Bravado Merchandising Services Limited Report and Accounts 31 December 1994

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Company No. 1551763

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

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For the year ended 31 December 1994

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COMPANY INFORMATION

Directors

A E Crux

B M Drinkwater K A Drinkwater T Bennett

Secretary

C E Stone

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Registered office

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Auditors

Martin Greene Ravden Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors 55 Loudoun Road St John's Wood London NW8 0DL

Solicitors

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London WC2R 0QS

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30 Tooting High Street London SW17 0RG

DIRECTORS' REPORT

For the year ended 31 December 1994

The directors present their report and the audited accounts for the year ended 31 December 1994.

Principal activity

The principal activity of the company is that of merchandising products mainly related to the music industry.

Directors and their interests

The directors who held office during the year and their beneficial interests in the company's share capital were as follows:

Number of £1 Ordinary Shares at 1 January 1994 31 December 1994

A E Crux

B M Drinkwater

K A Drinkwater

T Bennett

The directors' beneficial interests in the share capital of the ultimate holding company, Bravado International Group Limited, are shown in the accounts of that company.

Auditors

A resolution to re-appoint the auditors, Martin Greene Ravden, will be proposed at the forthcoming annual general meeting.

The directors have taken advantage of the special exemptions applicable to small companies conferred by Part II of Schedule 8 to the Companies Act 1985 in the preparation of the directors' report.

By order of the Board

C E Stone Secretary

26 October 1995

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

in relation to the accounts

The following statement, which should be read in conjunction with the auditors' statement of their responsibilities set out on page 4, is made with a view to distinguishing for shareholders the respective responsibilities of the directors and of the auditors in relation to the accounts.

Company law requires the directors to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the company's state of affairs at the end of the year and of the profit or loss 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;
- follow applicable accounting standards, 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 1985. 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.

The directors, having prepared the accounts, are required to provide to the auditors such information and explanations as the auditors think necessary for the performance of their duty.

AUDITORS' REPORT

to the shareholders of Bravado Merchandising Services Limited

We have audited the accounts on pages 5 to 12 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and 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 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 at 31 December 1994 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 1985 applicable to small companies.

MARTIN GREENE RAVDEN

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors 55 Loudoun Road

St John's Wood London NW8 0DL

26 October 1995

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT For the year ended 31 December 1994

	Notes	1994 £	1993 £
Turnover		511	7,749
Cost of sales		110,543	(34,228)
Gross profit (loss)		111,054	(26,479)
Administrative expenses		(24,854)	(87,919)
		86,200	(114,398)
Other operating loss	2	-	(22,082)
Operating profit (loss)	4	86,200	(136,480)
Exceptional item Profit on disposal of investments	3		,
in overseas subsidiary undertakings		-	108,256
Profit (loss) before interest		86,200	(28,224)
Interest receivable Interest (payable) over-provided		1,148 8,119	15,341 (21,598)
Profit (loss) on ordinary activities before taxation		95,467	(34,481)
Taxation	6	(1,278)	(8,088)
Profit (loss) for the financial year		94,189	(42,569)
Dividends	7	(48,000)	(53,000)
Retained profit (loss) for the year		46,189	(95,569)
Retained profit brought forward		385,690	481,259
Retained profit carried forward		431,879	385,690

All amounts relate to continuing activities.

All recognised gains and losses are included in the profit and loss account.

BALANCE SHEET at 31 December 1994

		1	994		1993
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets Investments	8		85		86
Current assets Debtors (due within one year) Debtors (due after one year) Cash at bank	9 9	498,991 383,443 83,397 965,831		807,541 438,207 234,787 1,480,535	
Creditors due within one year Trade and other creditors Short term borrowings	10 11	443,964 70 440,034		1,002,430 2,498 1,004,928	
Net current assets			521,797		475,607
Total assets less current liabilities			521,882		475,693
Creditors due after one year Loan	11		90,000		90,000
Net assets			431,882		
Capital and reserves Called up share capital Profit and loss account	12		3 431,879		3 385,690
Shareholders' funds			431,882		385,693

The directors have taken advantage of the special exemptions applicable to small companies conferred by Part I of Schedule 8 to the Companies Act 1985 in the preparation of the accounts and have done so on the grounds that, in their opinion, the company is entitled to those exemptions as a small company.

The accounts were approved by the Board on 26 October 1995 and signed on its behalf by

A E Crux - Director

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

For the year ended 31 December 1994

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 Basis of accounting

The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention.

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No. 1 from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is a small company.

1.2 Turnover

Turnover represents the invoiced value of goods supplied by the company net of value added tax.

1.3 Royalties payable

Royalties payable are charged to the profit and loss account on an accruals basis. Advances to artists and licensors are assessed and the value of the unrecouped proportion to be included in debtors is determined by the prospects of future recoupment, based on past sales performance, current popularity and future touring plans. Provisions are made for unrecouped royalty advances in the accounting period in which they are regarded as irrecoverable.

1.4 Foreign currencies

Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate ruling on the date of the transaction. Exchange differences arising in the normal course of trade are included in the profit and loss account.

1.5 Deferred taxation

Provision is made under the liability method for taxation deferred by material timing differences except to the extent that, in the opinion of the directors, there is reasonable probability that such a liability will not arise in the foreseeable future.

2.	OTHER OPERATING LOSS	1994 £	1993 £
	Other operating loss includes:		
	Share of loss from reciprocal trading arrangements		
	with overseas merchandising partners	-	(22,082)
	•		
3.	EXCEPTIONAL ITEM	1994	1993
		£	£
	Profit on disposal of investments		
	in overseas subsidiary undertakings	-	108,256
			

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

For the year ended 31 December 1994

4.	OPERATING PROFIT Operating profit is stated after charging: Auditors' remuneration	1994 £ 6,000	1993 £ 10,000
5.	DIRECTORS' EMOLUMENTS Management remuneration (including pension contributions)	1994 £	1993 £ 2,461
6.	Taxation on profit on ordinary activities: UK corporation tax at 33% (1993 - 25%) Prior year adjustments Overseas tax	1994 £ 28,000 (26,503) (219) 1,278	1993 £ 7,000 1,088 8,088
7.	DIVIDENDS	1994 £	1993 £
	Interim paid of £16,000 per share (1993 - £17,667 per share)	48,000	53,000

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For the year ended 31 December 1994

8.	FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS	1994 £	1993 £
	Investments comprise: Subsidiary undertakings Associated undertaking	85 -	85 1
		85	86

Subsidiary undertakings

The company's principal subsidiaries at 31 December 1994 were:

Name	Holding of Ordinary Shares	Country of incorporation	Nature of business
B.M.S. (Mail Order) Limited	% 84.85	England	Wholesale and mail order
Bravado SARL	75.00	France	distributors of leisurewear Concert hall concessionaires

Associated undertaking	Cost of shares £
At 1 January 1994 Disposal	1 (1)
At 31 December 1994	-

The company disposed of its 50% holding in International Licensing Syndicate Limited, which was incorporated in England and carried on the business of merchandise licensing.

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For the year ended 31 December 1994

9.	DEBTORS			1994 £	1993 £
	Due within one year Trade debtors Other debtors Amounts owed by group undertakings			213,937 280,054	2,793 529,269 261,010
	Loan to director		÷	5,000	14,469
				498,991 ——-	807,541
	Due after one year				
	Amount owed by group undertaking			90,000	90,000
	Amounts owed by connected undertaki	ngs		293,443	348,207
				383,443	438,207
				882,434	1,245,748
	The loan to the director is interest free	•	ear end 1993 £	_	t balance the year 1993 £
	A E Crux K A Drinkwater	5,000	14,469	5,000	- 14,469
10.	The loan of £5,000 to Mr Crux was re	paid on 4 Janu	ary 1995.	1994 £	1993 £

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The company is acting as guarantor for a bank loan to Strawhand Limited which is owned by the directors. It is also acting as guarantor for certain bank overdrafts and loan facilities of a fellow group undertaking.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS For the year ended 31 December 1994

15. TRANSACTIONS WITH DIRECTORS

The company has made interest free loans totalling £293,443 (1993 - £348,207) to Strawhand Limited and to Bravado Holdings Limited and its wholly owned subsidiary undertaking, Concessions Management International Limited. Mr Crux, Mr B M Drinkwater and Mr K A Drinkwater have material interests in Strawhand Limited and Bravado Holdings Limited. Mr Bennett has an interest in the latter company.

16. ULTIMATE HOLDING COMPANY

The company's ultimate holding company is Bravado International Group Limited which was incorporated in England.