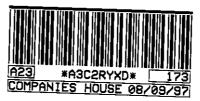
Directors' report and financial statements

For the year ended 31 December 1996

Registered number 1857097



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Directors' report

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1996.

Results and dividends

The company did not trade during the period and therefore, there was neither a profit nor a loss. Accordingly no profit and loss account has been presented. The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend.

Directors

The directors who held office during the period were as follows:

WJ Luesley DR Wright

Directors interests

None of the directors who held office at the end of the financial period had any disclosable interest in the shares of the company. The interest of these directors who are also directors of Inspectorate PLC (the company's ultimate holding company) are disclosed in the financial statements of that company.

Auditors

By Special Resolution, the company has taken advantage of Section 252 of the Companies Act 1985, exempting itself from the obligation to appoint auditors as required by Section 384(1) of the Companies Act 1985.

By order of the Board

DJ Lappage Secretary Registered Office 2 Perry Road Witham Essex CM8 3TU

Statement of directors' responsibilities

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss for that year. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for maintaining 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 financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

Balance sheet at 31 December 1996

	Note	1996 £	1995 £
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year		(2,796)	(2,796)
Capital and reserves Called up share capital	4	2	2
Profit and loss account		(2,798)	(2,798)
		(2,796)	(2,796)

The company was dormant, within the meaning of Section 250 of the Companies Act 1985, throughout the year under review.

These financial statements on pages 3 to 4 were approved by the board of directors on 28 August 1997 and were signed on its behalf by:

WJ Luesley Director

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Notes

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(forming part of the financial statements)

1 Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared using the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

2 Profit and loss account

The company did not trade during the year. Accordingly no profit or loss account has been presented.

3 Creditors: amounts falling due in more than one year

	1996 £	1995 £
Amounts owed to fellow subsidiaries	2,796	2,796
Share capital	-	
	1996 £	1995 £
Authorised: 1,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	1,000	1,000
Alloted, called-up and fully paid: 2 Ordinary shares of £1 each	2	2

5 Ultimate holding company

The company is a subsidiary undertaking of Inspectorate PLC a company registered in England and Wales. The largest and smallest group in which the results of the company are consolidated is that headed by Inspectorate PLC. The consolidated accounts of this group are available to the public and may be obtained from 2 Perry Road, Witham, Essex.