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## **Tulip International (UK) Limited**

Report and Accounts

30 September 1995

Registered No. 1330427

#### **DIRECTORS**

O Toft Christensen M S G Forbes R Drake S A Thomsen

### **SECRETARY**

R Drake

### **AUDITORS**

Ernst & Young Compass House 80 Newmarket Road Cambridge CB5 8DZ

### **BANKERS**

Barclays Bank plc 4 Bridge Street Thetford Norfolk IP24 3AB

#### REGISTERED OFFICE

Caxton Way Thetford Norfolk IP24 3SB

#### **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

The directors present their annual report and accounts for the year ended 30 September 1995.

#### RESULTS AND DIVIDEND

The loss on ordinary activities after taxation for the year ended 30 September 1995 amounts to £19,481,000 (1994 - profit £905,000) and is dealt with as shown in the profit and loss account.

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend.

#### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the company is an investment holding and co-ordinating company.

#### REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

During the year the company continued to act as an investment holding and co-ordinating company for its two UK operating divisions, Bacon and Cooked Meats.

Trading conditions were difficult during the past year for the UK Group with Sterling declining in value against the Danish Krone and rising raw material prices. These cost increases adversely affected the subsidiaries profitability and therefore a decision has been taken to adjust the carrying value of the investment in Tulip International (UK) Ltd's books. The outlook for the next year looks more positive with price rises catching up with cost increases to provide the platform for turnaround.

#### **DIRECTORS AND THEIR INTERESTS**

O T Christensen (Danish)

MSG Forbes

F Lindelov (Danish) (resigned 6 June 1996) J W Andersen (Danish) (resigned 6 June 1996)

R Drake (appointed 7 November 1995)

S A Thomsen (Danish) (appointed 20 June 1996)

No director holds any shares in the company.

Under the provisions of the Articles of Association none of the directors retire by rotation.

#### FIXED ASSETS

Changes in fixed assets are set out in Note 8.

#### **AUDITORS**

An elective resolution pursuant to s386 of the Companies Act 1985 has been passed whereby the company is not obliged to re-appoint auditors annually, Ernst & Young therefore continue as auditors.

By order of the Board

R Drake Secretary

27 June 1996

# STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES IN RESPECT OF THE ACCOUNTS

Company law requires the directors to prepare accounts 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 accounts, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts;
- prepare the accounts 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 accounts comply with the Companies Act. 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.



#### REPORT OF THE AUDITORS

to the members of Tulip International (UK) Limited

We have audited the accounts on pages 5 to 10, which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and on the basis of the accounting policies set out on page 7.

## RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORS AND AUDITORS

As described on page 3 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those accounts 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 accounts. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the accounts, 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 accounts 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 accounts.

#### **OPINION**

In our opinion the accounts give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 30 September 1995 and of its loss for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Ernst & Young

Chartered Accountants

Registered Auditor

Cambridge

28 June 1996

## PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

for the year ended 30 September 1995

	Notes	1995 £'000	1994 £'000
Administrative expenses		<u>-</u>	3
OPERATING PROFIT	3	-	3
Provision against investments in subsidiary undertakings Interest receivable Interest payable	5 5	(19,501) 25 (5)	975 (73)
		(19,481)	902
(LOSS)/PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION Tax on (loss)/profit on ordinary activities	7	(19,481)	905
(LOSS)/PROFIT FOR THE YEAR	13	(19,481)	905

A statement of the movement on reserves is given in note 13.

The results for the current and comparative periods as stated above represent the total recognised gains for the periods and are also the results as stated on an historical cost basis.

# BALANCE SHEET at 30 September 1995

	Notes	1995 £'000	1994 £'000
FIXED ASSETS Investments	8	16,670	16,171
CURRENT ASSETS Debtors	9	6,813	332
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	10	6,461	<u>-</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		352	332
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		17,022	16,503
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital	11	7,436	7,436
Share premium account	12	275	275
Capital reserve	14	26,000	6,000
Revaluation reserve	12	-	3,178
Profit and loss account	12	(16,689)	(386)
EQUITY SHAREHOLDER'S FUNDS		17,022	16,503
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M S G Forbes Director

27 June 1996

#### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

at 30 September 1995

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Basis of preparation

The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

#### Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation primarily represents the amount required to allow for the difference between depreciation and the corresponding allowances for taxation, being credited and charged for tax purposes in different years from those in the accounts.

#### 2. PARENT UNDERTAKING

The parent undertaking is Tulip International A/S.

In accordance with s228 Companies Act 1985 group accounts have not been prepared as the company is a wholly owned subsidiary undertaking of another company in the EC which prepared group accounts. These accounts present financial information about the company as an individual undertaking and not about its group.

#### 3. OPERATING PROFIT

This is stated after charging/(crediting)	1995 £'000	1994 £'000
The company Auditors' remuneration - audit services	-	(3)
The group		
Auditors' remuneration - audit services	30 .	25
Auditors' remuneration - non-audit services	32	10

Auditors' remuneration is borne by the subsidiary undertaking Tulip International (UK) Bacon Division Limited.

## 4. DIRECTORS' EMOLUMENTS

	1995 £'000	1994 £'000
Other emoluments	157	118
Emoluments (excluding pension contributions) of the Chairman	nil	nil
Emoluments (excluding pension contributions) of the highest paid director	85	71

The emoluments (excluding pension contributions) of the directors fell within the following ranges:

	1995 No	1994 No
£nil - £5,000 £40,001 - £45,000 £55,001 - £60,000	2	2
£70,001 - £75,000 £85,001 - £90,000	- 1	1 -

Directors' emoluments are paid by subsidiary undertakings.

# NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS at 30 September 1995

#### 5. INTEREST

1995 £'000	1994 £'000
20	204
23	936
2	39
25	975
-	26
5	-
-	47
	73
	£'000

#### 6. DEFERRED TAXATION

Deferred taxation is not provided because the directors have concluded on reasonable evidence that any reversal of timing differences will not give rise to a tax charge in the foreseeable future.

### 7. TAX ON (LOSS)/PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES

No tax charge arises on the result for the year due to the availability of group relief.

#### 8. INVESTMENTS

U	Subsidiary ndertakings £'000	Other Investments £'000	Total £'000
	2 000	2 000	2 000
Cost or valuation:			
At 1 October 1994	18,611	20	18,631
Additions	20,000	-	20,000
At 30 September 1995	38,611	20	38,631
Provisions against investments in subsidiary undertakings:	:		
At 1 October 1994	2,460	-	2,460
Provided during the year	19,501	-	19,501
At 30 September 1995	21,961	_	21,961
Net Book Value			
At 30 September 1995	16,650	20	16,670
At 30 September 1994	16,151	20	16,171
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The cost of investments in subsidiary undertakings held at valuation was £13,186,000 (1994 - £6,186,000) and the net asset value of these investments at 30 September 1995 was £6,186,000 (1994 - £3,182,000).

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

at 30 September 1995

### 8. INVESTMENTS (continued)

In the opinion of the directors the aggregate value of investments in subsidiary undertakings is not less than the amounts as stated above.

Other investments represents a holding of 15% Exchequer Stock 1997 stated at cost.

Details of the investments in which the company holds more than 10% of the nominal value of any class of share capital are as follows:

	Name of company	Country registration and operation	Holding	Proportion held		Nature of business
	Tulip International (UK) Bacon Division Limited	England and Wales	Ordinary shares	100%	sale and	ing, packing, I distribution heat products
	Tulip International (UK) Cooked Meats Division Limited	England and Wales	Ordinary shares	100%	sale and	ing, packing, I distribution neat products
	Tulip International (UK) Croydon Limited	England and Wales	Ordinary shares	100%	Non-trad	ing company
	Tulip International (UK) Wellingborough Limited	England and Wales	Ordinary shares	100%	Non-trad	ing company
9.	DEBTORS					
					1995 £'000	1994 £'000
	Amounts owed by parent under Amounts owed by subsidiary Prepayments and accrued incompared incompared in the control of the co	undertakings			6,730 83	249 3 80
				_	6,813	332
10.	CREDITORS: amounts fal	lling due within one	year			
			•		1995 £'000	1994 £'000
	Amounts owed to parent unde Other creditors	rtaking			6,456 5	<del>-</del>
					6,461	
				<del></del>		

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS at 30 September 1995

#### 11. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

The called-up share capital of the company at the beginning and the end of the year was:

		1995 £'000	Authorised 1994 '£000		Allotted, called o and fully paid 1994 £'000
	Ordinary shares of £1 each	7,500	7,500	7,436	7,436
12.	STATEMENT OF MOVEMENT ON	RESER	VES		
			Share premium	Revaluation	Profit & loss
			account	reserve	account
			£'000	£'000	£'000
	As restated at 2 October 1993		275	3,178	(1,291)
	Profit for year ended 30 September 1994		-	-	905
	At 30 September 1994		275	3,178	(386)
	Loss for year ended 30 September 1995		-	- · · ·	(19,481)
	Transfer of revaluation reserve			(3,178)	3,178
	At 30 September 1995		275		(16,689)
13.	RECONCILIATION OF MOVEME	NTS IN S	HAREHOLDE	R'S FUNDS	
				1995	1994
				£'000	£'000
	(Loss)/profit for the year and net (reduction	n from)/			
	addition to shareholder's funds			(19,481)	905
	Opening shareholder's funds			16,503	15,598
	Capital contribution			20,000	· -
	Closing shareholder's funds			17,022	16,503

#### 14. CAPITAL RESERVE

The capital reserve of £26,000,000 represents a capital contribution from the parent company. £5,000,000 was contributed in 1989, £1,000,000 was contributed in 1993 and a further £20,000,000 was contributed in 1995.

#### 15. ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY

The ultimate parent company is Tulip International A/S incorporated in Denmark.

The parent undertaking of the group of undertakings for which group accounts are drawn up and of which the company is a member is Tulip International A/S, incorporated in Denmark.

Copies of the group accounts can be obtained by writing to The Company Secretary, Tulip International (UK) Limited, Caxton Way, Thetford, Norfolk, IP24 3SB.