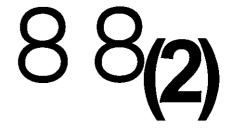


Return of allotments of Shares

Pursuant to section 88(2) of the Companies Act 1985 (the Act)



To the Registrar of Companies Company Number

(REVISED 1988) This form replaces forms PUC2,PUC3 and 88(2)

Name of company

1396513

HSOA GROUP PLC

2. This section must be completed for all allotments

De	scription of Shares		
A	Number allotted	21,900,000	
В	Nominal value of each	25 pence	
С	Total amount (if any) paid or due and payable on each share (including premium if any)	189.5pence	

Date(s) on which shares were allotted to from

6 MARCH 1998 The names and addresses of the allottees and the number of shares allotted to each should be given overleaf

3. If the allotment is wholly or partly other than for cash the following (see notes 2 & 3) information must be given

D	Extent to which each share is
	to be treated as paid up (%)

100%

E Consideration for which the shares were allotted

£41,500,500

NOTES

This form should be delivered to the Registrar of Companies within one month of the (first) date of allotment.

If the allotment is wholly or partly other than for cash, the company must deliver to the registrar a return containing the information at D & E. The company may deliver this information by completing D & E and the delivery of the information must be accompanied by the duly stamped contract required by section 88(2)(b) of the Act or by the duly stamped prescribed particulars required by section 88(3) (Form No 88(3)).
 Details of bonus issues should be included only in section 2.

Presentor's name, address, telephone number and reference (if any):

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COMPANIES HOUSE 21/03/98

JANE EARNEYOU ASOA STORES LID ASDA HOUSE Southbank

Great Wilson Street

Leeds LSII SAN

Names and addresses of the allottees

Names and Addresses	Number of shares allotted				
	Ordinary	Preference	Other		
ASDA QUALIFYING EMPLOTES SHARE OWNERSHIP TRUST. ASDA HOUSE SOUTHBANK, GREAT WILSON STREET, LEEDS, LSII SAD	21,900,000				
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