DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 31 October 1994



Company Number 1966273

DIRECTORS' REPORT

for the year ended 31 October 1994

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Directors present their report and financial statements of Air 2000 Limited for the year ended 31 October 1994.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES AND REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS

The principal activity of the Company is the operation of a charter airline, utilising Boeing 757-200 and Airbus A320 aircraft.

Turnover for the year increased by 5.5% to £283,934,000 (1993: 14% to £269,121,000).

RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The profit before taxation for the year was £43,562,000 (1993 restated: £22,954,000). An interim dividend of £20,000,000 was declared and paid during the year (1993: £NIL) but no final dividend is proposed (1993: £NIL). The retained loss of £9,756,000 (1993 profit restated: £15,114,000) is transferred to reserves.

FIXED ASSETS

Details of fixed asset movements are shown in note 12 to the financial statements.

DIRECTORS AND THEIR INTERESTS

The Directors of the Company who served during the year are:

N Burrows (Resigned 26 January, 1995)

E P Cossey (Chairman - Resigned 30 April, 1995)

G Halford-Macleod (Resigned 28 February 1995)
M B Heald (Appointed 1 February, 1994)

M Simpson

V I Sinclair (Appointed 16 November, 1993)

J D Skinner (Resigned 24 March 1995)

K W Smith

T G Soult

None of the Directors had any beneficial interest in the shares of the Company at any time during the year.

At 31 October 1994 the interests of the Directors in the share capital of the ultimate parent company, First Choice Holidays PLC, were as follows:

DIRECTORS' REPORT for the year ended 31 October 1994 (continued)

	Ordina Held	At 31 Oct ry shares I Under option	cober 1994 Preference shares Held	Ordinar Held		rtober 1993 Preference shares Held
N Burrows	_	275,000	_	-	275,000	
J D Skinner	_	30,000	_	-	180,000	_
T G Soult	1,044	-	_	1,044	_	
K W Smith	_	148,515	_	-	-	-
V I Sinclair	-	69,505	-	-	-	-

The interests of E.P. Cossey and M.B. Heald are disclosed in the accounts of First Choice Holidays PLC.

DIRECTORS' INSURANCE

The ultimate parent company maintains insurance policies on behalf of all the Directors of Air 2000 Limited against liability arising from negligence, breach of duty and breach of trust in relation to the Company.

EMPLOYEES

The Company recognises the importance of promoting and maintaining good communications with its employees so that they may participate fully in matters of concern.

Regular meetings are held involving directors, managers and supervisory staff to convey information about the business.

EMPLOYMENT OF DISABLED PERSONS

It is the Company's policy to give full consideration to the suitability of disabled persons for employment. Opportunities also exist for employees of the Company who become disabled to continue in their employment or to be trained for other positions in the Company.

AUDITORS

Our auditors changed the name under which they practise to KPMG with effect from 6th February 1995. In accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985, a resolution for the re-appointment of KPMG as auditors of the Company is to be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

By order of the Board.

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P Buckley Secretary

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 period. 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; and
- 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 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 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.

We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 18.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 3, 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.

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 31 October 1994 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

WAL KPMG Chartered Accountants Registered Auditors London

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT for the year ended 31 October 1994

,		Continuing Operations	Continuing Operations (Restated)
	Notes	1994 £'000	1993 £′000
Turnover	3	283,934	269,121
Cost of Sales		(202,287)	(197,573)
		81,647	71,548
Operating expenses	4	(39,676)	(48,790)
Operating profit	5	41,971	22,758
Investment income	8	4,217	3,543
		46,188	26,301
Interest payable	9	(2,626)	(3,347)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		43,562	22,954
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	10	(33,318)	(7,840)
Profit for the financial year		10,244	15,114
Dividends	11	(20,000)	
Retained (loss)/profit for the	year	(9,756)	15,114
Profit and Loss Account - 1 No	vember 1993		
As previously reportedPrior year adjustment			19,305 (4,776)
- As adjusted		30,652	14,529
		20,896	29,643
Additional depreciation on revalued assets transferred			
from revaluation reserve	21	1,312	1,009
Profit and Loss Account - 31	October 1994	22,208	30,652

BALANCE SHEET

as at 31 October 1994

			1994		stated) 1993
	Notes	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
IXED ASSETS					
angible assets	12		67,715		82,670
nvestments	13		15		15
			67,730		82,685
URRENT ASSETS					
tocks	14	541		768	
ebtors ash at bank and in hand	15 16	161,180		111,418	
ash at bank and in hand	7.0	3,681		8,793	
mmm		165,402		120,979	
REDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	17	(130,030)		(82,756)	
et Current Assets			35,372		38,223
otal Assets less Current Liabilities			103,102		120,908
REDITORS: amounts falling due after more than	10		(2E E12)		(E1 0E2)
one year	18		(25,513)		(51,053)
ROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES	19		(44,741)		(26,703)
et assets			32,848		43,152
APITAL AND RESERVES					
alled up share capital	20		100		100
evaluation reserve	21		10,540		12,400
rofit and loss account			22,208		30,652
			32,848		43,152

The financial statements on pages 5 to 18 were approved by the Board on 1995 and signed on their behalf by:-

K W Smith Director

Malcolm Heald Director

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES for the year ended 31 October 1994

	1994 £′000	(Restated) 1993 £'000
Profit for the financial year	10,244	15,114
Unrealised (deficit)/surplus arising on revaluation		
	(548)	3,262
Total recognised gains and losses relating to the year	9,696	18,376
Prior year adjustment - Revaluation Reserve	12,400	
- Profit and loss account	(2,939)	
Total recognised gains since last financial statements	19,157	
Note of Historical Cost Profits and Losses for the year ended 31 October 1994		
		(Restated)
·	1994	1993
Reported profit on ordinary activities	£′000	£′000
before taxation	43,562	22,954
Depreciation difference between historical		
cost and the revalued amount	1,313	1,008
Historical cost profit on ordinary activities before taxation		
Deloie Caxacion	44,875	23,962
Historical cost retained (loss)/profit for the year	(8,443)	16,122
Reconciliation of Movements in Shareholders' Funds for the year ended 31 October 1994		
		(Restated)
	1994	1993
	£'000	£'000
Profit for the financial year	10,244	15,114
Dividends	(20,000)	· -
Other recognised gains and losses relating	(9,756)	15,114
to the year	(548)	3,262
Net (decrease)/increase in Shareholders' Funds	(10,304)	18,376
Opening Shareholder's funds (as previously stated)	33,691	19,405
Prior year adjustment	9,461	5,371
Closing Shareholders' Funds	22 040	42.750
what chouse I winds	32,848	43,152

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 31 October 1994

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of certain fixed assets and in accordance with applicable accounting standards, consistently applied.

Group financial statements

The Company has not produced group financial statements because it is a wholly owned subsidiary of a UK undertaking which has prepared group financial statements.

Foreign currencies

Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date, except to the extent that foreign currency denominated liabilities are covered by forward exchange contracts. The benefit of foreign exchange contracts purchased to cover future seasons is accounted for in the season to which such contracts relate. Profits and losses arising on trading and translation are dealt with through the profit and loss account.

Revenue invoiced in advance

All revenue invoiced relating to flights departing after 31 October is carried forward and included in creditors falling due within one year.

Finance leases & hire purchase agreements

Assets arising under finance leases and hire purchase agreements are capitalised and a corresponding liability recorded in creditors representing the present value of the minimum lease payments. Where an option price exists, the corresponding liability includes the option purchase price as though it were a lease payment and the option exercise date is taken as the most beneficial to the Company. Payments are treated as consisting of capital and interest elements with the interest being charged to the profit and loss account in proportion to the outstanding obligations.

The assets relating to aircraft finance leases and hire purchase contracts are revalued by independent professional valuers at each balance sheet date.

Operating leases

Rentals payable and receivable under operating leases are charged or credited to the profit and loss account on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

Rental payments made in excess of the amount charged to the profit and loss account are carried forward as deferred lease rentals.

Aircraft maintenance costs

The provision made in respect of maintenance, overhaul and repair costs of the airframes and engines is based on the total anticipated costs over the useful life of the aircraft and engines calculated by reference to costs experienced and manufacturers' published data. The charge to the profit and loss account is calculated by reference to the number of hours flown. Costs incurred are charged against the provision.

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Depreciation

Fixed assets are depreciated on a straight-line or reducing-balance basis at rates calculated to write off the cost or valuation, less estimated residual value, of each asset over its expected useful life.

The rates and methods used are as follows:

Hire purchase aircraft - 20 years to 10% residual value

Aircraft equipment and spares - over 12 years

Motor vehicles

Office equipment

Computer equipment

- 25% reducing balance

- 25% reducing balance

- 25% reducing balance

- 40% straight-line

- Thereafter - 30% straight-line

Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided using the liability method on all material timing differences to the extent that the liability is expected to crystallise in the foreseeable future.

Pensions

Under the defined benefit scheme, pension libilities are charged to the profit and loss account so as to spread the long term cost of pensions over the remaining service lives of current employees. The assets of the scheme are held seperately from assets of the Company.

Stock

Stock is valued at the lower of cost or net realisable value.

Cash Flow Statement

The Company is exempt under Financial Reporting Standard No. 1 from the requirement to prepare a cash flow statement as it is a wholly owned subsidiary company.

2 PRIOR YEAR ADJUSTMENTS

Two aircraft and a spare engine were leased from a non group company during 1988. The agreements were originally accounted for as operating leases, with rentals charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the period of the lease. In 1991 the Company transferred the obligations under the agreements to a fellow subsidiary company. Simultaneously the Company entered into an agreement with this fellow subsidiary to operate the aircraft and engine and also obtained the option to acquire the assets. This arrangement was accounted for as a hire purchase agreement and the assets (whose value was based on advice from independent aircraft consultants and valuers) were brought on balance sheet.

Following the adoption of Financial Reporting Standard No. 5, "reporting the substance of transactions," the original contracts incepted in 1988 have been accounted for as finance lease agreements and consequently the aircraft and related engine have been restated to the original cost in 1988. The assets have been depreciated in accordance with the stated depreciation policy. In restating the 1993 accounts the assets were included in the balance sheet at their revalued amounts. The assets have subsequently and will continue to be revalued annually by the directors on the advice of independent professional valuers.

Under the restated accounting treatment, the effect of the agreement in 1991 with the fellow subsidiary undertaking to operate the aircraft and engine was to reclassify the finance lease liability to an intragroup liablity reflecting the outstanding obligation under the hire purchase arrangement with the fellow subidiary company. There was no effect on the accounting treatment of the assets.

The effect on the 1994 financial statements has been to increase profit after tax by £24,000. A summary of the effect of the prior year adjustment on the 1993 financial statements is set out below:

financial statements is set of	As	Prior	Realised	As
	Previously	Year	Depreciation	Restated
	Reported	Adjustment	Transfer	
	£'000	£′000	£'000	£'000
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	22,213	741	-	22,954
Tax on profits on ordinary activities	(7,927)	87	-	(7,840)
Profit on ordinary activities	14,286	828	<u> </u>	15,114
after taxation. Profit and loss account brought forward	19,305	(4,776)	1,009	15,538
Profit and loss account	33,591	(3,948)	1,009	30,652
carried forward	_	13,409	(1,009)	12,400
Revaluation reserve Called up share capital	100	-	-	100
Shareholders' Funds	33,691	9,461		43,152
Tangible fixed assets	83,703	(1,033) –	82,670
Debtors	110,298	1,120		111,418
Other Assets	9,576	-	-	9,576
Creditors amounts falling due	(110,353)	27,597	_	(82,756)
within one year Creditors amounts falling due	(38,669)	(12,384) –	(51,053)
after more than one year Provisions for liabilities and charges	(20,864)	(5,839) -	(26,703)
	33,691	9,461	-	43,152
				

3 TURNOVER

Turnover arises from charter airline operations carried out from within the United Kingdom, and from continuing operations. (Restated)

4	OPERATING EXPENSES (net)	1994 £'000	1993 £'000
	Staff costs (see note 6) Depreciation Other operating charges	25,054 7,465 7,157	23,960 7,880 16,950
		39,676	48,790

5	OPERATING PROFIT		(Restated)
3	OPERALING PROFIL	1994	1993
	is stated after charging: Operating lease rentals	£'000	£,000
	- Land and buildings	1,030	761
	- Aircraft and other equipment	43,995	42,557
	Auditors' remuneration - audit fees	36	40
		·-	(Restated)
6	STAFF COSTS	1994	1993
		£'000	£'000
	Wages and salaries	21,297	20,505
	Social security costs	2,334	2,425
	Pension costs	1,423	1,030
	,	25,054	23,960
	The average weekly number of employees during		
	the year was as follows:	Number	Number
	Charter airline operations	1,278	1,259
7	REMUNERATION OF DIRECTORS		
		1994	1993
	Included in staff costs are directors' emoluments consisting of:	£'000	£′000
	Emoluments (excluding pension contributions)	841	761
	Pensions	333	127
		1,174	888
	Emoluments (excluding pension contributions) of the Chairman also highest paid director	241	254
	The emoluments (excluding pension contributions) of		
	the directors fell within the following ranges:	Number	Number
	£ 0 - £ 5,000	1	-
	£50,001 - £ 55,000	1.	-
	£55,001 - £ 60,000	1	-
	£65,001 - £ 70,000	-	2
	£70,001 - £ 75,000	1	-
	£85,001 - £ 90,000		3
	£90,001 - £ 95,000	1	-
	£100,001 - £105,000	1	-
	£105,001 - £110,000 £110,001 - £115,000	1	1
	£240,001 - £245,000 £240,001 - £245,000	1 1	-
	£250,001 - £255,000 £250,001 - £255,000	_	1
	,		

			(Restated)
		1994	1993
8	INVESTMENT INCOME	£'000	£'000
	Interest Receivable	4,217	3,543
			(Restated)
		1994	1993
9	INTEREST PAYABLE	£'000	£'000
	On loans wholly repayable within five years Finance lease charges:	63	-
	Leases expiring within five years	2,563	3,347
		2,626	3,347
			(Restated)
10	TAXATION	1994	1993
		£′000	£′000
	Tax on profit on ordinary activities: Corporation tax at 33% (1993: 33%) based on profit for		
	- current year	33,214	`4,710
	- prior year	(14,763)	(483)
	Deferred tax charge (see note 19)	14,867	3,613
		33,318	7,840

The tax charge for the current year is high due to the payment of group relief (£20,923k) to a fellow subsidiary.

There was a large tax credit prior year due to a change in the tax treatment of aircraft maintenance reserves resulting in the additional deduction of £5,042k; together with an adjustment for capital allowances in respect of two aircraft £9,769k.

11 DIVIDENDS

Interim paid: £200 per share (1993:Nil) 20,000 -

12 TANGIBLE ASSETS

		Aircraft		Office	
		equipment	Motor	equipment	
_	Aircraft	and spares		and computers	m-4-1
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	Total
Cost/Valuation		2 000	2 000	£ 000	£'000
1 November 1993	54,405	41,094	176	2,738	98,413
Prior Year Adjustment	(2,377)	643	-	-	(1,734)
As adjusted	52,028	41,737	176	2,738	96,679
Additions	_	612	50	435	1,097
Disposals	_	(11,532)	(10)	(1)	(11,543)
31 October 1994	52,028	30,817	216	3,172	86,233
Depreciation At 1.11.93 as					
previously reported	805	12,126	84	1,695	14,710
Prior Year Adjustment	(701)			-, 000	(701)
As Adjusted	104	12,126	84	1,695	14,009
Provided in the year	3,208	3,571	28	658	7,465
Disposals	-	(4,415)	(6)	_	(4,421)
Revaluations	1,617	(152) ———		_	1,465
31 October 1994	4,929	11,130	106	2,353	18,518
Net Book Value					
At 31st October 1994	47,099	19,687	110	819	67,715
At 31st October 1993					<u> </u>
As previously reported	53,600	28,968	92	1,043	83,703
As adjusted	51,924	29,611	92	1,043	82,670
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Certain assets shown above have been included at valuations. The net book values of assets held at valuation along with the corresponding historical cost amounts are set below:

	Aircraft £′000	Aircraft Equipment and Spares £'000	Total £'000
Net Book value at valuation at 31 October 1994	47,099	3,005	50,104
Historical Cost at 1 November 1993			 -
- As previously reported - Prior year adjustment	54,404 (5,735)	2,669 (491)	57,073 (6,226)
As restated and at 31 October 1994	48,669	2,178	50,847
Depreciation at 1 November 1993 - As previously reported - Prior year adjustment	805 12,335	1 979	806 13,314
As restated - Provided in year	13,140 2,190	980 163	14,120 2,353
At 31 October 1994	15,330	1,143	16,473
Net book value at 31 October 199 - Historical cost	4 33,339	1,035	34,374

These aircraft and engines were revalued in October 1994 at US\$(81,700,000) (Sterling equivalent £50,104,000) by Airclaims Ltd., aircraft consultants and valuers, on the basis of an open market valuation.

Included in tangible fixed assets are the following assets held under hire purchase agreements and finance leases.

	Aircraft	Aircraft equipment and spares £'000	Motor vehicles £'000	Total £'000
	£'000	£ 000	2 000	
Net book value 31 October 1994	47,099	5,866	40	53,005
Depreciation provided	3,208	845	12	4,065
during the year				

13	INVESTMENTS	
	Cost	£'000
	At 1 November 1993 and 31 October 1994	15

The Company's wholly owned subsidiaries, all of which have ordinary share capital, are set out below:

	Company	Nature of Business		Country of Incorporation/ Registration
	Air 2000 BV	Office Services		Netherlands
	Air 2000 Second Aircraft Ltd	Aircraft Leasing		England & Wales
	Air 2000 First Engine Ltd	Aircraft Engine & Equipment Leasing		England & Wales
	Air 2000 First Aircraft Ltd	Dormant		England & Wales
14	STOCKS		199 £′00	
	Bar and catering stock Uniforms Other		22	137
			54	768
15	DEBTORS		199 £′00	
	Trade debtors Amounts owed by fellow subsidiaries Amounts owed by subsidiary companies Corporation tax Other debtors Deferred lease rentals Prepayments and payments in advance to suppliers		4,38 128,34 8,16 8,13 2,13 94 9,07	8 85,118 60 8,529 60 - 8 2,759 8 792 10 8,189
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Included in prepayments are security deposits of £5,194,658 (1993: £4,180,000) which are held as security against hire purchase assets and operating leases and are repayable by 1997.

16 CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND

A number of third parties hold charges over £396,570 (1993: £285,000) as security for guarantees given in respect of bonding arrangements, aircraft leases and other items.

17	CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	1994 £'000	(Restated) 1993 £'000
	Trade creditors Other creditors Other taxes and social security costs Amounts due to ultimate parent undertaking Amounts due to fellow subsidiaries Hire purchase agreements amounts due to fellow subsidiaries Corporation tax	13,625 1,616 772 2,667 71,761 21,171	11,357 1,716 755 - 32,751 2,972 11,995
	Accruals Lease rental accruals Revenue invoiced in advance	13,044 1,474 3,900 130,030	14,255 1,714 5,241 82,756
18	CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more than one year	1994 £′000	(Restated) 1993 £'000
	Hire purchase agreements - amounts due to fellow subsidiaries (i) Finance leases - third party (i) Deferred payments for aircraft spares (ii)	20,529 432 4,552	45,215 911 4,927
	(i) Finance leases & hire purchase agreements	25,513	51,053

The Company's net obligation under finance leases and hire purchase agreements in respect of motor vehicles, aircraft, aircraft equipment and spares are:

Amounts due to fellow subsidiaries	1994 £′000	(Restated) 1993 £'000
Payable within		
- one year - two to five years	21,171 20,529	2,972 45,215
	41,700	48,187
Third party		
Payable within		
- one year (included in other creditors)	476	551
- two to five years	432	911
	908	1,462

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19	PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND	CHAPCES		1994	(Restated)
	THOUSE TON HINDHILLING AND	CHARGES		£'000	1993 £′000
				2 000	£ 000
	Aircraft maintenance provision			19,366	15,278
	Deferred taxation	(ii)		25,375	11,425
				44,741	26,703
					
i)	Aircraft maintenance provision			£'000	£′000
	1 November 1993			15,278	8,364
	Provided in the year			24,247	23,446
	Costs incurred			(20,159)	(16,532)
	31 October 1994			19,366	15,278
ii)	Deferred taxation				
			Provided	Po	tential
		1994	(Restated) 1993	1004	(Restated)
		£'000		1994 £′000	1993 £'000
	Accelerated capital		2 000		2 000
	allowances	19,204	-	19,204	9,754
	Timing differences Arising on revalued assets	980 5 101	, ,	980	(4,437)
	Allbung on levalued assets	5,191	· <u></u> -	5,191	6,108
		25,375	11,425	25,375 ———	11,425
				1994	
				£'000	
	At 1 November 1993 (as previous Prior year adjustment	ly state	d)	5,586 5,839	
	As restated				
	Charge to profit and loss account (note 10) *			11,425 14,867	
	Transfer to revaluation reserve			(917)	
				25,375	
20	CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL			1994 £'000	1993 £′000
	Authorised			2 000	2 000
	100,000 ordinary shares of £1 each			100	100
	Issued and fully paid				
	100,000 ordinary shares of £1 e	ach		100	100

21	REVALUATION RESERVE	1994	1993 £′000
	1 November 1993 - As previously reported - Prior year adjustment	£'000 - 12,400	£ · 000
	 As adjusted Revaluation Additional depreciation on revalued assets transferred to profit and loss account 	12,400 (548) (1,312)	13,409 (1,009)
	31 October 1994	10,540	12,400

22 FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

The annual commitments under non cancellable operating leases are as follows:

	Land and buildings	Aircraft and other Equipment	Land and buildings	Aircraft and other Equipment (Restated)
	1994	1994	1993	1993
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£′000
Expiring within: One year Two to five years Thereafter	60 373 327	12,092 9,578 12,620	230 549 	13,944 11,676 19,063
	760	34,290	779	44,683

23 AIR 2000 LIMITED RETIREMENT BENEFITS SCHEME

The Company operates a defined benefit pension scheme for employees. The scheme is funded by contributions from both the members and the Company.

The contributions are determined by a qualified actuary on the basis of triennial valuations using the projected unit method. The most recent valuation was at 1 November 1992. The principal assumptions were a rate of investment return of 9% per annum and a rate of salary increase of 7.5% per annum. The market value of the scheme's assets at 31 October 1994 was £9,162,000 (1993: £7,492,000).

The total pension charge for the year was £1,423,000 (1993: £1,030,000).

24 PARENT UNDERTAKING

The ultimate parent undertaking is First Choice Holidays PLC, a company registered in England and Wales.

First Choice Holidays PLC is the parent undertaking of the largest and smallest group of which Air 2000 Limited is a member and for which group accounts are drawn up. Copies of those group accounts are available from, The Company Secretary, First Choice Holidays PLC, First Choice House, London Road, Crawley, West Sussex, RH10 2GX.

25 CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

The Company had no capital expenditure authorised or contracted for at 31 October 1994 (1993: £Nil).

26 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The Company has given a guarantee to Chemical Bank in respect of fellow subsidiary undertakings obligations under finance leases. At 31 October 1994, these amounted to £9,718,000 (1993: £11,842,987).