Report of the Directors to the Members of EMPIRE STORES

LIMITED on the Balance Sheet as at 31st January 1976.

1. DIRECTORS

The names of the persons who at any time during the financial year were Directors of the Company are:

Mr. C. T. Wells

Mr. R. Scott

Mr. M. E. Bragg

Mr. K. M. Whitaker

Mr. P. Fattorini

Mr. A. R. Jacks

Mr. J. H. Simon

Mr. D. Hale - Appointed 16th April 1975

2. ACTIVITIES

The Company carries on the business of Mail Order Retailers, but all such transactions for the financial year have been recorded in the books of the Parent Company.

3. DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES OR DEBENTURES

The Directors have no interest in the shares of the Company.

The Directors have given notice to the Ultimate Holding Company of their interests in the shares of that Company. At no time during the financial year did they have any interest in the Debenture Stocks of the Ultimate Holding Company.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

A. R. Clare,

SECRETARY

18, Canal Road, BRADFORD, 1.

This is the copy referred to in the annexed certificate (c)

31st March 1976.

Director

Secretary

18, CANAL ROAD, BRADFORD, 1.

BALANCE SHEET

31ST JANUARY 1976

31ST JANUARY 1975

PARENT COMPANY

Loan Account

£100

£100

REPRESENTING

SHARE CAPITAL

Authorised, Issued and Fully paid-up 100 Ordinary Shares of £1 each

£100

£100

C T Wells R Scott

DIRECTORS

Report of the Auditors to the Members of

EMPIRE STORES LIMITED

In our opinion, the above Balance Sheet gives a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs at 31st January 1976 and complies with the Companies Acts 1948 and 1967. As there are no trading transactions no Profit and Loss Account has been prepared.

R. S. Dawson & Co.,

Auditors.

Clifton House, Clifton Villas, Manningham Lane, BRADFORD, 8

31st March 1976.

EMPIRE STORES LIMITED

NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS

- (1) The Company is the wholly-owned Subsidiary of Empire Stores (Bradford) Limited, which is incorporated in Great Britain.
- The Company has created a Floating Charge on its undertaking and all its property and assets by way of Collateral Security in favour of the Trustees of
 - (a) £1,000,000 67% Debenture Stock, 1985/90
 - (b) £1,250,000 849 Debenture Stock, 1991/96.
 - (c) £2,000,000 94% Debenture Stock, 1994/99
 Issued by the Parent Company.

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EMPIRE STORES LIMITED.

18, CANAL ROAD, BRADFORD, 1.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT

31ST JANUARY 1976

R. S. DAWSON & CO.,

CLIFTON HOUSE,

CLIFTON VILLAS,

MANNINGHAM LANE,

BRADFORD,

BD8 7BY

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EMPIRE STORES LIMITED

Particulars of a Mortgage or Charge

Date of Instrument Creating or Evidencing the Mortgage or Charge

Truct Deed 5th Tay 1965

Amount Secured

&1,000,000

Short Particulars

Contingent liability in respect of a £1,000,000 6% Deponture Stock 1935/90 issued by Rapiro Stores (Bradford) Ltd. by virtue of the charge by way of collateral security issued by the Company.

Name of the Nortgeges or Person entitled to the Charge

Pearl Assurance Company Limited for the Debenture Helders. Registered Office: High Holbern, London W.C.1.

Particulars of a Mortgage or Charge

Date of Instrument Creating or Evidencing the Mortgage or Charge

Trust Deed 29th January 1969

Amount Secured

- £1,250,000

Short Particulars

Contingent liability in respect of a £1,250,000 3% Debenture Stock 1991/96 issued by Empire Stores (Dradford) Ltd. by virtue of the charge by way of collateral security issued by the Company.

Name of the Hortgages or Person entitled to the Charge

Fourl Assurance Company Limited for the Bobenture Holders. Registered Office: High Holbern, London H.C. 1.

Particulars of a Mortgage or Charge

Date of Instrument Creating or Evidencing the Mortgage or Charge

Trust Dood 6th June 1972

Amount Secured

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Short Particulars

- Contingent limility in respect of a \$2,000,000 \$2,5 belonture Stock 1991/99 issue. By simile Stores (Gradford) btc. by virtue of the charge by may of collateral security issued by the Company.

Name of the Nortgages or Person entitled to the Charge

- Pourl Assurance Company Limited for the Debenture Holders. Registered Office: Migh Holdern, Louden H.C. 1.