of the contract, would be delivered to the holders of the notes.
- **21.2.3** The outstanding notes at December 31, 2004, with an embedded interest rate derivative, were issued between January 23, 2002 and December 28, 2004 and mature between January 27, 2005 and December 3, 2019. The payouts at maturity are linked to the market interest rate of certain indices.

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- **21.2.4** The outstanding notes at December 31, 2004, with an embedded foreign exchange rate derivative, were issued between September 17, 2004 and November 5, 2004 and mature between March 21, 2005 and May 9, 2005. The payouts at maturity are linked to the market foreign exchange rate of the underlying foreign currencies.
- 21.2.5 The floating rate notes were issued by DBS China Square Ltd on November 30, 2001 and mature on November 30, 2006. At December 31, 2004, \$22 million (2003: \$4 million) of the floating rate notes were repurchased by DBS China Square Ltd by the exercise of the option by the noteholders. Interest is payable quarterly, determined at the three-month interbank offer rate for Singapore dollar deposits plus a variable margin, which ranges from 2.000% to 2.125% per annum (2003: 1.875% to 2.000% per annum). The notes are secured by an assignment of the rights, title and interest of the issuer on the property at China Square Land Parcel 486 together with a mortgage over the same property.
- **21.2.6** ALCO 1 Limited (a special purpose entity) issued \$224 million of floating rate notes on December 21, 2001 that mature in 2009. The Notes were issued in connection with a program to reduce DBS Bank's risk weighted assets through credit derivatives and synthetic securitisation. These notes comprise:
 - (i) US\$30 million Class A1 notes with interest determined at the three-month US dollar London interbank offer rate plus a mark-up of 0.50%;
 - (ii) \$30 million Class A2 notes with interest determined at the three-month Singapore dollar interbank swap offer rate plus a mark-up of 0.45%;
 - (iii) US\$12 million Class B1 notes with interest determined at the three-month US dollar London interbank offer rate plus a mark-up of 0.85%;
 - (iv) \$20 million Class B2 notes with interest determined at the three-month Singapore dollar interbank swap offer rate plus a mark-up of 0.80%;
 - (v) \$56 million Class C notes at a fixed rate of 5.20%; and
 - (vi) \$42 million Class D notes at a fixed rate of 6.70%.

The notes are secured on the issuer's investment in securities together with the derivative contracts that the issuer has entered into.

21.2.7 In connection with the securitisation of Tampines Centre ("the Property"), \$180 million seven-year, fixed rate bonds were issued on December 7, 1999 together with 18,000 preference shares, and mature in 2006. The bonds were issued in 2 classes - (a) \$108 million Senior Bonds; and (b) \$72 million Junior Bonds. The Junior Bonds and \$5 million Senior Bonds are held by DBS Bank, and are eliminated at DBSH Group level. Interest is payable semi-annually on June 7 and December 7, at a fixed rate of 5.625% for the Senior Bonds and 6% for the Junior Bonds.

The bonds are secured, inter alia, by an assignment of the rights, title and interest of the issuer in and to the Sale and Purchase Agreement, the Option Agreement, proceeds from the sale and lease of the Property, the insurances effected over the Property (all as defined in the Trust Deed), a first fixed charge over the shares held by the issuer, and a debenture creating fixed and floating charges over the assets of the issuer (including a mortgage over the Property).

- 21.2.8 These SGD notes will mature between April 25, 2006 and April 25, 2008. The notes would be redeemed at a fixed interest rate on maturity date provided there is no occurrence of a credit event. If there is an occurrence of a credit event, the issuer of the note would deliver bonds or loans or their market value in cash term, depending on the terms of the contract, to the holders of the notes. The notes are secured on deposits equivalent to the issue price, a series of credit default swaps whereby the issuer sells credit protection, and cross currency swaps.
- **21.2.9** These were short-dated notes issued by Singa Secured Assets Limited, secured by a debenture creating a first fixed and floating charge over the property, assets, rights and undertakings of the issuer, which have matured during 2004.

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21.2.10 These are short-dated notes issued by Red Orchid Secured Assets Limited with a maturity of not more than three months and details of amounts outstanding at December 31, 2004 are as follows:

Face Value	Interest Rate and Series Number	Issue Date	Maturity Date
AUD 88 million	5.49% Series E1-02	December 8, 2004	January 10, 2005
AUD 62 million	5.50% Series D1-08	December 20, 2004	January 20, 2005
AUD 34 million	5.50% Series E2-03	December 20, 2004	January 20, 2005
AUD 78 million	5.50% Series E3-03	December 30, 2004	January 31, 2005
\$36 million	1.36% Series A2-18	December 13, 2004	January 13, 2005
\$96 million	1.54% Series C1-05	December 21, 2004	March 21, 2005
\$76 million	1.36% Series A1-19	December 27, 2004	January 27, 2005
\$147 million	1.42% Series B1-12	December 29, 2004	January 31, 2005
\$7 million	1.42% Series C2-12	December 29, 2004	January 31, 2005

These notes are secured by a debenture creating a first fixed and floating charge over the property, assets, rights and undertakings of the issuer.

- 21.2.11 The outstanding notes at December 31, 2004, with an embedded credit default swap, were issued between October 9, 2003 and November 26, 2004 and will mature between October 9, 2008 and November 26, 2009. The notes would be redeemed at face value on maturity date provided there is no occurrence of a credit event. If there is an occurrence of a credit event, the underlying asset or the market value of the underlying asset in cash term, depending on the terms of the contract, would be delivered to the holders of the notes.
- **21.2.12** The outstanding note at December 31, 2004, with an embedded equity option, was issued on May 17, 2004 and will mature on May 17, 2006. The payouts at maturity are linked to the closing value of certain underlying equities listed on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong.

22. SUBORDINATED TERM DEBTS

Subordinated term debts issued by subsidiary companies of DBSH Group are classified as liabilities in accordance with FRS 32. Certain of these instruments qualify as Tier I or Tier II capital for capital adequacy purposes.

Subordinated term debts are junior or secondary long-term debts that have a lower priority claim on DBSH Group's assets in the case of a default or liquidation.

22.1 UNDATED SUBORDINATED TERM DEBTS

The following is a summary of the undated unsecured subordinated term debts outstanding at December 31:

				DR2H	Group
In \$ millions			Note	2004	2003
Face value		Issue date			
Issued by D	BS Capital Funding Corporation				
US\$725m	7.657% Non-Cumulative Guaranteed Preference Shares, Series A	Mar 21, 2001	22.1.1	1,183	1,231
\$100m	5.35% Non-Cumulative Guaranteed Preference Shares, Series B	Mar 21, 2001	22.1.1	100	100
Issued by D	BS Thai Danu Bank Public Company	∕ Limited (□)			
THB5,000m		Jun 3, 1999		-	215
Total Undated	d Subordinated Term Debts		_	1,283	1,546

⁽a) DBS Thai Danu Bank Public Company Limited was de-consolidated on June 25, 2004.

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22.1.1 These preference shares have two series; Series A and Series B each has a liquidation preference of US\$1,000 and \$10,000 respectively. Dividends, when declared by the Board of Directors of DBS Capital Funding Corporation, are payable in arrears on March 15 and September 15 each year at a fixed rate of 7.657% per annum (Series A) and 5.35% per annum (Series B), up to March 15, 2011. Thereafter, dividends are payable quarterly in arrears on March 15, June 15, September 15 and December 15 each year at a floating rate of three-month London Interbank Offer Rate ("LIBOR") + 3.2% per annum (Series A) and three-month Singapore Swap Offer Rate + 2.52% per annum (Series B). The fixed rate funding for Series A has been converted to floating rate at three-month LIBOR + 1.9364%. In computing DBSH Group's capital adequacy ratio, these guaranteed preference shares qualify as Tier I capital.

FRS 32 requires the issuer of a financial instrument to classify the instrument either as a liability or equity in accordance with the substance of the contractual arrangement on initial recognition. As the coupon on these preference shares will step-up at the end of 10 years to a level that is considered to be sufficiently higher than market rate, DBSH Group is deemed likely to redeem these preference shares at that time. As such, they have been accounted for as long-term liabilities. The dividends on these preference shares are recognised in the profit and loss account as interest expense.

22.2 DATED SUBORDINATED TERM DEBTS

The following is a summary of the dated unsecured subordinated term debts outstanding at December 31:

In \$ millions					DBSF 2004	1 Group 2003
Face value		Issue date	Maturity date		2004	2003
Issued by DI	BS Bank					
US\$750m	7 7/8% Subordinated Notes	Aug 10, 1999	Aug 10, 2009	22.2.1	1,225	1,275
US\$500m	7 7/8% Subordinated Notes	Apr 15, 2000	Apr 15, 2010	22.2.2	816	850
US\$850m	7 1/8% Subordinated Notes	May 15, 2001	May 15, 2011	22.2.3	1,388	1,446
US\$750m	5.00% Subordinated Notes					
	callable with step-up in 2014	Oct 1, 2004	Nov 15, 2019	22.2.4	1,225	_
Issued by DI	BS Thai Danu Bank Public Compa	ny Limited (a)				
THB6,791m	Subordinated Debentures No.2	Jun 3, 1999	May 28, 2006		-	74
THB1,077m	4.25% Fixed Rate					
	Subordinated term debt	Jan 18, 2000	Jan 17, 2010		-	46
THB260m	3.50% Fixed Rate					
	Subordinated term debt	Dec 28, 2000	Dec 27, 2010		-	11
-	BS Bank (Hong Kong) Limited					
US\$350m	7.75% Fixed Rate					
	Subordinated Notes	Jan 24, 1997	Jan 24, 2007	22.2.5	427	445
Total					5,081	4,147
Repayable:						
Less than o	ne vear				_	25
- Over one y	-				5,081	4,122
Total Dated S	Subordinated Term Debts				5,081	4,147
Total Subordi	nated Term Debts			•	6,364	5,693
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22.2.1 Interest is payable semi-annually on February 10 and August 10 commencing February 10, 2000. The fixed rate

(a) DBS Thai Danu Bank Public Company Limited was de-consolidated on June 25, 2004.

- funding has been converted to floating rate at three-month LIBOR + 1.0475% via interest rate swaps. In computing DBSH Group's capital adequacy ratio, these notes qualify as Tier II capital.

 22.2.2 Interest is payable semi-annually on April 15 and October 15 commencing October 15, 2000. The fixed rate
- **22.2.2** Interest is payable semi-annually on April 15 and October 15 commencing October 15, 2000. The fixed rate funding has been converted to floating rate at six-month LIBOR + 0.9569% via interest rate swaps. In computing DBSH Group's capital adequacy ratio, these notes qualify as Tier II capital.

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- 22.2.3 Interest is payable semi-annually on May 15 and November 15 commencing November 15, 2001. The fixed rate funding has been converted to floating rate at three-month LIBOR + 1.252% via interest rate swaps. In computing DBSH Group's capital adequacy ratio, these notes qualify as Tier II capital.
- 22.2.4 Interest is payable semi-annually on May 15 and November 15 commencing May 15, 2005. Part of the fixed rate funding has been converted to floating rate at three-month LIBOR + 0.611% via interest rate swaps. If the notes are not called at the tenth year, the interest rate steps up and will be reset at six-month LIBOR + 1.61% on the call date. In computing DBSH Group's capital adequacy ratio, these notes qualify as Tier II capital.
- 22.2.5 Interest is payable semi-annually on January 24 and July 24, commencing July 24, 1997. Subsequent to the issue, DBS Bank (Hong Kong) Limited repurchased and cancelled part of the Fixed Rate Subordinated Notes.

23. SINGAPORE GOVERNMENT SECURITIES AND TREASURY BILLS

Singapore Government securities and treasury bills are classified into trading book and investment book according to the investment intention. The trading book is recorded at fair value, while the investment book is stated at cost less permanent diminution in value, on the balance sheet.

	DBSI	H Group
In \$ millions	2004	2003
Trading book Investment book	4,219 6,975	2,432 9,006
Total	11,194	11,438
Investment book Cost, adjusted for unamortised premium and discount Less: Provision for diminution in value (Note 28)	6,975 -	9,017 11
Net book value of investment book	6,975	9,006
Market value of investment book	7,026	9,006

24. TRADING SECURITIES

Trading securities include other Government securities and treasury bills, corporate debt and equity securities held principally for the purpose of generating profits from short-term fluctuations in price or dealer's margin. A security is also classified as held for trading if it is part of a portfolio for which there is evidence of a recent actual pattern of short-term profit-taking, regardless of why it was acquired.

	DBSH Gro		
In \$ millions	2004	2003	
Quoted			
Other Government securities and treasury bills	3,753	1,580	
Corporate debt securities	7,026	4,443	
Equity securities	916	410	
Total	11,695	6,433	
Industry Breakdown			
Manufacturing	922	530	
Building and Construction	102	121	
General Commerce	164	21	
Transportation, Storage and Communications	78 1	476	
Financial Institutions, Investment and Holding Companies	4,897	2,354	
Others (includes other Government securities and treasury bills)	4,829	2,931	
Total net book value	11,695	6,433	

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25. LOANS TO, AND BILLS RECEIVABLE FROM NON-BANK CUSTOMERS

	DBSH Group		
In \$ millions	2004	2003	
Gross	71,021	66,414	
Less:	•		
Specific provisions (Note 26)	554	1,151	
General provisions (Note 26)	803	928	
Net total	69,664	64,335	
Including:	0.222	1 401	
Bills receivable Loans	2,333 67,331	1,481 62,854	
Net total	69,664	64,335	
Industry Breakdown	7040		
Manufacturing D. It live and A. Controlling	7,268	6,434	
Building and Construction	6,902	7,907	
Housing Loans	24,091	22,918	
General Commerce Transportation Storage and Communications	7,297 5,259	6,634	
Transportation, Storage and Communications Financial Institutions, Investment and Holding Companies	5,25 9 7,467	4,821 5,020	
Professionals and Private Individuals (except Housing Loans)	7,467 7,038	7,078	
Others	5,699	5,602	
Gross total	71,021	66,414	
Analysed by Currency and Fixed/ Variable Rates			
Fixed rate (a) Singapore dollar	10,046	8,867	
Hong Kong dollar	458	262	
US dollar	82	4	
Thai baht	-	945	
Others	342	96	
Sub-total	10,928	10,174	
Variable rate (b) Singapore dollar	23,899	21,026	
Hong Kong dollar	21,432	20,089	
US dollar	10,464	8,658	
Thai baht	29	2,393	
Others	4,269	4,074	
Sub-total	60,093	56,240	
Total (Gross)	71,021	66,414	

⁽a) Fixed rate loans refer to long-term loans where the interest rates are fixed for the initial 1 to 3 years for certain mortgage loans, and over the entire loan period for other loans.

⁽b) Variable rate loans refer to loans that are pegged to prime, short-term cost of funds or inter-bank rates.

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26. PROVISION FOR POSSIBLE LOAN LOSSES AND INTEREST-IN-SUSPENSE

	DBSH Group			
In \$ millions	Specific	General	Total	Interest-in- suspense
2004				
Balance at January 1	1,151	928	2,079	357
Amounts written off during the year	(324)	-	(324)	(52)
Charge/(write-back) to profit and loss account	86	(87)	(1)	_
Interest (written off)/suspended during the year	(2)	- (25)	(2)	37
Disposal of a subsidiary company	(365)	(35)	(400)	(243)
Exchange and other movements	8	(3)	5	(8)
Balance at December 31	554	803	1,357	91
2003				
Balance at January 1	1,288	904	2,192	340
Amounts written off during the year	(511)	_	(511)	(93)
Charge to profit and loss account	352	30	382	_
Interest suspended during the year	3	-	3	94
Exchange and other movements	19	(6)	13	16
Balance at December 31	1,151	928	2,079	357

27. INVESTMENT SECURITIES

	DBSH Group		
In \$ millions	2004	2003	
Quoted			
Other Government securities & treasury bills	5,163	4,953	
Corporate debt securities	18,198	16,919	
Equity securities	828	789	
Unquoted equity securities	360	453	
	24,549	23,114	
Less: Provision for diminution in value (Note 28)	341	286	
Total net book value	24,208	22,828	
Market value of quoted securities	24,440	22,921	
Industry Breakdown			
Manufacturing	1,126	823	
Building and Construction	629	875	
General Commerce	242	213	
Transportation, Storage and Communications	1,081	1,134	
Financial Institutions, Investment and Holding Companies	12,305	11,624	
Others (includes other Government securities and treasury bills)	8,825	8,159	
Total net book value	24,208	22,828	

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28. PROVISION FOR DIMINUTION IN VALUE OF INVESTMENT SECURITIES AND OTHER ASSETS

	Investment securities		DBSH Group Fixed assets and Others		
In \$ millions	Specific	General	Specific	General	Total
2004					
Balance at January 1	217	80	698	75	1,070
Amounts written off during the year	(52)	_	(5)	_	(57)
Charge/(write back) to profit and loss account	128	5	(162)	77	48
Disposal of a subsidiary company	(23)	_	(70)	_	(93)
Exchange and other movements	(8)	4	(5)	-	(9)
Balance at December 31	262	89	456	152	959
Specific and general provisions are in respect of the following:					
Investment securities (Note 27)	252	89	-	-	341
Associated companies (Note 30)	10	-	-	-	10
Fixed assets (Note 32)	-	-	355	-	355
Other banking risks (a)	-	-	23	148	1 <i>7</i> 1
Other assets	-	-	78	4	82
	262	89	456	152	959
2003					
Balance at January 1	220	46	637	50	953
Amounts written off during the year	(59)	-	(4)	-	(63)
Charge to profit and loss account	65	34	35	25	159
Exchange and other movements	(9)	-	30	_	21
Balance at December 31	217	80	698	75	1,070
Specific and general provisions are in respect of the following:					
Singapore Government securities and		11			11
treasury bills (Note 23)	-	11	_	_	11
Investment securities (Note 27)	217	69	- 274	_	286
Fixed assets (Note 32)	_	-	374	-	374
Other banking risks (a)	_	_	71	71	142
Other assets (b)			253	4	257
	217	80	698	75	1,070

⁽a) Provision for other banking risks include specific provisions and general provisions made against inter-bank loans and off balance sheet items.

⁽b) Includes provisions set aside in respect of foreclosed properties in DBS Thai Danu Bank Public Company Limited.

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29. SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES

29.1 At December 31, directly owned subsidiary companies of DBSH are as follows:

In \$ millions	2004	2003
Unquoted equity shares, at cost Amounts due from subsidiary company (Note 29.6)	6,731 66	6,731 31
Total	6,797	6,762

Details of directly owned subsidiary companies of DBSH at December 31, are as follows:

	Country of incorporation/ business	Principal activities	Interest held by DBSH				Cost of investment	
Subsidiary companies			Dir. 2004	ectly 2003	Indii 2004	rectly 2003	held b 2004	2003
			%	%	%	%	\$ millions	\$ millions
Unquoted								
DBS Bank Ltd	Singapore	Commercial banking and financial services	100	100	-	_	6,726	6,726
ICS Reinsurance Pte Ltd ("ICS Re") (b)	Singapore	Dormant	41.3	41.3	10.2	10.2	_(a)	_(a)
Reinsurance Management Corporation of Asia (Pte) Ltd	Singapore	Management of reinsurance companies	20	20	60	60	_{a)	_(a)
RMCA Holdings Pte Ltd	Singapore	Investment holding and management of reinsurance companies	100	100	-	_	5	5
The Insurance Corporation of Singapore (UK) Limited ("ICS UK") (b) (Under liquidation)	United Kingdom	Dormant	98	98	-	-	_(a)	_(a)
Total						_	6,731	6,731

⁽a) Amount under \$500,000

⁽b) The results of these subsidiary companies are not consolidated into DBSH Group's consolidated financial statements as the reinsurance portfolios of ICS Re are under a court-approved scheme of arrangement and ICS UK is in provisional liquidation.

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29.3 At December 31, indirectly owned subsidiary companies of DBSH are as follows:

	Country of incorporation/		Interest DBS Bank		held by Other DBSH's subsidiaries		Cost of investment held by DBSH's subsidiaries	
Subsidiary companies	business	Principal activities	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003
Quoted DBS Thai Danu Bank Public Company Limited (b) (Market value:	Thailand	Commercial banking and financial services	% _(g)	51.7	% _	% _	\$ millions	\$ millions _(a)
2003: \$243 million) Unquoted								
DBS Asia Ltd (b)	Hong Kong	Financial services and investment holding	100	100	-	-	_(c)	_(c)
DBS Asia Capital Limited (b)	Hong Kong	Corporate finance and advisory services	100	100	-	-	21	22
DBSAM Funds	Luxembourg	Collective investment scheme	77	-	-	100	16	-
DBS Asset Management Ltd	Singapore	Investment management services and unit trusts	100	100	-	-	4	4
DBS Asset Management (Hong Kong) Ltd ^(b)	Hong Kong	Investment management services	-	-	100	100	3	3
DBS Asset Management (United States) Pte Ltd	Singapore	Investment management services	-	-	100	100	_(c)	_(c)
DBS Card Centre Pte Ltd (Under liquidation)	Singapore	Dormant	100	100	-	-	8	8
DBS Capital Funding Corporation	Cayman Islands	Special purpose vehicle for capital raising	100	100	-	-	_(c)	_(c)
DBS Capital Investments Ltd	Singapore	Venture capital investments	100	100	-	-	18 ^(d)	18 ^(d)
DBS China Square Ltd	Singapore	Property investment holding	70	70	-	-	160 ^(e)	160 ^(e)
DBS Computer Services Pte Ltd	Singapore	Dormant	100	100	-	-	_(a)	_(a)
DBS Diamond Holdings Ltd	Bermuda	Investment holding	100	100	-	-	9,919	9,919
Benchmark Farm Finance (Four) Limited (Under liquidation)	United Kingdom	Dormant	-	-	100	100	_(a)	_(a)
DBS Group (Hong Kong) Limited (formerly "Dao Heng Bank Group Limited") (b)	Bermuda/ Hong Kong	Investment holding	-	-	100	100	9,043	9,430

	Country of incorporation/		DBS	Interest Bank	DB:	her SH's diaries	held b	investment y DBSH's idiaries
Subsidiary companies	business	Principal activities	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003
			%	%	%	%	\$ millions	\$ millions
Dao Heng Bank Trustee (BVI) Limited (Liquidated)	British Virgin Islands	Dormant	-	-	-	100	-	_(c)
Dao Heng Bullion Limited (Liquidated)	Hong Kong	Dormant	-	-	-	100	-	_(c)
Dao Heng Bank Trustee Limited (b)	Hong Kong	Trustee services	-	-	100	100	1	1
Dao Heng Finance Limited (b)	Hong Kong	Finance company	-	-	100	100	7	7
Dao Heng London plc (Under liquidation)	United Kingdom	Dormant	-	-	100	100	_(a)	_(a)
Dao Heng Nominees Limited (Under liquidation)	United Kingdom	Dormant	-	-	100	100	_(a)	_(a)
DBS Bank (Hong Kong) Limited (b)	Hong Kong	Commercial banking and financial securities	-	-	100	100	1,215	1,267
DBS Corporate Services (Hong Kong) Limited (b)	Hong Kong	Investment holding and corporate services	-	-	100	100	_(c)	_(c)
DBS H.K. Capital (BVI) Limited (b)	British Virgin Islands	Dormant	-	-	100	100	_(c)	_(c)
DBS Kwong On Finance Limited (b)	Hong Kong	Deposit-taking finance company	-	-	100	100	5	5
DBS Kwong On Futures Limited (Under liquidation)	Hong Kong	Dormant	-	-	100	100	1	1
DBS Kwong On (Nominees) Limited (b)	Hong Kong	Nominee services	-	-	100	100	_(c)	_(c)
DBS Kwong On Securities Limited (Liquidated)	Hong Kong	Dormant	-	-	-	100	-	3
DBS Overseas Limited (b)	Hong Kong	Dormant	-	-	100	100	_(c)	_(c)
DBS Trustee H.K. (Jersey) Limited (b)	Jersey/ Hong Kong	Corporate services	-	-	100	100	_(c)	_(c)
DHB Limited (b)	Hong Kong	Investment holding	-	-	100	100	17	18
DHJ Management Limited (b)	British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong	Dormant	-	-	100	100	_(c)	_(c)

	Country of incorporation/		DBS	Interest held by DBS Bank Other DBSH's subsidiaries		held b	investment y DBSH's idiaries	
Subsidiary companies	business	Principal activities	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003
			%	%	%	%	\$ millions	\$ millions
Dransfield Resources Limited (Liquidated)	British Virgin Islands/ United Kingdom	Dormant	-	-	-	100	-	_(c)
EFI Nominees Limited (Under liquidation)	Hong Kong	Dormant	-	-	100	100	_(c)	_(c)
Hang Lung Bank (Nominee) Limited (b)	Hong Kong	Nominee services	-	-	100	100	_(c)	_(c)
Hang Lung Godown Company Limited (Under liquidation)	Hong Kong	Dormant	-	-	100	100	1	1
JT Administration Limited (b)	British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong	Dormant	-	-	100	100	_(c)	_(c)
Kenson Asia Ltd (b)	Hong Kong	Dormant	-	-	100	100	_(c)	_(c)
Kingly Management Ltd (b)	Hong Kong	Dormant	_	-	100	100	_(c)	_(c)
Market Success Limited (b)	British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong	Dormant	-	-	100	100	_(c)	_(c)
Omega One Limited (Liquidated)	Hong Kong	Dormant	-	-	-	100	-	_(c)
Omega Two Limited (Liquidated)	Hong Kong	Dormant	-	-	-	100	-	_(c)
OTB Card Company Limited (b)	Hong Kong	Property investment	-	-	100	100	16	17
OTB International Factors Limited ^(b)	Hong Kong	Dormant	-	-	100	100	2	2
O.T.B. Investment Limited (Liquidated)	Hong Kong	Dormant	-	-	-	100	-	_(c)
OTB Property Management Limited (Liquidated)	Hong Kong	Dormant	-	-	-	100	-	_(c)
OTB Services Limited (Under liquidation)	Hong Kong	Dormant	-	-	100	100	1	1
Overseas Trust Bank Nominees Limited (b)	Hong Kong	Nominee services	-	-	100	100	_(c)	_(c)
Ting Hong Nominees Limited (b)	Hong Kong	Nominee services	-	-	100	100	(c)	_(c)
Worldson Services Ltd (b)	Hong Kong	Dormant	-	-	100	100	_(c)	_(c)

	Country of incorporation/		DBS	Interest Bank	DB:	her SH's diaries	held b	investment y DBSH's idiaries
Subsidiary companies	business	Principal activities	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003
			%	%	%	%	\$ millions	\$ millions
DBS Factors Pte Ltd (Under liquidation)	Singapore	Dormant	100	100	-	-	5	5
DBSF Ltd (Under liquidation)	Singapore	Dormant	100	100	-	-	7	7
DBSF Investments Pte Ltd (Under liquidation)	Singapore	Dormant	-	-	100	100	17	17
DBS Finance Nominees Pte Ltd (Under liquidation)	Singapore	Dormant	100	100	-	-	_(c)	_(c)
DBS Group Holdings (Hong Kong) Ltd	Bermuda	Investment holding	100	100	-	-	683	683
DBS Kwong On Limited (b)	Hong Kong	Dormant	-	-	100	100	-	_
DBS Nominees Pte Ltd	Singapore	Nominee services	100	100	-	-	_(c)	_(c)
Kendrick Services Limited	British Virgin Islands	Corporate directorship services	-	_	100	100	_(c)	_(c)
Lushington Investment Limited	British Virgin Islands	Corporate shareholding services	ı -	-	100	100	_(c)	_(c)
DBS Trustee Ltd (f)	Singapore	Trustee services	20	20	80	80	3	3
DBS Vickers Securities Holdings Pte Ltd	Singapore	Investment holding	100	100	-	-	538	538
Ballas Nominees (Private) Limited (Under liquidation)	Singapore	Dormant	-	-	100	100	_(c)	_(c)
DBS Securities Holding Pte Ltd (Under liquidation)	Singapore	Dormant	-	-	100	100	277	277
DBS Vickers Securities Online Holdings Pte Ltd (formerly "DBS TD Waterhouse Holdings Pte Ltd")	Singapore	Investment holding	-	-	73	73	24	24
DBS Vickers Securities Online (HK) Limited [formerly "DBS TD Waterhouse (Hong Kong) Ltd"] (b)	Hong Kong	Securities broker and margin financing	-	-	100	100	19	17
DBS Vickers Securities Online Trading (HK) Limited [formerly "DBS TD Waterhouse Securities (Hong Kong) Ltd"] (Under liquidation)	Hong Kong	Dormant	-	-	100	100	6	6

	Country of incorporation/		DBS	Interest DBS Bank		her SH's diaries	held b	investment y DBSH's idiaries
Subsidiary companies	business	Principal activities	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003
			%	%	%	%	\$ millions	\$ millions
DBS Vickers Securities Online (Singapore) Pte Ltd (formerly "DBS TD Waterhouse (Singapore) Pte Ltd")	Singapore	Securities broker	-	-	100	100	10	10
DBS Trading Pte Ltd (Under liquidation)	Singapore	Dormant	-	-	100	100	_(c)	_(c)
DBS Vickers Futures (Hong Kong) Limited (Under liquidation)	Hong Kong	Dormant	-	-	100	100	8	8
DBS Vickers (Hong Kong) Limited (b)	Hong Kong	Securities broker	-	-	100	100	36	51
DBS Vickers Research Singapore Pte Ltd	Singapore	Investment advisory services	-	-	100	100	1	1
DBS Vickers Securities (Hong Kong) Ltd (b)	Hong Kong	Securities broker	-	-	100	100	2	2
DBS Vickers Securities Malaysia Pte Ltd (Under liquidation)	Singapore	Dormant	-	-	100	100	17	17
DBS Vickers Securities Nominees (Hong Kong) Limited (b)	Hong Kong	Nominee services	-	-	100	100	_(c)	_(c)
DBS Vickers Securities Nominees (Singapore) Pte Ltd	Singapore	Nominee services	-	-	100	100	_(c)	_(c)
DBS Vickers Securities (Phils.), Inc. (Under liquidation)	The Philippines	Dormant	-	-	100	100	10	10
DBS Vickers Securities (Singapore) Pte Ltd	Singapore	Securities and futures broker	-	-	100	100	25	25
DBS Vickers Securities (Thailand) Co. Ltd (b)	Thailand	Securities broker	-	-	100	100	39	50
DBS Vickers Securities (UK) Ltd (b)	United Kingdom	Securities broker	-	-	100	100	_(c)	_(c)
DBS Vickers Securities (USA), Inc (b)	United States	Securities broker	-	-	100	100	4	4
First Independent Insurance Brokerage Pte Ltd (Under liquidation)	Singapore	Dormant	-	-	100	100	_(c)	_(c)

	Country of incorporation/		DBS	Interest Bank	DB	her SH's diaries	held b	investment y DBSH's idiaries
Subsidiary companies	business	Principal activities	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003
			%	%	%	%	\$ millions	\$ millions
PT DBS Securities Indonesia (Under liquidation)	Indonesia	Dormant	-	-	75	75	9	5
PT DBS Vickers Securities (Indonesia) (b)	Indonesia	Securities broker	-	-	75	75	9	8
Vickers Ballas & Co. Pte Ltd (Under liquidation)	Singapore	Dormant	-	-	100	100	65	65
Vickers Ballas Asset Management Pte Ltd	Singapore	Fund management	-	-	100	100	1	1
Vickers Ballas Consultancy Services Limited (b)	Hong Kong	Dormant	-	-	100	100	_(c)	_(c)
Vickers Ballas Futures Pte Ltd (Under liquidation)	Singapore	Dormant	-	-	100	100	1	1
Vickers Ballas Investment Management Limited (b)	Hong Kong	Direct investment and investment advisory servi	- ices	-	100	100	(c)	_(c)
Vickers Ballas Investment Research Pte Ltd (Under liquidation)	Singapore	Dormant	-		100	100	_(c)	_(c)
Vickers Ballas Nominees Pte Ltd (Under liquidation)	Singapore	Dormant	-	-	100	100	_(c)	_(c)
Vickers Ballas (UK) PLC (Under liquidation)	United Kingdom	Dormant	-	-	100	100	1	1
NDC Capital Holdings Pte Ltd (Under liquidation)	Singapore	Dormant	100	100	-	-	_(a)	56
POSB Computer Services Pte Ltd (Liquidated)	Singapore	Dormant	-	100	-	-	-	9
PT Bank DBS Indonesia (b)	Indonesia	Commercial banking and financial services	99	99	-	_	54	62
Singapore Factory Development Ltd (Liquidated)	Singapore	Dormant	-	100	-	-	-	5

⁽a) Written down to zero value.

⁽b) Audited by associated firms of Ernst & Young, Singapore.

⁽c) Amount under \$500,000.

⁽d) Included cost of investment in preference shares held amounting to \$18 million.

⁽e) Included cost of investment in preference shares held amounting to \$74 million.

⁽f) Included 20% held by DBSH in trust for DBS Bank.

⁽g) Ceased to be a subsidiary company during the financial year (Note 29.5).

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29.4 CONSOLIDATION OF SPECIAL PURPOSE ENTITIES

DBSH Group consolidated certain entities in accordance with the Interpretation of Financial Reporting Standard ("INT FRS") 12, "Consolidation – Special Purpose Entities ("SPEs")" although these entities are not legally owned by DBSH Group.

This is due to the fact that:

- (a) DBSH or its subsidiary companies retain the majority of the residual or ownership risks related to the SPE or its assets in order to obtain benefits from its activities; or
- (b) the activities of the SPE are being conducted on behalf of DBSH or its subsidiary companies according to its specific business needs.

The consolidated SPEs, together with the share of total assets at December 31 are as follows:

		DBSH Group share of total asse			
Name of Entity	Country of Entity	2004	2003		
		\$ millions	\$ millions		
Singa Secured Assets Limited	Singapore	404	445		
ALCO 1 Limited	Cayman Islands	223	223		
Tampines Assets Limited	Singapore	134	134		
New Heights Investment Limited	Cayman Islands	57	57		
Red Orchid Secured Assets Limited	Cayman Islands	445	112		
Constellation Investment Ltd	Cayman Islands	657	150		
Skyer I & II Limited	Cayman Islands	248	248		
The Development I Partnership (a)	Hong Kong	-	165		
The Preferred Shares – Subordinated	Thailand	-	Not significant		
Debentures of DBS Thai Danu Plc. Fund (b)					
Vanda Secured Assets Limited	Singapore	Not significant	Not significant		
Contract Collections Inc (a)	United States of America	-	Not significant		

⁽a) Exit/liquidated in 2004

None of the above entities are material to DBSH Group's profit and loss account.

29.5 ACQUISITION AND DISPOSAL OF SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES

- **29.5.1** On April 16, 2004, DBS Bank converted its 13,943 preferred shares and 13,943 convertible subordinated debentures in DTDB into a total of 348,588,943 ordinary shares in DTDB. DBS Bank's shareholding in DTDB increased from 52% to 59% after the conversion. On June 25, 2004, DBS Bank disposed its 59% equity stake in DTDB in consideration of 16% interest in the Thai Military Bank Public Company Limited ("TMB"). The 16% interest represents 2,460,078,607 ordinary shares of THB10 (\$\$0.42) each. Profit on disposal of DTDB amounted to \$310 million after adjusting for net attributable assets disposed and transaction costs. The carrying values of assets and liabilities of DTDB in DBSH Group's accounts at the date of disposal are shown in Note 29.7.
- 29.5.2 During the financial year, the following subsidiaries were liquidated: Dao Heng Bank Trustee (BVI) Limited, Dao Heng Bullion Limited, DBS Kwong On Securities Limited, Dransfield Resources Limited, Omega One Limited, Omega Two Limited, O.T.B. Investment Limited, OTB Property Management Limited, POSB Computer Services Pte Ltd and Singapore Factory Development Ltd.

29.6 AMOUNTS DUE FROM SUBSIDIARY COMPANY

These amounts comprise deposits with a subsidiary company.

⁽b) DBS Thai Danu Bank Public Company Limited was de-consolidated on June 25, 2004.

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29.7 FAIR VALUES OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES DISPOSED

The fair values of assets and liabilities of subsidiary companies disposed in 2004 were as follows:

In \$ millions	DBSH Group 2004
Cash, and balances and placements with central banks	69
Securities	476
Balances, placements with, and loans and advances to banks	116
Loans and advances to non-bank customers (net of provision)	3,275
Fixed assets	99
Other assets	208
Deposits and balances of banks	(148)
Deposits and other accounts of non-bank customers	(3,434)
Other liabilities Subordinated term debts	(292)
Subordinated term debts	(338)
	31
Less: Minority interests (a)	-
Adjusted net attributable assets	31
Add: Transaction costs	8
Add: Profit on disposal of a subsidiary company	310
Proceeds from disposal, representing 16% equity stake in TMB	349
Less: Non-cash proceeds	(349)
Less: Cash and bank balances in a subsidiary company disposed	69
Net cash outflow from disposal of a subsidiary company	(69)

⁽a) At the point of disposal, carrying amount of minority interest was zero, as the losses applicable to the DTDB minority shareholders that were in excess of their interest in the equity of DTDB were absorbed by DBS Bank.

The fair values of assets and liabilities, and net cash flow arising from disposal of subsidiary companies in the previous financial year were not significant.

29.8 FAIR VALUES OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES ACQUIRED

No new subsidiary company was acquired during the financial year.

Details of the fair values of assets and liabilities of a subsidiary company acquired in the previous financial year were as follows:

In \$ millions	DBSH Group 2003
Cash, balances, placements with, and loans and advances to banks	21
Other assets, including fixed assets	112
Deposits and other accounts of non-bank customers	(87)
Other liabilities	(31)
	15
Less: Minority interests	4
Adjusted net attributable assets	11
Less: Investment cost for the 50% interest in DBS Vickers Securities Online (a)	8
Cost of acquisition for the additional 23% interest in DBS Vickers Securities Online	3
Less: Cash and bank balances in subsidiary companies acquired	12
Net cash inflow for acquisition of subsidiary companies	9
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⁽a) Refers to original investment cost (\$21 million) less share of losses arising from equity accounting (\$13 million)

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30. ASSOCIATED AND JOINT VENTURE COMPANIES

30.1 The investments in associated and joint venture companies at December 31 are as follows:

	DBSH	BSH Group	
In \$ millions	2004	2003	
Quoted equity securities at cost	1,256	1,281	
Unquoted equity securities at cost	78	75	
	1,334	1,356	
Less: Provision for diminution in value (Note 28)	10	_	
Goodwill arising from equity accounting	837	837	
	487	519	
Add: Net exchange translation adjustments	(69)	(52)	
Share of post acquisition reserves	99	80	
Total	517	547	

30.2 At December 31, the net tangible asset values ("NTA") and market values of the quoted equity investments in associated companies of DBSH Group for which equity accounting was applied are as follows:

	DBSH Group						
	20	2003					
In \$ millions	NTA	Market value	NTA	Market value			
Held by subsidiary companies							
Bank of the Philippine Islands	326	692	339	544			
Hwang – DBS (Malaysia) Bhd	64	39	64	46			
Total	390	731	403	590			

30.3 The associated companies held by DBSH and its subsidiary companies at December 31 are as follows:

, ,	Country of incorporation/		Interest held by DBSH/DBSH's subsidiaries (%)		
Associated companies	business	Principal activities	2004	2003	
Quoted					
Held by DBS Bank					
Bank of the Philippine Islands	The Philippines	Commercial banking and financial services	20.4	20.4	
Vanda Systems & Communications Holding Limited (c)	Hong Kong	System integration and related services	-	25.7	
Held by other subsidiary companies					
Hwang - DBS (Malaysia) Bhd	Malaysia	Investment holding	22.9	22.8	
Thailand Carpet Manufacturing Public Company Limited (b)	Thailand	Carpet manufacturer	-	35.9	

	Country of incorporation/			st held /DBSH's iries (%)
Associated companies	business	Principal activities	2004	2003
Unquoted				
Held by DBSH				
RMCA Reinsurance Limited (a)	Singapore	Investment holding	30.0	30.0
Held by DBS Bank				
Clearing and Payment Services Pte Ltd	Singapore	Provides service infrastructure for clearing payment and settlement of financial transactions	33.3	33.3
Network for Electronic Transfers (Singapore) Pte Ltd	Singapore	Electronic funds transfer	33.3	33.3
Orix Leasing Singapore Ltd	Singapore	Lease and hire-purchase financing	30.0	30.0
Investment and Capital		of equipment		
Corporation of the Philippines	The Philippines	Financial services	20.0	20.0
Nextmall Holdings Corporation (c)	Cayman Islands	Supermarket	33.7	27.3
Merlion CDO 1 Limited ^(d)	Cayman Islands	Special purpose entity for note issuance programme	29.3	29.3
Capital OK Company Limited	Thailand	Consumer finance	40.0	40.0
Held By Other Subsidiary Compar	nies			
Asia Converge Pte Ltd	Singapore	Securities transaction processing	-	39.0
Singapore Africa Investment Management Pte Ltd	Singapore	Investment management	30.0	30.0
Southern Africa Investment Pte Ltd	Singapore	Venture capital investment	25.0	25.0
Singapore Consortium Investment Management Ltd	Singapore	Investment management services	33.3	33.3
Venture Investment Management II Ltd	Singapore	Investment manager for venture capital	30.0	30.0
Transtech Venture Management Pte Ltd	Singapore	Investment manager for venture capital	-	40.0
Hwang-DBS Unit Trust Berhad	Malaysia	Investment management services	42.1	42.0
Hwang-DBS Vickers Research (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd (e)	Malaysia	Investment advisory services	49.0	49.0

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	Country of incorporation/		Interest held by DBSH/DBSH's subsidiaries (%)		
Associated companies	business	Principal activities	2004	2003	
Hwang-DBS Asset Management (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd	Malaysia	Asset and fund management services	37.5	37.4	
Olympia Thailand (b)	Thailand	Wholesale and retail	-	26.9	
Prosperity Industrial Estate Co., Ltd (b)	Thailand	Land Bank	-	20.0	

- (a) The associated company is under a court-approved scheme of arrangement. Consequently, equity accounting was not applied.
- (b) The investment in the associated company was acquired as a result of debt restructuring, and is not intended to be a long-term investment. Consequently, equity accounting was not applied.
- (c) This is a private equity investment and is not intended to be a long-term investment. Consequently, equity accounting was not applied.
- (d) The interest held refers to DBS Bank's proportionate holding of the subordinate debts issued by the company, and is included as an investment in associated companies in accordance with INT FRS 12 although it is not legally owned by DBS Bank.
- (e) Effective shareholding is 60.7% (2003: 60.6%) due to indirect shareholding of 11.7% (2003: 11.6%) through Hwang-DBS (Malaysia) Bhd. There is no control over indirect shareholding, thus consolidation was not applied.

30.4 The joint venture companies indirectly held by DBSH at December 31 are as follows:

The John Vernale companies man	Country of incorporation/	rat becomber of are as follows:	Interest held by DBSH/DBSH's subsidiaries (%)	
Joint venture companies	business	Principal activities	2004	2003
Held by DBS Bank				
Ayala DBS Holdings Inc. Integrated Payment Venture Pte Ltd	The Philippines Singapore	Investment holding Dormant	40.0 50.0	40.0 50.0
Held by other subsidiary compar	nies			
Hutchison DBS Card Limited	British Virgin Islands	Provision of credit card services	50.0	50.0

30.5 DBSH Group's share of the income and expenses, assets employed and liabilities incurred by the joint venture companies at December 31 are as follows:

n \$ millions	DBSH Gro	υp
	2004	2003
Profit and Loss		
Share of income	30	37
Share of expenses	(21)	(40)
Balance Sheet		
Non-current assets	-	1
Current assets	260	247
Current liabilities	27	23
Non-current liabilities	181	189

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31. GOODWILL

Set out below is the carrying value after an assessment for impairment of goodwill has been performed:

	DBSH	Group
In \$ millions	2004	2003
Unamortised balance at January 1 Acquisition of subsidiary companies	7,371	7,693 108 ^(a)
Amortisation for the year (Note 10)	(440)	(430)
Unamortised balance at December 31	6,931	7,371

(a) Refers to the goodwill on acquisition of DBS Vickers Securities Holdings Pte Ltd.

The unamortised balance at December 31 is analysed below:

	Date of acquisition	Amortisation period	Unamortised balance at December 31		Charge to Profit and Loss Account	
In \$ millions	·	· 	2004	2003	2004	2003
At DBS Bank level:						
DBS Diamond Holdings	: Ltd		6,707	7,114	407	407
· ·	June 29, 2001	20 years	4,313	4,575	262	262
	January 10, 2003	19 years	2,394	2,539	145	145
DBS Vickers Securities	•	,	154	182	28	18
Holdings Pte Ltd	September 12, 2001	5/10 years	64	78	14	14
	September 11, 2003 ^(a)	8 years	90	104	14	4
DBS Group Holdings	•	,				
(Hong Kong) Ltd	May 7, 2002	17 years	70	75	5	5
			6,931	7,371	440	430
Included in DBS Vicke	rs Securities Holding Pte	Ltd:				
Lum Chang Securities P	te Ltd	5 years	3	5	2	2
DBS Securities Holding	Pte Ltd (b)	5 years	5	8	3	3
		•	8	13	5	5

⁽a) Refers to the goodwill arising from the purchase of minority shareholding in DBS Vickers Securities Holdings Pte Ltd.

⁽b) Eliminated at DBSH Group's level.

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32. FIXED ASSETS

32.1 Net book values at December 31, at cost less accumulated depreciation, and movements during the year are as follows:

In \$ millions	Leasehold Fr properties ^(a) pro		Total properties	Other assets (b)	Total	
Cost						
Balance at January 1, 2004	2,251	167	2,418	571	2,989	
Additions	10	#	10	90	100	
Disposals Disposal of a subsidiery company	(67)	(5)	(72)	(127)	(199)	
Disposal of a subsidiary company Exchange differences	(8) (42)	(121) (3)	(129) (45)	(60) (13)	(189) (58)	
Balance at December 31, 2004	2,144	38	2,182	461	2,643	
Less: Accumulated depreciation						
Balance at January 1, 2004	286	33	319	280	599	
Depreciation charge	54	2	56	91	147	
Disposals	(63)	(2)	(65)	(99)	(164)	
Disposal of a subsidiary company Exchange differences	(4) (5)	(21) (1)	(25) (6)	(52) (9)	(77) (15)	
Balance at December 31, 2004	268	11	279	211	490	
Less: Provision for diminution in value (Note 28)	353	2	355	_	355	
Net book value at December 31, 2004	1,523	25	1,548	250	1,798	
Market value at December 31, 2004	2,170	31	2,201	-	2,201	
Cost						
Balance at January 1, 2003	2,370	160	2,530	581	3,111	
Additions	20	8	28	57	85	
Disposals	(121)	(8)	(129)	(68)	(197)	
Exchange differences	(18)	7	(11)	1	(10)	
Balance at December 31, 2003	2,251	167	2,418	571	2,989	
Less: Accumulated depreciation						
Balance at January 1, 2003	294	30	324	223	547	
Depreciation charge	61	3	64	104	168	
Disposals	(69)	(1)	(70)	(48)	(118)	
Exchange differences		1	1	1	2	
Balance at December 31, 2003	286	33	319	280	599	
Less: Provision for diminution in value (Note 28)	360	14	374	#	374	
Net book value at December 31, 2003	1,605	120	1,725	291	2,016	
Market value at December 31, 2003	2,022	126	2,148	_	2,148	

[#] Amount under \$500,000

⁽a) Includes collaterals of secured borrowings. Please refer to Notes 21.2.5 and 21.2.7.

⁽b) Refers to computer hardware, software, office equipment, furniture and fittings and other fixed assets.

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32.2 The net book values of DBS Building Tower Two, PWC Building and DBS Tampines Centre, being investment properties held for the purpose of generating rental income, at December 31, 2004 are \$186 million, \$316 million and \$114 million (2003: \$197 million, \$325 million and \$132 million) respectively. Their market values are independently appraised at \$364 million, \$347 million and \$114 million (2003: \$374 million, \$325 million and \$132 million) respectively.

33. OTHER ASSETS

		DBSH Group	
	2004		2003
	976		792
10,542		8,865	
233	10,309	250	8,615
	288		355
	#		148
	503		722
	1,720		1,387
_	13,796		12,019
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Amount under \$500,000

- 33.1 Valuation adjustments includes bid-offer spread adjustments made to mark all long positions to bid prices and short positions to offer prices; liquidity reserves to reflect possible price adjustments to the market values to liquidate certain material positions held by DBSH Group; and model risk reserves for positions where the models used may be a proxy or there may be numerical uncertainty within certain ranges. (Note 2.14.2).
- 33.2 Included in "Deposits and prepayments" at December 31, 2004, was an amount of \$84 million (2003: \$78 million) relating to an advance placed in a trust. The trust is for the purchase of shares in connection with the DBSH Performance Share Plan and the DBSH Employee Share Plan (Note 14). The advance at December 31, 2004 had been written down to its recoverable amount at reporting date. The cumulative provision at December 31, 2004 amounting to \$35 million (2003: \$44 million) represents the shortfall in the value of shares held in the trust when compared against the purchase cost of the shares.

34. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

DBSH Group conducts business involving guarantees, performance bonds and indemnities. The majority of these facilities are offset by corresponding obligations of third parties.

Nature of instruments

Guarantees and performance bonds are generally written by a bank to support the performance of a customer to third parties. As DBSH Group will only be required to meet these obligations in the event of the customer's default, the cash requirements of these instruments are expected to be considerably below their nominal amount.

Endorsements are residual liabilities of DBSH Group in respect of bills of exchange, which have been paid and subsequently rediscounted.

⁽a) Accrued interest receivable is net of interest-in-suspense (Note 26).

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34.1 The amounts outstanding at December 31 comprise the following:

	DBSH	Group
In \$ millions	2004	2003
Guarantees on account of customers	4,582	3,734
Endorsements and other obligations on account of customers		
Letters of credit	3,500	2,637
Others	360	524
Other contingent items	87	89
Total	8,529	6,984
Industry Breakdown		
Manufacturing	1,842	1,297
Building and Construction	402	422
General Commerce	2,346	2,005
Transportation, Storage and Communications	703	369
Financial Institutions, Investment and Holding Companies	1,082	698
Professionals and Private Individuals (except Housing Loans)	765	800
Others	1,389	1,393
Total	8,529	6,984

- 34.2 DBS Bank, a wholly owned subsidiary company of DBSH, has an existing outsourcing agreement with IBM with respect to the provision of information technology and related support to DBSH Group's operations in Singapore and Hong Kong. As with all similar market standard arrangements, there are various termination clauses contained within the agreement that under certain circumstances could require DBSH Group to pay a penalty on early termination of the contract. The exact amount of any penalty amount cannot be reliably determined, as it is dependent upon business volumes over the period of the contract and on the timing of the termination.
- 34.3 Included in "Other contingent items" at December 31, 2004, is an amount of \$87 million (2003: \$89 million), representing the termination fee payable by DBS Bank should it terminate its Life Insurance Bancassurance Distribution Agreement with Aviva Ltd prematurely before the expiry date.
- 34.4 Included in "Guarantees on account of customers" at December 31, 2004, was a guarantee of \$507 million (2003: \$590 million) which was given by DBS Bank to holders of DBS UP Guaranteed Fund 5.0/1, DBS UP Guaranteed Fund 5.0/2, DBS UP Guaranteed Fund 5.0/3, DBS UP Guaranteed Fund 7.0/2, and DBS UP Guaranteed Fund 7.0/3". The guaranteed value is payable on December 23, 2005, April 30, 2006, June 30, 2006, April 30, 2008 and June 30, 2008 respectively.

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35. COMMITMENTS

35.1 **Undrawn Commitments**

The commitments, which are not reflected in the consolidated balance sheet at December 31, comprise the following:

	DBSI	H Group
In \$ millions	2004	2003
Loans and other facilities		
Undrawn credit facilities	66,112	56,548
Undisbursed commitments in debt securities and equities	108	124
Underwriting commitments in debt securities and equities	-	50
Spot foreign exchange contracts	4,313	3,180
Sub-total	70,533	59,902
Capital Commitments	57	48
Total	70,590	59,950
Industry Breakdown		
Manufacturing	7,676	9,755
Building and Construction	3,414	4,160
Housing Loans	1,934	1,442
General Commerce	6,695	8,415
Transportation, Storage and Communications	4,546	5,215
Financial Institutions, Investment and Holding Companies	28,048	9,829
Professionals and Private Individuals (except Housing Loans)	12,029	12,884
Others	6,248	8,250
Total	70,590	59,950

35.2 **Operating Lease Commitments**

The total future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable leases at December 31 were as follows:

	DBSF	l Group
In \$ millions	2004	2003
Not later than 1 year	70	93
Later than 1 year but not later than 5 years	102	116
Later than 5 years	12	14
Total	184	223
Total commitments (Note 35.1 and Note 35.2)	70,774	60,173

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36. FINANCIAL DERIVATIVES

36.1 Financial derivatives are financial instruments whose characteristics are derived from the underlying assets, or from interest and exchange rates or indices. These include forwards, swaps, futures and options. The following outlines the nature and terms of the most common types of derivatives used by DBSH Group:

36.1.1 Interest rate contracts

Forward rate agreements give the buyer the ability to determine the underlying rate of interest for a specified period commencing on a specified future date (the settlement date). There is no exchange of principal and settlement is effected on the settlement date. The settlement amount is calculated by reference to the difference between the contracted rate and the market rate prevailing on the settlement date.

Interest rate swaps involve the exchange of interest obligations with a counterparty for a specified period without exchanging the underlying (or notional) principal.

Interest rate futures are typically exchange-traded agreements to buy or sell a standard amount of a specified fixed income security or time deposit at an agreed interest rate on a standard future date.

Interest rate options give the buyer on payment of premium the right, but not the obligation, to fix the rate of interest on a future deposit or loan, for a specified period and commencing on a specified future date.

Interest rate caps and floors give the buyer the ability to fix the maximum or minimum rate of interest. There is no facility to deposit or draw down funds; instead the writer pays to the buyer the amount by which the market rate exceeds or is less than the cap rate or the floor rate respectively. A combination of an interest rate cap and floor is known as an interest rate collar.

36.1.2 Exchange rate contracts

Forward foreign exchange contracts are agreements to buy or sell fixed amounts of currency at agreed rates of exchange on a specified future date.

Cross currency swaps are agreements to exchange, and on termination of the swap, re-exchange principal amounts denominated in different currencies. Cross currency swaps may involve the exchange of interest payments in one specified currency for interest payments in another specified currency for a specified period.

Currency options give the buyer on payment of a premium the right, but not the obligation, to buy or sell specified amounts of currency at agreed rates of exchange on or before a specified future date.

36.1.3 Equity related contracts

Equity options provide the buyer on payment of a premium the right, but not the obligation, either to purchase or sell a specified stock or stock index at a specified price or level on or before a specified date.

36.1.4 Credit related contracts

Credit derivatives are off-balance sheet instruments that allow for the isolation and transfer of credit risk from one party (the "Protection Buyer") to another (the "Protection Seller") without necessarily effecting an upfront exchange of physical assets. The pay-off under a credit derivative contract is linked to the credit performance of an underlying reference credit.

36.2 The following tables summarise the contractual or underlying principal amounts of derivative financial instruments held or issued for trading and non-trading purposes. The notional or contractual amounts of these instruments indicate the volume of transactions outstanding at balance sheet date, they do not represent amounts at risk.

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In the financial statements, trading derivative financial instruments are revalued on a gross position basis and the unrealised gains or losses are reflected in "Other assets" or "Other liabilities" respectively. Non-trading derivative financial instruments are accounted for on an accrual basis.

			2004			
		Trading			Non-Trading	
In \$ millions	Underlying Notional	Year-end Positive Fair Value	Year-end Negative Fair Value	Underlying Notional	Year-end Positive Fair Value	Year-end Negative Fair Value
Interest Rate Derivatives						
Forward rate agreements bought	34,210	20	17	_	_	_
Forward rate agreements sold	32,857	18	19	_	_	_
Interest rate swaps	924,723	6,575	6,325	16,812	658 ^(b)	220
Financial futures bought	23,035	4	6	32	#	_
Financial futures sold	26,429	10	8	230	1	#
Interest rate options bought	9,944	136	-	224	#	-
Interest rate options sold	12,220	_	110	419	-	#
Interest rate futures options bought	17,529	7	-	-	-	-
Interest rate futures options sold	8,339	-	#	-	-	-
Interest rate caps/floors bought	21,206	112 18	6 115	_	-	_
Interest rate caps/floors sold	17,699	10	113			
Sub-total Sub-total	1,128,191	6,900	6,606	17,717	659	220
Foreign Exchange Derivatives						
FX forwards	47,628	898	787	25	1	#
FX swaps	190,295	1,282	1,086	11,788	74	277
Currency swaps	39,413	836	822	917	-	73
Currency options bought	26,066	415	#	_	-	_
Currency options sold	24,843	-	352	-	-	-
Sub-total	328,245	3,431	3,047	12,730	75	350
Equity Derivatives						
Equity options bought	2,972	124	#	_	_	_
Equity options sold	10,542	#	342	_	-	-
Sub-total	13,514	124	342	-	-	-
Credit Derivatives						
Credit default swaps	15,697	87	121	2,413	12	-
Sub-total	15,697	87	121	2,413	12	-
Total	1,485,647	10,542	10,116	32,860	746	570
Balances arising from off-balance sheet financial instruments (see Other liabilities/						

[#] Amount under \$500,000

⁽a) These gross position fair value are subject to certain valuation adjustments to reflect possible price adjustments to the market value (Note 2.14.2).

⁽b) Include fair value of interest rate swaps used to hedge the subordinated debts issued by DBS Bank and DBS Capital Funding Corporation (Note 38).

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The following table shows an analysis of DBSH Group's derivatives financial instruments at December 31, 2003:

2003

		Trading			Non-Trading	
In \$ millions	Underlying Notional	Year-end Positive Fair Value	Year-end Negative Fair Value	Underlying Notional	Year-end Positive Fair Value	Year-end Negative Fair Value
Interest Rate Derivatives						
Forward rate agreements bought	72,746	23	98	_	-	-
Forward rate agreements sold	82,827	107	32	_	_	_
Interest rate swaps	726,878	6,337	5,737	14,366	851 ^(b)	218
Financial futures bought	32,708	30	#	-	-	-
Financial futures sold	17,480	1	21	9,398	#	17
Interest rate options bought	5,048	97	_	268	1	-
Interest rate options sold	6,287	_	63	626	-	2
Interest rate futures options bought	12,227	6	_	_	-	-
Interest rate futures options sold	20,912	_	5	_	-	-
Interest rate caps/floors bought	9,633	79	11	_	_	-
Interest rate caps/floors sold	7,291	53	151	_	_	_
Sub-total	994,037	6,733	6,118	24,658	852	237
Foreign Exchange Derivatives						
FX forwards	43,913	449	465	113	_	2
FX swaps	112,901	895	681	4,599	34	86
Currency swaps	23,705	385	346	952	_	49
Currency options bought	15,777	285	-	-	_	-
Currency options sold	15,427	-	330	-	-	
Sub-total Sub-total	211,723	2,014	1,822	5,664	34	137
Equity Derivatives						
Equity options bought	1,609	36	_	_	-	-
Equity options sold	6,835	_	196	_	_	-
Sub-total	8,444	36	196	_	_	_
Credit Derivatives						
Credit default swaps	9,292	82	109	2,422	77	-
Sub-total	9,292	82	109	2,422	77	
Total	1,223,496	8,865	8,245	32,744	963	374
Balances arising from off-balance sheet financial instruments (see Other liabilities/ Other assets Notes 20/33)		8,865 ^(a)	8,245			

[#] Amount under \$500,000

The contractual or underlying principal amounts of derivative financial instruments of bank and non-bank counterparties amounted to \$1,261 billion (2003: \$1,033 billion) and \$258 billion (2003: \$223 billion) respectively.

⁽a) These gross position fair value are subject to certain valuation adjustments to reflect possible price adjustments to the market value (Note 2.14.2).

⁽b) Include fair value of interest rate swaps used to hedge the subordinated debts issued by DBS Bank and DBS Capital Funding Corporation (Note 38).

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FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS – USAGE AND RISK MANAGEMENT

37.1 **USE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

DBSH Group's activities include the use of financial instruments. The Group accepts deposits from customers at both fixed and floating rates and for varying periods and seeks to earn above average interest margins by investing these funds in high quality assets. DBSH Group seeks to increase these margins by consolidating short-term funds and lending for longer periods at higher rates while maintaining interest rate risk within targets as well as sufficient liquidity to meet all due obligations.

DBSH Group takes positions in exchange-traded and over-the-counter financial instruments including derivatives to take advantage of short-term market movements in, inter alia, equity, bond, currency, interest rate and commodity rates and prices. These positions can be for its own dealing purposes or as part of its services to meet customers' needs. Trading limits on the daily level of market risk exposure that can be taken are set by the Board of Directors and monitored by DBS Bank's Group Risk Department. With the exception of specific hedging arrangements, exposures associated with these derivatives are normally offset by entering into counter balancing positions, thereby controlling the variability in the net cash amounts required to liquidate market positions and the net amount of market risk taken. DBSH Group's investment portfolio comprises mainly highly rated government and corporate bonds, and includes other investments such as third-party managed funds. Derivatives may be used to gain or to hedge market exposure in such investments.

37.2 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

DBSH Group has set up objectives and policies to manage the risks that arise in connection with the use of financial instruments. Business units have primary responsibility for managing specific risk exposures while Group Risk exercises independent oversight on risk management for DBSH Group as a whole.

37.2.1 **Market Risk**

Market risk arises from changes in market rates such as interest rates, foreign exchange rates and equity prices, as well as in their correlation and volatility levels. DBSH Group's trading and investment market risk appetite is determined by the Board of Directors, with detailed limit frameworks governing the different activities approved by the Board Risk Management Committee of DBSH. The principal risk measures and controls on market risk are Value at Risk ("VaR") and stress loss. VaR expresses the potential loss on the current portfolio assuming a specified time horizon before positions can be adjusted (holding period), and measured to a specified level of confidence, based on historical market movements. Stress loss is assessed against a set of forward-looking scenarios using stress moves in the market variables. At the business unit operations level, trading exposures are measured and controlled by various market risk limits (such as stop loss and time bucket concentration limits). All trading activities are subject to mark-to-market valuation to reflect the current market value of the trading portfolio and their profit and loss. Investments are subject to limits by market risk type as well as concentration limits. The Group Asset and Liability Management Committee oversees structural interest rate risk arising from mismatches in DBSH Group's customer loans and deposits, and structural foreign exchange risk.

37.2.2 Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument or the interest income of a portfolio will fluctuate due to changes in market interest rates. It results primarily from the timing mismatch in re-pricing of interest-bearing assets and liabilities. DBSH Group manages its interest rate risk by changing duration of on-balance sheet items and by way of entering into off-balance sheet interest rate hedging instruments to hedge the interest rate exposure based on market and economic conditions.

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The following tables summarise DBSH Group's assets and liabilities at carrying amounts, categorised by the earlier of contractual repricing or maturity dates. Actual dates may differ from contractual dates owing to prepayments and the exercise of options. It should also be noted that any representation of interest rate risk at a specific date offers only a snapshot of the risks taken by DBSH Group, since the position is being actively managed and can vary significantly on a daily basis. As such, it may not be representative of the level of risk at other times.

In \$ millions	Less than 7 days	1 week to 1 month	1 to 3 months	3 to 12 months	1 to 3 years	Over 3 years	Non- interest bearing	Total
December 31, 2004								
Cash, and balances and placemen	ts							
with central banks and banks	3,398	9,463	12,433	<i>7,</i> 188	77	136	2,952	35,647
Securities (a)	980	2,253	6,476	5,290	10,889	19,289	1,920	47,097
Loans to, and bills receivable								
from, non-bank customers	14,972	29,171	9,821	11,637	1,880	1,746	437	69,664
Other assets (b)	_	-	-	-	-	-	23,145	23,145
Total assets	19,350	40,887	28,730	24,115	12,846	21,171	28,454	175,553
Subordinated term debts	_	_	_	-	427	5,937	-	6,364
Deposits and balances of banks	3,968	2,661	2,535	1,614	85	7	69	10,939
Deposits and other accounts of								
non-bank customers	73,786	19,161	5,936	5,505	2,498	6,320	-	113,206
Other liabilities (c)	618	1,345	1,586	1,389	1,377	1,721	19,378	27,414
Total liabilities	78,372	23,167	10,057	8,508	4,387	13,985	19,447	157,923
Minority interests	_	_	_	_	_	_	1,128	1,128
Equity	-	-	-	-	_	_	16,502	16,502
Total liabilities and equity	78,372	23,167	10,057	8,508	4,387	13,985	37,077	175,553
On-balance sheet interest rate gap	(59,022)	17,720	18,673	15,607	8,459	7,186	(8,623)	-
Off-balance sheet interest rate gap – Financial derivatives	5,771	6,763	11,633	(10,622)	(13,136)	(409)	-	-

⁽a) Securities include Singapore Government securities and treasury bills, trading securities and investment securities.

⁽b) Other assets include associated and joint venture companies, goodwill, fixed assets and other assets.

⁽c) Other liabilities include debt securities issued, other borrowings, bills payable, current and deferred taxation and other liabilities.

In \$ millions	Less than 7 days	1 week to 1 month	1 to 3 months	3 to 12 months	1 to 3 years	Over 3 years	Non- interest bearing	Total
December 31, 2003								
Cash, and balances and placemer	nts							
with central banks and banks	5,763	10,768	8,026	6,209	-	-	1,713	32,479
Securities (a)	943	1,726	3,989	4,842	8,669	19,019	1,511	40,699
Loans to, and bills receivable								
from, non-bank customers	15,198	27,871	8,069	9,677	1,676	1,006	838	64,335
Other assets (b)	-	-	-	-	-	-	22,082	22,082
Total assets	21,904	40,365	20,084	20,728	10,345	20,025	26,144	159,595
Subordinated term debts	_	-	6	19	49	5,404	215	5,693
Deposits and balances of banks	1,834	2,179	1,467	1,167	850	-	-	7,497
Deposits and other accounts								
of non-bank customers	68,215	17,559	8,068	5,489	2,707	6,003	-	108,041
Other liabilities (c)	78	918	1,368	1,104	1,212	918	16,745	22,343
Total liabilities	70,127	20,656	10,909	7,779	4,818	12,325	16,960	143,574
Minority interests	_	_	_	_	_	_	1,125	1,125
Equity	-	-	-	-	-	-	14,896	14,896
Total liabilities and equity	70,127	20,656	10,909	7,779	4,818	12,325	32,981	159,595
On-balance sheet interest rate gap	(48,223)	19,709	9,175	12,949	5,527	7,700	(6,837)	_
Off-balance sheet interest rate gap – Financial derivatives	8,272	588	(5,656)	(1,263)	635	(2,576)	-	-

⁽a) Securities include Singapore Government securities and treasury bills, trading securities and investment securities.

⁽b) Other assets include associated and joint venture companies, goodwill, fixed assets and other assets.

⁽c) Other liabilities include debt securities issued, other borrowings, bills payable, current and deferred taxation and other liabilities.

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The table below summarises the effective average interest rate at December 31 by major currencies for monetary financial instruments:

instruments:	Singapore Dollar %	US Dollar %	Hong Kong Dollar %
December 31, 2004			
Assets			
Cash, and balances and placements with central banks Securities (a)	0 1.24 - 3.94	0 2.62 - 4.04	0 1.23 - 5.14
Balances, placements with, and loans to banks	1.24 - 3.94 1.26 - 1.34	2.02 - 4.04 2.06 - 2.31	1.23 - 3.14 0.46
Loans to, and bills receivable from, non-bank customers	2.77 - 4.07	2.70 - 5.11	2.87 - 11.84
Liabilities			
Subordinated term debts	5.35	5.00 - 7.88	Not applicable
Deposits and balances of banks	1.02 - 1.06	2.15 - 2.18	0.43
Deposits and other accounts of non-bank customers	0 - 0.33	0.58 - 1.60	0.09 - 0.73
December 31, 2003			
Assets			
Cash, and balances and placements with central banks	0	0	0
Securities (a)	0.56 – 3.72	2.65 – 3.52	1.15 – 5.57
Balances, placements with, and loans to banks	0.59 – 0.76	1.00 – 1.20	0.35
Loans to, and bills receivable from, non-bank customers	2.98 – 3.34	2.67 – 3.92	3.34 – 11.85
Liabilities			
Subordinated term debts	5.35	7.13 – 7.88	Not applicable
Deposits and balances of banks	0.21 – 0.53	1.08 – 1.21	0.14
Deposits and other accounts of non-bank customers	0 – 0.49	0.01 – 0.79	0.01 – 0.78

⁽a) Securities include Singapore Government securities and treasury bills, trading debt securities and investment securities. Excludes trading and investment equities.

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37.2.3 Currency Risk

Currency risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in foreign exchange rates. The table below summarises DBSH Group's assets and liabilities at carrying amounts, categorised by currency.

In \$ millions	Singapore Dollar	US Dollar	Hong Kong Dollar	Thai Baht	Others	Total
December 31, 2004						
Cash, and balances and placement						
with central banks and banks	13,582	15,087	2,125	40	4,813	35,647
Securities (a)	13,285	19,069	3,751	18	10,974	47,097
Loans to, and bills receivable						
from, non-bank customers	31,829	11,809	21,438	29	4,559	69,664
Other assets (b)	12,560	6,280	3,232	59	1,014	23,145
Total assets	71,256	52,245	30,546	146	21,360	175,553
Subordinated term debts	100	6,264	_	_	_	6,364
Deposits and balances of banks	727	<i>7,</i> 781	821	1	1,609	10,939
Deposits and other accounts of						
non-bank customers	62,052	23,709	17,900	29	9,516	113,206
Other liabilities (c)	5,740	7,225	9,030	73	5,346	27,414
Total liabilities	68,619	44,979	27,751	103	16,471	157,923
Minority interests	1,128	_	_	_	-	1,128
Equity	16,502	-	_	-	-	16,502
Total liabilities and equity	86,249	44,979	27,751	103	16,471	175,553
Net on-balance sheet position	(14,993)	7,266	2,795	43	4,889	-
Net off-balance sheet position	15,203	(9,272)	(1,958)	(487)	(3,486)	-

⁽a) Securities include Singapore Government securities and treasury bills, trading securities and investment securities.

⁽b) Other assets include associated and joint venture companies, goodwill, fixed assets and other assets.

⁽c) Other liabilities include debt securities issued, other borrowings, bills payable, current and deferred taxation and other liabilities.

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In \$ millions	Singapore Dollar	US Dollar	Hong Kong Dollar	Thai Baht	Others	Total
December 31, 2003						
Cash, and balances and placemen	ts					
with central banks and banks	7,427	18,641	1,263	184	4,964	32,479
Securities (a)	14,031	15,467	3,383	436	7,382	40,699
Loans to, and bills receivable						
from, non-bank customers	28,232	8,660	19,941	2,958	4,544	64,335
Other assets (b)	11,589	4,992	4,060	602	839	22,082
Total assets	61,279	47,760	28,647	4,180	17,729	159,595
Subordinated term debts	100	5,247	_	346	-	5,693
Deposits and balances of banks	334	4,854	210	13	2,086	7,497
Deposits and other accounts of						
non-bank customers	56,641	23,309	17,241	3,539	7,311	108,041
Other liabilities (c)	5,784	7,531	6,058	95	2,875	22,343
Total liabilities	62,859	40,941	23,509	3,993	12,272	143,574
Minority interests	1,125	_	_	_	_	1,125
Equity	14,896	_	_	-	-	14,896
Total liabilities and equity	78,880	40,941	23,509	3,993	12,272	159,595
Net on-balance sheet position	(17,601)	6,819	5,138	187	5,457	_
Net off-balance sheet position	15,556	(6,126)	(5,320)	29	(4,139)	_

⁽a) Securities include Singapore Government securities and treasury bills, trading securities and investment securities.

The table below analyses DBSH Group's net structural currency exposure at December 31:

In \$ millions	Net investments in overseas operations ^(a)	Borrowings which hedge the net investments (b)	Remaining structural currency exposures
Functional currency of the operation	on involved		
December 31, 2004			
US dollar	295	285	10
Hong Kong dollar	4,104	4,017	87
Thai baht	65	1 <i>7</i>	48
Others	1,027	508	519
Total	5,491	4,827	664
Functional currency of the operati	on involved		
December 31, 2003			
US dollar	203	195	8
Hong Kong dollar	3,621	3,531	90
Thai baht	(4)	(48)	44
Others	782	313	469
Total	4,602	3,991	611

⁽a) Refer to net tangible assets of subsidiary/associated companies and capital funds/retained earnings of overseas branches operations.

⁽b) Other assets include associated and joint venture companies, goodwill, fixed assets and other assets.

⁽c) Other liabilities include debt securities issued, other borrowings, bills payable, current and deferred taxation and other liabilities.

⁽b) Include forwards and non-deliverable forwards used to hedge the investments.

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37.2.4 Credit Risk

Credit risk represents the loss which DBSH Group would suffer if a client or counterparty failed to meet its contractual obligations. Senior management sets the overall direction and policy for managing credit risk at the enterprise level. In so doing, it directs the risk appetite and underwriting activities for various countries, industries and counterparties taking into account factors such as prevailing business and economic conditions. DBSH Group is quided by a set of credit principles and policies embodied in its Core Credit Risk Policy, to which all extensions of credit must adhere. These principles and policies have been developed with the objective of promoting best practices and consistent credit risk management standards throughout the organisation.

Exposure to credit risk is managed through a sound, well-defined credit granting process which includes the assessment of repayment likelihood, the establishment of appropriate credit limits, and the employment of various credit risk mitigation techniques such as appropriate credit structuring, and posting of collateral and / or third party support. DBSH Group also uses credit derivative instruments to manage its credit risk exposures through risk transfer to third parties.

37.2.4.1 **Derivatives**

At any one time, the credit exposure of derivatives transactions is limited to the positive mark-to-market value to DBSH Group, which in general is only a fraction of the derivative contract or notional amount used to express the volume of instruments. This credit exposure, together with potential exposures from market movements, is managed as part of the overall lending limits to the counterparties. Credit exposures on these instruments are usually unsecured, except where DBSH Group enters into collateralised margin transactions with counterparties.

37.2.4.2 **Master Netting Arrangements**

DBSH Group further manages its credit exposure by entering into master netting arrangements with counterparties where appropriate and feasible to do so. Master netting arrangements do not generally result in an offset of balance sheet assets and liabilities as transactions are usually accounted for individually on a gross basis. However, the credit risk associated with favourable contracts is reduced by a master netting arrangement to the extent that if an event of default occurs, all amounts with the counterparty are settled on a net basis.

37.2.4.3 **Credit Related Commitments**

Guarantees and standby letters of credit, which represent undertakings that DBSH Group will make payments in the event that a customer cannot meet its obligations to third parties, carry the same credit risk as loans even though they are of contingent nature. Documentary and commercial letters of credit, which are undertakings by DBSH Group on behalf of a customer, are usually collateralised by the underlying shipments of goods to which they relate and therefore exhibit different risk characteristics from direct borrowing.

Commitments to extend credit include unused portions of loan commitments, guarantees or letters of credit. With respect to credit risk on commitments to extend credit, DBSH Group is potentially exposed to loss in an amount equal to the total unused commitments. However, the likely amount of loss is usually less than the total unused commitments since most commitments to extend credit are contingent upon customers observing or meeting certain credit terms and conditions.

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37.2.4.4 Non-performing Loans and Provisions

DBSH Group's policy is to establish, through charges against profit, a provision in respect of the estimated loss inherent in the lending book. The overall provision represent the aggregate amount by which management considers it necessary to write down its loan portfolio in order to state it in the balance sheet at its estimated ultimate net realisable value. Non-performing loans ("NPLs") are loans, contingent facilities and debt instruments classified as Substandard, Doubtful or Loss in accordance with MAS Notice 612, which determines the level of provisioning.

At December 31, 2004, DBSH Group's total non-performing loans amounted to \$1,919 million (2003: \$3,780 million). Out of the total NPLs, \$1,007 million (52%) [2003: \$1,854 million (49%)] were secured by collateral.

Details of DBSH Group's NPLs and provisions at December 31, 2004 are as follows:

In \$ millions	Singapore	Hong Kong	Regional Countries ^(b)	Other Countries	Total
December 31, 2004					
Non-Performing Loans (NPLs)	958	471	195	295	1,919
Substandard	674	341	107	238	1,360
– Doubtful	80	51	-	38	169
– Loss	204	79	88	19	390
NPLs as a % of Group total assets	0.5%	0.3%	0.1%	0.2%	1.1%
Non-bank NPLs as a % of non-bank loans in the respective countries (a)	2.2%	2.0%	5.6%	5.0%	2.5%
Total Cumulative Provisions	905	443	155	198	1,701
 Specific provisions 	359	159	92	76	686
 General provisions 	546	284	63	122	1,015
Total Cumulative Provisions as a % of:					
 Group total assets 	0.5%	0.3%	0.1%	0.1%	1.0%
 NPLs in the respective countries 	94%	94%	80%	67 %	89 %
- Unsecured NPLs in the respective countries	221%	257%	149%	87 %	186%

⁽a) Computed based on total non-bank customer NPLs (excluding non-performing debt securities and contingent items) divided by total gross non-bank customer loans.

⁽b) Regional countries include Malaysia, Indonesia, Thailand, Korea and the Philippines.

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Details of DBSH Group's NPLs and provisions at December 31, 2003 are as follows:

			Regional C	ountries (b)		
In \$ millions	Singapore	Hong Kong	DTDB (c)	Others	Other Countries	Total
December 31, 2003						
Non-Performing Loans (NPLs)	1,255	643_	1,044	501	337	3,780
 Substandard 	842	475	839	352	269	2,777
– Doubtful	42	66	20	49	27	204
– Loss	371	102	185	100	41	799
NPLs as a % of Group total assets	0.8%	0.4%	0.7%	0.3%	0.2%	2.4%
Non-bank NPLs as a % of non-bank loans in the respective countries (a)	3.3%	2.9%	28.8%	19.0%	8.5%	5.2%
Total Cumulative Provisions	851	418	561	389	168	2,387
 Specific provisions 	475	190	378	193	87	1,323
 General provisions 	376	228	183	196	81	1,064
Total Cumulative Provisions as a % of:						
 Group total assets 	0.5%	0.3%	0.4%	0.2%	0.1%	1.5%
 NPLs in the respective countries 	68%	65%	54%	78%	50%	63%
- Unsecured NPLs in the respective countries	173%	180%	105%	111%	53%	124%

⁽a) Computed based on total non-bank customer NPLs (excluding non-performing debt securities and contingent items) divided by total gross non-bank customer loans.

37.2.4.5 Ageing of Non-performing Loans

The following table shows the ageing of the non-performing loans of DBSH Group at December 31:

	DBSH	Group
In \$ millions	2004	2003
Non-default	744	1,695
Default loans	1,175	2,085
Less than 3 months	339	448
Over 3 months and less than 6 months	157	255
Over 6 months	679	1,382
Total	1,919	3,780

37.2.5 Concentration Risk

DBSH Group's risk management processes also ensure that an acceptable level of risk diversification is maintained across DBSH Group on an ongoing basis. Limits are established and regularly monitored in respect of country exposures and major industry groups, as well as for single counterparty exposures. Control structures are in place to ensure that appropriate limits are in place, exposures are monitored against these limits, and action is taken if limits are breached.

37.2.5.1 Exposures to Malaysia, Indonesia, Thailand, Korea and the Philippines (Regional Countries), Hong Kong

At December 31, 2004, DBSH Group has exposures to certain countries in the Asia Pacific region. The exposures are determined based on the location of the credit risk of the customers and counterparties regardless of where the transactions are booked.

⁽b) Regional countries include Malaysia, Indonesia, Thailand, Korea and the Philippines.

⁽c) Includes special general provisions for regional exposures and additional specific provisions for DTDB's loans, which are booked in Singapore. DTDB was de-consolidated on June 25, 2004.

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The DBSH Group's exposures (assets and non-performing loans) to the Regional Countries, Hong Kong and China at December 31, 2004 are as follows:

					Less:			
In \$ millions	Loans and debt securities				Intercompany	Net exposure		
Assets in	Bank	Central Banks & Govt. Securities	Non- Bank ^(a) I	nvestments	Loans/ Investments in Financial Subsidiaries/ Overseas Branches	Amount	As a % of Total Assets	NPLs (b)
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)=(1+2 +3+4-5)	(7)	
Total Regional Countries	6,092	1,999	3,808	1,307	2,137	11,069	6.3%	195
Malaysia	2,064	255	1,794	81	1,357	2,837	1.6%	136
Indonesia	464	285	673	68	165	1,325	0.7%	25
Thailand (excluding DTDB)	184	49	81	406	39	681	0.4%	34
Korea	3,194	1,230	1,144	18	575	5,011	2.9%	-
The Philippines	186	180	116	734	1	1,215	0.7%	#
Hong Kong	3,628	2,500	24,842	11,323	13,431	28,862	16.5%	471
China	2,114	73	1,137	66	821	2,569	1.5%	71
Total	11,834	4,572	29,787	12,696	16,389	42,500	24.3%	737

[#] Amount under \$500,000.

The DBSH Group's exposures (assets and non-performing loans) to the Regional Countries, Hong Kong and China at December 31, 2003 are as follows:

					Less:			
In \$ millions	Loan	s and debt s	securities		Intercompany	Net ex	posure	
Assets in	Bank	Central Banks & Govt. Securities	Non- Bank ^(a) I	nvestments	Loans/ Investments in Financial Subsidiaries/ Overseas Branches	Amount	As a % of Total Assets	NPLs (b)
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)=(1+2 +3+4-5)	(7)	
Total Regional Countries	5,016	1,104	6,395	955	1,954	11,516	7.3%	1,545
Malaysia	1,280	13	1,356	90	1,034	1,705	1.1%	233
Indonesia	126	56	365	73	128	492	0.3%	55
Thailand (excluding DTDB)	231	9	221	63	214	310	0.2%	188
Korea	3,326	531	885	1	577	4,166	2.6%	17
The Philippines	46	149	103	604	1	901	0.6%	8
DTDB (c)	7	346	3,465	124	_	3,942	2.5%	1,044
Hong Kong	2,457	2,013	23,235	11,935	13,238	26,402	16.5%	643
China	965	24	692	21	393	1,309	0.8%	130
Total	8,438	3,141	30,322	12,911	15,585	39,227	24.6%	2,318

⁽a) Non-bank loans include loans to government and quasi-government entities.

⁽a) Non-bank loans include loans to government and quasi-government entities.

⁽b) NPLs include classified bank loans, debt securities and contingent items.

⁽b) NPLs include classified bank loans, contingent facilities and debt instruments.

⁽c) DTDB was de-consolidated on June 25, 2004

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37.2.5.2 Industry Analysis of Non-performing Loans

The following table shows the industry breakdown of the non-performing loans of DBSH Group at December 31:

	2	004	20	003
		Specific		Specific
In \$ millions	Outstanding	Provisions	Outstanding	Provisions
Non-performing customer loans				
Manufacturing	365	175	894	360
Building and Construction	237	58	414	98
Housing Loans	253	67	333	90
General Commerce	186	75	573	287
Transportation, Storage and Communications	27	10	98	25
Financial Institutions, Investment and Holding				
Companies	201	58	199	65
Professionals and Private Individuals				
(except Housing Loans)	239	105	276	133
Others	255	78	695	165
Sub-total	1,763	626	3,482	1,223
Non-performing debt securities	138	52	184	73
Non-performing contingent items	18	8	114	27
Total	1,919	686	3,780	1,323

37.2.6 Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that an enterprise will encounter difficulty in meeting its financial obligations. DBSH Group's objective in liquidity management is to ensure that there is sufficient liquidity to meet obligations under normal as well as adverse circumstances and take advantage of lending and investment opportunities as they arise. As part of its liquidity risk management, DBSH Group focuses on a number of components, including limits on behavioural maturity mismatches, key ratios, diversification of funding sources, liquid assets, funding capacity and contingency planning.

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The table below analyses assets and liabilities of DBSH Group based on the remaining period at balance sheet date to the contractual maturity date. However, contractual terms are not representative of the behaviour of assets and liabilities.

In \$ millions	Less than 7 days	1 week to 1 month	1 to 3 months	3 to 12 months	1 to 3 years	Over 3 years	No specific maturity	Total
December 31, 2004 Cash, and balances and								
placements with cent		0.455	10 111	7.000	500	000	770	05 / 47
banks and banks	5,452	9,455	12,111	7,003	523	333	770	35,647
Securities (a) Loans to, and bills receivable from,	14,040	766	1,893	4,735	12,270	11,474	1,919	47,097
non-bank customers	<i>7,</i> 881	6,288	7,764	7,672	10,712	29,326	21	69,664
Other assets (b)	486	26	6	21	31	34	22,541	23,145
Total assets	27,859	16,535	21,774	19,431	23,536	41,167	25,251	175,553
Subordinated term debts Deposits and balances	-	-	-	-	427	5,937	-	6,364
of banks Deposits and other accounts of non-bank	4,063	2,246	2,272	1,563	486	309	-	10,939
customers	73,786	19,161	5,936	5,505	2,498	6,320	_	113,206
Other liabilities (c)	1,441	1,906	1,364	1,889	2,926	6,026	11,862	27,414
Total liabilities	79,290	23,313	9,572	8,957	6,337	18,592	11,862	157,923
Minority interests	_	_	_	_	_	_	1,128	1,128
Equity	-	-	-	-	-	-	16,502	16,502
Total liabilities and equity	79,290	23,313	9,572	8,957	6,337	18,592	29,492	175,553
Net liquidity gap	(51,431)	(6,778)	12,202	10,474	17,199	22,575	(4,241)	-

⁽a) Securities include Singapore Government securities and treasury bills, trading securities and investment securities.

⁽b) Other assets include associated and joint venture companies, goodwill, fixed assets and other assets.

⁽c) Other liabilities include debt securities issued, other borrowings, bills payable, current and deferred taxation and other liabilities.

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In \$ millions	Less than 7 days	1 week to 1 month	1 to 3 months	3 to 12 months	1 to 3 years	Over 3 years	No specific maturity	Total
December 31, 2003								
Cash, and balances and placements with centr								
banks and banks	7,338	10,737	7,068	6,828	394	19	95	32,479
Securities (a)	6,589	664	1,142	4,242	9,181	17,780	1,101	40,699
Loans to, and bills receivable from,								
non-bank customers	7,005	5,151	5,223	7,384	10,657	28,915	_	64,335
Other assets (b)	251	-	-	-	-	-	21,831	22,082
Total assets	21,183	16,552	13,433	18,454	20,232	46,714	23,027	159,595
Subordinated term debts	-	-	6	19	49	5,404	215	5,693
Deposits and balances								
of banks	1,894	2,125	1,464	1,158	850	6	_	7,497
Deposits and other accounts of non-bank								
customers	68,215	17,559	8,068	5,489	2,707	6,003	-	108,041
Other liabilities (c)	293	472	376	1,492	1,940	1,775	15,995	22,343
Total liabilities	70,402	20,156	9,914	8,158	5,546	13,188	16,210	143,574
Minority interests	_	_	_	_	_	_	1,125	1,125
Equity	_	_	_	_	_	_	14,896	14,896
Total liabilities								
and equity	70,402	20,156	9,914	8,158	5,546	13,188	32,231	159,595
Net liquidity gap	(49,219)	(3,604)	3,519	10,296	14,686	33,526	(9,204)	

⁽a) Securities include Singapore Government securities and treasury bills, trading securities and investment securities.

38. FAIR VALUES OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Financial instruments comprise financial assets, financial liabilities and also off-balance sheet financial instruments. The fair value of a financial instrument is the amount at which the instrument could be exchanged or settled between knowledgeable and willing parties in an arm's length transaction. The information presented herein represents estimates of fair values as at the balance sheet date.

Where available, quoted and observable market prices are used as the measure of fair values. Where such quoted and observable market prices are not available, fair values are estimated based on a range of methodologies and assumptions regarding risk characteristics of various financial instruments, discount rates, estimates of future cash flows, future expected loss experience and other factors. Changes in the uncertainties and assumptions could materially affect these estimates and the resulting fair value estimates.

In addition, fair value information for non-financial assets and liabilities is excluded as they do not fall within the scope of FRS 32, which requires the fair value information to be disclosed. These include fixed assets and intangibles.

⁽b) Other assets include associated and joint venture companies, goodwill, fixed assets and other assets.

⁽c) Other liabilities include debt securities issued, other borrowings, bills payable, current and deferred taxation and other liabilities.

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Except for loans to and bills receivable from customers, the following table summarises the carrying amounts and fair values of DBSH Group's financial assets and liabilities. DBSH Group has computed the fair values of loans to and bills receivable from customers, taking into account the relevant market interest rates and credit spread by product types and noted that the total fair value is not materially different from the total carrying amount at year-end.

	DBSH Group						
	20	2003					
In \$ millions	Carrying value	Fair value	Carrying value	Fair value			
Financial assets							
Cash, and balances and placements							
with central banks and banks	35,647	35,639	32,479	32,500			
Securities	47,097	47,676	40,699	41,167			
Financial liabilities							
Deposits and balances of banks	10,939	10,946	7,497	7,499			
Deposits and other accounts of non-bank customers	113,206	113,172	108,041	108,045			
Other borrowings, debt securities issued and bills payable	7,883	7,883	5,967	5,967			
Subordinated term debts	6,364	6,902	5,693	6,384			

Cash, and balances and placements with central banks and banks

The estimated fair value of placements is based on the discounted cash flows using the prevailing money market interest rates for placements with similar credit risk and remaining maturity.

Securities

Securities include Singapore Government securities and treasury bills, trading securities and investment securities. Fair value is based on the market prices or broker/dealer price quotations. Where market prices are not available, fair values are estimated based on validated internal valuation models. For equities, where market price information is not available, fair value has been estimated by reference to the net tangible asset backing of the investee.

Deposits, and balances of banks and non-bank customers

The estimated fair value of deposits with no stated maturity, which includes non-interest-bearing deposits, is the amount repayable on demand.

The estimated fair value of fixed interest-bearing deposits and other borrowings is based on discounted cash flows using prevailing interest rates with similar remaining maturity.

Other borrowings, debt securities and bills payable

The fair value approximates their carrying amounts.

Subordinated term debts

The estimated fair value of subordinated term debts is based on a discounted cash flow model using a current yield curve appropriate for the remaining term to maturity. A substantial portion of the fixed rate USD subordinated term debts issued by DBS Bank and DBS Capital Funding Corporation have been converted to floating rate via interest rate swaps. The difference between fair value and carrying amount will be largely offset by the corresponding fair value of hedging interest rate swaps (Note 36.2).

39. ASSETS PLEDGED

The aggregate carrying amounts of assets that have been mortgaged or pledged in the normal course of business to secure the liabilities of DBSH Group have been disclosed under Notes 21.2.5 to 21.2.10. In addition, securities sold under repurchase agreements at December 31, 2004 was \$4,639 million (2003: \$3,329 million).

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40. SEGMENTAL ANALYSIS

40.1 **BUSINESS SEGMENT ANALYSIS**

The business segment results represent the customer segments of the respective businesses and are determined by:

- Income and direct expenses attributable to each customer and other segment; and
- Management accounting policies relating to the allocation of indirect expenses and funds transfer pricing between the central treasury unit and the customer/other segments.

The various customer segments are described below:

- Consumer Banking

Consumer Banking focuses on providing products and services to individual customers. The products and services offered to customers include credit facilities (mortgage, personal loans, etc.), credit cards, deposit collection, remittance services, and asset management products.

- Enterprise Banking

Enterprise Banking focuses on providing products and services to small and medium enterprises. The products and services offered to customers include credit facilities (overdraft, factoring/accounts receivable purchase, trade financing, commercial/industrial property financing, hire purchase and government financing and assistance schemes), deposit, payment and collection services and treasury products.

- Investment Banking

Investment Banking caters to the business needs of large corporate customers and financial institutions. The products and services offered to customers include direct lending, advisory banking services, bond issuance, equity financing, syndicated financing, mergers and acquisitions advisory services, debt restructuring advisory services, private equity, nominee and trustee services and cash management services.

- Treasury and Markets

Treasury and Markets is primarily involved in market making, structuring and trading of financial products including foreign exchange, securities and interest rate/credit/equity/foreign exchange derivatives. Income from treasury products and services relating to customers of other segments is reflected in the respective customer segments.

The other segments of the analysis are:

- Funding Portfolio

The Funding Portfolio managed by Treasury and Markets is the net aggregate of the Group's interest earning assets and interest bearing liabilities. The income generated from this portfolio is predominantly interest in nature.

- Central Operations

Central Operations encompasses a range of activities resulting from central corporate decisions and the related income and expenses not attributed to business segments. These include the central treasury unit, funding costs of DBSH Group's associated and subsidiary companies and gains/losses on properties as well as certain subsidiaries including stock brokerage and asset management.

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The following tables analyse the results, total assets and total liabilities by business segments:

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In \$ millions	Consumer Banking	Enterprise Banking	Investment Banking	Treasury and Markets (a)	Funding Portfolio (a)	Central Operations	Total
2004							
Income before operating expenses	1,566	735	703	394	346	1,184	4,928
Operating profit before provisions, taxation and goodwill amortisation		484	450	288	212	835	2,922
Net profit before taxation and goodw amortisation	ill 571	366	500	288	232	995	2.952
Taxation	(105)	(67)	(86)	(47)	(37)	(100)	(442)
Net profit after taxation and before goodwill amortisation Goodwill amortisation	462	304	415	241	194	842	2,458 (440)
Net profit attributable to members							2,018
Other Information Total assets before goodwill Goodwill	28,156	15,957	30,698	29,506	37,001	27,304	168,622 6,931
Total assets							175,553
Total liabilities	65,156	15,164	14,453	19,094	19,411	24,645	157,923
Capital expenditure Depreciation	13 30	7 14	4 4	5 7	4 7	67 85	100 147
2003 Income before operating expenses Operating profit before provisions, taxation and goodwill amortisation Net profit before taxation and goodwill amortisation	1,441 n 601 422	631 397 286	668 452 364	496 367 367	332 233 248	630 307 180	4,198 2,357 1,867
Taxation	(87)	(56)	(48)	(63)	(41)	(54)	(349)
Net profit after taxation and before goodwill amortisation Goodwill amortisation	336	231	317	302	203	66	1,455 (430)
Net profit attributable to members							1,025
Other Information Total assets before goodwill Goodwill	27,569	13,871	27,790	19,738	35,088	28,168	152,224 7,371
Total assets							159,595
Total liabilities	65,853	13,987	13,164	13,561	13,228	23,781	143,574
Capital expenditure Depreciation	13 37	7 13	9 6	4 8	3 6	49 98	85 168

⁽a) Operating expenses and provisions have been determined by pro-rating between Treasury and Markets and the Funding Portfolio based on the share of income before operating expenses.

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40.2 **GEOGRAPHICAL SEGMENT ANALYSIS**

DBSH Group operates in four main geographical areas:

- "Singapore", which includes the operations of the Asian Currency Unit.
- "Hong Kong", which includes branch and subsidiary operations in Hong Kong.
- "Regional countries", which includes branch and subsidiary operations in Malaysia, Indonesia, Thailand, Korea and the
- "Rest of the world", which are mainly branch operations in China, India, Taiwan, United States and United Kingdom.

Singapore and Hong Kong contributed 66% and 28% (2003: 60% and 32%) of the consolidated income before operating expenses, and 68% and 24% (2003: 64% and 24%) of total assets (excluding goodwill), respectively.

Income before operating expenses and net profit attributable to members are based on the country in which the transactions are booked. Total assets are shown by geographical area in which the assets are booked. It would not be materially different if total assets shown are based on the country in which the counterparty or assets are located. The total assets, income before operating expenses and net profit attributable to members are stated after elimination of inter-group assets and revenues.

The following tables analyse total assets, income before operating expenses and net profit attributable to members by geographical segments:

	Income before operating expenses	Net profit attributable to members
115,516	3,270	1,728
40,046	1,361	625
4,362	178	77
8,698	119	28
168,622	4,928	2,458
6,931	-	(440)
175,553	4,928	2,018
97,655	2,520	863
39,101	1,337	486
6,813	249	68
8,655	92	38
152,224	4,198	1,455
7,371	_	(430)
159,595	4,198	1,025
	115,516 40,046 4,362 8,698 168,622 6,931 175,553 97,655 39,101 6,813 8,655 152,224 7,371	Total assets operating expenses 115,516 3,270 40,046 1,361 4,362 178 8,698 119 168,622 4,928 6,931 - 175,553 4,928 97,655 2,520 39,101 1,337 6,813 249 8,655 92 152,224 4,198 7,371 -

⁽a) Special general provisions for regional exposures and additional provisions for DTDB's loans are booked in Singapore.

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RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

41.1 During the financial year, DBSH Group has banking transactions with related parties, consisting of associated companies, joint ventures, directors and key management personnel of the DBSH Group. These include deposit taking, loans and credit card facilities. These transactions are made in the ordinary course of business and carried out at arms length commercial terms, and are not material.

In addition, directors and key management personnel received remuneration in respect of their services rendered during the financial year. Non-cash benefits which include share options and performance shares were also granted.

41.2 DIRECTORS AND KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL REMUNERATION AND FEES

Total remuneration and fees paid to DBSH Directors and directors of subsidiary companies, as well as key management personnel were as follows:

	DBSH Group		
In \$ millions	2004	2003	
Remuneration of DBSH directors	11	8	
Remuneration of directors of subsidiary companies	13	19	
Fees of DBSH directors	1	1	
Fees of directors of subsidiary companies	#	#	
Total directors' remuneration and fees	25	28	
Remuneration of key management personnel (a)	11	8	
Total remuneration and fees	36	36	

Amount under \$500,000

41.3 SHARE OPTIONS GRANTED TO DBSH DIRECTORS AND KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL

The aggregate number of share options granted to DBSH Directors and key management personnel during the financial year were 76,000 and 190,000 (2003: 143,100 and 340,500) respectively. The share options were granted on the same terms and conditions as those offered to other employees of DBSH Group. The outstanding number of share options granted to DBSH Directors and key management personnel at the end of the financial year were 781,225 and 1,454,150 (2003: 705,225 and 1,269,150) respectively.

PERFORMANCE SHARES GRANTED TO DBSH DIRECTORS AND KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL 41.4

During the financial year, 33,940 and 66,190 (2003: 76,930 and 35,250) awards in respect of DBSH ordinary shares were granted to DBSH Directors and key management personnel respectively. The award numbers represent a 100% payout. The payout at the end of the performance period could range from a minimum of 50% of the shares awarded to 200%, dependent on the DBSH Group's performance vis-a-vis target performance levels measured by return on equity.

⁽a) Refers to members of the Management Committee, excluding members who are also DBSH/DBS Bank Directors.

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Profit and Loss Account

Year ended December 31	Year	ended	December	31
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In \$ millions	Note	2004	2003
Interest income		2,712	2,228
Less: Interest expense		1,051	775
Net interest income	_	1,661	1,453
Fee and commission income		523	457
Dividend income	2	121	109
Rental income		21	20
Other income		1,179	651
Income before operating expenses		3,505	2,690
Less: Staff costs		606	500
Other operating expenses		629	550
Operating expenses	_	1,235	1,050
Operating profit before provisions		2,270	1,640
Less: Provision for possible loan losses and diminution in value of other assets		1	643
Net profit before taxation		2,269	997
Less: Taxation		332	255
Net profit after taxation		1,937	742

(see notes on pages 145 to 147, which form part of these financial statements)

As	at	Deceml	oer	31	l
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In \$ millions	Note	2004	2003
Share capital and reserves			
Share capital	3	1,962	1,962
Reserves			
Share premium account	4.1	10,134	10,134
Non-distributable reserves	4.2	2,454	2,313
Revenue reserve	5	3,205	1,841
		15,793	14,288
Shareholders' funds		17,755	16,250
Liabilities			
Deposits and balances of banks		10,120	7,199
Deposits and other accounts of non-bank customers		84,891	77,293
Bills payable		265	275
Current taxation		552	433
Other liabilities		15,439	12,015
Other borrowings		362	376
Other debt securities in issue		3,295	2,382
Due to holding company		65	30
Due to subsidiary companies	6	2,420	2,227
Due to related companies		5	5
Subordinated term debts		4,654	3,571
Total liabilities and shareholders' funds		139,823	122,056
Assets			
Cash, and balances and placements with central banks		10,218	4,861
Singapore Government securities and treasury bills		11,194	11,438
Trading securities		10,533	5,548
Balances, placements with, and loans and advances to banks		19,658	21,768
Bills receivable from non-bank customers		2,073	1,051
Loans and advances to non-bank customers		44,948	39,382
Investment securities		15,241	14,469
Subsidiary companies	7	12,147	12,276
Associated and joint venture companies	7	595	613
Fixed assets		614 94	645
Deferred tax assets Other assets		12,508	115 9,890
Total assets		139,823	122,056
Off-balance sheet items Contingent liabilities		7,095	5,494
Commitments		58,203	47,661
Financial derivatives		1,512,169	1,225,945
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DBS Bank Ltd

Notes to the Supplementary Financial Statements

The supplementary financial statements of DBS Bank Ltd ("DBS Bank") are extracted from the Audited Statutory Accounts of DBS Bank for the financial year ended December 31, 2004. The statutory accounts of DBS Bank, which contained an unqualified audit report, will be delivered to the Accounting & Corporate Regulatory Authority in accordance with the Singapore Companies Act.

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES 1.

The accounting policies applied by DBS Bank are consistent with those applied on DBSH Group as disclosed in Note 2 of the "Notes to the consolidated financial statements" ("DBSH Notes") in DBSH Consolidated Financial Statements.

2. **DIVIDEND INCOME**

In \$ millions	2004	2003
Dividends (gross) from subsidiary companies	26	34
Dividends (gross) from associated companies	32	33
Dividends (gross) from other investments	63	42
Total	121	109
SHARE CAPITAL		
In \$ millions	2004	2003
Authorised 2,000,000 ordinary shares of S\$1 each	2,000	2,000
2,000,000,000 ordinary shares or 5\$ 1 each	2,000	2,000
600,000,000 non-redeemable convertible preference shares of S\$2 each	1,200	1,200
300,000,000 non-voting convertible preference shares of S\$1 each	300	300
800,000 non-cumulative redeemable non-convertible perpetual preference shares of US\$0.01 each and each with a liquidation preference of US\$1,000	#	#
17,500 non-cumulative redeemable non-convertible perpetual preference shares of	#	Д
S\$0.01 each and each with a liquidation preference of S\$10,000 1,100,000,000 non-cumulative non-convertible perpetual preference shares of	#	#
S\$0.01 each and each with a liquidation preference of S\$100	11	11
	1,511	1,511
Total Issued and Paid-up Capital		
1,962,302,697 (2003: 1,962,302,697) ordinary shares of S\$1 each	1,962	1,962
11,000,000 (2003: 11,000,000) non-cumulative non-convertible		
perpetual preference shares S\$0.01each	#	#
Total	1,962	1,962

Amount under \$500,000

4. RESERVES

4.1 SHARE PREMIUM ACCOUNT

In \$ millions	2004	2003
Balance at January 1 and December 31	10,134	10,134

4.2 NON-DISTRIBUTABLE RESERVES

Non-distributable reserves comprise the following:

DBS Bank 2004

In \$ millions	General reserve (c) Capital reserve (b)		
Balance at January 1, 2004 Appropriation from profit and loss account (Note 5) Net exchange translation adjustments during the year	2,136 97 -	177 - 44	2,313 97 44
Balance at December 31, 2004	2,233	221	2,454

DBS Bank 2003

In \$ millions	General reserve (a)	Capital reserve (b)	Total
Balance at January 1, 2003 Appropriation from profit and loss account (Note 5) Net exchange translation adjustments during the year	1,951 185 -	110 - 67	2,061 185 67
Balance at December 31, 2003	2,136	177	2,313

⁽a) The appropriation from profit and loss account relates to the amounts transferred to the Reserve Fund to comply with the Banking Act.

5. REVENUE RESERVE

In \$ millions	2004	2003
Balance at January 1	1,841	1,506
Net profit after taxation Transfer to general reserve (Note 4.2)	1,937 (97)	742 (185)
Amount available for distribution	3,681	2,063
Less: 21.58% (2003: 8.66%) tax exempt ordinary dividends 6% on preference dividends of net of 20% (2003: 22%) tax paid	423 53	170 52
Balance at December 31	3,205	1,841

⁽b) The Capital reserve included net exchange translation adjustments arising from translation differences on opening net investments in foreign subsidiary companies, associated companies and branches, and the related foreign currency borrowings designated as a hedge.

DBS Bank Ltd

Notes to the Supplementary Financial Statements

DUE TO SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES 6.

In \$ millions	2004	2003
Subordinated term debts Amounts due to subsidiary companies	1,283 1,137	1,331 896
Total	2,420	2,227

The subordinated term debts issued on March 21, 2001 comprised the Series A Subordinated Note of US\$725 million and the Series B Subordinated Note of S\$100 million, and mature on March 15, 2051. The notes were issued by DBS Bank to DBS Capital Funding Corporation, both wholly-owned subsidiary companies of DBSH. Interest is payable in arrears on March 15 and September 15 each year at a fixed rate of 7.657% per annum (Series A) and 5.35% per annum (Series B), up to March 15, 2011. Thereafter, interest is payable quarterly in arrears on March 15, June 15, September 15 and December 15 each year at a floating rate of threemonth London Interbank Offer Rate ("LIBOR") + 3.2% per annum (Series A) and three-month Singapore Swap Offer Rate + 2.52% per annum (Series B).

ASSOCIATED AND JOINT VENTURE COMPANIES 7.

The investment in the Bank of Philippine Islands ("BPI") was purchased by DBS Bank in December 1999. In accordance to FRS 36, the Board and Management have made appropriate assessment of the investment value in BPI, using the higher of net selling price and value in use. In 2004, no impairment loss was recorded in the profit and loss account (2003: S\$309 million).

Directors' Report

The Directors are pleased to submit their report to the Members together with the audited consolidated financial statements of DBS Group Holdings Ltd ("DBSH") for the financial year ended December 31, 2004, which have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Singapore Companies Act and Singapore Financial Reporting Standards.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Directors in office at the date of this report are:

S Dhanabalan – Chairman

Jackson Tai – Vice Chairman & Chief Executive Officer

Frank Wong Kwong Shing - Chief Operating Officer

Bernard Chen Tien Lap

Fock Siew Wah Gail D Fosler (Ms)

Goh Geok Ling – (Appointed on May 3, 2004)

Kwa Chong Seng N R Narayana Murthy Leung Chun Ying Peter Ong Boon Kwee John Alan Ross

Thean Lip Ping

Wong Ngit Liong – (Appointed on May 3, 2004)

Messrs Jackson Tai, Bernard Chen Tien Lap, Fock Siew Wah, Gail D Fosler, Leung Chun Ying, Peter Ong Boon Kwee and John Alan Ross will retire at the forthcoming annual general meeting. Messrs Jackson Tai, Leung Chun Ying, Peter Ong Boon Kwee and John Alan Ross will offer themselves for re-election. Messrs Bernard Chen Tien Lap, Fock Siew Wah and Gail D Fosler will not offer themselves for re-election.

In accordance with Article 101 of DBSH's Articles of Association, Messrs Goh Geok Ling and Wong Ngit Liong will retire and, being eligible, will offer themselves for re-election pursuant to Article 101.

Mr Thean Lip Ping will retire pursuant to Section 153(2) of the Singapore Companies Act, Chapter 50. He will not be offering himself for re-election.

ARRANGEMENTS TO ENABLE DIRECTORS TO ACQUIRE SHARES OR DEBENTURES

Neither at the end of nor at any time during the financial year, was DBSH a party to any arrangement, the object of which, is to enable the Directors to acquire benefits through the acquisition of shares in or debentures of DBSH or any other body corporate save as disclosed in this report under the headings "DIRECTORS' INTEREST IN SHARES AND DEBENTURES", "SHARE OPTIONS" and "DBSH PERFORMANCE SHARE PLAN".

Directors' Report

DIRECTORS' INTEREST IN SHARES AND DEBENTURES

The following directors, who held office at the end of the financial year, had, according to the register of directors' shareholdings required to be kept under Section 164 of the Companies Act, an interest in shares of the company and related corporations as stated below:

	Holdings in which Directors have a direct interest		Holdii which Dire deemed to ha	ectors are ve an interest
	As at Dec 31 2004	As at Dec 31 2003 (or date of appointment if later)	As at Dec 31 2004	As at Dec 31 2003 (or date of appointment if later)
Ordinary Shares of par value S\$1.00 each				
S Dhanabalan	38,000	38,000	31,534	31,534
Jackson Tai	90,800	80,800	· <u>-</u>	_
Frank Wong Kwong Shing	187,850	177,850	_	_
Bernard Chen Tien Lap	19,000	19,000	_	_
Fock Siew Wah	50,000	50,000	_	_
Gail D Fosler	3,400	3,400	_	_
Goh Geok Ling	2,100	_	_	_
Kwa Chong Seng	42,129	42,129	_	_
John Alan Ross	5,000	5,000	-	_
Thean Lip Ping	6,448	6,448	15,004	15,004
Unissued Ordinary Shares of par value \$\$1.00 each under the DBSH Share Option Plan				
Jackson Tai	386,675	348,675	_	_
Frank Wong Kwong Shing	394,550	356,550	-	-
Number of DBS Bank 6% Non-Cumulative Non-Convertible Perpetual Preference Shares of par value \$\$0.01 each				
S Dhanabalan	500	500	_	_
Jackson Tai	250	250	_	_
Thean Lip Ping	_	_	500	500
Wong Ngit Liong	6,000	6,000	-	_

There was no change in any of the above-mentioned interests between the end of the financial year and January 21, 2005.

DIRECTORS' CONTRACTUAL BENEFITS

Since the end of the previous financial year, no Director has received or has become entitled to receive a benefit under a contract which is required to be disclosed by Section 201(8) of the Singapore Companies Act save as disclosed in this report or in the financial statements of DBSH and of DBSH Group.

Directors' Report

DBSH SHARE OPTION PLAN

The DBS Bank Share Option Plan (the "DBS Bank Option Plan") was adopted by the shareholders of DBS Bank at an Extraordinary General Meeting of DBS Bank held on June 19, 1999 to replace the DBS Bank Option Scheme. At an Extraordinary General Meeting held on September 18, 1999, the shareholders of DBSH adopted the DBSH Share Option Plan (the "Option Plan") to replace the DBS Bank Option Plan, following the restructuring of DBS Bank as a wholly owned subsidiary company of DBSH. Particulars of the share options granted under the Option Plan in 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003 (herewith called "1999 DBSH Options", "March/July 2000 DBSH Options", "March/June/August 2001 DBSH Options" and "January/March/August/October/December 2002 DBSH Options", "February/March 2003 DBSH Options) have been set out in the Directors' Reports for the years ended December 31, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003 respectively.

The movements of the unissued ordinary shares of DBSH of par value S\$1.00 each comprised in outstanding DBSH options granted under the Option Plan were as follows:

	Number of unissued ordinary shares		During the year		Number of unissued ordinary shares	Subscription price per ordinary share	Date of expiration
DBSH Options	January 1, 2004	Granted	Exercised	Lapsed	December 31, 2004		
1999	3,801,036	_	319,902	124,351	3,356,783	S\$15.30	July 27, 2009
March 2000	1,586,200	_	_	89,200	1,497,000	S\$20.87	March 5, 2010
July 2000	1,114,600	_	_	52,600	1,062,000	S\$22.33	July 26, 2010
March 2001	11,625,000	_	_	952,000	10,673,000	S\$17.70	March 14, 2011
June 2001	21,000	_	_	-	21,000	S\$14.76	May 31, 2011
August 2001	1,414,000	_	422,000	56,000	936,000	S\$12.93	July 31, 2011
January 2002	50,500	_	_	-	50,500	S\$13.70	January 1, 2012
March 2002	11,776,240 ^(a)	_	788,030	736,000	10,252,210	S\$14.73	March 27, 2012
August 2002	1,215,000	_	178,200	140,100	896,700	S\$12.27	August 15, 2012
October 2002	9,260	_	_	-	9,260	S\$11.73	October 9, 2012
December 2002	20,000	_	_	_	20,000	S\$11.47	December 17, 2012
February 2003	13,526,200 ^(a)	_	1,581,540	947,230	10,997,430	S\$10.40	February 23, 2013
March 2003	15,000	_	_	_	15,000	S\$9.18	March 9, 2013
March 2004	_	7,494,000		531,500	6,962,500	S\$14.73	March 1, 2014
	46,174,036 ^(a)	7,494,000	3,289,672	3,628,981	46,749,383		

⁽a) Restated since last reported at December 31, 2003 due to withdrawal of staff resignation in 2004.

Total options of 76,000 were granted to executive directors Mr Jackson Tai and Mr Frank Wong Kwong Shing during the financial year.

Information on the Option Plan, "March 2004 DBSH Options" granted under the Option Plan are as follows:

- (i) Options to subscribe for DBSH ordinary shares could be granted to DBSH Group executives who hold the rank of Vice President (or equivalent rank) and above and selected employees of DBSH Group of a rank below the rank of Vice President (or equivalent rank). This would also include executives of associated companies of DBSH Group who hold the rank of Vice President (or equivalent rank); and non-executive directors of DBSH.
 - The persons to whom the "March 2004 DBSH Options" have been granted may be eligible to participate in the DBSH Performance Share Plan or other equivalent plans, but shall not be eligible to participate in the DBSH Employee Share Plan or other equivalent plans.
- (ii) The dates of expiration of the "March 2004 DBSH Options" is March 1, 2014 unless they have been cancelled or have lapsed prior to that date.
- (iii) The subscription price for each share in respect of which a DBSH Option (other than "March 2004 DBSH Options") is exercisable is the average of the last dealt prices ("Market Price") for the DBSH shares, as determined by reference to the daily official list published by the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Ltd ("SGX-ST"), for the three consecutive trading days immediately preceding the date of the grant.

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- DBSH Options with subscription prices that are equal to the Market Price may be exercised, in whole or in part, one year after the date of the grant up to the date of expiration of the options, and in accordance with a vesting schedule to be determined by the Compensation Committee.
- Adjustments may be made to the number of DBSH shares which may be acquired by a participant, or the subscription price or both, in the event of any variation in the issued ordinary share capital of DBSH (whether by way of a capitalisation of profits or reserves or rights issue, reduction, subdivision, consolidation, or distribution), upon the written confirmation of the auditors of DBSH that such adjustment (other than in the case of a capitalisation issue) is fair and reasonable.

Other than the DBSH Options granted under the Option Plan as disclosed herein, there were no outstanding options granted by DBSH as at the end of the financial year.

The persons to whom the DBSH Options have been granted do not have any right to participate by virtue of the DBSH Options in any share issue of any other company.

DBSH PERFORMANCE SHARE PLAN

The DBS Bank Performance Share Plan was adopted by the shareholders of DBS Bank at an Extraordinary General Meeting of DBS Bank held on June 19, 1999. At an Extraordinary General Meeting held on September 18, 1999, the shareholders of DBSH adopted the DBSH Performance Share Plan (the "Performance Share Plan"), to replace the DBS Bank Performance Share Plan, following the restructuring of DBS Bank as a wholly owned subsidiary of DBSH.

During the financial year, awards in respect of an aggregate of 727,400 ordinary shares of par value \$\$1.00 each were granted, pursuant to the DBSH Performance Share Plan, to selected employees of DBSH Group. This included 33,940 awards granted to executive directors Mr Jackson Tai and Mr Frank Wong Kwong Shing. The award numbers represent a 100% payout. The payout at the end of the performance period could range from a minimum of 50% of the shares awarded to 200%, dependent on the DBSH Group's performance vis-à-vis target performance levels measured by return on equity.

Information on the Performance Share Plan are as follows:

- DBSH ordinary shares could be granted to DBSH Group executives who hold the rank of Vice President (or equivalent rank) and above and selected employees of DBSH Group of a rank below the rank of Vice President (or equivalent rank). This would also include executives of associated companies of DBSH Group who hold the rank of Vice President (or equivalent rank); and nonexecutive directors of DBSH.
 - The participants of the Performance Share Plan may be eligible to participate in the DBSH Share Option Plan or other equivalent plans, but shall not be eligible to participate in the DBSH Employee Share Plan or other equivalent plans.
- Participants are awarded ordinary shares of DBSH, their equivalent cash value or combinations thereof ("DBSH Awards"), when the (ii) prescribed performance targets are met. The DBSH Awards are granted at the absolute discretion of the Compensation Committee.
- (iii) The Performance Share Plan shall continue to be in force at the discretion of the Compensation Committee, subject to a maximum period of ten years commencing from September 18, 1999, provided always that the Performance Share Plan may continue beyond the above stipulated period with the approval of the shareholders of DBSH by ordinary resolution in general meeting and of any relevant authorities which may then be required.
- DBSH Awards may be granted at any time in the course of a financial year, and may lapse by reason of cessation of service of the participant, or the retirement, redundancy, ill health, injury, disability, death, bankruptcy or misconduct of the participant, or the participant, being a non-executive director, ceases to be a director, or a take-over, winding up or reconstruction of DBSH.
- The aggregate nominal amount of new DBSH shares which may be delivered (pursuant to DBSH Awards granted) under the Performance Share Plan, when added to the nominal amount of new DBSH shares issued and issuable in respect of all DBSH Awards granted under the Performance Share Plan, and all options granted under the Option Plan, shall not exceed 15 per cent of the issued share capital of DBSH on the day preceding the relevant date of the DBSH Award. The number of existing DBSH shares purchased from the market which may be delivered pursuant to the DBSH Award will not be subject to any limit.
- (vi) Subject to the prevailing legislation and SGX-ST guidelines, DBSH will have the flexibility to deliver DBSH shares to participants upon vesting of their DBSH Awards by way of an issue of new DBSH shares and/or the purchase of existing DBSH shares.

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(vii) The nominal amount, class and/or number of DBSH shares comprised in a DBSH Award to the extent not yet vested, and/or which may be granted to participants, are subject to adjustment by reason of any variation in the issued ordinary share capital of DBSH (whether by way of a capitalisation of profits or reserves or rights issue, reduction, subdivision, consolidation, or distribution), upon the written confirmation of the auditors of DBSH that such adjustment (other than in the case of a capitalisation issue) is fair and reasonable.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Audit Committee comprised non-executive directors Mr Bernard Chen Tien Lap (Chairman), Mr Goh Geok Ling and Mr Peter Ong Boon Kwee. As part of its functions, it assists the Board in discharging its responsibilities for the Group's financial announcements, internal control issues and regulatory compliance as well as to oversee the objectivity and effectiveness of the internal and external auditors.

In its review of the audited financial statements for the financial year ended December 31, 2004, the Audit Committee has discussed with management and the external auditors the accounting principles that were applied and their judgement on the items that might affect the financials. Based on the review and discussions with management and the external auditors, the Audit Committee is of the view that the financial statements are fairly presented in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in all material aspects.

The Audit Committee has received the requisite information from Ernst & Young (E&Y) and has considered the financial, business and professional relationship between E&Y and DBSH Group. It is of the view that such relationship is compatible with maintaining E&Y's independence.

The Audit Committee recommends to the Board of Directors the re-appointment of E&Y as external auditors at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting of DBSH Group on April 29, 2005.

AUDITORS

Ernst & Young have expressed their willingness to accept re-appointment as external auditors.

On behalf of the Directors

S DHANABALAN

JACKSON TAI

February 18, 2005 Singapore

Statement by the Directors

We, S Dhanabalan and Jackson Tai, being two of the Directors of DBS Group Holdings Ltd, state that, in the opinion of the Directors, the profit and loss account, balance sheet, the statement of changes in shareholders' equity and the cash flow statement and, together with the notes thereon as set out on pages 76 to 142, are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of DBSH and of DBSH Group, consisting of DBSH and its subsidiary companies, at December 31, 2004, the results, changes in equity and cash flows of DBSH Group for the financial year ended on that date and there are reasonable grounds to believe that DBSH and DBSH Group will be able to pay their debts as and when they fall due.

On behalf of the Directors

S DHANABALAN

JACKSON TAI

February 18, 2005 Singapore

Report of the Auditors

To the members of DBS Group Holdings Ltd (Incorporated in Singapore)

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of DBS Group Holdings Ltd ("the Company") and its subsidiaries ("the Group") set out on pages 71 to 142 for the year ended December 31, 2004. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's Directors. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Singapore Standards on Auditing. Those Standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by the Directors, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion,

- (a) the consolidated financial statements of the Group and the balance sheet of the Company are properly drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Singapore Companies Act, Chapter 50 ("the Act") and Singapore Financial Reporting Standards so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Group and of the Company at December 31, 2004, the results, changes in equity and cash flows of the Group for the financial year ended on that date; and
- (b) the accounting and other records required by the Act to be kept by the Company and by those subsidiaries incorporated in Singapore of which we are the auditors have been properly kept in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

Ernst & Young

Certified Public Accountants

February 18, 2005 Singapore

Ten-Year Summary of Operations of DBSH Group

	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998³	1997³	1996	1995
Income (\$ millions)										
Net profit before taxation	2,512	1,437	1,518	1,361	1,675	1,041	44	562	836	767
Net profit attributable to members	2,018	1,025	1,097	997	1,389	1,072	112	458	670	595
Selected Balance Sheet Data										
Assets (\$ millions)										
Total assets	175,553	159,595	149,445	151,462	111,208	106,465	100,037	65,984	55,738	49,187
Customer loans and advances including bills	69,664	64,335	60,709	68,208	52,024	54,370	56,215	40,135	31,013	26,172
Investment in quoted and unquoted securities and shares	47,614	41,246	27,801	24,922	14,403	14,593	11,086	5,702	5,276	4,831
Liabilities (\$ millions)										
Deposits and other accounts of customers	113,206	108,041	101,315	106,771	80,721	82,268	73,858	33,557	30,600	28,129
Total deposits	-	115,538	106,192	115,217	92,774	89,759	86,477	54,038	45,142	39,826
Borrowings and debt securities	13,897	11,297	10,695	10,490	3,812	2,818	1,123	1,848	1,661	1,288
Capital and Reserves (\$ millions)										
Paid-up non-voting redeemable, convertible preference share capital	66	66	66	66	66	-	-	-	-	-
Paid-up non-redeemable, convertible preference share capital	-	-	-	-	-	-	412	536	656	605
Paid-up non-voting, convertible preference share capital	#	20	20	25	25	147	225	-	-	-
Issued and paid-up ordinary share capital	1,493	1,470	1,469	1,447	1,216	1,178	928	703	691	675
Ordinary shareholders' funds	16,070	14,348	13,678	13,019	9,899	9,921	7,800	7,494	6,243	5,511
Total (ordinary and preference) shareholders' funds	16,502	14,896	14,237	13,614	10,495	10,876	9,812	8,030	6,899	6,115
Financial Ratios										
Dividend cover for ordinary shares (number of times)	4.19	2.92	3.13	3.22	3.32	5.05	1.65	4.86	8.11	7.41
Adjusted gross dividends per ordinary share ² (\$)	0.40	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.45	0.26	0.16	0.15	0.13	0.13
Adjusted earnings per ordinary share after tax ² (\$)	1.34	0.68	0.74	0.78	1.13	0.97	0.10	0.52	0.77	0.69
Net tangible asset backing per ordinary share 1 (\$)	6.12	4.73	4.07	5.39	8.14	8.42	7.68	8.43	7.14	6.45
Return (after tax) on average total shareholders' funds (%)	12.85	7.04	7.94	8.81	12.89	10.35	1.29	5.72	10.30	10.36
Total shareholders' funds to total assets	0.09	0.09	0.10	0.09	0.09	0.10	0.10	0.12	0.12	0.12
US\$/S\$ exchange rate as at December 31	1.63	1.70	1.74	1.85	1.73	1.67	1.65	1.68	1.40	1.41

Notes:

- 1. Net tangible asset backing per ordinary share has been adjusted for bonus issues in 1998 and 1999, and rights issue in 1998.
- Gross dividends per ordinary share and earnings per ordinary share after tax have been adjusted for bonus issues in 1998 and 1999, and rights issues
- 3. With effect from January 1, 1999, equity accounting for investments in associated companies was adopted by the DBSH Group. The comparative figures for 1998 and 1997 have been adjusted to reflect this change.
- Total assets exclude "Life fund assets attributable to policyholders".
- Amount less than \$500,000.

Further Information on Directors

S DHANABALAN

Academic and Professional Qualifications:

Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Economics University of Malaya, Singapore

Current Directorships

Chairman • DBS Group Holdings Ltd • DBS Bank Ltd • Asia Business Council Ltd, HK

• Parameswara Holdings Ltd • Temasek Holdings (Pte) Ltd

• Government of Singapore Investment Corporation Pte Ltd

Member • Presidential Council for Minority Rights • Council of Presidential Advisers

Directorships for the past 3 years

Chairman • Temasek Capital (Private) Ltd

Director • Basidon Holdings Pte Ltd • Parksville Development Pte Ltd

JACKSON TAI

Academic and Professional Qualifications:

Master of Business Administration Harvard University

Bachelor of Science

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Current Directorships

Chairman • DBS Diamond Holdings Limited • DBS Group Holdings (Hong Kong) Ltd • ABS Council

Director • DBS Bank (Hong Kong) Limited • DBS Group (HK) Limited • Hutchison DBS Card Limited

 CapitaLand Limited • MasterCard Asia/Pacific • Singapore Telecommunications Limited • Asian Civilisations Museum • Committee of 100, USA • The University of Hong Kong (Faculty of

Business and Economics)

Vice Chairman

• DBS Group Holdings Ltd • DBS Bank Ltd

Deputy Chairman • Dr Goh Keng Swee Scholarship Fund

President Commissioner

• PT Bank DBS Indonesia

Board of Governor

• San Francisco Symphony

Council Member • Singapore Business Federation • The Institute of Banking and Finance

Trustee • Asian Art Museum of San Francisco • Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Fellow • Singapore Institute of Directors

Directorships for the past 3 years

Chairman • CapitaLand Commercial Ltd

Director • Dao Heng Finance Limited • DBS Overseas Limited • BPI Capital Corporation • Bank of the

Philippine Islands • Singapore Productivity & Standards Board • Jones Lang LaSalle Incorporated

Alternate Director • Asean Finance Corporation Limited • Asfinco Singapore Limited

Further Information on Directors

FRANK WONG KWONG SHING

Academic and Professional Qualifications:

Hong Kong English School Certificate

Current Directorships

Chairman • DBS Bank (Hong Kong) Limited • DBS Group (HK) Limited

Director • DBS Group Holdings Ltd • DBS Diamond Holdings Ltd • China Mobile (Hong Kong) Ltd

Vice Chairman

• DBS Bank Ltd

Directorships for the past 3 years

Chairman • Dao Heng Finance Ltd

Director

• DBS Kwong On Limited • DBS Overseas Limited • SNP Leefung Holdings Limited

ANG KONG HUA

Academic and Professional Qualifications:

Bachelor of Science (2nd Class Upper Honours) in Economics University of Hull, UK

Current Directorships

Director • DBS Group Holdings Ltd • DBS Bank Ltd • Bangkok Synthetics Co. Ltd • Crown Central Assets

Limited • GIC Special Investments Private Limited • Glory Central Holdings Limited • Government of Singapore Investment Corporation Private Limited • K1 Ventures Limited • Lieng Chung

Corporation (Kowloon) Ltd • NatSteel Ltd • Neptune Orient Lines Ltd

Directorships for the past 3 years

Chairman • NatSteel Broadway Ltd • Singapore Post Pte Ltd • Singapore Telecommunications Ltd • Intraco Ltd

• Eastern Industries Private Limited • Eastern Pretech Pte Ltd

Director • NatSteel Brazil • Aco Minas Gerais S.A.- Acominas • Southern NatSteel (Xiamen) Ltd

• NatSteel Chemicals Ltd • SteelAsia Manufacturing Corporation • SteelAsia Development and

Management Corporation • Southern Steel Berhad

BERNARD CHEN TIEN LAP

Academic and Professional Qualifications:

Master of Public Administration

Harvard University

Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering

University of Alberta

Bachelor of Arts

Australian Catholic University

Current Directorships

Chairman • CISCO Recall Total Information Management Pte Ltd • CISCO International Pte Ltd

Singapore Health Service Pte Ltd • The Commercial & Industrial Security Corporation (CISCO)
 e-Cop Pte Ltd • Pasir Ris Resort Pte Ltd • SLF Leisure Enterprises (Pte) Ltd • CNA Group Pte Ltd

Director • DBS Group Holdings Ltd • DBS Bank Ltd • Prime Africa Investment Pte Ltd • QuantaNova (S) I

DBS Group Holdings Ltd • DBS Bank Ltd • Prime Africa Investment Pte Ltd • QuantaNova (S) Pte Ltd • Singapore Labour Foundation • VECTRA Corporation Ltd • Basidon Holdings Pte Ltd
 Biotech Research Ventures • King's Safetywear Limited • MOH Holdings Pte Ltd • Singapore

Totalisator Board • Ntegrator International Pte Ltd

Deputy Chairman • Singapore Pools (Pte) Ltd

Directorships for the past 3 years

Chairman • Secureco Holdings

Further Information on Directors

FOCK SIEW WAH

Academic and Professional Qualifications:

Diploma

The Chartered Institute of Bankers (London)

Current Directorships

Chairman • Singapore Airlines Cargo Pte Ltd

Director • DBS Group Holdings Ltd • DBS Bank Ltd • DBS Bank (Hong Kong) Limited

• Singapore Airlines Ltd • Tarsus Gate Investments Ltd • Temasek Holdings (Pte) Ltd

Senior Advisor • Nuri Holdings (S) Pte Ltd

Directorships for the past 3 years

Chairman • Land Transport Authority

• Dao Heng Bank Group Limited • Dao Heng Finance Limited • DBS Kwong On Limited

• DBS Overseas Limited • Temasek Capital (Private) Ltd • Cyber City Holdings Ltd (Hong Kong)

• Fraser & Neave (Singapore) Pte Ltd • Times Publishing Ltd

Deputy Chairman

• Fraser & Neave, Limited

Deacon/Director

• Grace Baptist Church Ltd

GAIL D FOSLER

Academic and Professional Qualifications:

Master of Business Administration

New York University

Bachelor of Arts

University of Southern California

Current Directorships

Director • DBS Group Holdings Ltd • DBS Bank Ltd • Baxter International, Incorporated

• Caterpillar, Incorporated • The Economic Club of New York • The National Bureau of Economic

Research • Unisys Corporation

Directorships for the past 3 years

• The National Association of Business Economists • H.B. Fuller Company

Trustee • John Hancock Mutual Funds

KWA CHONG SENG

Academic and Professional Qualifications:

Bachelor of Engineering University of Singapore

Current Directorships

• Esso China Inc. • ExxonMobil Asia Pacific Pte Ltd • ExxonMobil Oil Singapore Pte Ltd

Director • DBS Group Holdings Ltd • DBS Bank Ltd • Mobil Asia Marketing Pte Ltd • Esso Bangladesh

Terminal Co. Ltd • Mobil South Asia Investments Ltd • Temasek Capital (Private) Ltd

Deputy Chairman • Temasek Holdings (Pte) Ltd

Directorships for the past 3 years

Chairman • MediaCorp Publish

 MediaCorp Publishing Pte Ltd • MediaCorp Radio Singapore Pte Ltd • MediaCorp Studios Pte Ltd • MediaCorp TV Singapore Pte Ltd • MediaCorp TV12 Singapore Pte Ltd • MediaCorp

Technologies Pte Ltd • Media Corporation of Singapore Pte Ltd

Further Information on Directors

LEUNG CHUN YING

Academic and Professional Qualifications:

Hon. Doctor of Business Administration University of the West of England

Hon. Doctor of Business Administration Hong Kong Polytechnic University

Current Directorships

Director

- DBS Group Holdings Ltd DBS Bank Ltd DBS Bank (Hong Kong) Limited ACE Link Property Ltd Ascendas Pte Ltd Banson Investments Ltd Beson Investments Ltd Bowman Hospitality Services Ltd Brilliant Time Investment Ltd China Homes Ltd CY Leung & Co. Ltd CY Leung (China) Ltd Dragon Foundation Ltd DTZ Cyberdata (Shenzhen) Ltd DTZ Debenham Tie Leung Assets Management Ltd DTZ Debenham Tie Leung Cyberdata Ltd DTZ Debenham Tie Leung Investment Services Ltd DTZ Debenham Tie Leung Property Management Ltd DTZ Debenham Tie Leung-Beijing DTZ Debenham Tie Leung-Chongqing DTZ Debenham Tie Leung-Dalian DTZ Debenham Tie Leung-Guangzhou DTZ Debenham Tie Leung (Guangzhou) Property Management Ltd DTZ Debenham Tie Leung-Shanghai DTZ Debenham Tie Leung-Tianjin DTZ Facility Management Ltd DTZ Japan K.K.
- DTZ Japan Ltd DTZ Pacific Holdings Ltd DTZ Tie Leung Co. Ltd DTZ.com Ltd DTZ.com.hk
 Ltd DTZWorld.com Ltd Cayman DTZworld.com Ltd Hong Kong EastInn Hospitality
 Services Ltd EuroAsia Properties Ltd HK Millennium Ltd Keppel Corporation Ltd Lotvest Ltd
- One Country Two Systems Research Institute Ltd Shenzhen DTZ Debenham Tie Leung Valuation
 Advisory Services Ltd Sing Tao News Corporation Limited The Hong Kong Coalition of
 Professional Services Ltd Wintrack Worldwide Ltd

Directorships for the past 3 years

Director

• DBS Group (HK) Limited • Dao Heng Finance Ltd • DBS Overseas Limited • Jumbo Land Ltd

NARAYANA MURTHY

Academic and Professional Qualifications:

Masters in Technology Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur

Bachelor of Engineering University of Mysore

Current Directorships

Chairman

· Infosys Technologies (Shanghai) Co Ltd

Director

 DBS Group Holdings Ltd • DBS Bank Ltd • Infosys Technologies Limited • Central Board of the Reserve Bank of India • Bangalore International Airport Ltd • BT Asia Pacific Advisory Board, Belgium • Infosys Consulting Inc, USA • New Delhi Television Ltd

Chairman of Governing Body

 Indian Institute of Information Technology, Bangalore • Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad

Co-Chairman

· Indo-British Partnership

Member of the Board of Overseers

· University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School

Member of Board of Trustees

• Cornell University • Singapore Management University

Member of Board of Advisors

• William F. Achtmeyer Center for Global Leadership at the Tuck School of Business

Member of Advisory Council

Stanford Graduate School of Business

Further Information on Directors

PETER ONG BOON KWEE

Academic and Professional Qualifications:

Master of Business Administration

Stanford University

Bachelor of Economics (Honours)

University of Adelaide

Current Directorships

Chairman • Alpha Society • Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore

Director • DBS Group Holdings Ltd • DBS Bank Ltd

Deacon

• Calvary Baptist Church

Member

• INSEAD National Council

Directorships for the past 3 years

Director • TIF Ventures Pte Ltd

JOHN ALAN ROSS

Academic and Professional Qualifications:

Master of Business Administration

The Wharton School of The University of Pennsylvania

Bachelor of Arts Hobart College

Current Directorships

Director • DBS Group Holdings Ltd • DBS Bank Ltd

President • AirTV Limited • LarkSat Limited

Board Member/Trustee • Jewish Museum, New York • Metropolitan Opera Guild • German Marshall Fund of US,

Washington, D.C.

Trustee • Hobart & William Smith Colleges

Directorships for the past 3 years

Chairman • Institute of International Bankers, NY

• Institute of International Finance, Washington, D.C. • Local Initiatives Support Corporation

NYC Investment Fund • Deutsche Bank Trust Corporation • Deutsche Bank Trust Company

Americas • Global Mezzanine Inc • GMI Capital Corporation

Vice Chairman

• Business Committee of the Metropolitan Museum of Art

Advisory Director • Metropolitan Opera

Member • Singapore Technologies Pte Ltd – International Advisory Panel

Further Information on Directors

GOH GEOK LING

Academic and Professional Qualifications:

Bachelor of Engineering University of Sydney

Current Directorships

Chairman · Tuas Power Ltd

Director • DBS Group Holdings Ltd • DBS Bank Ltd • Venture Corporation Ltd • 02 Micro Pte Ltd

• Plato Pte Ltd • Plato Capital Ltd • O2Micro International Limited • SembCorp Industries Ltd

· Yew Lian Property & Investment (Pte) Ltd

· Marigold Holdings (Pte) Ltd **Executive Director**

Council Member · Nanyang Technological University

Directorships for the past 3 years

• ASTI Holdings Ltd • Singapore Technologies Pte Ltd Director

THEAN LIP PING

Academic and Professional Qualifications:

University of Bristol

LLM

University of London

LLD (Honorary) University of Bristol

Current Directorships

Chairman · Securities Industry Council

Director · DBS Group Holdings Ltd · DBS Bank Ltd

Further Information on Directors

WONG NGIT LIONG

Academic and Professional Qualifications:

Bachelor of Science (1st Class Hons) University of California

Master of Science University of California

Master of Business Administration McGill University

Current Directorships

Chairman

NUS Council

Director

- DBS Group Holdings Ltd DBS Bank Ltd Advanced Products Corporation Pte Ltd Cebelian Holdings Pte Ltd • EAS Security Systems Pte Ltd • Innovative Trek Technology Pte Ltd
- International Enterprise Singapore Multitech Systems Pte Ltd NLW Pte Ltd Pintarmas Sdn Bhd
- PT Venture Electronics Indonesia
 SIA Engineering Company Ltd
 V-Design Services (M) Sdn
 Bhd
 Technocom Systems Sdn Bhd
 Univac Precision Engineering Pte Ltd
 Ventech Data
 Systems Pte Ltd
 Ventech Investment Ltd
 Venture Electronics (Europe) B.V.
 Venture Electronics International, Inc.
 Venture Electronics Solutions Pte Ltd
 Venture Electronics Spain, S.L.
- Venture Hungary Electronics Manufacturing Limited Liability Company
 VIPColor Technologies
 Pte Ltd
 VIPColor Technologies USA, Inc.
 VM Services, Inc.
 VS Electronics Pte Ltd

Chairman & CEO

· Venture Corporation Limited

Directorships for the past 3 years

Director

• Singapore Exchange Ltd

Shareholding Statistics

Class of Shares - Ordinary Shares of S\$1.00 fully paid Voting Rights - One vote per share

As at 11 March 2005

Size of holdings	No. of shareholders	%	No. of shares	%
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1 – 999	6,677	23.37	1,886,421	0.13
1,000 – 10,000	19,914	69.70	51,146,304	3.42
10,001 - 1,000,000	1,953	6.83	69,161,151	4.63
1,000,001 & above	28	0.10	1,371,300,746	91.82
Total	28,572	100.00	1,493,494,622	100.00
Location of Shareholders				
Singapore	26,767	93.68	1,481,158,195	99.17
Malaysia	1,072	3.75	5,933,239	0.40
Overseas	733	2.57	6,403,188	0.43
Total	28,572	100.00	1,493,494,622	100.00

Twenty largest shareholders (As shown in the Register of Members and Depository Register)

		No. of shareholdings	%
1.	DBS Nominees Pte Ltd	378,785,597	25.36
2.	Maju Holdings Pte Ltd	234,497,040	15.70
3.	Raffles Nominees Pte Ltd	225,977,634	15.13
4.	Temasek Holdings (Pte) Ltd	185,673,795	12.43
5.	HSBC (Singapore) Nominees Pte Ltd	112,149,502	7.51
6.	Citibank Nominees Singapore Pte Ltd	100,784,303	6.75
7.	United Overseas Bank Nominees Pte Ltd	39,345,077	2.63
8.	Morgan Stanley Asia (Singapore) Securities Pte Ltd	13,460,209	0.90
9.	DB Nominees (S) Pte Ltd	12,710,192	0.85
10.	DBS Vickers Securities (S) Pte Ltd	9,358,135	0.63
11.	Macquarie Securities (S) Pte Ltd	8,966,558	0.60
12.	Lee Pineapple Company Pte Ltd	8,750,000	0.59
13.	UOB Kay Hian Pte Ltd	6,395,965	0.43
14.	Dexia Nominees (S) Pte Ltd	5,758,154	0.39
15.	Merrill Lynch (Singapore) Pte Ltd	3,517,646	0.24
16.	Oversea-Chinese Bank Nominees Pte Ltd	3,335,422	0.22
17.	Kim Eng Securities Pte Ltd	2,565,861	0.17
18.	KEP Holdings Limited	2,500,000	0.17
19.	Eng Hueng Fook Henry	2,224,965	0.15
20.	Western Properties Pte Ltd	2,184,000	0.15
Tota		1,358,940,055	91.00

Π. Class of Shares - Non-Voting Redeemable Convertible Preference Shares ("NVRCPS") of S\$1.00 fully paid.

Voting Rights - Please see Article 6A of the Articles of Association. Sole Shareholder of 66,475,374 NVRCPS: Minister for Finance Incorporated holding through DBS Nominees (Private) Limited.

Class of Shares - Non-Voting Convertible Preference Shares ("NVCPS") of S\$1.00 fully paid. Voting Rights - Please see Article 6 of the Articles of Association. Sole Shareholder of 120,436 NVCPS: Minister for Finance Incorporated holding through DBS Nominees (Private) Limited.

Shareholding Statistics

Substantial ordinary shareholders (As shown in the Register of Substantial Shareholders as at 11 March 2005)

	Direct interest No. of shares	%	Deemed interest No. of shares	%
Maju Holdings Pte Ltd	234,497,040	15.70	-	-
Temasek Holdings (Pte) Ltd	185,673,795	12.43	239,721,463	16.05

- 1. Maju Holdings Pte Ltd ("Maju") is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Temasek Holdings (Pte) Ltd.
- 2. Temasek Holdings (Pte) Ltd, a company wholly-owned by Minister for Finance Incorporated, is deemed interested in the 234,497,040 shares held by Maju.

As at 11 March 2005, approximately 71.87% of DBSH's issued ordinary shares is held by the public and, therefore, Rule 723 of the Listing Manual is complied with.

International Banking Offices

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DBS Bank Guanazhou Branch

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DBS Bank

Kuala Lumpur Representative Office

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DBS Bank London Branch

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DBS Bank Los Angeles Agency

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DBS Bank

Manila Representative Office

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DBS Bank Mumbai Branch

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DBS Bank Seoul Branch

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DBS Bank Taipei Branch

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DBS Bank

Yangon Representative Office

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DBS Bank (Hong Kong) Fuzhou Representative Office

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DBS Bank (Hong Kong) Macau Branch

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DBS Bank (Hong Kong) Shenzhen Branch

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DBS Bank (Hong Kong) Tianjin Representative Office

Unit 1902, 19/F, The Exchange Tower 189 Nanjing Road, Tianjin 300051 The People's Republic of China Tel: (86 22) 2339 3075; 2339 3073

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Main Subsidiaries & Associated Companies

DBS Bank (Hong Kong) Limited

11th Floor, The Center 99 Queen's Road Central Central Hong Kong

Tel: (852) 2218 8822 Fax: (852) 2167 8222

100% owned by DBS Diamond Holdings Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary of DBS Bank

DBS Asia Capital Limited

16/F, Man Yee Building 68 Des Voeux Road Central Central Hong Kong

Tel: (852) 2918 0399 Fax: (852) 2868 0250 100% owned by DBS Bank

DBS Asset Management Ltd

8 Cross Street #08-01 PWC Building Singapore 048424 Tel: (65) 6878 7801 Fax: (65) 6534 5183 100% owned by DBS Bank

DBS Capital Investments Ltd

6 Shenton Way DBS Building Tower One Singapore 068809 Tel: (65) 6878 8888 Fax: (65) 6220 7487 100% owned by DBS Bank

DBS Nominees Pte Ltd

6 Shenton Way
DBS Building Tower One
Singapore 068809
Tel: (65) 6878 8888
Fax: (65) 6338 8936
100% owned by DBS Bank

DBS Trustee Ltd

180 Clemenceau Ave Haw Par Centre, #03-01/04 Singapore 239922 Tel: (65) 6878 8888 Fax: (65) 6338 0360 20% owned by DBS Bank 20% owned by DBSF Ltd 20% owned by DBS Nominees P

20% owned by DBS Nominees Pte Ltd 20% owned by DBS Finance Nominees Pte Ltd 20% owned by DBS Group Holdings Ltd

DBS Vickers Securities (Singapore) Pte Ltd

8 Cross Street
PWC Building #02-01
Singapore 048424
Tel: (65) 6533 9688
100% owned by DBS Bank

DBS Vickers Securities (Singapore) Pte Ltd is the main operating entity in Singapore of the DBS Vickers Group, which has operations of varying scope and complexity in other jurisdictions including Hong Kong, Malaysia, Thailand and Indonesia

PT Bank DBS Indonesia

Plaza Permata Ground Floor and 12th Floor Jalan M. H. Thamrin Kav.57 Jakarta 10350 Indonesia

Tel: (62 21) 390 3366; 390 3368 Fax: (62 21) 390 3488; 390 3383

99% owned by DBS Bank

Bank of the Philippine Islands

BPI Building
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corner Paseo de Roxas
Makati City
Metro Manila
The Philippines

Tel: (632) 845 5971; 845 5977; 845 5978 Fax: (632) 845 5980

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20.4% owned by DBS Bank

Capital OK Company Limited 1010 Shinawatra Tower 3

5th Floor Vipahavadi Rangsit Road Ladyao, Chutuchak Tel: (662) 793 3999 Fax: (662) 793 3888 40% owned by DBS Bank

Hutchison DBS Card Ltd

22/F, Hutchison House 10 Harcourt Road, Hong Kong

Tel: (852) 2606 8992 Fax: (852) 2687 5911

50% owned by DBS Bank (Hong Kong) Limited

Hwang-DBS (Malaysia) Bhd

Level 2, 3, 4, 7&8, Wisma Sri Pinang 60 Green Hall 10200 Penang Malaysia Tel: (604) 263 6996

Tel: (604) 263 6996 Fax: (604) 263 9597

23% owned by DBS Vickers Securities Malaysia Pte Ltd, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of DBS Bank

Investment & Capital Corporation of the Philippines

15th Floor, PS Bank Centre 777 Paseo de Roxas Makati City The Philippines Tel: (632) 811 4656

Fax: (632) 819 0941 20% owned by DBS Bank

Network for Electronic Transfer (Singapore) Pte Ltd

298 Tiong Bahru Road, #04-01/06 Central Plaza Singapore 168730 Tel: (65) 6272 0533 Fax: (65) 6272 2334 33.3% owned by DBS Bank

Orix Leasing Singapore Ltd

c/o United Overseas Bank Ltd 80 Raffles Place 4th Storey, UOB Plaza 1 Singapore 048624 Tel: (65) 6339 3622 Fax: (65) 6339 4417 30% owned by DBS Bank

Financial Calendar

Payment date of 2003 Final Dividends on Ordinary Shares, Non-Voting Convertible Preference Shares and Non-Voting Redeemable Convertible Preference Shares	May 19, 2004
Payment date of 2004 Interim Dividend on Ordinary Shares, Non-Voting Non-Redeemable Convertible Preference Shares and Non-Voting Redeemable Convertible Preference Shares	August 27, 2004
Financial Year-end	December 31, 2004
Announcement of half-year results 2004	July 30, 2004
Announcement of full-year results 2004	February 18, 2005
Annual General Meeting	April 29, 2005
Proposed payment date of 2004 Final Dividend on Ordinary Shares, Non-Voting Convertible Preference Shares and Non-Voting Redeemable Convertible Preference Shares	May 20, 2005
Announcement of half-year results 2005	July 2005
Announcement of full-year results 2005	February 2006

Notice of Annual General Meeting

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Informal Briefing on DBS' 2004 Results

Chief Financial Officer Jeanette Wong will take questions on the DBS 2004 Results and contents of the 2004 Annual Report (at 1:30pm) immediately preceding the formal commencement of the Annual General Meeting.

To: All Shareholders

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Sixth Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Company will be held in the Auditorium, 3rd Storey, DBS Building Tower One, 6 Shenton Way, Singapore 068809 on Friday, April 29, 2005 at 2.00 pm to transact the following business:

- 1 To receive and consider the Directors' Report and Audited Accounts for the year ended December 31, 2004 and the Auditors' Report thereon.
- 2A To declare a Final Dividend of 22 cents per ordinary share, less income tax, for the year ended December 31, 2004. [(2003: 16 cents per ordinary share less income tax.)]
- 2B To declare a Final Dividend of 12 cents per Non-Voting Convertible Preference Share, less income tax, for the year ended December 31, 2004. [(2003: 16 cents per Non-Voting Convertible Preference Share less income tax.)]
- To declare a Final Dividend of 12 cents per Non-Voting Redeemable Convertible Preference Share, less income tax, for the year ended December 31, 2004. [(2003: 16 cents per Non-Voting Redeemable Convertible Preference Share less income tax.)]
- 3 To sanction the amount of \$976,689 proposed as Directors' Fees for 2004. [(2003: \$647,851)]
- 4 To appoint Messrs Ernst & Young as Auditors of the Company and to authorise the Directors to fix their remuneration.
- *5A To:
 - (i) note the retirement of Mr Jackson Tai, Mr Bernard Chen, Mr Fock Siew Wah, Ms Gail D Fosler, Mr CY Leung, Mr Peter Ong and Mr John Ross as Directors and that Mr Bernard Chen, Mr Fock Siew Wah and Ms Gail D Fosler are not offering themselves for re-election; and
 - (ii) re-elect the following Directors retiring under Article 96 of the Company's Articles of Association:
 - (a) Mr Jackson Tai
 - (b) Mr CY Leung
 - (c) Mr Peter Ong
 - (d) Mr John Ross
- 5B To re-elect the following Directors retiring under Article 101 of the Company's Articles of Association:
 - (a) Mr Ang Kong Hua
 - (b) Mr Goh Geok Ling
 - (c) Mr Wong Ngit Liong
- 5C To note the retirement of Mr Thean Lip Ping as a Director under Section 153(6) of the Companies Act, Chapter 50. Mr Thean is not offering himself for re-election.
- 6 As Special Business To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following Resolutions as ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS

- That the Board of Directors of the Company be and is hereby authorised to offer and grant options in accordance with the provisions of the DBSH Share Option Plan and to allot and issue from time to time such number of ordinary shares of \$1.00 each in the capital of the Company ("DBSH Ordinary Shares") as may be required to be issued pursuant to the exercise of the options under the DBSH Share Option Plan PROVIDED ALWAYS THAT the aggregate number of new DBSH Ordinary Shares to be issued pursuant to the DBSH Share Option Plan and the DBSH Performance Share Plan shall not exceed 7.5 per cent of the issued share capital of the Company from time to time.
- That the Board of Directors of the Company be and is hereby authorised to offer and grant awards in accordance with the provisions of the DBSH Performance Share Plan and to allot and issue from time to time such number of DBSH Ordinary Shares as may be required to be issued pursuant to the vesting of awards under the DBSH Performance Share Plan, PROVIDED ALWAYS THAT the aggregate number of new DBSH Ordinary Shares to be issued pursuant to the DBSH Performance Share Plan and the DBSH Share Option Plan shall not exceed 7.5 per cent of the issued share capital of the Company from time to time.

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- That authority be and is hereby given to the Directors of the Company to:
 - (a) (i) issue shares in the capital of the Company ("shares") whether by way of rights, bonus or otherwise; and/or
 - (ii) make or grant offers, agreements or options (collectively, "Instruments") that might or would require shares to be issued, including but not limited to the creation and issue of (as well as adjustments to) warrants, debentures or other instruments convertible into shares;
 - at any time and upon such terms and conditions and for such purposes and to such persons as the Directors may in their absolute discretion deem fit; and
 - (notwithstanding the authority conferred by this Resolution may have ceased to be in force) issue shares in pursuance of any (b) Instrument made or granted by the Directors while this Resolution was in force,

provided that:

- (1) the aggregate number of shares to be issued pursuant to this Resolution (including shares to be issued in pursuance of Instruments made or granted pursuant to this Resolution) does not exceed 50 per cent of the issued share capital of the Company (as calculated in accordance with paragraph (2) below), of which the aggregate number of shares to be issued other than on a pro rata basis to shareholders of the Company (including shares to be issued in pursuance of Instruments made or granted pursuant to this Resolution) does not exceed 20 per cent of the issued share capital of the Company (as calculated in accordance with paragraph (2) below);
- [subject to such manner of calculation as may be prescribed by the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("SGX-(2)ST")] for the purpose of determining the aggregate number of shares that may be issued under paragraph (1) above, the percentage of issued share capital shall be based on the issued share capital of the Company at the time this Resolution is passed, after adjusting for:
 - new shares arising from the conversion or exercise of any convertible securities or share options or vesting of share awards which are outstanding or subsisting at the time this Resolution is passed; and
 - any subsequent consolidation or subdivision of shares;
- (3)in exercising the authority conferred by this Resolution, the Company shall comply with the provisions of the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST for the time being in force (unless such compliance has been waived by the SGX-ST) and the Articles of Association for the time being of the Company; and
- (4) (unless revoked or varied by the Company in general meeting) the authority conferred by this Resolution shall continue in force until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company or the date by which the next Annual General Meeting of the Company is required by law to be held, whichever is the earlier.

By Order of The Board

Heng Lee Cheng (Ms)

Group Secretary DBS Group Holdings Ltd

April 7, 2005 Singapore

Further information on Mr Jackson Tai, Mr CY Leung, Mr Peter Ong, Mr John Ross, Mr Ang Kong Hua, Mr Goh Geok Ling and Mr Wong Ngit Liong can be found at page 156 onwards.

NOTES:

An ordinary shareholder entitled to attend and vote at the Meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and to vote in his stead. An ordinary shareholder of the Company which is a corporation is entitled to appoint its authorised representative or proxy to vote on its behalf.

A proxy need not be a member of the Company.

The instrument appointing a proxy must be deposited at the Company's Office at 6 Shenton Way, DBS Building Tower One #39-02, Singapore 068809, at least 48 hours before the time for holding the Meeting.

Notice of Annual General Meeting

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STATEMENT PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 54(C) OF THE ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION OF THE COMPANY

Resolution 6A is to empower the Directors to offer and grant options and to issue ordinary shares in the capital of the Company pursuant to the DBSH Share Option Plan. Although the Rules of the DBSH Share Option Plan provide that the maximum number of ordinary shares which may be issued under the DBSH Share Option Plan and the DBSH Performance Share Plan is limited to 15 per cent of the issued share capital of the Company from time to time, Resolution 6A provides for a lower limit, namely, 7.5 per cent of the issued share capital of the Company from time to time.

Resolution 6B is to empower the Directors to offer and grant awards and to issue ordinary shares in the capital of the Company pursuant to the DBSH Performance Share Plan. Although the Rules of the DBSH Performance Share Plan provide that the maximum number of ordinary shares which may be issued under the DBSH Performance Share Plan and the DBSH Share Option Plan is limited to 15 per cent of the issued share capital of the Company from time to time, Resolution 6B provides for a lower limit, namely, 7.5 per cent of the issued share capital of the Company from time to time.

Resolution 6C is to empower the Directors to issue shares in the capital of the Company and to make or grant instruments (such as warrants or debentures) convertible into shares, and to issue shares in pursuance of such instruments, up to an amount not exceeding in total 50 per cent of the issued share capital of the Company, with a sub-limit of 20 per cent for issues other than on a pro rata basis to shareholders. For the purpose of determining the aggregate number of shares that may be issued, the percentage of issued share capital shall be based on the issued share capital of the Company at the time that Resolution 6C is passed, after adjusting for (a) new shares arising from the conversion or exercise of any convertible securities or share options or vesting of share awards which are outstanding or subsisting at the time that Resolution 6C is passed, and (b) any subsequent consolidation or subdivision of shares.

Proxy Form

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IMPORTANT:

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- For investors who have used their CPF monies to buy DBS Group Holdings Ltd shares, the annual report is forwarded to them at the request of their CPF Approved Nominees and is sent solely FOR INFORMATION ONLY.
- For holders of Non-Voting Convertible Preference Shares (NVCPS), the annual report is forwarded to them solely FOR INFORMATION ONLY.
- For holders of Non-Voting Redeemable Convertible Preference Shares (NVRCPS), the annual report is forwarded to them solely FOR INFORMATION ONLY.
- This Proxy form is not valid for use by CPF Investors, NVCPS and NVRCPS holders and shall be ineffective for all intents and purposes if used or purported to be used by them.

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being an Ordinary Shareholder(s) of	DBS Group Holdings Ltd hereby appoint Mr/N	Mrs/Ms	
Name	Address	NRIC/Passport Number	Proportion of Shareholdings (%)
and/or (delete as appropriate)			

as my/our proxy/proxies, to vote for me/us and on my/our behalf at the Sixth Annual General Meeting of the Company, to be held on Friday, April 29, 2005 at 2.00 pm and at any adjournment thereof in the following manner:

RES	OLUTIONS	FOR	AGAINST
Ord	inary Business		
1	Adoption of Report and Accounts		
2A	Declaration of Final Dividend on Ordinary Shares		
2B	Declaration of Final Dividend on Non-Voting Convertible Preference Shares		
2C	Declaration of Final Dividend on Non-Voting Redeemable Convertible Preference Shares		
3	Approval of proposed Directors' Fees of S\$976,689		
4	Appointment of Ernst & Young as Auditors		
5A	Re-election of the following Directors retiring under Article 96:		
	(a) Mr Jackson Tai		
	(b) Mr CY Leung		
	(c) Mr Peter Ong		
	(d) Mr John Ross		
5B	Re-election of the following Directors retiring under Article 101:		
	(a) Mr Ang Kong Hua		
	(b) Mr Goh Geok Ling		
	(c) Mr Wong Ngit Liong		
Spe	cial Business		
6A	Approval to grant Options in accordance with the DBSH Share Option Plan		
6B	Approval to grant awards in accordance with the DBSH Performance Share Plan		
6C	Approval to issue Shares pursuant to Section 161 of the Companies Act, Cap 50		

If you wish to exercise all your votes For or Against, please tick with "✓". Alternatively, please indicate the number of votes For or Against each resolution.

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If this form of proxy contains no indication deems fit.	as to how the proxy	should vote in relation to	each resolution, the proxy shall vol	e as the proxy
As witness my/our hand(s) this	day of	2005.		
			No. of Ordinary Shares held	

Signature or Common Seal of Shareholder

IMPORTANT: PLEASE READ NOTES.

NOTES:

- Please insert the total number of Ordinary Shares held by you. If you have Ordinary Shares entered against your name in the Depository Register (as defined in Section 130A of the Companies Act, Chapter 50 of Singapore), you should insert that number of Ordinary Shares. If you have Ordinary Shares registered in your name in the Register of Members, you should insert that number of Ordinary Shares. If you have Ordinary Shares entered against your name in the Depository Register and Ordinary Shares registered in your name in the Register of Members, you should insert the aggregate number of Ordinary Shares entered against your name in the Depository Register and registered in your name in the Register of Members.
- A Member entitled to attend and vote at a Meeting of the Company is entitled to appoint one or two proxies to attend and vote 2 instead of him.
- 3 Where a Member appoints two proxies, the appointments shall be invalid unless he specifies the proportion of his shareholding (expressed as a percentage of the whole) to be represented by each proxy.
- The Instrument appointing a proxy must be deposited at the office of the Company at 6 Shenton Way, DBS Building Tower One #39-02, Singapore 068809, not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for the Annual General Meeting.
- The Instrument appointing the proxy or proxies must be under the hand of the appointer or of his attorney duly authorised in writing. Where the Instrument appointing a proxy or proxies is executed by a corporation, it must be executed either under its seal or under the hand of an officer or attorney duly authorised.
- A corporation which is a Member may, in accordance with Section 179 of the Companies Act, Chapter 50 of Singapore, authorise by resolution of its directors or other governing body such person as it thinks fit to act as its representative at the Annual General Meeting.
- The Company shall be entitled to reject the Instrument appointing a proxy or proxies if it is incomplete, improperly completed or illegible or where the true intentions of the appointer are not ascertainable from the instructions of the appointer specified in the Instrument appointing a proxy or proxies. In addition, in the case of members whose Ordinary Shares are entered against their names in the Depository Register, the Company may reject any Instrument appointing a proxy or proxies lodged if such Members are not shown to have Ordinary Shares entered against their names in the Depository Register 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the Annual General Meeting as certified by The Central Depository (Pte) Limited to the Company.