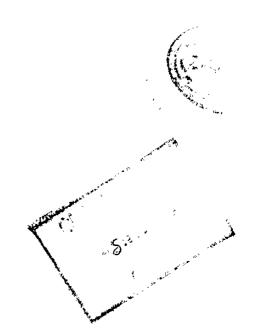
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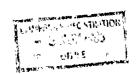
BBC ENTERPRISES LIMITED

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 1986



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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The directors have pleasure in presenting their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31st March, 1986.

RESULTS FOR THE YEAR

The profit for the year after taxation was £1,663,665 which will be added to reserves. The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The company trades as a joint producer of television programmes and sells the rights to show such programmes worldwide.

Other principal activities are the worldwide distribution of other BBC television programmes, the manufacture and distribution of audio tapes under the BBC label and home video tapes, character and other merchandising including BBC Microcomputers, the hire of technical production facilities, the mounting of public exhibitions related to BBC programmes and the sale of computer software.

ACQUISITIONS AND MERGERS

On 21st April 1986 the company acquired the remaining 98% of the stock of Lionheart Television International Inc., a corporation registered in Delaware U.S.A. whose principal activity is the distribution of television programmes in North America. Lionheart is already licenced to distribute BBC material in that territory and will continue to do so.

On 3rd May 1986 the activities of BBC Publications, a division of the BBC, were merged with BBC Enterprises Ltd business to form three operating divisions specialising in Programme Sales, Consumer Products and Journals.

The directors are confident that the rationalisation of the combined trading activities will enable accelerated growth to be achieved in existing and future business areas.

EMPLOYEES AND HEALTH AND SAFETY

It is the company policy to provide equal opportunities to all its staff on the basis of ability and objectivity, including full consideration to registered disabled persons.

Employees are encouraged to participate and be involved in the performance of the company through regular consultative meetings, handbooks, newspapers and noticeboards.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (continued)

DIRECTORS

The Directors who served during the year are:

W.F. Cotton (Chairman until 3rd March 1986 and thereafter Vice Chairman) M. Checkland (Vice Chairman until 3rd March 1986 and thereafter Chairman) G.B. Parkin (Managing Director) R. Gibbs

J.F. Keeble

B.A. Jennings

On 18th April 1986 K. N. Wright was appointed Finance Director and S. Innes a non-executive director.

DIRECTORS INTERESTS

No Director had any interest in the share capital of the company at 1st April 1985 or 31st March 1986.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR CHARLTABLE AND POLITICAL PURPOSES

Charitable and political contributions amounted to nil (1985 nil)

AUDITORS

In accordance with Section 384 of the Companies Act 1985, a resolution proposing the re-appointment of Deloitte, Haskins and Sells as auditors to the company will be put to the annual general meeting.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

J.F. KEEBLE Secretary

21st July 1986

AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF BBC ENTERPRISES LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 14 in accordance with approved Auditing Standards.

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company at 31st March 1986 and of its profit and source and application of funds for the year then ended and comply with the Companies Act 1985.

DELOITTE HASKINS & SELLS

Chartered Accountants London

21st July 1986

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The company prepares its financial statements on the historical cost basis of accounting.

FOREIGN CURRENCY AMOUNTS

Assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the balance sheet date are translated into sterling at the exchange rates ruling at that date. Any gains or losses on translation are credited or charged to the profit and loss account.

TURNOVER

Turnover represents revenues from the sale of programmes on behalf of the BBC, and from the sale of joint productions, records and video cassettes, royalties from character and other merchandising including BBC Microcomputer and computer software, income from the film library, exhibitions and the hire of facilities.

TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

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, furniture and fittings is calculated to write off the cost of the assets by equal instalments over their estimated economic lives at appropriate rates between two and five years. Depreciation on buildings has been calculated on the straight line basis over an estimated life of forty years.

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. The amortisation is charged against income over the average marketable life, which is estimated to be five years. The value of 'Investment in Programmes for Future Sale' has been reduced by the value of programmes over five years old that have been fully amortised.

STOCKS

Stocks comprising raw film, blank tape, video tape, records, and work in progress are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value except that a government grant in respect of the Domesday Project has been deducted from the work in progress value.

DEFERRED TAXATION

Deferred taxation has been provided at 31st March 1986, 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, except to the extent that it is, in the opinion of the directors, reasonable to assume that the timing differences will not reverse in the future so as to give rise to a tax liability.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MAPCH 1986

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MAFCH 1986	Notes	<u>1986</u> £	1985 £
	1	37,268,891	35,286,973
TURNOVER		19,618,746	17,040,252
Cost of sales		17,650,145	18,246,721
GROSS PROFIT Distribution expenses Administrative and Other expenses Bank interest receivable	2	(9,305,186) (6,419,894) 287,424 (14,244)	(9,929,073) (3,502,444) 108,935 (395,053)
Interest payable PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION Tax on profit on ordinary activities	4 5	2,198,245 (534,580)	
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION		£ 1,663,665	======

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH 1986

	Notes	1986 £	1985 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets Investment in programmes for future sale Investment in American distributor	6 7 8	7,879,487 14,472,121 52,156	8,032,196 13,055,927 52,156
		22 403,764	21,140,279
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stock Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	9 10	2,518,163 13,447,192 7,966,237	1,469,907 10,718,467 149,641
annumana a sa		23,931,592	12,338,015
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	11 .	30,943,949	18,830,928
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES		(7,012,357)	(6,492,913)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		15,391,407	14,647, 35
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES Deferred taxation	12	(5,127,627)	(6,047,251)
NET ASSETS		£10,263,780	£8,600,115
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital Profit and loss account	13 14	250,000 10,013,780	250,000 8,350,115
		£10,263,780	£8,600,115
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The financial statements on pages 4 to 14 were approved by the board of directors on 21st July 1986 and were signed on its behalf by:

K.N. WRIGHT

J.F. KEEBLE

Directors

STATEMENT OF SOURCE AND APPLICATION OF FUNDS		
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 1986	1986	1985
		£
SOURCE OF FUNDS	£	
	2,198,245	4,529,086
Profit on ocdinary activities before taxation	2,170,245	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
a the section of the		
Adjustments for items not involving the		
movement of funds:	1,316,727	1,096,218
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	1,510,727	2,000,000
Amortisation of programmes for	5,124,080	4,393,380
future sale	8,979	49,329
Loss on sale of fixed assets		
Unrealised loss/(gain) on	403,376	(146,738)
exchange		0.001.075
Funds generated from operations	9,051,407	9,921,275
	14,231	20,155
Proceeds on sale of fixed assets		
TOTAL SOURCE OF FUNDS	9,065,638	9,941,430
TOTAL GOURGE OF TOTAL		
THE MELTING OF MINDS		
APPLICATION OF FUNDS Purchase of fixed assets	1,187,228	1,032,919
Taxation paid	768,314	1,454,239
Investment in programmes for		7 (2) (02
future sale	6,540,274	7,434,402 52,156
Investment in American Distributor	-	8,750,000
Repayment of loan from BBC		8,750,000
	8,495,816	18,723,716
TOTAL APPLICATION OF FUNDS		
TO THE TOWN OF FUNDS	£ 569,822 £	(8,782,286)
NET SOURCE/(APPLICATION) OF FUNDS		
THE NET SOURCE/(APPLICATION) OF FUNDS IS REPRESENTED		
BY THE FOLLOWING INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN WORKING CAPITA	L	
	1,048,256	323,655
Increase in Stock Increase in Debtors	3,144,475	288,258
Increase in creditors	(2,186,061)	(991,492)
Increase in amount owed to BBC	(10,563,547)	(6,302,828)
41104 0000 411 0000	(8,556,877)	(6,682,407)
	(8,330,077)	(0,002,407)
MOVEMENT IN NET LIQUID FUNDS	1,253,927	(290,640)
Increase/(Decrease) in cash in hand	322,477	(662,248)
Decrease/(Increase) in bank overdraft	1,000,000	(1,000,000)
Decrease/(Increase) in short-term loans Increase/(Decrease) in bank deposits	6,550,295	(146,991)
Increase/(Decrease) in bank deposits		
	9,126,699	(2,099,879)
	- #60 000	c (0 703 30C)
INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN WORKING CAPITAL	£ 569,822	£ (8,782,286)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 1986

1. TURNOVER AND PROFIT ON GRDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION

TURNOVER AND PROFIT ON CRDINARY ACTIVITIES	1986 £1000	1985 £†000
Turnover - type of business	27,423	23,311
Television sales Other activities	9,846	11,976
	37,269	35,287
Turnover - geographical analysis	1986 £1000	1985 £'000
UK	9,115	10,753
Rest of World	28,154	24,534
Rest of world	37,269	35,287

The analysis of profit before taxation by class of business has not been disclosed as in the opinion of the directors, this information would be prejudicial to the company's operations.

2.	INTEREST PAYABLE	1986 £	<u>1985</u> £
	Amounts payable to the BBC Interest on bank loans and overdrafts repayable within 5 years	3,128 11,116 £ 14,244	279,927 115,126 £ 395,053
3.	DIRECTORS AND EMPLOYEES	1986 £	1985 E
	a) Employees Staff costs - wages and salaries social security costs other pension costs	3,666,608 254,529 593,538 £ 4,514,675	3,155,132 233,592 521,476 £ 3,910,200

The average number of employees employed by the company during the year was 332 (1985 - 305)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 1986 (continued)

3. DIRECTORS AND EMPLOYEES (continued)

J.	DIMEGIONS			
	b)	Directors' emoluments	<u>1986</u> £	1985 £
		The remuneration paid to the directors of the company was:		
		Fees Executive emoluments	N11 128,924	N11 116,864
			£128,924	1116,864
		Fees and emoluments (excluding pension contributions) disclosed above include amounts paid to:		
		The chairman	Nij.	Nil
		. The highest paid director	£36,989	£33,494
			<u>1986</u> Number	1985 Number
		The number of other directors who receiv fees and other emoluments (excluding pen contributions) in the following ranges	ed sion	
		E 0 - £5,000 £25,001 - £30,000 £30,001 - £35,000	2 1 1	2 1 1
4	. PROFIT	ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	<u>1986</u>	1985 £
	ie etst	on ordinary activities before taxation ed after crediting: on foreign currency translation		951,248

MOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 1986 (continued)

		<u>1986</u> £	<u>1985</u> £
A ₁	nd after charging: Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	1,316,727	1,096,218
	Amortisation of investment in programmes		4,393,380
	for the future sales	5,124,080 30,635	36,906
	Remuneration of auditors	984,093	
	Loss on foreign currency translation	204,023	
	Exceptional item: By an agreement with Acorn Computers		
	Limited dated 16th July 1986 the		
	company agreed to reduce the royalty		
	and interest receivable for the period 1st		
	August 1984 to 30th June 1985. The amount		
	of the reduction is included with	315,000	1,886,130
	'Distribution expenses'	•10,	
•	•		
5. I	TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES	1006	1095
•		1986 F	1985 £
	_	*	~
C	Current:		
т	U.K. Corporation tax at 40% (1985 - 45%)	1,504,099	869,808
I	Deferred taxation	(723,684)	816,192
_		780,415	1,686,000
		178,267	144,740
(Overseas taxation	170,207	4,1,7
		958,682	1,830,740
:	Prior year adjustment:		
	- d	(195,940)	(114,873)
	Deferred taxation Group relief receivable	70,761	(243,697)
	Corporation tax	(298,923)	(342,314)
		((0) 100)	(700 994)
		(424, 102)	(700,884) ————
		£534,580	£1,129,856

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 1986 (continued)

6.	FIXED ASSETS	Total	Buildings	Plant and Machinery	Fixtures, fittings, tools and equipment
		£	£	£	£
	Cost	~	_		
	At 1st April 1985	9,832,450	5,101,731	4,275,250	455,469
	Additions	1,187,227	239,333	790,774	157,120
	Disposals	(52,655)	<u>-</u>	(44,241)	(8,414)
	At 31st March 1986	10,967,022	5,341,064	5,021,783	604,175
	Accumulated depreciation				
	At 1st April 1985	1,800,254	208,565	1,343,847	247,842
	Charge for the year Eliminated on disposal	1,316,727 (29,446)	133,551	990,377 (23,346)	192,799 (6,100)
	At 31st March 1986	3,087,535	342,116	2,310,878	434,541
	Net book value				
	At 31st March 1986	£ 7,879,487	£ 4,998,948	£ 2,710,905	£ 169,634
	At 31st March 1985	£ 8,032,196	£ 4,893,166	£ 2,931,403	£ 207,627
7.	INVESTMENT IN PROGRAMMES	FOR FUTURE SA	LE	<u>19</u>	8 <u>6</u> E
	Cost				-
	At 1st April 1985			23,58	5,686
	Additions Written off during the y	ear			0,274 2,707)
	WITCH OIL GALANS COM			29,71	3,253
	Less: cost of programmes amortised as at 31	fully st March 1986	•	4,16	9,087
	At 31st March 1986			£25,54	44,166

MOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 1986 (continued)

7. INVESTMENT IN PROGRAMMES FOR FUTURE SALE (continued)

INVESTMENT IN PROGRAMMES FOR FUTURE SALE (CONTINUES)	1986 £
Amortisation At 1st April 1985 Amortisation Amortisation on programmes written off during the year	10,529,759 4,871,679 (160,306) 15,241,132
Less: amortisation on programmes fully amortised as at 31st March 1986 At 31st March 1986	4,169,087
Net book value At 31st March 1986 At 31st March 1985	£14,472,121 £13,055,927

8. INVESTMENT IN AMERICAN DISTRIBUTOR

On 21st April 1986 the company acquired the remaining 98% of the stock of Lionheart Television International Inc., its North American distributor. The value at 31st March 1986 represents the then minority interest at cost.

9.	STOCKS	<u>1986</u> £	1985 £
	Raw materials and consumables Work in progress Finished goods and goods for resale	121,494 1,539,771 856,898	157,329 322,333 990,245
	rinished goods and g	£2,518,163	£1,469,907
10.	DEBTORS .	1986 £	1985 £
	Trade debtors Other debtors Prepayments and accrued income	12,985,162 14,139 447,891	10,122,879 33,594 561,994
	11.6707	£13,447,192	£10,718,467

Trade debtors include debtors due after more than one year of £1,289,920 (1985: £458,031).

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 1986 (continued)

11. CREDITORS		1986 £	1985 £
Amounts f	alling due within one year:		
Trade cre Amounts o Corporati	wed to the BBC	339,771 6,416,333 20,645,571 1,739,983 1,802,291	1,662,248 5,161,044 10,011,263 1,124,854 871,519
		£30,943,949	£18,830,928
12. DEFERRED	TAXATION	1986	1985 F
Capit	potential liability is: al allowances on tangible fixed assets	2,006,275	
pro	al allowances on investment in grammes for future sale timing differences	3,110,606 10,746	3,727,775 23,639
		£ 5,127,627	£ 6,047,251
Amour being	nt provided (the movement in the year g a transfer to profit and loss account)	£ 5,127,627	E €,0€7,251
13. CALLED U	P SHARE CAPITAL	<u>1986</u>	<u>1985</u> £
Authoris	eđ		
1,000,00	O shares of £l each	£1,000,000	£1,000,000
Allotted	, called up and fully paid		
250,000	shares of El each	£250,000	£250,000

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATIMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 1936 (continued)

THE PROPERTY AND LOSS ACCOUNT

14. PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT		1986 £
At 1st April 1986 Retained profit for the year		8,350,115 1,663,665
At 31st March 1986		£10,013,780
15. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS	<u>1986</u> £	1985 £
Contracted for but not provided for Authorised but not contracted for	£ 317,101 £ 415,710	£ 176,969 £ 460,257

16. MERGER WITH BBC PUBLICATIONS

On 3rd May 1986 the activities of BBC Publications, a division of the BBC trading in journals and books, were merged with the company.

17. 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.