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B B C W O R L D W I D E L I M I T E D (FORMERLY BBC ENTERPRISES LIMITED)

REPORT AND CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 1995



BBC WORLDWIDE LIMITED (FORMERLY BBC ENTERPRISES LIMITED)

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BBC WORLDWIDE LIMITED (FORMERLY BBC ENTERPRISES LIMITED)

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The directors present their report and the audited consolidated financial statements of the group for the year ended 31st March 1995.

RESULTS FOR THE YEAR

The consolidated profit after taxation and minority interests for the year was £13,403,000 (1994: £7,975,000) which will be added to reserves. The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES AND BUSINESS REVIEW

The company co-produces and subsequently licenses television programmes worldwide, publishes books and magazines, and distributes videos, tapes and programme related products. The activities are organised under various operating divisions and subsidiaries. The objective is to maximise the multiple media potential throughout the world for BBC products and to reinvest into BBC programming.

In May 1994, as a major step in the development of the BBC's international and commercial strategy, the Corporation announced the creation of BBC Worldwide as the overall structure for the management with which to establish Britain as a major player in the global media market with the BBC in the leading position. BBC Worldwide Ltd (renamed from BBC Enterprises Ltd on January 1st 1995) is the corporate and commercial heart of this strategy.

The activities of another BBC subsidiary, BBC World Service Television Ltd, will from April 1995, be integrated into BBC Worldwide Ltd and the combined operations organised into two operating divisions alongside the regionally structured BBC World Service.

The 'two-division' structure of BBC Worldwide Ltd will be focused on their respective business objectives:

BBC Worldwide Publishing

Responsible for the continuing growth worldwide of the existing magazines, books, videos and licensing businesses and the development of a multi-media publishing business internationally.

BBC Worldwide Television

Growing the existing co-production of programming with the BBC and subsequent exploitation of rights through the network of regional offices, including product licenced from the BBC. The continuing development of BBC branded channels around the world.

BBC WORLDWIDE LIMITED (FORMERLY BBC ENTERPRISES LIMITED) REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (CONT'D)

Changes to investments occurring during this financial year (shown in notes 16-18 of the financial statements) were as follows:-

- 1. On December 31st 1994 the Company acquired the remaining 45% interest in BBC Direct Ltd making it a wholly owned subsidiary from that date.
- 2. On January 26th 1995 the Company invested in 75% of European Channel Broadcasting Limited and 45% of European Channel Management Limited. These new companies were established with Thames Television Ltd and Cox Programming Ltd for the marketing of two BBC branded European channels, launched during the year, BBC World and BBC Prime.
- 3. On February 23rd 1995 the Company disposed of its 19% interest in Twin Network Limited to Whitbread plc.
- 4. On March 31st 1995 the Company acquired 100% ownership of BBC World Service Television Ltd (WSTV) from the BBC. On the same day the business of WSTV was transferred from that company to BBC Worldwide Ltd.
- 5. On March 31st 1995 the Company acquired from the BBC its 6.7% interest in the voting share capital of The Multimedia Corporation Ltd.

CHANGES IN FIXED ASSETS

The movements in fixed assets during the year are set out in note 8 to the consolidated financial statements.

EMPLOYEES AND HEALTH AND SAFETY

The company is an employer in its own right, separate from the BBC, and will continue to determine and implement appropriate conditions of service and personnel strategies commensurate with its commercial objectives and strategies and to develop fully the potential of its staff in rapidly changing circumstances.

The group's policy is to recruit disabled workers for those vacancies that they are able to fill. All necessary assistance with initial training courses is given. Once employed, a career plan is developed so as to ensure suitable opportunities for each disabled person. Arrangements are made, where possible, for retraining employees who become disabled to enable them to perform work identified as appropriate to their aptitudes and abilities.

BBC WORLDWIDE LIMITED (FORMERLY BBC ENTERPRISES LIMITED) REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (CONT'D)

It is company policy to make information available to employees to enable them to take a wider interest in the company and its performance. This objective is achieved through regular consultative meetings, handbooks, newspapers and noticeboards.

DIRECTORS

The directors who served during the year are:

R Phillis (Chairman) (Vice Chairman) D E Hatch Dr J A G Thomas (resigned August 27th 1994) K S Owen K N Wright N J Chapman (resigned September 30th 1994) G Massey (resigned April 11th 1995) P S Phippen (resigned March 31st 1995) J Alexander A W Wyatt J G Roscoe A P Howden (appointed March 31st 1995) R J Emery M G Young

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS

No director had any interest in the share capital of the company at 1st April 1994 or 31st March 1995. According to the register of directors' interests, no rights to subscribe for shares in or debentures of the company or any other group company were granted to any of the directors or their immediate families, or exercised by them, during the financial year.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR CHARITABLE PURPOSES

Charitable contributions amounted to £500 (1994: £11,104)

INSURANCE OF DIRECTORS

The group maintains insurance for BBC Worldwide Limited's directors in respect of their duties as directors.

AUDITORS

A resolution to appoint KPMG as the Company's auditors will be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Director

Date: 20/6/90

BBC WORLDWIDE LIMITED (FORMERLY BBC ENTERPRISES LIMITED)

STATEMENT OF 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 and the group as at the end of the financial year and of the profit or loss of the group for that period.

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 31st March 1995. 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 the group, and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Director

Date:

25/6/95

AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF BBC WORLDWIDE LIMITED (FORMERLY BBC ENTERPRISES LIMITED)

We have audited the financial statements on pages 6 to 29 which have been prepared on the basis set out in the accounting policies on page 10.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 4 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 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 March 1995 and of the profit and total recognised gains and losses of the group for the year then ended, and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Coopers & Lybrand

London

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

Date: 21 June 1995.

Cooper Lybrand

BBC WORLDWIDE LIMITED (FORMERLY BBC ENTERPRISES LIMITED)

CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 1995

	Notes	1995 £'000	1994 £'000
TURNOVER	2	273,906	238,876
Cost of sales		(160,512)	(145,750)
GROSS PROFIT		113,394	93,126
Net operating expenses	3	(93,385)	(76,013)
OPERATING PROFIT		20,009	17,113
Income from interests in associated undertakings		1,464	681
Loss on termination of operations	;	-	(3,155)
		21,473	14,639
Net interest payable	4	(391)	(1,059)
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	5	21,082	13,580
Taxation on profit on ordinary activities	7	(7,674)	(6,032)
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION		13,408	7,548
Minority interests		(5)	427
PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		13,403	7,975
Dividends		-	•••
RETAINED PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR	19	13,403	7,975

All activities are derived from continuing operations.

BBC WORLDWIDE LIMITED (FORMERLY BBC ENTERPRISES LIMITED)

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH 1995

	Notes	1995 £'000	1994 £'000
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	8a	18,832	13,656
Investment in programmes for future sale Investments in associated	9	54,458	54,951
undertakings	17	970	10
Other investments	18	1,369	
		75,629	68,617
CURRENT ASSETS Stocks	10	15,064	8,920
Debtors	11	71,245	56,687
Cash at bank and in hand Investments		8,411 51	10,766 5
		94,771	76,378
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	12	116,863	79,261
NET CURRENT (LIABILITIES)		(22,092)	(2,883)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITI	ES	53,537	65,734
CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more than one year	13	6,800	18,022
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHAR- Deferred taxation	RGES 14	1,304	496
NET ASSETS		45,433	47,216
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital Profit and loss account	15 19	250 45,176	250 46,966
TOTAL EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS Minority interests		45,426	47,216
		45,433	47,216

The financial statements on pages 6 to 29 were approved by the board of directors on and were signed on its behalf by:

20.6.95

R. PHILLIS DIRECTOR

BBC WORLDWIDE LIMITED (FORMERLY BBC ENTERPRISES LIMITED)

COMPANY BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH 1995

	Notes	1995 £'000	1994 £'000
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	8b	17,166	12,365
Investment in programmes for future sale	9	45,748	41,015
Investments in subsidiary undertakings	16	17,679	11,671
Investments in associated undertakings	17	46	1
Other investments	18	1,369	
		82,008	65,052
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks	10	14,099	8,412
Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	11	64,689 	47,944 <u>8,921</u>
Casii at paix and in name		81,138	65,277
CREDITORS: amounts falling due			
within one year	12	114,847	67,712
NET CURRENT (LIABILITIES)		(33,709)	(2,435)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		48,299	62,617
CREDITORS: amounts falling due after one year	13	6,800	18,000
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGE Deferred taxation	14	1,304	496
NET ASSETS		40,195	44,121
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital Profit and loss account	15 19	250 39,945	250 43,871
TOTAL EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS		40,195	44,121

The financial statements on pages 6 to 29 were approved by the board of directors on and were signed on its behalf by:

20.6.95

R. PHILLIS DIRECTOR

BBC WORLDWIDE LIMITED (FORMERLY BBC ENTERPRISES LIMITED

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES

-	<u>1995</u> £'000	<u>1994</u> £'000
Profit for the financial year	13,403	7,975
Other net gains and losses recognised in reserves:		
Exchange translations effect on:		
profit for the financial year	(74)	11
foreign currency net assets	(947)	117
Total recognised gains and losses for the year	12,382	8,103
RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS	FUNDS	
Total recognised gains and losses for the year (as above)	12,382	8,103
Goodwill written off on acquisitions	(14,172)	(1,686)
Transfer of goodwill previously written off to the profit and loss account		3,155
Net additions to shareholders' funds	(1,790)	9,572
Shareholders' funds at 1st April	47,216	37,644
Shareholders' funds at 31st March	45,426	47,216

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

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.

a) Basis of Accounting

The company and its subsidiaries prepare their financial statements in accordance with the historical cost convention.

b) Basis of Consolidation

All subsidiary and associated undertakings prepare financial statements to 31st March except for European Channel Management Limited and European Channel Broadcasting Limited whose year end is 31 December. For the purposes of the consolidated accounts interim accounts have been prepared to 31 March.

As permitted by Section 228(7) of the Companies Act 1985 no profit and loss account has been presented for the holding company.

c) Turnover

Turnover which excludes value added tax, sales between group companies and trade discounts, represents licence fees from the distribution of joint productions, agency income and commission from the distribution of programmes on behalf of the BBC and from other producers' titles and from the publication of magazines, books, videos, records and tapes, character merchandising, transmission, and other facilities.

d) Foreign Currency Translation

Assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the balance sheet date are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at that date and the results of overseas subsidiaries are translated into sterling at monthend rates.

Differences on exchange arising from the re-translation of the opening net investment in subsidiary undertakings, and from the translation of the results of those undertakings at monthend rates are taken to reserves. All other foreign exchange differences are taken to the profit and loss account in the year in which they arise.

1. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

e) Purchased goodwill

Goodwill represents the excess of the fair value of the consideration given over the fair value of the identifiable net assets acquired and is written off immediately against reserves. On disposal goodwill previously written off against reserves is transferred to the profit and loss account for the year.

f) Tangible Fixed Assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost, other than assets costing less than £100 which are written off in the year of acquisition. Depreciation of plant and machinery, furniture and fittings, tools and equipment is calculated to write off the cost of the assets by equal annual instalments over their estimated economic lives, at appropriate rates, between three and five years. Depreciation on buildings has been calculated on the straight line basis over an estimated life of forty years.

g) Leased Assets

Finance lease rentals are capitalised at the total amount of rentals payable under the leasing agreement (excluding finance charges) and are depreciated, on a straight line basis, from the date of acquisition, over the lower of the period of the lease and the period of their anticipated useful life of five years. Finance charges are charged over the period of the lease on a reducing balance basis in relation to the original cost. Rentals under operating leases are charged on a straight line basis over the lease term.

h) Investment in Programmes for Future Sale

Investment in programmes for future sale are stated at cost, after writing off the costs of programmes that are considered irrecoverable, less accumulated amortisation. Certain 'topical' programme genres are recognised as having a one to two year life and are amortised accordingly. Amortisation on all other programming is charged against income over the average marketable life which is estimated to be five years. The cost of 'Investment in Programmes for Future Sale' and accumulated amortisation have been reduced by the value of programmes over five years old.

1. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

i) Stocks

Stocks comprising records, books and paper stock and work in progress are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

j) Pensions

BBC Worldwide Limited is a member of the BBC Pension Scheme and its contributions to the scheme are based on pension costs across the BBC as a whole.

The charge to the profit and loss account for pensions comprises the regular pension cost reduced by the amortisation of the scheme surplus over the average remaining service lives of employees in the scheme.

The company also operates its own defined contribution scheme.

k) Deferred Taxation

Deferred taxation has been provided at 31st March 1995 at expected applicable rates to take account of timing differences between the treatment of certain items for accounts purposes and their treatment for taxation purposes. Provision is made only to the extent that it is, in the opinion of the directors, probable that an actual liability will crystallise.

1) <u>Segmental Reporting</u>

As permitted by paragraph 55 (5) schedule 4 of the Companies Act 1985 and Statement of Standard Accounting Practice 25 the group has not presented segmental information on profit before tax and net assets as, in the view of the directors, such disclosure would be seriously prejudicial to its interests.

m) Cash Flow Statement

The cash flows of the group are included in the consolidated group cash flow statement of the British Broadcasting Corporation, the ultimate parent. The group is thus exempt, under the terms of Financial Reporting Standard No. 1, from preparing a cash flow statement.

2. TURNOVER AND PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION

Turnover analysed by type of business	1995 £'000	1994 £'000
Television Magazine and Book publishing Video and Audio Other activities	81,100 117,527 51,216 24,063	64,031 115,228 44,411 15,206
	273,906	238,876
Turnover analysed by geographical dest (all turnover originates from within t	ination he UK)	
Turnover analysed by geographical dest (all turnover originates from within t	195,686	175,586
(all turnover originates from within t	he UK)	175,586 63,290
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Television sales include licensing for standard television, cable, and simultaneous relay. Co-production contributions to the British Broadcasting Corporation are administered by BBC Worldwide Limited but not included in the above turnover figures.

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3.	NET OPERATING EXPENSES	1995 £'000	1994 £'000
	Distribution costs Administrative expenses	65,235 28,150	51,730 24,283
		93,385	76,013
4.	NET INTEREST PAYABLE	1995 £'000	1994 £'000
	Interest receivable Interest payable on bank loans and overdrafts repayable by instalments	486	571
	within five years: BBC loan Other	(802) (75)	(1,630)
		. (391)	(1,059)

5. PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION

Profit on ordinary activities before taxation charging:	is stated 1995 £'000	1994 £'000
Depreciation - owned (see below) - held under finance leases Amortisation of programme investment	4,594 -	3,421 33
for future sales	29,795	28,346
Auditors' remuneration - company audit fees	79	78
- subsidiaries audit fees	58	64
- other fees	118	149
Operating lease rentals - plant and machinery	952	899
- other	792	489
Amounts written off investments	-	10

Included in the depreciation charge above is £1,250,000 in respect of accelerated depreciation on a freehold property (see also note 8).

6.	DIRECTORS AND EMPLOYEES	<u>1995</u> £′000	1994 £'000
a)	Employees		
	Staff costs - wages and salaries - social security costs - other pension costs		27,901 2,600 835
		33,655	31,336

Excluded from staff costs analysed above are the following amounts in respect of redundancy costs: £1,875,000 (1994: £318,000).

The average number of persons employed by the group during the year was:

	1332	1994
	Number	Number
Television Magazines Consumer Products Service Departments	285 448 247 202	250 515 211 187
	1,182	1,163

b) Pensions

Many employees are members of the BBC Pension Scheme, which provides salary related pension benefits on a defined-benefit basis. The scheme is subject to independent valuation by a professionally qualified actuary at least every three years, on the basis of which the actuary certifies the rate of employer's contribution which, together with the specified contributions payable by employees and proceeds from the scheme's assets, are sufficient to fund the benefits payable under the scheme.

The latest actuarial valuation of the scheme was at 1st April, 1993, using the projected unit method. The main long-term assumptions are that the annual rate of return on investments would exceed increases in earnings by 1.9% and exceed pension increases by 3.8%.

The market value of the scheme's assets at 1st April 1993 was £3,436m and the actuarial value of the assets represented 118% of the value of the benefits due to members, after allowing for expected future increases in earnings. The employer's and employees' standard contribution rates were $4\frac{1}{2}$ % of pensionable salary. This maintained the Scheme surplus within the parameters of the Inland Revenue guidelines.

After allowing for the cost of certain benefit improvements, the pension charge in the BBC Worldwide Limited financial statements for the year was £527,000 (1994: £605,000) after deducting a proportion of the scheme surplus amortised over the average remaining service of the contributing members.

The Company also operates its own defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the Company to the fund and amounted to £111,000 (1994: £39,302).

6. DIRECTORS AND EMPLOYEES (CONT'D)

c) Directors' emoluments

The remuneration paid to the directors of the parent company was:	1995 £'000	1994 £'000
Emoluments (including pension contributions and benefits in kind) Compensation for loss of office	789 <u>640</u>	854
	1,429	<u>854</u>
Fees and emoluments (excluding pension contributions) include amounts paid to:	1995 £'000	1994 £'000
The Chairman The highest-paid director	<u>-</u> 163	118

The number of directors (including the Chairman and the highest-paid director) who received fees and other emoluments (excluding pension contributions) in the following ranges was:

•	<u>1995</u> Number	1994 Number
£ 0 - £ 5,000	7	5
£ 40,001 - £ 45,000	-	1
£ 45,001 - £ 50,000	1	-
£ 65,001 - £ 70,000	1	-
£ 80,001 - £ 85,000	-	2
£ 85,001 - £ 90,000	-	1
£ 90,001 - £ 95,000	1	-
£ 95,001 - £100,000	_	1
£100,001 - £105,000	1	1
£105,001 - £110,000	1	1
	1	1
	1	
£115,001 - £120,000 £160,001 - £165,000	1	-

7. TAXATION ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES

	1995 £'000	1994 £'000
UK Corporation tax at 33% (1994: 33%) Group relief payable Deferred taxation (see note 14) Double taxation relief	4,585 4,176 (3,517) (782) 4,462	5,267 3,136 (3,446) (523) 4,434
Overseas taxation	2,273	1,587
	6,735	6,021
Share of associated undertakings' tax	388	225
Prior year adjustments: Corporation tax Group relief payable Deferred taxation (see note 14)	(3,987) 213 4,325	144 (2,494) 2,136
	7,674	6,032

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

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a)	Group	Buildings £'000	Plant & Machinery £'000	Fixtures Fittings £'000	& Total £'000
	Cost:				
	At 1st April 1994 Additions Acquisitions Disposals Exchange adjustment	10,660 656 - (421) (40)	12,141 2,167 9,538 (429)	7,541 975 703 (443) (74)	30,342 3,798 10,241 (1,293) (114)
	At 31st March 1995	10,855	23,417	8,702	42,974
	Accumulated depreciati	on:			
	At 1st April 1994 Charge for the year Eliminated on disposal Acquisitions Exchange adjustment	2,283 1,678 (421) (37)	8,362 1,835 (278) 3,258	6,041 1,081 (276) 673 (57)	16,686 4,594 (975) 3,931 (94)
	At 31st March 1995	3,503	13,177	7,462	24,142
	Net book value:				_ .
	At 31st March 1995	7,352	10,240	1,240	18,832
	At 31st March 1994	8,377	3,779	1,500	13,656

The net book value of buildings contains the following amounts in respect of leasehold and freehold property:

	1995 £'000	1994 £'000
Short leasehold Long leasehold Freehold	640 3,877 2,835	171 4,013 4,193
	7,352	8,377

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS (CONT'D)

b)	Company	Buildings £'000	Plant & Machinery £'000	Fixtures & Fittings £'000	Total £'000
	Cost:				
	At 1st April 1994 Additions Acquisitions Disposals	9,940 5 - -	11,567 2,066 9,538 (403)	5,162 366 703	26,669 2,437 10,241 (403)
	At 31st March 1995	9,945	22,768	6,231	38,944
	Accumulated depreciati	on:			
	At 1st April 1994 Charge for the year Acquisitions Eliminated on disposal	1,734 1,499 	7,989 1,703 3,258 (254)	4,581 595 673	14,304 3,797 3,931 (254)
	At 31st March 1995	3,233	12,696	5,849	21,778
	Net book value:	 		-	
	At 31st March 1995	6,712	10,072	382	17,166
	At 31st March 1994	8,206	3,578	581	12,365
	The net book value of in respect of leaseho	buildings ld and fre	contains tehold prope	he following	ng amounts
	_		,	1995 £'000	1994 £'000
	Long leasehold Freehold			3,877 2,835	4,013 4,193
				6,712	8,206
					

9. INVESTMENT IN PROGRAMMES FOR FUTURE SALE	Group £'000	Company £'000
Cost:		
At 1st April 1994 Exchange Adjustment Additions Written off during the year	107,888 (2,705) 30,535 (8,875)	77,348 - 25,001 (8,875)
Less: cost of programmes fully amortised as at 31st March 1995	(19,964)	(17,321)
At 31st March 1995	106,879	76,153
Amortisation:		
At 1st April 1994	52,937	36,333
Exchange Adjustment Amortisation for the year	(1,472) 29,795	20,268
Amortisation on programmes written off during the year	(8,875)	(8,875)
Less: accumulated amortisation on prografully amortised as at 31st March 1995	mmes (19,964)	(17,321)
At 31st March 1995	52,421	30,405
Net book value:		
At 31st March 1995	54,458	45,748
At 31st March 1994	54,951	41,015

The amortisation charge for the year of £29,795,000 (1994: £28,346,000) is included in cost of sales.

10. STOCKS

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STOCKS	Grou	110	Compa	
	1995	1994	1995	1994
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Raw materials and	2,854	1,534	1,889	1,026
consumables	2,054	_,	•	
Work in progress	5,624	3,331	5,624	3,331
Finished goods and goods for resale	6,586	4,055	6,586	4,055
goods for resule				
	15,064	8,920	14,099	8,412

Groi	ar	Compa	ny
1995 £'000	1994 £'000	1995 £'000	1994 £'000
52,719	38,409	37,232	26,267
-	-	9,727	5,202
9,779	8,827	10,123	8,827
2,686	2,808	1,799	1,322
5,786	5,896	5,712	5,712
70,970	55,940	64,593	47,330
year:			
275	<u>747</u>	96	614
275	747	96	614
71,245	56,687	64,689	47,944
	1995 £'000 52,719 9,779 2,686 5,786 70,970 year: 275	\$\frac{\fir}{\frac{\fir}{\frac{\frac{\fir}{\frac{\firititieta}{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{\fir}{\firinte\f{\frac{\firititiliet{\frac{\firitiet{\firint{\firitiet{\firiinti	$ \frac{1995}{£'000} \frac{1994}{£'000} \frac{1995}{£'000} $ $ 52,719 38,409 37,232 $ $ - 9,727 $ $ 9,779 8,827 10,123 $ $ 2,686 2,808 1,799 $ $ \frac{5,786}{70,970} \frac{5,896}{55,940} \frac{5,712}{64,593} $ $ year: $ $ \frac{275}{275} \frac{747}{747} \frac{96}{96} $

12. CREDITORS

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Amounts falling due within one year:

	Gro	up	Company	
	1995 £'000	1994 £'000	1995 £'000	1994 £'000
Trade creditors	40,786	27,289	39,592	25,928
Amounts owed to the BBC	23,700	13,134	21,009	3,420
Amounts owed to subsidiary undertakings	-	-	10,431	7,905
Amounts owed to associated undertakings	-	179	-	179
Amounts owed to fellow subsidiary undertakings	502	2,475	203	2,500
Other creditors	3,603	2,379	1,800	1,627
Corporation tax	5,036	4,044	4,631	3,664
Social security and other taxes	862	1,376	862	612
Accruals and deferred income	d 42,374	28,385	36,319	21,877
	116,863	79,261	114,847	67,712

13. CREDITORS

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Amounts falling due after more than one year:

	•	Group		Company	
		1995	1994 £'000	1995 £'000	1994 £'000
		£'000	£.000	£.000	£ 000
	Loan owed to the BBC	6,800	18,000	6,800	18,000
	Other creditors		22		
		6,800	18,022	6,800	18,000
					
	The loan to the BBC and bears interest at	is not market ra	repayable tes.	before	April 1996
14.	14. DEFERRED TAXATION (Group and Company)				£'000
	At 1st April 1994				496
	Current year credit (s	see note 7)		(3,517)
	Prior year charge (see	note 7)			4,325
	At 31st March 1995				1,304
	The full potential lia comprises:	ability		1995 £'000	1994 £'000
	Capital allowances on fixed assets	tangible		182	830
	Capital allowances on programmes for future	investmer e sale	nt in	1,671	(111)
	Other timing difference	ces		(549)	(223)
				1,304	496

15.	CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL	1995 £'000	1994 £'000
	Authorised 1,000,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	1,000	1,000
	Allotted, called up and fully paid 250,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	250	250
	THE STATE OF STATE OF THE STATE	(Company)	

16. INVESTMENTS IN SUBSIDIARY UNDERTAKINGS (Company)

	Shares in subsidiary undertakings £'000
Cost At 1st April 1994	14,326
Additions (see # below)	6,008
At 31st March 1995	20,334
Provisions At 1st April 1994	(2,655)
At 31st March 1995	(2,655)
Net book value At 31st March 1995	<u>17,679</u>
At 31st March 1994	11,671

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16. INVESTMENTS IN SUBSIDIARY UNDERTAKINGS (Company) (CONT'D)

The principal subsidiaries of the company as at 31st March 1995

% Interest	Name	Principal Activity
100	BBC Worldwide Americas Inc*	Coproducer and distributor of television programmes and multimedia exploitation
100	Woodlands Publishing Limited	Magazine publishing
100	Hartog Hutton Publishing Limited	Publisher of periodicals
100	BBC Worldwide (France) SARL**	Programme licencing and multimedia exploitation
100	BBC Enterprises (Investments Limited) Investment company
100	BBC Worldwide (Germany) GMBH***	Programme licensing and multimedia exploitation
100	Broadcasting Data Services Limited	Publisher of listings data
100	BBC World Service Television Limited#	Non trading
100	BBC Direct Limited	Direct marketing
75	European Channel Broadcastin Limited#	g Satellite broadcaster

registered in Delaware, USA

All of the above are incorporated in England and Wales, except where otherwise indicated, and have been included in the consolidated accounts.

^{**} incorporated in France

^{***} incorporated in Germany

[#] additions in year

17. INVESTMENTS IN ASSOCIATED UNDERTAKINGS

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	associated	Net loans to associated undertakings f'000	Total
Group	1 000	1 000	1 000
Cost At 1st April 1994	807	-	807
Additions Disposals	45 <u>(379)</u>	270 	315 (379)
At 31st March 1995	473	270	743
Share of post acquisition re	serves		
At 1st April 1994 Retained profits less losses Dividends received	9 1,076 (431)	<u>-</u> -	9 1,076 (431)
At 31st March 1995	654		654
Provisions At 1st April 1994 Provided in year Disposals	(806) - 379	<u>-</u> -	(806) - 379
At 31st March 1995	(427)		(427)
Net book value			
At 31st March 1995	700	270	970
At 31st March 1994	10		10
Company			
Cost At 1st April 1994	807		
Additions Disposals	45 <u>(379)</u>	·	
At 31st March 1995	473		
Provisions At 1st April 1994 Disposals	(806) <u>379</u>		
At 31st March 1995	(427)		
Net book value			
At 31st March 1995	46		
At 31st March 1994	1_		

17. INVESTMENTS IN ASSOCIATED UNDERTAKINGS (CONT'D)

The principal associates of the group as at 31st March 1995 are:

<pre>% Interest</pre>	Name	Principal Activity
23	Frontline Limited	Distribution of magazines.
50	Galleon Limited	Magazine subscription fulfilment management.
50	BBC Haymarket Exhibitions Limited	Organisation of trade and public exhibitions.
45	European Channel Management Limited#	Channel distribution.

(# additions in year)

All of the above are incorporated in England and Wales.

European Channel Management Limited, which commenced trading in January 1995, is regarded as an associated undertaking of BBC Worldwide Limited but the company has no obligation to provide it with financial support under the investment agreement. As a result BBC Worldwide Limited's share of start up losses for the period to 31st March 1995 (£5.2m) and net liabilities at 31st March 1995 (£5.1m) have not been consolidated within these financial statements.

18. OTHER INVESTMENTS

	Group £'000	Company £'000
Cost At 1st April 1994	3	-
Additions	1,627	1,627
At 31st March 1995	1,630	1,627
Provisions At 1st April 1994	(3)	-
Provided in year	(258)	_(258)
At 31st March 1995	<u>(261)</u>	_(258)
Net book value		
At 31st March 1995	1,369	1,369
At 31st March 1994		

18. OTHER INVESTMENTS (CONT'D)

The principal investments (all of which are unlisted) of the group are as follows:

% Interest	Name	Principal Activity
20	UK Gold Television Limited (see below)	Satellite broadcaster
19.9	Satellite News Corporation Limited*	Satellite broadcaster

^{*} addition of the company in the year

The group owns 2,999 £1 ordinary shares and one £1 special 'A' share which gives a 20% interest in UK Gold Television Limited of nominal value. In the opinion of the directors, the group is not in a position to exercise significant influence over the operating and financial policies of UK Gold, largely because of the disposition of the other shareholders and the voting arrangements, and has no requirement to provide financial support. The group's interest in UK Gold has therefore been accounted for as a trade investment.

19. PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT	Group £'000	Company £'000
At 1st April 1994 Retained profit for the year Exchange adjustment Goodwill written off (see below)	46,966 13,403 (1,021) (14,172)	43,871 10,246 (14,172)
At 31st March 1995	45,176	39,945

On 31st March 1995 the company acquired the business and net assets of a subsidiary, BBC World Service Television Limited, for a consideration of £6 million plus an amount equal to the liabilities of the company at that date. The assets acquired were as follows (no fair value adjustments were required):

	F,000	£,000
Fixed assets Investments Debtors Cash	6,311 1,035 10,929 14,479	
Total assets	·	32,754
Liabilities as at 31st March 1995		(40,926)
Cash consideration for business		(6,000)
Goodwill		14,172

For the year ended 31st March 1995 BBC World Service Television Limited incurred an operating loss of £7,419,000 (1994: loss of £5,418,000).

20.	CAPITAL COMMITMENTS	1995 £'000	Group 1994 £'000	1995 £'000	Company 1994 £'000
	Fixed Assets:	£ 000	£ 000	£ 000	£.000
	Authorised but not contracted for	1,037	1,177	1,037	1,177
	Programme Investments:				
	Contracted for but not provided for	12,936	12,606	12,936	12,606
	Authorised but not contracted for	33,464	36,782	33,464	20,182

21. LEASE COMMITMENTS

Future minimum rental payments under non cancellable operating leases, payable in the next year, are as follows:

	and & uildings 1995 £'000	Plant & Machinery 1995 £'000	Land & Buildings 1994 £'000	Plant & Machinery 1994 £'000
Expiring:				
within one year between two and five yea after more than five yea		125 790 -	- - 448	3 877 -
	1,065	915	448	880

22. CONTINGENT LIABILITY

The company, together with its subsidiary BBC World Service Television Limited and fellow subsidiary BBC Subscription Television Limited has entered into a group banking arrangement with Midland Bank Plc whereby the balances on the accounts of the three companies are offset. To comply with banking regulations, the three companies have provided unlimited guarantees in respect of the overdrafts and loan facilities of the other participants.

23. BRITISH BROADCASTING CORPORATION

The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of the British Broadcasting Corporation which is incorporated in the United Kingdom by Royal Charter. Copies of the financial statements of the British Broadcasting Corporation may be obtained from BBC Information Services, 201 Wood Lane, London, W12 7TS.