Ivory & Sime Asset Management Limited

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Report & Accounts for the Year ended 31 December 1999

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DIRECTORS AND ADVISERS

DIRECTORS:

P D Jones J Stubbs J C Walton

SECRETARIES:

Friends Ivory & Sime plc

REGISTERED OFFICE:

2nd Floor Princes Court 7 Princes Street London EC2R 8AQ

SOLICITORS:

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AUDITORS:

Ernst & Young Registered Auditors Ten George Street Edinburgh EH2 2DZ

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The directors submit their report and accounts for the year ended 31 December 1999.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY AND REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS

The principal activity of the company is to manage investments under contract for its clients. The company is a member of the Investment Management Regulatory Organisation.

RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The accounts show a profit after tax of £1,628,672 (317 day period ending 31 December 1998: £1,055,121). The directors recommend the payment of an ordinary dividend of £1,250,000 (317 day period ending 31 December 1998 - £850,000) leaving a profit of £378,672 (317 day period ending 31 December 1998 - £205,121) to be transferred to reserves.

DIRECTORS AND THEIR INTERESTS

The directors who served during the year were as follows:

P D Jones J Stubbs J C Walton

No director has any beneficial interest in the shares of the company. The beneficial interests of the directors in the shares of Friends Ivory & Sime plc, the parent undertaking, are shown in the accounts of that company.

AUDITORS

Ernst & Young have expressed their willingness to continue in office as auditors and a resolution proposing their reappointment will be submitted at the Annual General Meeting.

BY THE ORDER OF THE BOARD

For Friends Ivory & Sime plc

Secretaries

One Charlotte Square Edinburgh EH2 4DZ

25 April 2000

DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

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

The directors are required by the Companies Act 1985 to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company at the end of the financial year and of the profit or loss for the financial year.

The directors consider that in preparing the financial statements on pages 5 to 10, the company has used appropriate accounting policies, consistently applied and supported by reasonable and prudent judgements and estimates, and that all accounting standards which they consider to be applicable have been followed (subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the notes to the financial statements).

The directors have responsibility for ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company at that time and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They also 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.

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS

TO THE MEMBERS OF IVORY & SIME ASSET MANAGEMENT LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 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 page 3, the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements in accordance with applicable United Kingdom law and accounting standards. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements and to report our opinion to you. Our responsibilities, as independent auditors, are established in the United Kingdom by statute, the Auditing Practices Board and by our profession's ethical guidance.

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 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 at 31st December 1999 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

ERNST & YOUNG Registered Auditors EDINBURGH 25 April 2000

PROFIT & LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1999 (1998 - 317 day period ended 31 December 1998)

	Notes	Year ended 31 December 1999 £	317 day period to 31 December 1998 £
Turnover	2	2,880,360	2,040,541
Administrative expenses		(699,951)	(596,555)
OPERATING PROFIT	3, 4	2,180,409	1,443,986
Interest receivable Interest payable Exchange loss PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES		98,386 (81) (1,904) 2,276,810	84,068 (15) —
BEFORE TAXATION Tax on profit on ordinary activities	5	(648,138)	<u>(472,918)</u>
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION		1,628,672	1,055,121
Dividends	6	(1,250,000)	(850,000)
RETAINED PROFIT FOR THE YEAR	10	<u>378,672</u>	<u>205,121</u>

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than the profit after taxation of £1,628,672 for the year ended 31 December 1999 (317 day period ended 31 December 1998 - £1,055,121)

Movements on reserves are set out at note 10 in these accounts.

The accounting policies on page 7 and the notes on pages 7 to 10 form part of these accounts.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 1999

	Notes	31 December 1999 £	31 December 1998 £
CURRENT ASSETS Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	7	1,134,355 <u>2,562,674</u>	1,357,956 <u>1,549,157</u>
CREDITORS Amounts falling due within one year	8	3,697,029 (2,134,464)	2,907,113 (1,723,220)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>1,562,565</u>	<u>1,183,893</u>
CAPITAL AND RESERVES Called-up share capital Share premium account	9	100,000 50,000	100,000 50,000
Profit & Loss Account	10 11	1,412,565 1,562,565	1,033,893 1,183,893

J Walton Director

25 April 2000

The accounting policies on page 7 and the notes on pages 7 to 10 form part of these accounts.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

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

Turnover

Turnover comprises investment management fees which are stated net of value added tax.

2. TURNOVER

Turnover comprises investment management fees from clients in:

	31 December 1999	31 December 1998
	£	£
United Kingdom	2,269,698	1,436,089
Rest of Europe	201,146	165,581
North America	383,778	423,798
Other Income	<u>25,738</u>	<u> 15,073</u>
	<u>2,880,360</u>	<u>2,040,541</u>

3. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION

No director received any remuneration in respect of services to the company for the year to 31 December 1999 (317 day period to 31 December 1998 - £Nil).

The emoluments of PD Jones and J Stubbs are shown in the accounts of Friends Ivory & Sime plc.

4. **OPERATING PROFIT**

Operating profit is stated after charging:

	31 December 1999	31 December 1998
	£	£
Auditors' remuneration - audit fees Auditors' remuneration - non-audit services	3,200 <u>2,435</u>	2,600 2,900

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (Continued)

5. TAXATION

The taxation charge for the year is calculated as follows:	31 December 1999	31 December 1998
Based on profit for period -	£	£
UK corporation tax	687,823	472,918
Adjustments relating to prior periods - Corporation Tax	(39,685)	
	<u>648,138</u>	<u>472,918</u>
6. DIVIDENDS		
	31 December 1999 £	31 December 1998 £
Ordinary - final proposed	<u>1,250,000</u>	<u>850,000</u>
7. DEBTORS		
	31 December 1999 £	31 December 1998 £
Amounts falling due within one year:	2	Σ,
Trade debtors Amount owed by fellow subsidiary undertaking Amount owed by parent undertaking Other debtors Prepayments and accrued income	500,734 - 750 <u>632,871</u>	5,234 500,000 367,927 1,956 482,839
	1,134,355	<u>1,357,95</u>

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (Continued)

8. **CREDITORS**

		31 December 1999 £	31 December 1998 £
	Amounts falling due within one year:		
	Amounts owed to parent undertaking Corporation tax Group relief payable Other creditors Other tax and social security Accruals and deferred income	1,021,089 561,552 345,258 - 159,721 <u>46,844</u>	1,105,394 409,838 61,544 111,037 13,816 21,591
		<u>2,134,464</u>	<u>1,723,220</u>
9.	SHARE CAPITAL		
		31 December 1999 £	31 December 1998 ₤
	Authorised		
	133,333 ordinary shares of £1 each	<u>133,333</u>	<u>133,333</u>
	Allotted, issued and fully paid 100,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	100,000	100,000
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10.	RESERVES	Share premium account £	Profit and loss account £
	At 31 December 1998 Profit retained for the year	50,000 	1,033,893 <u>378,672</u>
	At 31 December 1999	<u>50,000</u>	<u>1,412,565</u>

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (Continued)

11. RECONCILIATION OF SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

	31 December 1999 £	31 December 1998 £
Shareholders' funds at 31 December 1998 Profit for the year Dividends	1,183,893 1,628,672 (1,250,000)	978,772 1,055,121 (850,000)
Shareholders' funds at 31 December 1999	<u>1,562,565</u>	1,183,893

12. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The company has taken exemption from the requirement to disclose related party transactions on the basis that it is a wholly owned subsidiary.

13. ULTIMATE PARENT UNDERTAKING AND CONTROLLING PARTY

The company's immediate parent undertaking is Friends Ivory & Sime plc. Friends Ivory & Sime plc has included Ivory & Sime Asset Management Limited in its group accounts, copies of which are available from its registered office: One Charlotte Square, Edinburgh, EH2 4DZ.

In the opinion of the directors, the company's ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party is Friends' Provident Life Office. Copies of the accounts for the Friends' Provident Life Office are available from Pixham End, Dorking, Surrey RH4 1QA.