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### ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1995



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### COMPANY INFORMATION

DIRECTORS:

J. RUPPIN

D. HAFLER

A. ZAGURY

A. TOLEDANO

SECRETARY:

A. ALLENSTEIN

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REGISTERED NUMBER:

823931

AUDITORS:

GOLDWYNS

REGISTERED AUDITOR CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

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### REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The directors present their report with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 December 1995.

### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the company in the year under review was that of professional audio and visual equipment wholesalers.

### REVIEW OF BUSINESS

The results for the year and financial position of the company are as shown in the annexed financial statements.

### DIVIDENDS AND TRANSFERS TO RESERVES

Interim dividends were paid as follows:

£1	"A"	Ordinary	shares	£5.33	per	share	_	31	December	1995
		Ordinary	shares		_				December	
£1	"C"	Ordinary	shares	£5.33	per	share	_	31	December	1995

The directors recommend that no final dividends be paid.

The total distribution of dividends for the year ended 31 December 1995 will be £62,000 and the retained profit transferred to reserves will be £153,979.

#### FIXED ASSETS

The movements in fixed assets are summarised in the attached financial statements.

### DIRECTORS

The directors of the company in office during the year and their beneficial interests in the issued share capital were as follows:

Name	Class of Capital	31.12.95	1. 1.95
J. RUPPIN D. HAFLER A. ZAGURY	"A" Ordinary £1 "A" Ordinary £1	3,375 4,125	3,375 4,125
A. TOLEDANO		***	

In accordance with the Articles of Association, D. HAFLER will retire at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting, and being eligible, will stand for re-election.

### REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

### STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

### **AUDITORS**

The auditors, GOLDWYNS, will be proposed for re-appointment in accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

Dated: 30/46.

# REPORT OF THE AUDITORS TO HOWLAND WEST LIMITED PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH 24 OF SCHEDULE 8 TO THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

We have examined the abbreviated financial statements on pages six to seventeen together with the full financial statements of HOWLAND WEST LIMITED prepared under Section 226 of the Companies Act 1985 for the year ended 31 December 1995.

### Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated financial statements in accordance with Schedule 8 to the Companies Act 1985. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to the company's entitlement to the exemptions claimed in the directors' statement on page seven and whether the abbreviated financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with that Schedule.

### Basis of opinion

We have carried out the procedures we considered necessary to confirm, by reference to the audited financial statements, that the company is entitled to the exemptions and that the abbreviated financial statements have been properly prepared from those financial statements. The scope of our work for the purpose of this report does not include examining or dealing with events after the date of our report on the full financial statements.

### Opinion

In our opinion the company is entitled under Sections 246 and 247 of the Companies Act 1985 to the exemptions conferred by Section B of Part III of Schedule 8 to that Act, in respect of the year ended 31 December 1995, and the abbreviated financial statements on pages six to seventeen have been properly prepared in accordance with that Schedule.

### Other information

On 307 ANN 1996 we reported, as auditors of HOWLAND WEST LIMITED, to the shareholders on the financial statements prepared under Section 226 of the Companies Act 1985 for the year ended 31 December 1995, and our audit report was as follows:

"We have audited the financial statements on pages five to seventeen which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page eleven.

### Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page three the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements and to report our opinion to you.

### Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgments made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS TO HOWLAND WEST LIMITED

PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH 24 OF SCHEDULE 8 TO THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Qualified opinion arising from disagreement about accounting treatment The company has not made a provision for the depreciation of its freehold buildings. This is not in accordance with the requirements of Statement of Standard Accounting Practice No.12 and of Schedule 4 to the Companies Act 1985. In our opinion a provision of £10,848 should have been made. The effect of the company's accounting policy has been to overstate the company's profits before and after tax by this amount.

Except for the absence of this provision, in our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 1995 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with th Companies Act 1985.

### Distributions

In our opinion, the subject matter of the above qualification is not material for determining, by reference to these financial statements, whether the distribution (interim dividend for the year ended 31 December 1995) of £62,000 proposed by the company is permitted under Section 270 of the Companies Act 1985."

RUTLAND HOUSE 90/92 BAXTER AVENUE SOUTHEND-ON-SEA ESSEX SS2 6HZ GOLDWYNS
REGISTERED AUDITOR
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

Dated: 3074 APRIL 1996

# ABBREVIATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT for the Year Ended 31 December 1995

		19	1995		94
	Notes	£	£	£	£
GROSS PROFIT			1,527,793		1,403,042
Distribution Costs Administrative Expenses	<b>3</b>	386,620 830,996	1 917 616	352,671 781,895	1 124 566
			1,217,616		1,134,566
OPERATING PROFIT	3		310,177		268,476
Interest Receivable	4		6,139		3,404
			316,316		271,880
Interest Payable and Similar Charges	5		18,624		16,354
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTI BEFORE TAXATION	VITIES		297,692		255,526
Tax on Profit on Ordina Activities	iry 6		81,713		66,101
PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIA AFTER TAXATION	L YEAR		215,979		189,425
Dividends	7		62,000		62,000
			153,979		127,425
Retained Profit brought	forward		1,246,296		1,118,871
RETAINED PROFIT CARRIED	FORWARD		£1,400,275	:	£1,246,296

### CONTINUING OPERATIONS

None of the company's activities were acquired or discontinued during the current and previous years.

### TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than the profits for the current and previous years.

# ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET As at 31 December 1995

		1995		:	1994
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS: Tangible Assets	8		711,546		730,665
CURRENT ASSETS: Stocks Debtors Cash at Bank and In Hand	9 10	614,911 540,139 259,253	·	528,636 756,010 55,606	
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	11	1,414,303		1,340,252 669,871	
NET CURRENT ASSETS:			812,229		670,381
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES:			1,523,775		1,401,046
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due after more than one year	r 12		(37,500)		(68,750)
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES:	16		(71,000)		(71,000)
			£1,415,275		£1,261,296
CAPITAL AND RESERVES: Called Up Share Capital Profit & Loss Account	17		15,000 1,400,275		15,000 1,246,296
Shareholders' Funds	20		£1,415,275		£1,261,296

Advantage has been taken of the exemptions conferred by Section B of Part III of Schedule 8 to the Companies Act 1985 on the grounds that, in the opinion of the directors, the company is entitled to the benefit of those exemptions as a medium sized company.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

J. RUPPIN DIRECTOR

D. HAFLER - DIRECTOR

Approved by the Board on 30/4/96

# CASH FLOW STATEMENT for the Year Ended 31 December 1995

	19	195	19	94
No. A. Cont. To Slave	£	£	£	£
Net Cash Inflow from Operating Activities		410,655		125,628
Returns on Investments and Servicing of Finance Interest Received Interest Paid Dividends Paid	6,139 (18,624) (62,000)		3,404 (16,354)	
•	(02,000)		(62,000)	
Net Cash Outflow from Returns on Investments and Servicing of Finance		(74,485)		(74,950)
Taxation Corporation Tax Paid	(64,701)		(38,207)	
Tax Paid		(64,701)		(38,207)
Investing Activities Purchase of Tangible Fixed Assets Sale of Tangible Fixed Assets	(45,033) 9,000		(77,016) 12,200	
Net Cash Outflow from Investing Activities		(36,033)		(64,816)
Net Cash Inflow/(Outflow) before Financing		235,436		(52,345)
Financing Loan Repayments Cash Inflow from further Loans Interest charged	(37,332) - 9,588		(106,486) 100,000	
Net Cash Outflow from Financing		(27,744)	<u> </u>	(6,486)
Increase/(Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents		£207,692		£(58,831)

# NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT for the Year Ended 31 December 1995

1.	RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING PROFIT
	TO NET CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	1995	1994
	£	£
Operating Profit	310,177	268,476
Depreciation Charges	54,221	52,359
Loss on Sale of Fixed Assets	1,600	650
Profit on Sale of Fixed Assets	(668)	(2,363)
Increase in Stocks	(86,275)	(35, 202)
Decrease/(Increase) in Debtors	215,871	(204, 347)
(Decrease)/Increase in Creditors	(84,271)	46,055
Net Cash Inflow	<del></del>	<del></del>
from Operating Activities	410,655	125,628

### 2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS DURING THE YEAR

### Year Ended 31 December 1995

£

Balance at 1 January 1995

Net Cash Inflow

Balance at 31 December 1995

Year Ended 31 December 1994

£

Balance at 1 January 1994

Net Cash Outflow

Salance at 31 December 1994

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Salance at 31 December 1994

# 3. ANALYSIS OF THE BALANCES OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AS SHOWN IN THE BALANCE SHEET

### Year Ended 31 December 1995

	31.12.95	1. 1.95	Change in
			Year
	· £	£	£
Cash at Bank and In Hand	259,253	55,606	203,647
Bank Overdrafts	<del>-</del>	(4,045)	4,045
	259,253	51,561	207,692

# NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT for the Year Ended 31 December 1995

Year Ended 31 December 1994			
	31.12.94	1. 1.94	Change in
Cash at Bank and In Hand Bank Overdrafts	£ 55,606 (4,045)	£ 110,392 —	Year £ (54,786) (4,045)
	51,561	110,392	(58,831)
		<del></del>	

# 4. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN FINANCING DURING THE YEAR

Year Ended 31 December 1995

Balance at 1 January 1995 Loan Repayments Interest charged	£ 93,750	Other Loans £ 202,541 (6,082) 9,588
Balance at 31 December 1995	62,500	206,047
Year Ended 31 December 1994		

Balance at 1 January 1994 Loan Repayments Other Loans Received	Bank Loan 0 £ 200,000 (106,250)	ther Loans £ 102,777 (236) 100,000
Balance at 31 December 1994	93,750	202,541

# NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the Year Ended 31 December 1995

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### Accounting Convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

#### Turnover

Turnover represents net invoiced sales of goods, excluding value added tax.

### Tangible Fixed Assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Freehold Property	- not provided	ı
Plant & Machinery	- 10% on cost	
Fixtures & Fittings	- 10% on cost	
Motor Vehicles	- 25% on cost	
Computer Equipment	- 33% on cost	

### Stocks

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

### Deferred Taxation

Provision is made at current rates for taxation deferred in respect of all material timing differences except to the extent that, in the opinion of the directors, there is reasonable probability that the liability will not arise in the foreseeable future.

### Foreign Currencies

Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of transaction. Exchange differences are taken into account in arriving at the operating result.

Hire Purchase and Leasing Commitments Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to income as incurred.

### Pension Costs

The company operates a fully insured defined contribution pension scheme. The premiums paid in the period are charged to the financial statements.

# NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the Year Ended 31 December 1995

	for the Year Ended 31 December 1995		
2.	STAFF COSTS		
		1995	1994
	Wages and Salaries	£	£
	Social Security Costs	577,827 61,938	553,199 60,541
	Other Pension Costs	45,508	45,078
		685,273	658,818
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	The average weekly number of employees during the year was as follows:		
	year was as reflews.	1995	1994
		•	
	Office and Administration Selling and Distribution	8 18	9
	Service and Repair	3	17 3
	•		
		29 <del></del>	29
			==
3.	OPERATING PROFIT		
•	The operating profit is stated after charging/(cre	diting):	
		1995	1994
		£	£
	Depreciation - Owned Assets	54,221	52,360
	Loss/(Profit) on Disposal of Fixed Assets Auditors' Remuneration	932	(1,713)
	Hire of Plant and Machinery	7,300 1,940	7,300 1,940
	Difference on Exchange	(50,555)	(70,929)
	Directors' Emoluments (see below)	85,111	81,302
	(000 2020.,		=====
	Details of individual emoluments, excluding pensio	n contribut	ions,
	were as follows:	1995	100/
		£	1994 £
	Chairman	50,691	46,982
	These emoluments are included in the information w	hich follows	S.
	The directors' emoluments, excluding pension contr fell within the following ranges:	ibutions,	
	reir within the following ranges.	1995	1994
	£Ni1 - £5,000	3	3
	£45,001 - £50,000	_	1
	£50,001 - £55,000	1	-
4.	INTEREST RECEIVABLE		
		1995	1994
	Deposit Account Interest	£ 6,139	£ 3,404
	p	0,109	3,404

# NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the Year Ended 31 December 1995

5.	INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES		
	Bank Loans, Overdrafts and Other Loans	1995 £	1994 £
	repayable within five years: otherwise than by instalments	18,624	16,354
6.	TAXATION		
	The tax charge on the profit on ordinary activities year was as follows:	for the	
	Based on the adjusted regular of the many	1995 £	1994 £
Based on the adjusted results of the year: UK Corporation Tax Under Provision	UK Corporation Tax	81,713 —	64,701 1,400
		81,713	66,101
	UK Corporation Tax has been charged at 33% (1994 -	33%).	
7.	DIVIDENDS		
	Equity shares:	1995 £	1994 £
	7,500 "A" Ordinary shares of £1 each Interim 3,000 "B" Ordinary shares of £1 each	22,000	22,000
Interim 4,500 "C" Ordinary shares of £1 each Interim	Interim 4,500 "C" Ordinary shares of £1 each	16,000	16,000
	Interim	24,000	24,000
		62,000	62,000
	The following dividend waiver was received for the	interim div	ridend:
		1995 £	1994 £
	J. Ruppin	18,000	18,000

Had the dividend waiver not taken place the total dividend distribution for the year would have been £80,000 (1994 - £80,000).

# NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the Year Ended 31 December 1995

### 8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

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	Freehold Property	Plant & Machinery	Fixtures & Fittings
anam.	£	£	£
COST: As at 1 January 1995 Additions	542,379 —	24,075 -	191,948 3,121
As at 31 December 1995	542,379	24,075	195,069
<b>DEPRECIATION:</b> As at 1 January 1995 Charge for Year		14,208 1,280	86,682 14,376
As at 31 December 1995	_	15,488	101,058
NET BOOK VALUE:			<del></del>
As at 31 December 1995	£542,379	£8,587	£94,011
As at 31 December 1994	£542,379	£9,867	£105,265
•	Motor Vehicles	Computer Equipment	Totals
додж.	£	£	£
COST: As at 1 January 1995 Additions Disposals	143,770 35,134 (22,840)	77,191 6,778 -	979,363 45,033 (22,840)
As at 31 December 1995	156,064	83,969	1,001,556
DEPRECIATION:			<del></del>
As at 1 January 1995 Charge for Year Eliminated on Disposals	76,062 31,253 (12,908)	71,745 7,312 -	248,697 54,221 (12,908)
As at 31 December 1995	94,407	79,057	290,010
NET BOOK VALUE: As at 31 December 1995	£61,657	£4,912	£711,546
As at 31 December 1994	£67,708	£5,446	£730,665
STOCKS	- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1995	1994
Goods for Resale		£ 614,911 ————	£ 528,636

# NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the Year Ended 31 December 1995

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10.	DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING		
	DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		
		1995	1994
		£	£
	Trade Debtors	496,628	694,777
	Other Debtors	15,423	36,018
	Prepayments	28,088	25,215
		5/0 100	756 010
		540,139	756,010
11.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING		
	DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	1005	100/
	·	1995	1994
	Bank Loans and Overdrafts	£	£
	(See Note 13)	25 000	20.045
	Trade Creditors	25,000 197,329	29,045 249,846
	Other Creditors	4,099	
	Other Loans	206,047	24,696 202,541
	Other Taxes & Social Security		
	Taxation	62,163 81,713	67,558
	Accrued Expenses	25,723	64,701
	Modfued Expenses		31,484
		602,074	669,871
			<del></del>
12.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING		
	DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR		
		1995	1994
		£	£
	Bank Loans		
	(See Note 13)	37,500	68,750
13.	LOANS AND OVERDRAFTS		
	An analyzaia of the maturity of large and annulus from	<b>.</b>	L . 7
•	An analysis of the maturity of loans and overdrafts	is given	perow:
		1995	1994
		£	£
	Amounts falling due within		
	one year or on demand:		•
	Bank Overdrafts	_	4,045
	Bank Loans	25,000	•
	Datik Evalis	23,000	25,000
		25,000	29,045
	Amounts Calling due between		
	Amounts falling due between		
	one and two years:		
	Bank Loans	37,500	68,750

# NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the Year Ended 31 December 1995

The bank loan is repayable by quarterly instalments of £6,250 with interest at 2% plus base rate (subject to a minimum of 8%).

### 14. OBLIGATIONS UNDER HIRE PURCHASE CONTRACTS AND LEASES

The following payments are committed to be paid within one year:

	Uperating Leases	
	1995 £	1994 £
Expiring:		
Between one and five years	1,940	1,940

### 15. SECURED DEBTS

The following secured debts are included within creditors:

	1995	1994
	£	£
Bank Loans	62,500	93,750
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	

The bank loan is secured by a legal mortgage over the company's freehold property, and by a fixed and floating charge over the company's assets.

### 16. PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES

	1995	1994
	£	£
Service Guarantee Provision	71,000	71,000
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### 17. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

Authorise	d, allotted, issued and full	y paid:		
Number:	Class:	Nominal	1995	1994
•		Value:	£	£
7,500	"A" Ordinary	£1	7,500	7,500
3,000	"B" Ordinary	£1	3,000	3,000
4,500	"C" Ordinary	£1	4,500	4,500
				·
			15,000	15,000

### 18. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

There is a contingent liability in respect of a £90,000 guarantee to Customs and Excise.

# NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the Year Ended 31 December 1995

### 19. PENSION COMMITMENTS

The company has a fully insured defined contribution pension scheme for its present directors and employees. The premiums paid and charged to the financial statements were:

	Directors Employees	1995 £ 34,420 11,088 45,508	1994 £ 34,320 10,758 45,078
20.	RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUND	1995	1994
	Profit for the Financial Year Dividends	£ 215,979 (62,000)	£ 189,425 (62,000)
	NET ADDITION TO SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS Opening Shareholders' Funds	153,979 1,261,296	127,425 1,133,871
	CLOSING SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	1,415,275	1,261,296
	Equity interests	1,415,275	1,261,296