DEBEORS HOUDINGS PLC

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DIRECTORS, OFFICERS AND ADVISERS

DIRECTORS

D. C. Parker (Chairman and Managing Director)
M. J. Basford (Deputy Managing Director)
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CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

I am very pleased to report that for the eighteenth successive year both turnover and profits have increased to record levels. Our turnover increased from £8.8 million in 1985 to £11.0 million for 1986 and the profit before tax increased from £1.4 million to £2.0 million.

In the light of these results the Board is recommending a final dividend of 2.7p per share on all shares in issue prior to 1 December 1986 which, taken with the interim dividend of 0.6p, makes a total of 3.3p. In view of the very encouraging prospects the Board expects, subject to unforeseen circumstances, to be able to recommend dividends totalling 4.5p per share for the full year to 31 December 1987.

The past year has been an exciting one for the Company with its flotation in April and the completion on 1 December 1986 of our first acquisition. Since acquiring Halle Models we have undertaken the necessary steps which we believe will greatly improve Halle's overall performance and efficiency. As part of our main strategy of stream-lining and centralising Halle's operation, the new sewing unit in Macclesfield should be ready for occupation in August to replace the existing factory. The head office and factory in Leek is at present being extended to accommodate larger offices, design and cutting departments, and it is proposed to purchase a finished goods warehouse in Leek to replace the existing leased premises. The Directors believe that Halle is now on course to realise its full potential.

Debfor Limited has continued to expand its market share and has broadened its customer base even further during 1986. The turnover has increased substantially with the new customers acquired during the past two years and we have developed further ranges of coordinated garments for these outlets. The Directors expect that 1987 will show continued growth in existing markets, and the production capacity is being increased to meet these demands.

The forward order position of both Debfor Limited and Halle is very strong. I believe that we are on course for another record year in 1987 with Debfor Limited continuing to make increasing profits and Halle also making a significant contribution.

Your Directors believe that there are many possibilities for growth by acquisition not only in complementary garment areas but also in a wider range of textile products. Therefore, it is our intention to continue to expand the Group by acquisition as and when suitable opportunities arise.

The Board is proposing to introduce an executive share option scheme which will benefit not only the recipients but also all shareholders by providing an additional incentive to the participants.

In conclusion I should like to thank all our employees for their efforts and support throughout the year. Without their commitment 1986 could not have been so successful.

DAVID PARKER Chairman

DIRECTORS' REPORT

The Directors submit their report and accounts for the year ended 31 December 1986.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES AND BUSINESS REVIEW

The Group's principal activities are the design, manufacture and sale of bras, co-ordinated lingerie, nightwear and children's wear. A review of Group results for the year and future prospects is given in the Chairman's Statement on page 3.

INCORPORATION AND CHANGE OF NAME

Debfor Holdings plc was registered in England on 12 March 1986 under the name Excraft Limited as a private limited company. The Company changed its name and was re-registered as a public limited company under the name of Debfor Holdings plc on 22 April 1986.

SHARE CAPITAL

During April 1986 the share capital of the Company was reorganised as described in note 19 to the accounts. The reorganisation was effected in connection with the flotation of the Company on the Unlisted Securities Market of the Stock Exchange on 24 April 1986. On 1 December 1986 new ordinary shares were issued as part of the consideration for the acquisition of the whole of the share capital of Halle Models (Holdings) Limited.

The authority of the Directors to issue shares in accordance with the provisions of Section 95 of the Companies Act 1985 expires at the 1987 Annual General Meeting. The Directors consider that it is in the interests of the Company that this authority should now be extended until the 1988 Annual General Meeting, and a resolution to this effect will be put to the Annual General Meeting.

EXECUTIVE SHARE OPTION SCHEME

Enclosed with the accounts is a letter from the Chairman dated 30 March 1987 giving details of the proposal to adopt an executive share option scheme which will be put to the Annual General Meeting. The Directors believe that the proposed scheme will contribute to the Group's ability to reward and recruit senior management.

RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The results for the year are shown in the profit and loss account on page 6. The Directors recommend the payment of a final dividend of 2.7p per share on 15 May 1987 to shareholders on the register at 16 April 1987 except that the new shares issued on 1 December 1986 in connection with the acquisition of Halle Models (Holdings) Limited do not rank for this dividend. An interim dividend of 0.6p per share was paid in October 1986 making a total dividend of 3.3p (4.54p with the related tax credit).

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS

On 23 March 1987 the Directors had not been informed of any holding in excess of 5% of the share capital of the Company other than the following:

	Number of shares	%
D. C. Parker Electra Investment Trust plc	6,750,000 579,670	73.9 6.3

DIRECTORS' REPORT (continued)

DIRECTORS

The Directors of the Company at 31 December 1986 together with their interests on that date in the shares of the Company, all of which are beneficial, were as follows:

	Date of appointment	Number of shares
D. C. Parker	12 April 1986	6,750,000
M. J. Basford	12 April 1986	10,500
H. Prevezer	12 April 1986	10,500
S. J Willis	12 April 1986	10,500
J. G. Kerslake	l December 1986	6,959

No Director held any shares on 12 April 1986.

Mr. J. G. Kerslake, who held 6,959 shares on the date of his appointment, resigned on 12 January 1987.

Mr. Parker's interests include those of his wife and the trustees of a settlement for the benefit of his children. The interests of the other Directors include the interests of their respective spouses.

There have been no changes in the interests of the Directors from 1 January 1987 to 23 March 1987.

INFORMATION TO EMPLOYEES

The Group's management has an open policy on the communication of information to employees concerning factors affecting their interests and also the development of the Group.

DISABLED PERSONS

The Group recognises the need to give opportunity and adequate training to disabled persons and fully complies with the Disabled Persons (Employment) Acts.

FIXED ASSETS

Movements in fixed assets during the year are set out in note 11 to the accounts.

The Directors consider that the open market value of the Group's interests in land and buildings approximates to book value.

DONATIONS

Charitable donations for the year amounted to £3,383. There were no political donations.

TAXATION STATUS

The Directors have been advised that the Company is a close company as defined by the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970.

AUDITORS

Stoy Hayward were appointed auditors of the Company in April 1986. A resolution proposing their re-appointment will be put to the Annual General Meeting.

By Order of the Board,

P. NEWBOLD

Secretary

30 March 1987

GROUP PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

Year ended 31 December 1986

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	Note	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Turnover Cost of Sales	2	<u>-</u>	11,007 8,290		8,819 6,895
Gross Profit Distribution costs		200 454	2,717	122 262	1,924
Administrative expenses		434	654		384
Net rents receivable		32	2,063	24	1,540
Bank interest receivable		22		1	
			54	-	25
interest payable	3		2,117		1,565 186
Profit on Ordinary Activities before Tax	4	-	2,009		1,379
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	6		730	1	499
Profit on Ordinary Activities after Tax Extraordinary items	7		1,279		880 208
Profit for the Year Dividends	8		1,279 274		672
Amount transferred to Reserves			1,005		672
Earnings per Share	9		15.7p		11.5p

Debfor Holdings plc acquired Debfor Limited on 21 April 1986. As explained in Note 1(a), the above results include the results of Debfor Limited for the whole of the year.

The corresponding results for 1985 are those of Debfor Limited as adjusted in the Accountants' Report to the Prospectus dated 24 April 1986.

The notes on pages 9 to 17 form part of these accounts.

BALANCE SHEETS

31 December 1986

		19	986	1985
	Note	Group £'000	Company £'000	£'000
Fixed Assets	21010	w 000	a 000	2000
Tangible assets	11	6,017		3,475
Investments	13	5	6,209	
		6,022	6,209	3,475
Current Assets				
Stock	14	3,261	,	1,145
Debtors Bank and cash	15	2,811 774		816
Q 111		6,846	_	1,961
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	16	5,745	1,819	2,220
Net Current Assets (Liabilities)		1,101	(1,819)	(259)
Total Assets less Current				` , •
Liabilities		7,123	4,390	3,216
Creditors: amounts falling due				
after more than one year	17	2,716		579
	. 7	4,407	4,390	2,637
Capital and Reserves	.1			
Called up share capital	19	913	913	51 ,
Share premium account	20	1,605	1,605	
Revaluation reserve Profit and loss account	21 22	1,889	1,872	2,586
Ton and loss account	üü			
		4,407	4,390	2,637

These accounts were approved by the Board on 30 March 1987.

D. C. PARKER M. J. BASFORD $\}$ Directors

As explained in Note 1(a), the figures for 1985 state the assets and liabilities of Debfor Limited, adjusted to show the shares issued by Debfor Holdings plc for the acquisition of Debfor Limited.

The notes on pages 9 to 17 form part of these accounts.

GROUP
STATEMENT OF
SOURCE AND
APPLICATION OF
FUNDS
APPLICATION OF

Year ended 31 December 1986

	1986	1985
	£'000	£'000
Source of funds	2000	2 000
Funds from operations		
Profit on ordinary activities before tax	2,009	1,379
Item not involving the movement of funds:	•	-,
Depreciation	192	144
Debrecianon		144
Total generated from operations	2,201	1,523
•	,	2,020
Funds from other sources		
Issues of shares	1,979	_
Sale of fixed assets	16	22
Increase in other loans	2,311	115
Higherse in Onier loams		
	6,507	1,660
1/5/	-,	
Application of funds		
Purchase of interest in subsidiary company	3,572	
Flotation costs	226	-
Purchase of fixed assets	320	652
	320	583
Repayment of loans		
Extraordinary items		163
Tax paid	199	
Dividend paid	50	*
-		
	4,367	1,398
S. J. San	0.140	
	2,140	262
Change in working capital		
Stock Stock	78	278
Debtors	303	239
Creditors	15	88
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Tu	396	605
Increase (decrease) in net		
liquid fùnds	1,744	(343)
•	0.146	
	2,140	262

The corresponding figures for 1985 are those of Debfor Limited, as adjusted in the Accountants' Report to the Prospectus dated 24 April 1986.

The effect of the acquisition of Halle Models (Holdings) Limited, which took place in the year ended 31 December 1986, is as follows:

£'000
2,430 988 154
3,572
2,300
1,150
122
3,572

The notes on pages 9 to 17 form part of these accounts.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1. Accounting policies

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of land and buildings, using the following principal accounting policies:

(a) BASIS OF CONSOLIDATION

The Group accounts incorporate the accounts of Debfor Holdings plc and of its subsidiary companies to 31 December 1986. Where necessary, the accounts of subsidiary companies are adjusted to conform with the Group's accounting policies. The results of subsidiaries are consolidated using either merger accounting or acquisition accounting.

MERGER ACCOUNTING

The acquisition of the shares in Debfor Limited during the financial year has been dealt with in the Group accounts in accordance with the principle of merger accounting. The investment in shares in the subsidiary was initially recorded in the Company's balance sheet at the nominal value of the shares issued. It was subsequently revalued to reflect the underlying net asset value in the subsidiary. In the Group accounts the subsidiary is treated as if it had always been a member of the Group.

Consequently the results of the subsidiary for 1926 are included for the whole year. The corresponding figures for 1985 are its results for that year as adjusted in the Accountants' Report to the Prospectus dated 24 April 1986.

In the Group balance theet the cases and liabilities of Dekfor Limited are included in full. Its reserves are included after taking into account any differences between the nominal value of its shares acquired by Debfor Holdings plc and the shares issued by Debfor Holdings plc to acquire them. The corresponding amounts at 31 December 1985 represent the assets and liabilities of Debfor Limited at that date adjusted to show the shares issued by Debfor Holdings plc for the acquisition of Debfor Limited.

ACQUISITION ACCOUNTING

Under acquisition accounting, the results of subsidiaries are included from the date of acquisition.

Goodwill on consolidation arises under acquisition accounting and represents the excess of purchase consideration over the fair value of the underlying net assets of subsidiaries at the time of acquisition.

The acquisition of Halle Models (Holdings) Limited and its subsidiaries during the financial year has been dealt with in the Group accounts in accordance with the principle of acquisition accounting. Halle has been consolidated using specially prepared statements for the two months to 31 December 1986. Its results have been included in the profit and loss account from 1 December 1986.

The goodwill arising on the acquisition has been written off to reserves.

(b) TURNOVER

Turnover represents sales to outside customers at invoiced amounts, net of value added tax. Sales between Group companies are not included.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (continued)

(c) DEPRECIATION

Depreciation is provided to write off the cost or valuation, less estimated residual values, of all tangible fixed assets, except freehold land and investment property, over their expected useful lives.

The average lives for each major asset category are:

Freehold buildings — 50 years
Leasehold land and buildings — length of lease
Plant and machinery — 10 years
Fixtures and fittings — 5 or 10 years
Motor vehicles — 5 years

Investment properties are revalued annually.

(d) STOCK

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is calculated as follows:

Raw materials : cost of purchase on first in, first out basis.

Work in progress : cost of raw materials and labour together and finished goods with appropriate overheads.

Net realisable value is based on estimated selling price, less further costs to completion and disposal.

(e) FOREIGN CURRENCY

Foreign currency transactions are translated at the rates ruling when they occurred.

(f) DEFERRED TAXATION

Provision is made for timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes to the extent that it is probable that liabilities will crystallise.

2 Turnover

The geographical analysis of the Group's turnover is as follows:

	United Kingdom Eire	1986 £'000 10,872 135	1985* £'000 8,667 152
	•	11,007	8,819
3	Interest payable On overdrafts and loans wholly repayable within five years	108	186
4	Profit on ordinary activities be is stated after charging: Depreciation Directors' emoluments Auditors' remuneration Hire of plant and machinery Rentals under operating leases	fore tax 192 151 20 8 10	144 85 5 —
5	Employees Staff costs including Directors: Wages and salaries Social security costs Other pension costs	2,712 216 44 2,972	2,076 199 20 2,295

*See note 1(a)

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (continued)

5 Employees (continue)

The average number of persons employed by the Group during the year was:

the year was:	1986 Number	1985* Number
* Ai.i.i.tti and management	31	23
Administration and management Manufacturing and distribution	582	457
Manuacianny and distribution		
	613	<u>480</u>
	£1000	£'000
Directors' emoluments	10	
Fees	10	74
Salaries	118 23	11
Pension contributions		
	151	85
Emoluments, excluding pension con	tributions, of:	
Chairman and highest paid		H.4
Director	57	54
Other Directors' emoluments fell wi	thin the ranges	•—— •
£ 0-£ 5,000	v. 1	2
£ 5,001 – £10,000	1	
£15,001 – £20,000	ç <u>ai.</u>	1
£20,001 - £25,000	1	
£35,001 $-$ £40,000	1	
Additionally, during the year the Gresation for loss of office of a total of £	oup agreed to p 100,000 to a Di	ay compen- rector.
Tax on profit on ordinary activ	rities	
U.K. corporation tax at 36.25%		,
(1985–41.25%)	730	499
•		
Extraordinary items		
Expenditure classified as extraordin	nary in the	100
Accountants' Report dated 24 Apr	ni 1886 —	163
Less: Attributable taxation		67
		96
Deficit on revaluation of		110
investment properties		112

The proposed final dividend will not be payable on those shares originally issued on 1 December 1986 in connection with the acquisition of Halle Models (Holdings) Limited.

208

50

224

274

8 Dividends

share

per share

7

Interim dividend of 0.6p per

Proposed final dividend of 2.7p

^{*}See note 1(a)

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (continued)

9 Earnings per share

Earnings per share have been calculated on the weighted average number of shares in issue during the relevant financial periods, after taking into account the number of shares issued in the merger with Debfor Limited as if the merger had been effective throughout these periods.

The calculation is based on 8,159,944 shares (1985 7,650,000) and on the profit after tax of £1,279,000 (1985 £880,000).

10 Debfor Holdings plc profit and loss account

The Company has taken advantage of the exemption from presenting its own profit and loss account, and made neither a profit nor a loss during the period.

Prior to the merger a profit after tax of £340,000 was earned by Debfor Limited.

11 Tangible assets

	Land and buildings £'000	Plant and machinery £'000	Fixtures and fittings £'000	Motor vehicles £'000	Investment properties £'000	Total £'000
Cost or valuation At 1 January 1986 Additions Subsidiary acquired Disposals	2,691 84 1,654			76 52 27 (31	80	4,004 320 4,885 (56)
At 31 December 1986	4,429	3,321	950	124	329	9,153
Depreciation At 1 January 1986 Charge for year Subsidiary acquired Disposals	94 49 157	324 99 1,707 (12)	83 29 587) (12)	· 28 15 4 (16	_	529 192 2,455 (40)
At 31 December 1986	300	2,118	687	31		3,136
Net book value At 31 December 1986	4,129	1,203	263	93	329	6,017
At 31 December 1985	2,597	452	129	48	249	3,475
Land and buildings Cost or valuation Freehold				1986 £'000		1985* £'000 2,691
Cost or valuation				£'000		£'000 2,691
Cost or valuation Freehold Short leasehold				£'000		£'000
Cost or valuation Freehold	ion			£'000 4,202 227		£'000 2,691
Cost or valuation Freehold Short leasehold Accumulated depreciat Freehold Short leasehold				£'000 4,202 227 4,429		£'000 2,691
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Cost or valuation Freehold Short leasehold Accumulated depreciat Freehold Short leasehold Land and buildings are Existing use value 1985	: stated	at:		£'000 4,202 227 4,429 168 132 300 1,654		£'000 2,691 2,691 94 94

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (continued)

11 Tangible assets (continued)

The net book value of land and buildings according to the historical cost accounting rules would be as follows:

Cost Accumulated depreciation	1986 £'000 3,581 279	1985* £'000 2,691 94
Net book value	3,302	2,597

The freehold land and buildings of Debfor Limited were valued on 17th April 1986 by King & Co., Chartered Surveyors and Neales, Chartered Surveyors, at £610,000 less than their net book value. This deficit has not been recognised in the accounts as the Directors are of the opinion that the value of the properties to the business is at least equal to the amount at which they are stated in the accounts.

Investment properties

Freehold Long leasehold	119 210	39 210
,	329	249

The freehold and long leasehold properties of Debfor Limited are stated at the valuation during the year by King & Co., Chartered Surveyors, and Neales, Chartered Surveyors. The freehold property of Halle Models Limited is stated at Directors' valuation, which is based on the price at which the existing tenants can exercise their option to purchase the property.

The net book value of investment properties according to historical cost accounting rules would be as follows:

Cost Accumulated depreciation	464 26	371 18
Accumulated depressance.	420	353
Net book value	438	

12 Capital commitments

At 31 December 1986 authorised future capital expenditure was as follows:

Authorised and contracted for		97
	140	83
Authorised but not contracted for	142	=====

13 Investments

III A CPITITOTICE		
Group	_	
Unlisted investment at cost	5	
Offitsled Hivestition at the		

Company
The principal subsidiaries at 31 December 1986 were wholly owned, incorporated in England, and were as follows:

Debfor Limited : Bras and co-ordinated lingerie Halle Models Limited : Nightwear and children's wear

The Company acquired the whole of the issued share capital of Debfor Limited on 21 April 1986 and of Halle Models (Holdings) Limited and its subsidiaries on 1 December 1986.

^{*}See note 1(a)

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS	14	Stock		1986	1985*
(continued)				Company	2100.0
		Raw materials	£'000 700		£'000
		Work in progress	1,086		159 330
		Finished goods	1,475		656
			2 261	•	
	10	T) = 1-1	3,261	í	1,145
	15	Debtors			
		Trade and sundry debtors Prepayments and accrued	2,531		788
		income	170		20
		Other debtor (secured)	27		28
		Recoverable Advance	~-		
		Corporation Tax	83		
			2,811		816
		The other debtor reprogents the bala			
		The other debtor represents the hold unlisted company which is repayable or 1989. Advance Corporation Torrigon			
					ember
		corporation tax liability payable on 1 Ja	nuary 19	.e agan. 89.	or me
		Creditors: amounts falling due wi Trade creditors	thin one	year	
		Other creditors	1,503	.—	585
		Corporation tax, including	106	100	35
		Advance Corporation Tax	746		199
		Other taxes and social security Accruals	410	-	283
		Bank overdrafts and loan (note 18)	620		164
		r roposed dividend	2,136		954
		Amounts owed to group	224	224	
		companies	******	1,495	-
			5 74E		
			5,745	1,819	2,220
	4	Creditors: amounts falling due afte year	er more	than or	ne
	(Corporation tax	715		560
	_	Bank loan (note 18)	2,001		19
			2,716	_	 -
	T	he bank loan is repayable as	2,110	<u></u>	579
		TOHOWS:			
	g. g	etween one and two years	377		19
	L L	etween two and five years	1,624		
			2,001	_	10
		,		==	19
1	8 B	ank overdrafts and loan			
	Т	he bank loan is secured by a fixed and floating charge over the assets of Debfor Limited including a legal			
		mortgage over certain property	0.005		
	* 5	Gee note 1(a).	2,325		973
		- X-7-	· 		

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (continued)

19 Called up share capital

	1986 £'000	1985* £'000
Authorised 11,000,000 ordinary shares of 10p each	1,100	51
Allotted, called up and fully paid 9,129,988 ordinary shares		
of 10p each	913	51

Since incorporation on 12 March 1986 there have been the following changes in the authorised and issued share capital:

- (a) On 21 April 1986:
 - (i) the authorised share capital was increased to £51,000 by the creation of 50,900 ordinary shares of £1 each;
- (ii) 51,000 ordinary shares of £1 each (including the two subscriber shares) were issued and credited as fully paid by way of consideration for the acquisition of the entire issued share capital of Debfor Limited.
- (b) On 24 April 1986 resolutions were passed:
- (i) sub-dividing each of the existing ordinary shares of £1 each into ten ordinary shares of 10p each;
- (ii) increasing the authorised share capital from £51,000 to £1,100,000 by the creation of an additional 10,490,000 ordinary shares of 10p each;
- (iii) capitalising £714,000 and applying such sum in paying up in full 7,140,000 ordinary shares of 10p each. Such shares were allotted to the shareholders pro rata to their existing shareholdings.
- (c) On 24 April 1986, 637,500 new ordinary shares of 10p each were allotted for subscription for cash and the Company's ordinary share capital was admitted to the Unlisted Securities Market of the Stock Exchange.
- (d) On 1 December 1986, 842,488 new ordinary shares of 10p each were allotted and credited as fully paid as part of the consideration for the acquisition of Halle Models (Holdings) Limited.

20 Share premium account

Premium on issue of shares on 24 April 1986 Less: Expenses of flotation	765 226
The state of the same	539
Premium on issue of shares on 1 December 1986	1,066
	1,605

^{*}Se note I(a).

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (continued)

21 Revaluation reserve

	Arising from the revaluation of Debfor Limited at net asset value Less: Capitalisation of reserve	£'000	986 £'000 2,586 714 1,872	1985* £'000
22	Profit and loss account Balance at 1 January 1986 (non- distributable) Less: Goodwill relating to the purchase of Halle Models (Holdings) Limited Capitalisation of reserve Retained profit for the year	988 714	2,586 1,702 884 1,005 1,889	
23	Deferred tax - Group The total potential liability to deferred tax, for which no provision has been made in the accounts, is as follows: Accelerated capital allowances at 35% (1985 35%) Less: Unutilised trading losses		1,125 325 800	781 ————————————————————————————————————
	Revalued properties at 35% Less: Advance Corporation Tax (under the provisions of the Finance Bill 1987)	98 (98)	800	

24 Contingent liability

Guarantees have been given by the Company in the ordinary course of business in respect of loan and overdraft facilities granted to subsidiaries. At the balance sheet date amounts outstanding under such guarantees amounted to £1,553,000 all of which are already included in the Group balance sheet.

25 Pension commitments

The Group's pension schemes' funds are administered by trustees or corporate administrators and are independent of the Group's finances. Where applicable, regular actuarial valuations, and resultant amendments to contributions, ensure full funding.

^{*} See note 1(a).

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (continued)

26 Commitments under operating leases
At 31 December 1986, the Group had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as set out below:

Operating leases which amin	Land and buildings £'000	Other £'000
Operating leases which expire: Within one year In two to five years After five years	14 59	35
	73	35

27 Other commitments

Total commitments relating to documentary credits for overseas supplies not received or included within these accounts at 31 December 1986 amounted to £234,000 (1985* £263,000)

^{*} See note 1(a)

AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Members of Debfor Holdings plc.

We have audited the accounts on pages 6 to 17 in accordance with approved Auditing Standards.

In our opinion the accounts, which have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of land and buildings, give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and the Group at 31 December 1986, and of the profit and source and application of funds of the Group for the year then ended and comply with the Companies Act 1985.

StoyHayward

Stoy Hayward
Chartered Accountants
Foxhall Lodge
Gregory Boulevard
Nottingham NG7 6LH

30 March 1987

FIVE YEAR RECORD

	1986 £'000	1985 £'000	1984 £'000	1983 £'000	1982 £'000
Turnover	11,007	8,819	7,520	5,970	5,323
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	2,009	1,379	1,196	981	923
Taxation	730	499	373	320	55
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation	1,279	880	823	661	868
Earnings per share	15.7p	11.5p	10.8p	5.8p	5.7p

The Company was incorporated on 12 March 1986 and acquired Debfor Limited on 21 April 1986. In order to show the underlying trend of the Group's business, the record shown above reflects the results of Debfor Limited in the periods prior to its acquisition by Debfor Holdings plc.

The results for 1982 to 1985 are those of Debfor Limited, as adjusted in the Accountants' Report to the Prospectus dated 24 April 1986.

NOTICE OF MEETING

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Notice is hereby given that the first Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Post House Hotel, Bostocks Lane, Sandiacre, Nottingham on Friday, 1 May 1987, at 12,00 noon for the following purposes:

- 1. To approve the Directors' report and audited accounts for the year ended 31 December 1986.
- 2. To declare a final dividend.
- 3. To re-elect Mrs. S. J. Willis as a Director.
- 4. To re-appoint Stoy Hayward as auditors of the Company and to authorise the Directors to fix their remuneration.

As special business to consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following resolutions which will be proposed as to the resolution numbered 5 as a special resolution and as to the resolutions numbered 6 and 7 as ordinary resolutions:

- 5. That the Directors be and they are hereby empowered pursuant to Section 95 of the Companies Act 1985 to allot equity securities (within the meaning of Section 94 of that Act), pursuant to the authority conferred by the resolution numbered 5 passed at an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on 24th April 1986, as if Section 89(1) of that Act did not apply to any such allotment, provided that this power shall be limited:
 - (a) to the allotment of equity securities in connection with a rights issue, meaning an offer of securities open for acceptance for a period fixed by the Directors by way of rights to holders of ordinary shares on the register on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such shares (but subject to such exclusions or other arrangements as the Directors may deem necessary or expedient in relation to fractional entitlements or legal or practical problems under the laws of or the requirements of any recognised regulatory body or any Stock Exchange in any territory); and
 - (b) to the allotment (otherwise than pursuant to paragraph (a) above) of equity securities up to an aggregate nominal amount of £55,000.

and shall expire on the date of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company after the passing of this resolution, save that the Company may before such expiry make an offer or agreement which would or might require equity securities to be allotted after such expiry and the Directors may allot equity securities in pursuance of such an offer or agreement as if the power conferred hereby had not expired.

6. That the Debfor Holdings plc Executive Share Option Scheme in the form of the Rules submitted to the Meeting and for the purpose of identification signed by the Chairman thereof be hereby approved and that the Directors be hereby authorised to do all acts and things which they consider necessary or expedient to establish such Scheme and carry it into effect.

NOTICE OF MEETING (continued) 7. That the Directors be hereby authorised to vote, and be counted in the quorum, on any matter connected with the Scheme referred to in the foregoing resolution notwithstanding that they may be interested in the same (except that no Director may be counted in a quorum or vote on matters concerning their own personal participation), and the prohibition on voting by interested Directors contained in the Articles of Association of the Company be hereby relaxed to that extent accordingly.

By order of the Board.

P. Newbold Secretary.

30 March 1987.

Notes.

- 1. Any member entitled attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting is entitled to appoint one or more proxies who need not be members. A form of proxy is enclosed.
- 2. Copies of Directors' service contracts will be available for inspection at the registered office of the Company during business hours on any weekday from the date of this notice until the date of the Annual General Meeting, and at the Post House Hotel, Bostocks Lane, Sandiacre, Nottingham from 11.45 am on 1 May 1987 until the conclusion of the meeting.

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being (a) member(s) of Debfor Holdings plc, hereby appoint the Chairman of the Meeting, or (see Note 1).									
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1. If you wish to appoint some other person to be your proxy delete 'the Chairman of the Meeting' and insert the name of your choice. Such proxy need not be a member of the Company.									
In the case of joint holders, the vote of the senior who tenders a vote, whether in person or by proxy, shall be accepted to the exclusion of the votes of the other joint holders and for this purpose seniority shall be determined by the order in which their names stand in the Register of Members.									
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- 4. To be valid this form and the power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed, or a duly certified copy of such power or authority, must reach the Registrars of the Company at the address overleaf not later than 48 hours before the time for holding the Meeting.
- Completion of this form will not preclude you from attending and voting at the Meeting in person if you so wish.