Annual report for the year ended 31 December 1993

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Directors and advisers

Directors

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B McQueen Smith

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Directors' report for the year ended 31 December 1993

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1993.

Principal activity and business review

The principal activity of the company during the year continued to be the sale of infrared thermographic equipment. Both the level of business and the year end financial position were satisfactory, and the directors expect that the present level of activity will be sustained for the foreseeable future.

Changes in presentation of the financial statements

Following the introduction of Financial Reporting Standard No 3, 'Reporting Financial Performance', the presentation of the financial statements has been amended to conform with the new requirements. Turnover and operating profit have been analysed between continuing and discontinued operations.

Trading results and dividend

The company made a net profit for the year after taxation of £474,610 (1992 - £475,211). A final dividend of £330,000 (1992 - £500,000) has been paid with £144,610 being transferred to reserves (1992 - £24,789 loss).

Directors

The following directors served throughout the year:

L Bergstrom (Chairman)

B McOueen Smith

In accordance with the Articles of Association the directors retire, and being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

Directors' interests

During the year none of the directors had any interests in the share capital of the company, or any material beneficial interests in any significant contract to which the company was a party during the year.

Significant changes in fixed assets

The movement in tangible fixed assets during the year is given in note 9.

Taxation status

The company was not a close company within the provisions of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988, and this position has not changed since the end of the financial year.

Directors' responsibilities

The directors are required by UK company law to prepare financial statements for each financial year that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of the profit or loss of the company for that year.

The directors confirm that suitable accounting policies have been used and applied consistently and reasonable and prudent judgements and estimates have been made in the preparation of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1993. The directors also confirm that applicable accounting standards have been followed and that the financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, for taking reasonable steps to safeguard the assets of the company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

Auditors

A resolution to reappoint the auditors, Coopers & Lybrand, will be proposed at the annual general meeting.

By order of the board

M Jenkins

Secretary

30 March 1994

Report of the auditors to the members of Agema Infrared Systems Limited

We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 15.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 3 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 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. 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 the company's affairs at 31 December 1993 and of its profit and cash flows for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Coopers & Lybrand

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

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Milton Keynes

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Profit and loss account for the year ended 31 December 1993

	Notes	1993 £	1992 £
Turnover - continuing operations	2	3,544,751	4,298,948 (2,871,756)
Cost of sales - continuing operations		3,799,937	(2,071,730)
Gross profit Operating expenses - continuing operations Other income		(1,087,884)	1,427,192 (926,115) 82,017
Operating profit - continuing operations Interest receivable	4	671,175 79,241	583,094 126,176
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation Taxation	5 7	750,416 (275,806)	709,270 (234,059)
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation Dividend paid	8	474,610 (330,000)	•
Retained profit/(loss) for the year		144,610	(24,789)
Statement of retained profits			
Retained profits at 1 January 1993		877, 101	
Retained profit/(loss) for the year		144,610	(24,789)
Retained profits at 31 December 1993		1,021,711	877, 101

The company has no recognised gains and losses other than those included in the profits above, and therefore no separate statement of total recognised gains and losses has been presented.

There is no difference between the profit on ordinary activities before taxation, the retained profit for the year stated above, and their historical cost equivalents.

Balance sheet at 31 December 1993

	Notes	1993	1992
Tangible fixed assets	9	£ 40,608	£ 46,752
Current assets			
Stocks	10	575,863	406.589
Debtors	11	2,143,089	2,059,648
Cash at bank and in hand		1,699,830	623,256
		4,418,782	3,089,493
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	(2,215,179)	(1,036,644)
Net current assets		2,203,603	2,052,849
Total assets less current liabilities		2,244,211	2,099,601
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	13	(507,500)	(507,500)
Net assets		1,736,711	1,592,101
Capital and reserves			4.55 000
Called up share capital	14	465,000	465,000
Other reserves	· 15	250,000	250,000
Profit and loss account		1,021,711	877,101
Equity shareholders' funds	16	1,736,711	1,592,101
			

The financial statements on pages 5 to 15 were approved by the board of directors on 30 [Max J. 187] and were signed on its behalf by:

L Bergstrom

Director

B McQueen Smith

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Director

Cash flow statement for the year ended 31 December 1993

	Notes	1993 £	1992 £
Net cash flow from continuing operating activities	1	1,572,401	30,633
Returns on investments and servicing of finance		70 241	126 176
Interest received Dividend paid		79,241 (330,000)	126,176 (500,000)
Net cash outflow from returns on		(25) (15)	(272 924)
investments and servicing of finance		(250,759)	(373,824)
Taxation UK corporation tax paid		(238, 061)	(421.050)
Investment activities			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets Sale of tangible fixed assets		(9,236) 2,229	(6,183) 1,065
Net increase/(decrease) in cash		1,076,574	(769,359)
Note to the cash flow statement Net cash flow from continuing operating	activities		
1 Not close from them down and operating		1993 £000	1992 £000
Operating profit		671,175	583,094
Depreciation		14,730	15,092
(Profit) on disposal of tangible fixed assets		(1,579) (169,274)	(65) 194,356
(Increase)/decrease in stocks (Increase) in trade and other debtors		(72,543)	(423,692)
(Increase)/decrease in prepayments and accrued income		(10,898)	2,180
Increase/(decrease) in trade creditors		1,000,660	(393,801)
(Decrease)/increase in other taxation and social security		(458)	33,184
Increase in accruals		140,588	20,285
Net cash flow from continuing operating activities		1,572,401	30,633

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1993

1 Principal accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards in the United Kingdom. A summary of the more important accounting policies, which have been applied consistently, is set out below.

Changes in accounting policies

The new accounting standards, FRS 3 and FRS 4, require the adoption of accounting policies which differ from those previously adopted by the company. Accordingly, the following changes in presentation have been made. The changes have had no effect on comparative figures.

- (a) Turnover and operating profit are analysed between continuing and discontinued operations.
- (b) Shareholders' funds is analysed between equity interests and non-equity interests.

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention.

Turnover

Turnover represents the total net sales to customers excluding value added tax.

Tangible fixed assets

The cost of tangible fixed assets is their purchase cost, together with any incidental costs of acquisition. Depreciation is calculated so as to write-off the cost of tangible fixed assets, less their estimated residual values, on a straight line basis over the expected useful economic lives of the assets concerned.

The following rates of depreciation are used:-

Short leasehold buildings Fixtures, fittings, tools and equipment over the term of the lease

15% per annum

Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. In general, cost is determined on a first in first out basis. Where necessary, provision is made for obsolete and slow moving stocks.

Deferred taxation

Provision is made for deferred tax, using the liability method, on all material timing differences to the extent that it is probable that a liability or asset will crystallise. Full provision is made for deferred taxation on timing differences arising from the provision of employee pensions.

Translation of foreign currency balances

Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies have been translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the year end. Transactions during the year are translated at the rate ruling at the date of the transaction. All exchange differences arising are dealt with in the profit and loss account during the year.

Operating leases

Operating lease rentals are charged to the profit and loss account as they are incurred.

Pension scheme arrangements

The company operates a defined benefit pension scheme. The fund is valued every three years by a professionally qualified independent actuary, the rates of contribution payable being determined by the actuary. In the intervening years the actuary reviews the continuing appropriateness of the rates. Pension costs are accounted for on the basis of charging the expected cost of providing pensions over the period during which the company benefits from the employees services. The company provides no other post retirement benefits to its employees.

2 Turnover

The company's turnover which arose from a single class of business is analysed as follows:-

	1993	1992
	£	£
United Kingdom	2,621,772	2,346,729
Overseas	2,922,979	1,952,219
	5,544,751	4,298,948

3 Net operating expenses

	1993 £	199 <u>2</u>
Continuing operations Administrative and selling expenses	1,087,884	926.115
4 Interest receivable		
	1993	1992
Interest receivable on bank balances held on a pooled group basis	£79,241	£126,176
5 Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		
The profit on ordinary activities before taxation is stated a	fter charging/	(crediting):-
	1993	1992
	£	£
Staff costs	864,628	631,604
Directors' emoluments	92,301	72,637
Auditor's remuneration · audit	1,970	1,900
Auditor's remuneration - other services	1,850	800
Depreciation	14,730	15,042
(Profit) on disposal of fixed assets	(1,579)	(65)
Operating lease rentals - land and buildings	34,400	31,800
Operating lease rentals - vehicles	66,906	65,742
Exchange gains/(losses)	26,856	(5,1)83)
6 Employee information		
	1993	1992
	£	Ţ
Directors' emoluments:		
Fees	-	1,650
Emoluments (including pension contributions and benefits in kind)	92,301	70,987
	92,301	72,637
Emoluments, excluding pension contributions, were paid as follows:		
Chairman		•
Highest paid director	£86,683	£69,761

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Directors received emoluments (excluding pension contributions) in the following ranges:-

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£0 to £5,000	1	3
£65,001 to £70,000	•	- 1
£85,001 to £90,000	ı	•
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Staff costs (including directors):		
Wages and salaries	659,243	569,945
Social security cos's	56,252	46,828
Other pension costs	149,133	14,831
	864,628	631,604
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Average number of persons employed during the year:		
	Number	Number
Administrative and selling	21	21
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7 Taxation		
	1993	1992
	£	Ţ
UK corporation tax based on the profit for the year at 33% (1992:33%)	283,000	234,059
Adjustment in respect of prior years:		
UK corporation tax	(7, 194)	-
	275,806	234,059
	272,000	254,057
8 Dividend paid		
	1993	1992
	£	1992 L
On ordinary shares at 71.0p per share (1992: 107.5p per share)	330,000	500,000

9 Tangible fixed assets

	Short leasehold land and buildings £	Fixtures fittings, tools and equipment £	Totat £
Cost			
At 1 January 1993	42,737	161,116	203,853
Additions Disposals	-	9,236	9,236
Disposats	 ,	(2,000)	(2,000)
At 31 December 1993	42,737	168,352	211,089
Day water			
Depreciation At 1 January 1993	30,601	126 500	157 101
Charge for year	4,274	126,500 10,456	157,101 14,730
Disposals	*	(1,350)	(1,350)
At 31 December 1993	34,875	135,606	170.481
Net book value			
At 31 December 1993	7,862	32,746	40,608

Net book value At 31 December 1992	10.176	***	
At M December 1992	12,136	34,616	46,752
10 Stacks			
		1993	1992
Finished goods for resale		£575,863	£406,589
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11 Debtors			
		1993	1992
•		£	ŗ
Trade debtors		1,966,049	2,001,774
Amounts owed by group companies		110,020	250
Other debtors		14,839	16,341
Prepayments and accrued income		52,181	41,283
		2,143,089	2,059,648
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12 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	1993 £	199 <u>2</u> £
Trade creditors Amounts owed to group companies Corporation tax Other taxation and social security Accruals	449,292 916,998 517,059 43,699 288,131	179,793 185,837 479,314 44,157 147,543
	2,215,179	1,036,644

13 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	1993	1992
Amount owed to group company	£507,500	£507,500

The amount owed to group company does not bear interest and has no set date for repayment.

14 Called-up share capital

		1993	1992
	rised, allotted, called up and fully paid O shares of £1 cach	£465,000	£465,000
15	Other Reserves		
At I Ja	anuary 1993 and 31 December 1993	£250,000	£250,000

The other reserves arise from a contribution made to Agema Infrared Systems Limited by Spectra-Physics Holdings PLC which is treated as a non-distributable reserve.

16 Reconciliation of movements in equity shareholders' funds

	1993	1992
	£	Ľ
Opening equity shareholders' funds Profit/(loss) for the financial year	1,592,101 144,610	1,616,890 (24,789)
		- 205 403
Closing equity shareholders' funds	1,736,711	1,592,101
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17 Cash reconciliation

	£993 £	6992 2
Changes in the year At 1 January Net cash flows	623,256 1,076,574	1,392,615 (769,359)
At 31 December	1,699,830	623,256

18 Contingent liabilities

There is a contingent liability of £14,000,000 (1992; £12,000,000) in respect of a guarantee and set off rights given in support of bank borrowings of other group companies. This guarantee is secured by a fixed and floating charge over the assets of the company.

The company was contingently liable under tender and performance guarantees at 31 December 1993 to the extent of £730,926 (1992: £162,048).

19 Commitments under operating leases

At 31 December 1993 the company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	1993	1993		1992	
	Land and Buildings £	Other £	Land and Buildings £	Other £	
Date of lease termination 2 - 5 years After 5 years	34,400	66,906 -	31,800	65,742	
	34,400	66,906	31,800	65,742	

20 Pension obligations

All employees belong to the Agema Infrared Systems Limited Pension and Life Assurance Scheme. The scheme is a defined benefit, fully funded scheme with the funds being held on behalf of the Trustees by the Legal and General Assurance Society Limited.

The total pension cost for the company during the year was £149, 133 (1992 - £14, 831). The actuarial method used is called the projected unit method with a five year control period. The major assumptions are that investment yields will be 9% per annum compound and that the mortality of members and dependants will be in accordance with that experienced under occupational pension schemes generally. Contributions are made in accordance with actuarial recommendations in order that benefits can be met as and when they fall due.

The most recent actuarial review was made in April 1992. The market value of the pool of investments at 1 April 1992 was £1,089,000 and the level of funding of the scheme was 116% at that date. The Trustees appropriated this surplus by allowing a contribution holiday for members and Agema Infrared Systems Ltd for the period 1 April 1992 - 31 March 1993. For the period 1 April 1993 - 31 March 1994 contributions to the scheme by members are and remain at 5% of contributory pay. Contributions by Agema Infrared Systems Ltd for the period 1 April 1993 - 31 March 1994 reverted to 8% of pensionable salaries and a provision of £100,000 has been made for additional contributions required from the company for additional liabilities resulting from organisational changes made during the year.

21 Ultimate holding company

The directors regard Spectra Physics AB incorporated in Sweden as the ultimate holding company. Copies of the parent's consolidated financial statements may be obtained from The Secretary, Spectra-Physics AB, Box 5226, S-102 45 Stockholm, Sweden.