

COMPANIES FORM No. 155(6)b

Declaration by the directors of a holding company in relation to assistance for the acquisition of shares.



Please do not write in this margin Pursuant to section 155(6) of the Companies Act 1985

Please complete legibly, preferably in black type, or bold block lettering To the Registrar of Companies

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Note Please read the notes on page 3 before completing this form

*Insert full name of company

tinsert name(s) and address(es) of all the directors * ASPEN GROUP LIMITED

Name of company

*/Wet Henry Meakin, Garsdon House, Garsdon, Malmesbury, Wiltshire SN16 9NJ

Peter Threlfall, Dungate House, Balsham, Cambridgeshire, CB1 6HF

Henry Meakin, duly authorised to sign on behalf of Aspen Corporate

Director Limited, Avon House, Kensington Village, Avonmore Road,

London W14 8T

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[thexsalexsdirector] [all the directors] of the above company (hereinafter called 'this company') do

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Companies Registration Office, London

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This company is that [a] holding company of* Spafax Passenger Electronic Entertainment

proposing to give financial assistance in connection with the acquisition of shares

in [this company] [

_ thexholding:company:of:this:company.]‡

Presentor's name, address and reference (if any):

Developments Limited

Norton Rose
Kempson House
Camomile Street
London
EC3A 7AN
85 London
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purposecofxbat/acquisition].† (note 1)	margin
The number and class of the shares acquired or to be acquired is: 15,480,970 ordinary shares of 5p each	Please complete legibly, preferably in black type, or bold block lettering
The assistance is to be given to: (note 2) Pensa Limited whose registered office is at	
30 Queen Charlotte Street, Bristol, BS99 7QQ	
The assistance will take the form of:	
see Schedule 1 attached	
The person who [has acquired] [with acquire] the shares is:	†Delete as appropriate
Pensa Limited	
The principal terms on which the assistance will be given are:	
see Schedule 2 attached	
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The amount (if any) by which the net assets of the company which is giving the assistance will be reduced by giving it is $\frac{\text{Nil}}{\text{Nil}}$	
The amount of cash to be transferred to the person assisted is $\mathfrak L$ Nil	
The value of any asset to be transferred to the person assisted is £ Nil	Page 2

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The date on which the assistance is to be given is within 8 weeks of the date hereof 19 _

Please complete legibly, preferably in black type, or bold block lettering I/We have formed the opinion, as regards the company's initial situation immediately following the date on which the assistance is proposed to be given, that there will be no ground on which it could then be found to be unable to pay its debts. (note 3)

(a) [I/We have formed the opinion that the company will be able to pay its debts as they fall due during the year immediately following that date]* (note 3)

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And I/we make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the provisions of the Statutory Declarations Act 1835.

Declared at Avan House, Kensington
Village, Avenmore Rd, Lalla
WI40 BTS
the 16th day of December
One thousand nine hundred and
before me HOOMAN YAZHARI

A Commissioner for Qaths or Notary Public or Justice of the Peace or a Solicitor having the powers conferred on a Commissioner for Oaths. Declarants to sign below

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NOTES

- 1 For the meaning of "a person incurring a liability" and "reducing or discharging a liability" see section 152(3) of the Companies Act 1985
- 2 Insert full name(s) and address(es) of the person(s) to whom assistance is to be given; if a recipient is a company the registered office address should be shown
- 3 Contingent and prospective liabilities of the company are to be taken into account - see section 156(3) of the Companies Act 1985.
- 4 The auditors report required by section 156(4) of the Companies Act 1985 must be annexed to this form.

ASPEN GROUP LIMITED (THE "COMPANY") FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DECLARATION (FORM 155(6)b)

This is page 1 of the document Schedule 1 referred to in the Statutory Declaration dated 16 December 1999.

SCHEDULE 1

Form of Financial Assistance

The assistance will take the form of the execution, delivery and performance by the company of:

- (a) a guarantee and debenture (the "**Third Debenture**") by the company in favour of the Bank pursuant to which the company (i) guarantees to the Bank to pay to the Bank on demand the Senior Secured Obligations, and (ii) grants a fixed and floating charge over all of its assets and undertaking and covenants that it will on demand pay the Senior Secured Obligations to the Bank as and when they become due;
- (b) a guarantee and debenture (the "Second 3i Debenture") by the company in favour of the Investor pursuant to which the company (i) guarantees to the Investor to pay to the Investor on demand the Investor Secured Obligations, and (ii) grants a fixed and floating charge over all of its assets and undertaking and covenants that it will on demand pay the Investor Secured Obligations to the Investor as and when they become due;
- (c) an intra-group loan agreement (the "Intra-Group Loan Agreement") pursuant to which the company will grant intra-group loan facilities to be used by Pensa Limited to, inter alia, meet its payment obligations; and
- (d) an assignment of Keyman insurance policies by the company to Pensa Limited (the "Initial Keyman Assignment").

In Schedules 1 and 2 of this Statutory Declaration:

"Bank" means Midland Bank PLC (now HSBC Bank plc);

"Charging Company" means a company which is listed in the First Schedule to the Third Debenture;

"Facilities Agreement" means a facilities agreement dated 7 June 1999 between Pensa Limited and the Bank comprising a bridging facility of £4,750,000, a term loan facility of £2,750,000 and a working capital facility of £1,800,000;

"Group" means Pensa Limited and its subsidiaries from time to time;

"Group Company" means any member of the Group;

- "Intercreditor Agreement" means the deed dated 25 June 1999 between, inter alia, the Bank, the Investor, the Charging Companies and certain executives;
- "Investment Agreement" means an investment agreement dated 7 June 1999 between, amongst others, Pensa Limited and the Investor;
- "Investor" means 3i Group PLC;
- "Investor Documents" has the meaning ascribed to it in the Intercreditor Agreement and includes the Investment Agreement and the Second 3i Debenture;
- "Investor Secured Obligations" means all indebtedness, liabilities and obligations which are now or may at any time hereafter be due, owing or incurred to the Investor by any Group Company, including all liabilities and obligations under the Investor Documents;
- "Senior Documents" has the meaning ascribed to it in the Intercreditor Agreement and includes the Facilities Agreement and the Third Debenture;
- "Senior Secured Obligations" means all indebtedness, liabilities and obligations which are now or may at any time hereafter be due, owing or incurred to the Bank by any Group Company, including all liabilities and obligations under the Senior Documents.

This is page 1 of the document Schedule 2 referred to in the Statutory Declaration dated 16 December 1999.

SCHEDULE 2

The principal terms in which the Financial Assistance will be given

- The company undertakes under the Third Debenture (which is governed by English law) to:
 - (a) guarantee that it will pay to the Bank on demand the Senior Secured Obligations; and
 - (b) pay on demand by the Bank all sums of money which have become due under the Third Debenture and which may not be recoverable from the Charging Companies or any of them on the footing of a guarantee, as if the company were sole or principal debtor; and
 - (c) indemnify the Bank on demand from and against any loss it may incur as a result of having now or hereafter made available any moneys to the Charging Companies or having now or hereafter incurred any obligation on behalf of or at the request of the Charging Companies; and
 - (d) pay on demand the Senior Secured Obligations to the Bank as and when they become due;
 - (e) charge by way of first fixed and floating charge all its assets and undertaking (as more particularly defined in the Third Debenture) (the "Third Debenture Charged Property"); and
 - (f) execute all such documents as the Bank shall reasonably stipulate over the Third Debenture Charged Property for the purpose of more effectively providing the security stipulated in the Third Debenture for the payment and discharge of the Senior Secured Obligations.
- The company undertakes under the Second 3i Debenture (which is governed by English law) to:
 - (a) guarantee that it will pay to the Investor on demand the Investor Secured Obligations; and
 - (b) pay on demand by the Investor all sums of money which have become due under the Second 3i Debenture and which may not be recoverable from the Charging Companies or any of them on the footing of a guarantee, as if the company were sole or principal debtor; and
 - (c) indemnify the Investor on demand from and against any loss it may incur as a result of having now or hereafter made available any moneys to the

- Charging Companies or having now or hereafter incurred any obligation on behalf of or at the request of the Charging Companies; and
- (d) pay on demand the Investor Secured Obligations to the Investor as and when they become due;
- (e) charge by way of fixed and floating charge all its assets and undertaking (as more particularly defined in the Second 3i Debenture) (the "Second 3i Debenture Charged Property"); and
- (f) execute all such documents as the Investor shall reasonably stipulate over the Second 3i Debenture Charged Property for the purpose of more effectively providing the security stipulated in the Second 3i Debenture for the payment and discharge of the Investor Secured Obligations.
- The company undertakes under the Intra-Group Loan Agreement (which is governed by English law) to grant intra-group loan facilities to be used by Pensa Limited to, inter alia, meet its payment obligations under the Facilities Agreement and the Investment Agreement.
- The company undertakes under the Initial Keyman Assignment (which is governed by English law) to assign keyman life insurance policies (the "Policies") to Pensa Limited outright, to facilitate the provision of security by Pensa Limited in support of the facilities provided to Pensa Limited under the Facilities Agreement by way of an assignment of the Policies to be granted by Pensa Limited in favour of the Bank.



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16 December 1999

Dear Sirs

Auditors' report to the directors of Aspen Group Limited pursuant to Section 156(4) of the Companies Act 1985

We have examined the attached statutory declaration of the directors dated 16 December 1999 in connection with the proposal that Aspen Group Limited ("the Company") should give financial assistance for the purchase of the company's ordinary shares by Pensa Limited. We have enquired into the state of the company's affairs in order to review the bases for the statutory declaration.

We are not aware of anything to indicate that the opinion expressed by the directors in their declaration as to any of the matters mentioned in Section 156(2) of the Companies Act 1985 is unreasonable in all the circumstances.

Yours faithfully

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