RUTLAND WEEKEND TELEVISION (INTERNATIONAL) LIMITED ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS 31ST DECEMBER, 1996



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AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE DIRECTORS OF

RUTLAND WEEKEND TELEVISION (INTERNATIONAL) LIMITED

PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH 24 OF SCHEDULE 8 TO THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

We have examined the abbreviated accounts set out on pages 3 to 5 together with the full financial statements of Rutland Weekend Television (International) Limited for the year ended 31st December, 1996. The scope of our work for the purpose of this report was limited to confirming that the company is entitled to the exemptions claimed in the directors' statement on page 3 and that the abbreviated accounts have been properly prepared from the full financial statements.

In our opinion the company is entitled under sections 246 and 247 of the Companies Act 1985 to the exemptions conferred by Part III of Schedule 8 to that Act in respect of the year ended 31st December, 1996 and the abbreviated accounts on pages 3 to 5 have been properly prepared in accordance with that Schedule.

We reported, as auditors of Rutland Weekend Television (International) Limited to the members on the full financial statements prepared under section 226 of the Companies Act 1985 for the year ended 31st December, 1996 and our audit report was as follows:

"We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 10 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 pages 1 and 2 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.

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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 the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31st December, 1996 and of its loss for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985."

Registered Auditors

23 OCTOBIL

1997

RUTLAND WEEKEND TELEVISION (INTERNATIONAL) LIMITED

ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET

AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1996

			1996		1995
FIXED ASSETS	Notes	£	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	2		370		832
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors Cash at bank		23,454 37,434		12,245 99,698	
		60,888		111,943	
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year		(147,729)		(128,877)	
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES			(86,841)		(16,934)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			£(88,471)		£(16,102)
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capital Profit and loss account	3		2 (88,473)		2 (16,104)
EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	\$		£(88,471)		£(16,102)

In preparing these abbreviated accounts the directors have:

- a) relied upon exemptions for individual accounts under Sections 246 and 247 of the Companies Act 1985 and
- b) done so on the grounds that the company is entitled to those exemptions as a small company.

Approved by the Board on 21 Ocrober 1997

E. Idle - Director

RUTLAND WEEKEND TELEVISION (INTERNATIONAL) LIMITED

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS

31ST DECEMBER, 1996

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention in accordance with the following accounting policies.

1.1 Turnover

Turnover represents receipts for services provided outside the United Kingdom, net of Value Added Tax.

Due to the nature of the company's activities, any profit share or royalty income is accounted for on a cash received basis which is in contravention of Statement of Standard Accounting Practice Number 2.

1.2 Research and Development Expenditure

Research and development expenditure is written off during the year in which it is incurred.

1.3 Depreciation

Depreciation on fixed assets is provided on a straight line basis at 25% per annum, in order to write off the assets over their estimated useful lives.

1.4 Exchange Differences

Transactions denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the rates ruling at the time of the transaction. Balances denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the rates ruling at the balance sheet date. All differences are taken to the profit and loss account.

1.5 Cash Flow Statement

The company is a small company as defined by sections 246 and 247 of the Companies Act 1985. It has therefore taken advantage of the exemption conferred by Financial Reporting Standard Number 1 not to prepare a cash flow statement.

1.6 Going Concern

The directors have expressed a willingness to continue to support the company for the foreseeable future.

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NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS - CONTINUED

31ST DECEMBER, 1996

2.	FIXED ASSETS	£	
	Cost		
	At 1st January, 1996 and at 31st December, 1996	4,453	
	Depreciation		
	At 1st January, 1996 Charge for the year	3,621 462	
	At 31st December, 1996	4,083	
	Net Book Value		
	At 31st December, 1996	£370	
	At 31st December, 1995	£832 ——	
3.	CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL	1996	1995
	Authorised		
	1,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	£1,000	£1,000
	Allotted, Called Up and Fully Paid	===	
	2 Ordinary shares of £1 each	£2 ==	£2

4. ULTIMATE PARENT UNDERTAKING

In the opinion of the directors the ultimate parent undertaking is Rutland Weekend Television Limited, a company registered in England and Wales. Copies of its accounts can be obtained from Companies House, Cardiff.