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GRICIND LIMITED

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 DECEMBER 1997

NEWMAN & COMPANY Chartered Accountants



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COMPANY INFORMATION

DIRECTORS:

ROD MACSWEEN

BARRY DICKINS

SECRETARY:

ROD MACSWEEN

REGISTERED OFFICE:

REGENT HOUSE 1 PRATT MEWS LONDON NW1 0AD

AUDITORS:

NEWMAN & COMPANY

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

REGENT HOUSE 1 PRATT MEWS LONDON NW1 0AD

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1997.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activities of the group are in the field of theatrical agents and concert promoters.

REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS

The directors are pleased with the performance of the group during the year and are looking forward to another successful year.

DIVIDENDS AND TRANSFER TO RESERVES

An interim dividend of £800,000 was paid during the year (1996: Nil) and the directors do not recommend the payment of a final dividend. The retained (loss)/profit is transferred to reserves.

FIXED ASSETS

Expenditure and disposal of fixed tangible assets during the year amounted to £24,155 and £300 respectively. Details of changes are shown in note 10 to the financial statements.

DIRECTORS AND THEIR INTERESTS

The directors who served during the year and their interests in the shares of the company at the beginning and end of the year were as follows:

Number

ROD MACSWEEN	500
BARRY DICKINS	500

AUDITORS

A resolution will be submitted at the annual general meeting proposing that Newman & Company be reappointed auditor and that their audit fee for the ensuing year be agreed with the directors.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

ROD MACSWEEN

SECRETARY

19 October 1998

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REPORT OF THE AUDITORS TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF

GRICIND LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 13 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out in note 2.

Respective Responsibilities of Directors and Auditors

As described in note 1 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 judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the group'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. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and the group as at 31 December 1997, and of the group's profit and cash flows for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

NEWMAN & COMPANY

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS AND REGISTERED AUDITORS

Regent House 1 Pratt Mews London NW1 0AD

19 October 1998

GROUP PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1997

	Note	1997 £	1996 £
TURNOVER - CONTINUING OPERATIONS	3	5,881,039	6,609,481
OPERATING EXPENSES		5,708,081	6,709,098
OPERATING PROFIT/(LOSS)		172,958	(99,617)
OTHER INCOME	4	250,601	243,572
		423,559	143,955
INTEREST PAYABLE & SIMILAR CHARGES	5	162	858
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	6	423,397	143,097
TAX ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES	7	166,917	62,884
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION	8	256,480	80,213
DIVIDEND	9	800,000	**
		(543,520)	80,213
RETAINED PROFIT BROUGHT FORWARD		2,502,802	2,422,589
RETAINED PROFIT CARRIED FORWARD		1,959,282	2,502,802
		<u></u>	

There are no acquisitions or discontinued operations during the current or preceding year.

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 1997

		Group		Company	
		1997	1996	1997	1996
	Note	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	10	170,703	192,852	170,703	192,852
Investment	11	-	-	10,065	10,065
		170,703	192,852	180,768	202,917
CURRENT ASSETS		***************************************			
Debtors	12	167,284	142,077	137,325	96,219
Cash at bank & in hand		5,101,417	5,283,915	4,981,824	5,133,572
		5,268,701	5,425,992	5,119,149	5,229,791
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	13	(3,479,122)	(3,115,042)	(3,475,016)	(3,016,076)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		1,789,579	2,310,950	1,644,133	2,213,715
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	;	1,960,282	2,503,802	1,824,901	2,416,632
					
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capital	14	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Profit and loss account		1,959,282	2,502,802	1,823,901	2,415,632
SHAREHOLDERS FUNDS		1,960,282	2,503,802	1,824,901	2,416,632
					

R MACSWEEN

B DICKINS

Approved by the board on

19 October 1998

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OTHER STATEMENTS

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STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS	•
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AND LOSSES	1997	1996
	£	£
Profit for the financial year	256,480	80,213

NOTE OF HISTORICAL COST PROFIT AND LOSSES

There is no material difference between the reported profit for 1997 and 1996 and the profit for those years restated on an historical cost basis.

RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS FUNDS

Profit for the financial year Dividend	256,480 (800,000)	80,213 -
	(543,520)	80,213
Opening shareholders funds	2,503,802	2,423,589
Closing shareholders funds	1,960,282	2,503,802

GROUP CASH FLOW STATEMENT

	1997	1996
	£	£
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING PROFIT/(LOSS) TO CASH INFLOW/(OUTFLOW) FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Operating profit/(loss)	172,958	(99,617)
Depreciation charges	46,304	52,742
(Profit) on disposal of fixed assets	(300)	(1,509)
Decrease in debtors	80,393	60,844
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	297,159	(154,045)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	596,514	(141,585)
CASH FLOW STATEMENT		
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	596,514	(141,585)
Returns on investments & servicing of finance (Note 1)	(549,561)	242,714
Taxation (Note 1)	(256,658)	(193,970)
Capital expenditure (Note 1)	(23,855)	(43,375)
(Decrease) in cash in period	(233,560)	(136,216)
RECONCILIATION OF NET CASH FLOW TO MOVEMENT IN NET FUNDS (Note 2)		
(Decrease) in cash in period	(233,560)	(136,216)
Net funds at 1 January 1997/1996	5,161,893	5,298,109
Net funds at 31 December 1997/1996	4,928,333	5,161,893

NOTES TO THE GROUP CASH FLOW STATEMENT

	19	97	199	96
	£	£	£	£
Note 1 - ANALYSIS OF CASH FLOWS FOR HEADINGS NETTED IN THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT				
Returns on investments & servicing of finance				
Interest received	250,601		243,572	
Interest paid	(162)		(858)	
Dividend paid	(800,000)		-	
Net cash (outflow)/inflow		(549,561)		242,714
Taxation				
UK corporation tax refunded	-		6,593	
UK corporation tax paid	(56,658)		(182,876)	
ACT paid	(200,000)	(256 659)	(17,687)	(193,970)
		(256,658)		
Capital expenditure			(0)	
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	(24,155)		(50,077)	
Sale of tangible fixed assets	300		6,702	
Net cash (outflow) for capital expenditure		(23,855)		(43,375)
Note 2 - ANALYSIS OF NET FUNDS		At	Cash Flows	At
				1 December
		1 January 1997	3	1997
		1997 £	£	£
		5,283,915	(182,498)	5,101,417
Cash in hand & bank Bank overdraft		(122,022)	(51,062)	(173,084)
			<u>.</u>	4 000 000
		5,161,893	(233,560)	4,928,333

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1997

1. STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS RESPONSIBILITIES

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which gives 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:

- (i) select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- (ii) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- (iii) prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business;
- (iv) state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

The directors are responsible for maintaining 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.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Accounting Convention

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

(b) Basis of Consolidation

The group financial statements include the company and its subsidiaries. All intra group sales and profits are eliminated on consolidation and therefore all sales and profit figures relate to external transactions only.

(c) Depreciation

Depreciation of fixed assets is provided at rates calculated to write down the cost of each asset over its expected useful life at the following annual rates:

Motor vehicles

25% pa on reducing balance

Fixtures, fittings & equipment

20% pa on reducing balance

Leasehold property

over the duration of the lease

(d) Foreign Currencies

Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated to sterling at rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. All exchange differences are dealt with in the profit and loss account.

(e) Deferred Taxation

Provision is made for deferred taxation to the extent that there is a reasonable probability that a liability will arise in the foreseeable future.

(f) Tumover

Turnover represents the net amount of ticket sales, commission and fees invoiced.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

3.	TURNOVER - CONTINUING OPERATIONS				
The contribution of the principal activities of the group in turnover is shown below:					
		1997	1996		
	•	£	£		
	Ticket sales	2,954,065	3,579,826		
	Commission receivable	2,917,747	3,017,992		
	Fees receivable	9,227	11,663		
		5,881,039	6,609,481		
	O westerd analysis				
	Geographical analysis:	4,071,360	4,385,915		
	United Kingdom	1,383,795	1,567,582		
	Rest of Europe	168,913	385,978		
	Asia	·	270,006		
	Rest of the World	256,971			
		5,881,039	6,609,481		
4.	OTHER INCOME				
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	Other interest	-	102		
	Bank interest	250,601	243,470		
		250,601	243,572		
5.	INTEREST PAYABLE & SIMILAR CHARGES				
	Bank interest	162	174		
	Other interest		684		
		162	858		
	PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE				
6.	TAXATION				
	After charging:				
	Auditors remuneration	25,000	19,000		
	Depreciation - owned assets	46,304	52,742		
	Directors remuneration	1,086,000	1,226,000		
	Company pension scheme	200,000	200,000		
	Hire of equipment	4,338	2,851		
	(Profit)/loss on exchange	(127,567)	279,656		
	(Profit) on disposal of fixed assets	(300)	(1,509)		
	Operating leases - land & buildings	61,000	59,240		
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1997

7.	TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES	1997	1996
		£	£
	Corporation tax for the year at 29.10%/25.35%	155,455	62,884
	Overprovision in last year	(6,225)	-
	Overseas taxation	17,687	-
		166,917	62,884

8. PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION

Profit of £208,269 (1996: £30,823) for the company is dealt with in the financial statements of the holding company.

The company has taken advantage of the exemption from presenting its own profit and loss account.

9. DIVIDEND

	Paid		800,000		-
10.	TANGIBLE ASSETS	Leasehold	Motor	Furniture Fittings	Total
	Group & Company	Property	Vehicles	& Equipment	
		£	£	£	£
	COST				
	At 1 January 1997	12,347	130,427	344,785	487,559
	Additions	-	-	24,155	24,155
	Disposals	-	-	(300)	(300)
	AT 31 December 1997	12,347	130,427	368,640	511,414
	DEPRECIATION				
	At 1 January 1997	6,175	72,384	216,148	294,707
	Charge for the year	1,235	14,511	30,558	46,304
	Eliminated on disposals	-	-	(300)	(300)
	AT 31 December 1997	7,410	86,895	246,406	340,711
	NET BOOK VALUE			, , , -, -,	
	AT 31 December 1997	4,937	43,532	122,234	170,703
	AT 31 December 1996	6,172	58,043	128,637	192,852

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

11. INVESTMENTS	Group		Company	
	1997	1996	1997	1996
	£	£	£	£
Shares in subsidiary undertakings	-	-	10,065	10,065
				Danantana
Details of shares in subsidiary undertaking are as follows:	s Principal Activity	Country of In	corporation	Percentage Held
Gricind Artist Agency Inc	Theatrical Agents	United States		100%
International Talent Booking Limited	Concert Promotions	United Kingd	om	100%
Gricind Artist Agency Inc was dormant in 1	996 and 1997.			
12. DEBTORS & PREPAYMENTS	DEBTORS & PREPAYMENTS Group		Company	
	1997	1996	1997	1996
	£	£	£	£
Trade debtors	27,113	13,988	12,804	-
Other debtors	21,583	51,311	5,933	19,592
Prepayments & accrued income	12,988	76,778	12,988	76,627
Corporation tax refundable	105,600	-	105,600	-
	167,284	142,077	137,325	96,219
				<u> </u>
13. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR				
Bank overdraft	173,084	122,022	172,009	118,008
Trade creditors	924,386	1,304,443	889,413	1,222,433
Amounts due to subsidiary undertakings	••	-	104,715	55,322
Other taxation & social security costs	615,553	658,153	586,347	627,624
Corporation tax	61,056	45,197	47,504	27,462
Directors loan account	1,363,150	634,281	1,363,150	634,281
Other creditors & accruals	341,893	350,946	311,878	330,946
	3,479,122	3,115,042	3,475,016	3,016,076
				
14. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL				
Authorised, Issued and Fully Paid:				
1,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1997

15. DIRECTORS EMOLUMENTS	1997 £	1996 £
Aggregate emoluments (including pension contributions):		
Management remuneration	1,286,000	1,426,000
Emoluments (excluding pension contributions)	1,086,000	1,226,000
Highest paid director	550,000	620,000
		
16. EMPLOYEE INFORMATION		
	Number	Number
The average number of people including directors		
employed by the group during the year was:		
Administration	22	22
Their total remuneration was:	£	£
Wages & salaries	1,938,047	1,907,581
Social security costs	194,526	198,684
Company pensions	200,000	200,000
	2,332,573	2,306,265

17. PENSION COSTS

The company operates pension arrangements for the benefit of the directors which are in the nature of defined contribution schemes. The assets of the schemes are held separately from those of the company and are invested with an insurance company.

The charge to the profit and loss account comprises £200,000 (1996 - £200,000).

18. OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS

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61,000	61,000
	61,000