SOBSTAD SAILMAKERS (UK) LIMITED ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 1998



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AUDITORS' REPORT TO SOBSTAD SAILMAKERS (UK) LIMITED UNDER SECTION 247B OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

We have examined the abbreviated accounts set out on pages 3 to 5, together with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 30 September 1998 prepared under section 226 of the Companies Act 1985.

Respective responsibilities of the director and auditors

The director is responsible for preparing the abbreviated accounts in accordance with section 246 of the Companies Act 1985. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to whether the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with sections 246(5) and (6) of the Act to the registrar of companies and whether the accounts to be delivered are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of opinion

We have carried out the procedures we considered necessary to confirm, by reference to the financial statements, that the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts and that the abbreviated accounts to be delivered are properly prepared. The scope of our work for the purpose of this report did not include examining or dealing with events after the date of our report on the financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with sections 246(5) and (6) of the Companies Act 1985, and the abbreviated accounts on pages 3 to 5 are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions.

Other information

On we reported, as auditors of SOBSTAD SAILMAKERS (UK) LIMITED, to the members on the financial statements prepared under section 226 of the Companies Act 1985 for the year ended 30 September 1998, and our audit report was as follows:

"We have audited the financial statements on pages 3 to 12 which have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities, under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 5.

Respective responsibilities of the director and auditors

As described on page 1 the company's director is 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, except that the scope of our work was limited as explained below. 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 judgements made by the director 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.

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. However, the evidence available to us was limited because we were not able to attend the stocktake. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

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Qualified opinion arising from limitation in audit scope

Except for any adjustments that might have been found to be necessary had we been able to obtain sufficient evidence concerning the quantity of stock, in our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 30 September 1998 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

In respect alone of the limitation on our audit work relating to the quantity of stock:

- we have not obtained all the information and explanations that we considered necessary for the purpose of our audit; and
- we were unable to determine whether proper accounting records had been maintained."

Edward Leask Chartered Accountants,

Chartered Accountants
Registered Auditor

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ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 1998

		1998		1997	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Intangible assets	2		39,047		51,061
Tangible assets	2		143,756		133,165
			182,803		184,226
Current assets					
Stocks		103,712		105,876	
Debtors		105,584		126,901	
Cash at bank and in hand		53,109		2,190	
		262,405		234,967	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		/\			
within one year		(227,575)		(191,680)	
Net current assets			34,830		43,287
Total assets less current liabilities			217,633		227,513
Creditors: amounts falling due after					
more than one year			(102,551)		(127,622)
			115,082		99,891
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	3		90		90
Profit and loss account			114,992		99,801
Shareholders' funds			115,082		99,891

These abbreviated accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

D.C. Robinson

Director

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 1998

1 Accounting Policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities.

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No 1 from the requirement to produce a cashflow statement on the grounds that it is a small company.

1.2 Turnover

Turnover represents amounts receivable for goods and services net of VAT and trade discounts.

1.3 Research and development

Research expenditure is written off to the profit and loss account in the year in which it is incurred. Development expenditure is written off in the same way unless the directors are satisfied as to the technical, commercial and financial viability of individual projects. In this situation, the expenditure is deferred and amortised over the period during which the company is expected to benefit.

1.4 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Land and buildings Leasehold

Plant and machinery

10% straight line

Fixtures, fittings & equipment

15% reducing balance

Motor vehicles

20% reducing balance

1.5 Leasing and hire purchase commitments

Assets obtained under hire purchase contracts and finance leases are capitalised as tangible assets and depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and their useful lives. Obligations under such agreements are included in creditors net of the finance charge allocated to future periods. The finance element of the rental payment is charged to the profit and loss account so as to produce a constant periodic rate of charge on the net obligation outstanding in each period.

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged against income on a straight line basis over the lease term.

1.6 Stock

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

1.7 Pensions

The pension costs charged in the financial statements represent the contributions payable by the company during the year in accordance with SSAP 24.

1.8 Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided at appropriate rates on all timing differences using the liability method only to the extent that, in the opinion of the director, there is a reasonable probability that a liability or asset will crystallise in the foreseeable future.

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 1998

2	Fixed assets			
		Intangible assets	Tangible assets	Total
		£	£	£
	Cost			
	At 1 October 1997	60,071	197,000	257,071
	Additions	-	34,772	34,772
	Disposals	-	(1,689)	(1,689)
	At 30 September 1998	60,071	230,083	290,154
	Depreciation			
	At 1 October 1997	9,010	63,835	72,845
	On disposals	••	(1,559)	(1,559)
	Charge for the year	12,014	24,051	36,065
	At 30 September 1998	21,024	86,327	107,351
	Net book value	*****		
	At 30 September 1998	39,047	143,756	182,803
	At 30 September 1997	51,061	133,165	184,226
3	Share capital		1998	1997
	·		£	£
	Authorised		-	~
	100 Ordinary of £1 each		100	100
	Allotted, called up and fully paid			
	90 Ordinary of £1 each		90	90