Checkpoint Systems (UK) Limited Annual report for the year ended 31 December 2000

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Annual report for the year ended 31 December 2000

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Directors' report

for the year ended 31 December 2000

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements of the company and the group for the year ended 31 December 2000.

Principal activities

The consolidated profit and loss account for the period is set out on page 6.

The principal activities of the group are that of the sale and rental of retail security equipment.

Review of business and future developments

On 24 April 2000 the trade and certain assets and liabilities of Checkpoint Systems (UK) Ltd were transferred to Meto UK Ltd as part of the continued reorganisation which was started after the acquisition by Checkpoint Systems Inc of Meto AG.

The first four months of the year showed continued development on the sales front with sales growing in line with revenue expectation. The loss for the year is as a result of the continued integration resulting in significant relocation and restructuring costs.

The company is now no longer trading and the shareholders deficit is represented by the amount owed to other group companies.

Dividends

The directors have not declared any dividends in respect of the year ended 31 December 2000 (1999: £nil). However, in accordance with FRS 4, dividends of £157,500 (1999: £157,500) have been appropriated and the loss after these appropriations of £3,883,133 (1999: £15,060,086) has been transferred from reserves.

Directors

The directors of the company at 31 December 2000, all of whom have been directors for the whole of the year ended on that date, unless otherwise indicated, were:-

P Lesse (Resigned 30 June 2000)

N Austin

S Midani (Resigned 5 July 2000)

G Diamond (Appointed 30 June 2000, Resigned 1 May 2001)

P Levin (Appointed 1 May 2001) J Reinhold (Resigned 27 April 2000)

No directors held beneficial interests in the shares of the company or the group at 31 December 2000, or at any time during the year.

Directors' report for the year ended 31 December 2000 (continued)

Directors' responsibilities

The directors are required by UK company law to prepare financial statements for each financial year that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and the group as at the end of the financial year and of the profit or loss of the group for that year.

The directors confirm that suitable accounting policies have been used and applied consistently and reasonable and prudent judgements and estimates have been made in the preparation of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000. The directors also confirm that applicable accounting standards have been followed and that the financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, for taking reasonable steps to safeguard the assets of the company and group and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

Auditors

A resolution to appoint PricewaterhouseCoopers, as auditors to the company will be proposed at the annual general meeting.

By order of the board

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Auditors' report to the members of Checkpoint Systems (UK) Limited

We have audited the financial statements on pages 6 to 22 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on pages 9 to 11.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors are responsible for preparing the Annual Report. As described on page 3, this includes responsibility for preparing the financial statements, in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards. Our responsibilities, as independent auditors, are established in the United Kingdom by statute, the Auditing Practices Board and our profession's ethical guidance.

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the United Kingdom Companies Act. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the directors' report is not consistent with the financial statements, if the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and transactions is not disclosed.

Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board, except that the scope of our work was limited as explained below.

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 mis-statement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. However, the evidence available to us is limited in respect of turnover, cost of sales and the classification of expenditure incurred in the year, because, records were lost during the company's relocations from Harlow to High Wycombe, and subsequently to Bracknell. In our opinion, the control over the records transferred to High Wycombe was inadequate. In addition, as part of the integration process following the acquisition of Meto AG, the company relocated to Bracknell, the management team was changed, and, in our opinion, the control over the records transferred to Bracknell was inadequate. As a result, we have been unable to rely on the accounting records for the year-end and there were no alternative audit procedures that we could adopt to confirm the completeness and accuracy of the accounting records.

In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Opinion: disclaimer on view given by the profit and loss account

Because of the possible effect of the limitation in evidence available to us, we are unable to form an opinion as to whether the profit and loss account gives a true and fair view of the company's loss for the year ended 31 December 2000.

In our opinion the balance sheet gives a true and fair view of the company's state of affairs at 31 December 2000 and in all other respects the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

In respect alone of the limitation on our work relating to turnover, cost of sales and the classification of expenditure incurred in the year;

- we have not obtained all the information and explanations that we considered necessary for the purpose of our audit; and
- we were unable to determine whether proper accounting records had been kept.

PricewaterhouseCoopers

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

Leicester Date: 1st Octobe 2007.

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Consolidated Profit and loss account for the year ended 31 December 2000

	Notes	2000	1999
		£	£
Turnover	3	4,257,138	10,765,412
Cost of sales		(2,804,818)	(9,961,573)
Gross profit		1,452,320	803,839
Net operating expenses		(3,209,624)	(10,310,860)
Exceptional net operating expenses:			
Write off of intercompany balance with intermediate parent company		_	(3,039,194)
Relocation and restructuring costs	•	(1,564,847)	(806,705)
Total net operating expenses	4	(4,774,471)	(14,156,759)
Operating loss	5	(3,322,151)	(13,352,920)
Loss on disposal of fixed assets		-	(933,369)
Loss on ordinary activities before interest	-	(3,322,151)	(14,286,289)
Interest receivable and similar income		11,950	67,758
Interest payable and similar charges	8	(415,432)	(684,055)
Loss on ordinary activities before taxation		(3,725,633)	(14,902,586)
Tax on loss on ordinary activities	9		-
Loss on ordinary activities after taxation	-	(3,725,633)	(14,902,586)
Dividend on non-equity shares	10	(157,500)	(157,500)
Loss for the financial year		(3,883,133)	(15,060,086)
Statement of accumulated losses			
Accumulated deficit at beginning of year		(26,118,382)	(11,215,796)
Loss for the year		(3,883,133)	(15,060,086)
Cumulative dividend not yet declared		157,500	157,500
Accumulated deficit at 31 December 2000		(29,844,015)	(26,118,382)

All the above figures relate to discontinued operations.

The company has no recognised gains and losses other than those included in the results above and therefore no separate statement of total recognised gains and losses has been presented.

There is no difference between the loss on ordinary activities before taxation and the loss for the year stated above, and their historical cost equivalents.

Consolidated Balance sheet at 31 December 2000

	Notes	2000	1999
		£	£
Fixed assets			·
Tangible assets	11	-	538,162
Intangible assets	12	-	888,183
		-	1,426,345
Current assets			
Stocks	14	-	1,227,060
Debtors	15	-	4,240,076
Cash at bank and in hand	_	<u>-</u>	509,208
		<u>-</u>	5,976,344
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	16	(25,515,015)	(24,633,892)
Net current liabilities		(25,515,015)	(18,657,548)
Total assets less current liabilities		(25,515,015)	(17,231,203)
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	17	-	(3,000,000)
Provisions for liabilities and charges	18	-	(1,558,179)
Net liabilities		(25,515,015)	(21,789,382)
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	19	4,329,000	4,329,000
Profit and loss account		(29,844,015)	(26,118,382)
Total shareholders' deficit	21	(25,515,015)	(21,789,382)
Analysis of shareholders' deficit	_		•
Equity shareholders' deficit		(29,767,515)	(25,884,382)
Non-equity shareholders' deficit		4,252,500	4,095,000
		(25,515,015)	(21,789,382)

The financial statements on pages 6 to 22 were approved by the board of directors on the date shown below and were signed on its behalf by:

Director:

Date:

Company Balance sheet at 31 December 2000

	Notes	2000	1999
		£	£
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	11	-	538,162
Investment	13	589,005	589,005
	·	589,005	1,127,167
Current assets			
Stocks	14	-	1,227,060
Debtors	15	-	4,240,076
Cash at bank and in hand		-	509,208
	•	-	5,976,344
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	16	(26,104,020)	(25,222,897)
Net current liabilities	-	(26,104,020)	(19,246,553)
Total assets less current liabilities		(25,515,015)	(18,119,386)
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	17	-	(3,000,000)
Provisions for liabilities and charges	18	-	(1,558,176)
Net liabilities		(25,515,015)	(22,677,565)
Capital and reserves	 .		 -
Called up share capital	19	4,329,000	4,329,000
Profit and loss account	20	(29,844,015)	(27,006,565)
Total shareholders' deficit		(25,515,015)	(22,677,565)
Analysis of shareholders' deficit			
Equity shareholders' deficit		(29,767,515)	(26,772,565)
Non-equity shareholders' deficit		4,252,500	4,095,000
		(25,515,015)	(22,677,565)

The financial statements on pages 6 to 22 were approved by the board of directors on the date shown below and were signed on its behalf by:

Director:

Date:

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000

1 Going concern

The company transferred its trading on 24 April 2000 to Meto UK Ltd. The company is no longer trading and shareholders deficit is represented by amounts owed to other group companies.

2 Principal accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards in the United Kingdom. A summary of the more important accounting policies is set out below, together with an explanation of where they have not been applied consistently.

Accounts presentation

The company has adopted the provisions of Financial Reporting Standard 4 'Capital instruments' ("FRS 4") which requires the amount of shareholders' funds attributable to equity and non equity interests to be separately disclosed. Dividends for the year on the company's cumulative preference shares have been appropriated through the profit and loss account. However, as the company does not have sufficient distributable reserves in order to pay all such preference share dividends, dividends not yet declared amounting to £157,500 have been credited back within profit and loss account reserves (note 20).

Basis of accounting

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention.

Basis of consolidation

The group consolidates the accounts of Checkpoint Systems (UK) Limited and its subsidiary undertakings. No profit and loss account is presented for Checkpoint Systems (UK) Limited as permitted by section 230 of the Companies Act 1985. The result for the year of the company is set out in note 20.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000 (continued)

2 Principal accounting policies (continued)

Fixed assets

The cost of tangible fixed assets is their purchase cost, together with any incidental expenses of acquisition.

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of tangible fixed assets less their estimated residual values, on a straight line basis over the expected useful economic lives of the assets concerned. The principal annual rates used for this purpose are:

	%
Property improvements	331/3
Plant and machinery	20
Rental equipment, showroom and demo equipment	331/3
Fixtures and fittings, computer equipment	20
Motor vehicles	25

Goodwill

Goodwill arising on acquisitions is capitalised and amortised over a 20 year period. Any profit or loss on the disposal of a business is calculated after taking into account any goodwill previously written off to reserves.

Finance and operating leases payable

Where fixed assets are financed by leasing agreements, which transfer to the company substantially all the benefits and risks of ownership, the assets are treated as if they had been purchased outright and are included in tangible fixed assets. The capital element of the leasing commitments is shown as obligations under finance leases. The lease rentals are treated as consisting of capital and interest elements. The capital element is applied to reduce the outstanding obligations and the interest element is charged against profit in proportion to the reducing capital element outstanding. Assets held under finance leases are depreciated over the shorter of the lease terms and the useful lives of equivalent owned assets.

Operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account as rentals become payable under the terms of the lease agreements

Operating leases receivable

Rental income from operating leases is released to profit and loss on a straight line basis over the period of the lease. Costs in respect of operating leases receivable are included in tangible fixed assets. Operating leased assets are depreciated on a straight line basis over their expected useful economic lives.

Stocks and work in progress

Stocks and work in progress are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. In general, cost is determined on a first in first out basis and includes transport and handling costs. Provision is made where necessary for obsolete, slow moving and defective stocks.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000 (continued)

2 Principal accounting policies (continued)

Turnover

Turnover, which excludes value added tax and trade discounts, represents the invoiced value of goods and services supplied.

Deferred taxation

Tax deferred or accelerated is accounted for in respect of all material timing differences to the extent that it is probable that a liability or asset will crystallise.

Pension scheme arrangements

The company contributes to individual defined contribution pension plans which are operated by Abbey Life and Save and Prosper. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company in independently administered funds. The amount charged against profits represents the contributions payable to the scheme in respect of the year.

Cash flow statement

A cash flow statement is not included in these accounts because the company is a subsidiary undertaking of Checkpoint Systems Incorporated, which has informed the company of its intention to prepare a consolidated cash flow statement.

3 Turnover

Turnover consists entirely of sales made in the United Kingdom. Included within turnover is £238,000 (1999: £475,491) representing rentals receivable from operating leases.

4 Net operating expenses

Net operating expenses are made up as follows:

	2000	1999
	£	£
Distribution costs	1,964,984	3,860,031
Administrative expenses	1,244,640	6,450,829
Exceptional administrative expenses:		
Write off of intercompany balance with intermediate parent company	-	3,039,194
Relocation and restructuring costs	1,564,847	806,705
Total administrative expenses	2,809,487	10,296,728
Total net operating expenses	4,774,471	14,156,759

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000 (continued)

5 Operating loss

Operating loss is stated after charging:

	2000	1999
	£	£
Depreciation of owned tangible fixed assets	144,166	1,019,622
Goodwill amortisation	888,183	49,344
Auditors' remuneration:		
Group audit services	4,000	49,118
Non-audit services	123,000	216,500
Hire of plant & machinery under operating leases	165,091	442,512
Other operating leases	430,779	155,218

Auditors remuneration for group audit services includes £2,500 (1999: £26,250) for the company audit.

6 Directors' emoluments

	2000	1999
	£	£
Aggregate emoluments	75,002	178,472
Company pension contributions to money purchase scheme	12,500	-
Compensation for loss of office	142,500	-
	230,002	178,472

Included in the total directors emoluments above is an amount of £178,314 borne by Meto UK Limited, a sister company.

Retirement benefits are accruing to one director and one former director (1999: one director, one former director) under a money purchase scheme.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000 (continued)

7 Employee information

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

	2000	1999
	Number	Number
By activity		
Selling and distribution	26	80
Administration	2	5
	28	85
Employment costs - all employees including executive directors:		
	2000	1999
	£	£
Wages and salaries	806,350	2,142,996
Social security costs	96,518	317,079
Other pension costs (see note 22)	74,357	158,514
Redundancy costs	333,563	20,205
	1,310,788	2,638,794
Interest payable and similar charges		
	2000	1999
	£	£
On amounts owed to parent and fellow subsidiary undertakings	415,432	684,055

9 Taxation

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No taxation arises due to the losses incurred in the year (1999: £nil)

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000 (continued)

10 Dividend on non-equity shares

	2000	1999
	£	£
Preference 5% not yet declared	157,500	157,500

In accordance with the provisions of FRS 4, the company has appropriated an amount of £157,500 (1999: £157,500) through the profit and loss account to recognise the cumulative preference share dividends for the year on the company's redeemable preference shares. However, as the company does not have sufficient distributable reserves in order to declare these dividends, they have been credited back within profit and loss account reserves (note 20).

11 Tangible fixed assets

Group and Company

	Property Improve- ments	Plant and machinery	Leased Assets and Trial Equipment	Fixtures, Fittings & Computer Equipment	Motor Vehicles	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Cost						<u></u>
At 1 January 2000	214,835	93,823	1,152,299	377,625	79,088	1,917,670
Additions	_	-	149,364	4,725	-	154,089
Disposals	(9,931)	-	-	-	-	(9,931)
Transferred to Meto UK Ltd	(204,904)	(93,823)	(1,301,663)	(382,350)	(79,088)	(2,061,828)
At 31 December 2000	-	-	<u></u>	-	<u> </u>	<u>-</u>
Depreciation						
At I January 2000	173,683	85,436	719,172	355,141	46,076	1,379,508
Charge for year	36,366	8,387	75,342	19,181	4,890	144,166
Disposals	(5,145)	-	-	-	_	(5,145)
Transferred to Meto UK Ltd	(204,904)	(93,823)	(794,514)	(374,322)	(50,966)	(1,518,529)
At 31 December 2000	-		<u>-</u>	-		
Net book value						
At 31 December 2000	-	-	-	-	-	-
At 31 December 1999	41,152	8,387	433,127	22,484	33,012	538,162

The cost of fixed assets includes an amount of £Nil (1999: £1,129,934) in respect of assets where the company is acting as the lessor under operating leases. The accumulated depreciation charged on these assets, is £Nil (1999: £697,258).

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000 (continued)

12 Intangible fixed assets

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Goodwill			£
Cost			
At 31 December 1999 an	d 31 December 2000		986,871
Amortisation			
At 31 December 1999			98,688
Impairment of goodwill d	uring the year		888,183
At 31 December 2000			986,871
Net book value			
At 31 December 2000			-
At 31 December 1999			888,183
Investments			
			Shares in
			Subsidiary Undertaking
			_
			£
Cost			
At 31 December 1999 an	d 31 December 2000		589,005
Name of undertaking	Description of shares held	Proportion of nominal value of ordinary shares held	Accounting year end
Evagard Limited	Ordinary shares of £1	100%	31 December

Evagard Limited which is incorporated within Great Britain and registered in England and Wales is a dormant company.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000 (continued)

14 Stocks and work in progress

	Grou	p	Comp	oany
	2000	1999	2000	1999
	£	£	£	£
Finished goods and goods for resale	-	1,227,060	-	1,227,060

15 Debtors

	Gro	Group		Company			
	2000	2000 1999 2000 £ £ £	2000 1999 2000	2000 1999 2000	2000 1999 2000	2000 1999 2000	1999
	£		£	£			
Amounts falling due within one year:							
Trade debtors	-	4,008,863	-	4,008,863			
Other debtors	-	13,930	-	13,930			
Prepayments and accrued income	-	217,283	-	217,283			
	-	4,240,076	-	4,240,076			

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000 (continued)

16 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Group		Company	
	2000	1999	2000	1999
	£	£	£	£
Trade creditors	- -	521,499	•	521,499
Amounts owed to parent and fellow subsidiary undertakings	25,515,015	23,166,201	25,515,015	23,166,201
Amount owed to subsidiary	-	-	589,005	589,005
Taxation and social security	-	325,958		325,958
Other creditors	-	200,000	-	200,000
Accruals and deferred income	-	420,234		420,234
	25,515,015	24,633,892	26,104,020	25,222,897

17 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	Group		Company	
	2000	1999	2000	1999
	£	£	£	£
Amounts owed to a fellow subsidiary undertaking	-	3,000,000	-	3,000,000

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000 (continued)

18 Provision for liabilities and changes

Deferred tax Group and Company

Analysis of provision and potential (asset)/liability:

	Amount provided		Amount unprovided									
	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	1999	2000 1999 2000	1999	1999 2000	2000 1999 2000	1999
	£	£	£	£								
Accelerated capital allowances	<u>-</u>	<u>.</u>	_	(584,338)								
Other timing differences	-	-	-	(391,790)								
Available trading losses	-	-	-	(3,748,059)								
			_	(4,724,187)								

The effect of the change in the tax rate is considered immaterial to the company.

VAT/Onerous lease Group and Company

Provision for liabilities and charges include provisions for:

	Restructuring costs	Onerous Leases	VAT	Total
	£	£	£	£
At 1 January 2000	-	369,000	1,189,179	1,558,179
Additional charges	831,834	372,000	159,701	1,363,535
Utilisation	(333,563)	-	-	(333,563)
At 24 April 2000	498,271	741,000	1,348,880	2,588,151
Transferred to Meto UK Ltd	(498,271)	(741,000)	(1,348,880)	(2,588,151)
At 31 December 2000	-	-		-

The VAT provision related to potential charges by HM Customs & Excise with regard to unpaid VAT.

[•] The onerous lease provision related to the vacant Harlow and Welwyn House sites.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000 (continued)

19 Called up share capital

	2000	1999
	£	£
Authorised		
- Value		
Ordinary shares of £1	1,500,000	1,500,000
5% Cumulative Redeemable Preference shares of £1	3,500,000	3,500,000
- Number		
Ordinary shares of £1	1,500,000	1,500,000
Cumulative Redeemable Preference shares of £1	3,500,000	3,500,000
Allotted, called up and fully paid		
- Value		
Ordinary Shares of £1	1,179,000	1,179,000
5% Cumulative Redeemable Preference shares of £1	3,150,000	3,150,000
	4,329,000	4,329,000
- Number		
Ordinary Shares of £1	1,179,000	1,179,000
Cumulative Redeemable Preference shares of £1	3,150,000	3,150,000
	4,329,000	4,329,000

The preference shares may be redeemed, at the company's option, at any time after 30 June 2000 at par, together with all arrears of the preferential dividend. The shares are non-voting and have a preferential right to return of capital on a winding up. The company has not exercised their options as a result of insufficient distributable reserves to date.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000 (continued)

20 Profit and loss reserve

Company

At 31 December 2000	(29,844,015)
Cumulative dividend not yet declared (note 10)	157,500
Loss for the year	(2,994,950)
At 31 December 1999	(27,006,565)
	£

21 Reconciliation of movement in shareholders' deficit

	2000	1999
	£	£
Loss for the financial year	(3,725,633)	(14,902,586)
Opening shareholders' deficit	(21,789,382)	(6,886,796)
Closing shareholders' deficit	(25,515,015)	(21,789,382)

22 Pension and similar obligations

The company contributes to individual defined contribution pension plans which are operated by Abbey Life and Save and Prosper. The total pension cost for the company during the year was £74,358 (1999: £158,514).

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000 (continued)

23 Sale of business

On 24 April 2000 the trade, assets and liabilities were transferred to Meto UK Ltd a fellow group company, for a cash payable £26,105,000.

Net liabilities disposed of	£,000
Fixed assets	543
Stocks	392
Debtors	4,616
Creditors less than one year	(26,068)
Creditors greater than one year	(3,000)
Provisions for liabilities and charges	(2,588)
	(26,105)
Satisfied by:	
Loan payable	(26,105)

24 Contingent liabilities and financial commitments

Lease commitments

The company has financial commitments in respect of non-cancellable operating leases on plant and machinery. The rentals payable under these leases in the next year are as follows:

	2000	1999	
	£	£	
Within one year	-	83,173	
In second to fifth year inclusive	-	234,952	
	-	318,125	

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000 (continued)

25 Contingent liabilities and financial commitments

In addition the group leases certain land and buildings on short and long term bases. The rents payable under these leases, which are subject to renegotiations at various intervals specified in the leases and in respect of which the company pays all insurance, maintenance and repairs in the next year are as follows:

	2000	
	£	£
Date of lease termination after five years	•	131,028

26 FRS 8 Related party

The company has not disclosed transactions with fellow subsidiaries where the group shareholding is above 90% in accordance with the exemption under terms of Financial Reporting Standard No 8.

27 Ultimate and immediate parent companies

The immediate parent company is Actron Group Limited a company registered in England and Wales.

The ultimate controlling party is Checkpoint systems Inc, which is the parent undertaking of the smallest and largest group to consolidate these financial statements. Copies of the ultimate parent company's consolidated financial statements are available from Checkpoint Systems Incorporated, 550 Grove Road, PO Box 188, Thorofare, New Jersey 08086 USA.