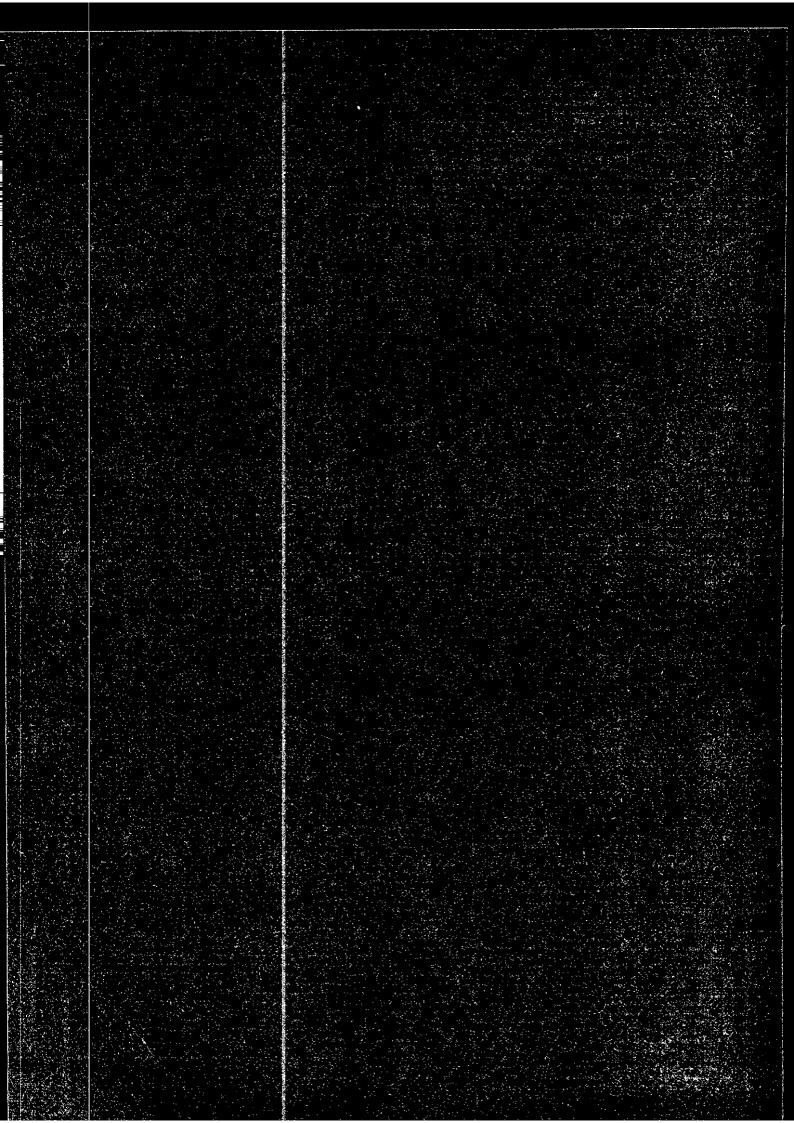
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# CONFEDERATION FINANCIAL SERVICES (UK) LIMITED

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS 1995





## **REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 1995**

#### **Directors**

M E Bates
K J H Malde BA, FCCA
M T J Sismey-Durrant BSc, MPhil, ACIB

## Secretary

K J H Malde BA, FCCA

## Registered Office

Bank House Primett Road Stevenage Hertfordshire SG1 3UQ

## Registered Number

2169927 England

## **Auditors**

Deloitte & Touche Stonecutter Court 1 Stonecutter Street London EC4A 4TR

## Report of the directors

The directors have pleasure in submitting their report together with the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1995.

#### Activity

The principal activity is that of a parent undertaking providing a range of banking services through its subsidiary undertakings. The group contains an authorised institution under the Banking Act 1987.

#### Results

The results for the year are set out in the profit and loss account on page 5. An interim dividend of £2,500,000 (1994 - £nil) was paid during the year. The directors do not recommend the payment of a final dividend and the retained profit has been transferred to reserves.

## Directors and directors' interests

Mr C J Watts resigned as Managing Director on 5 December 1995. Mr M T J Sismey-Durrant was appointed as Managing Director on 11 December 1995. All the other directors served in office throughout the year.

The present Board of Directors is shown on page 1. At no time during the year have the directors or their families had any beneficial interest in the shares of the company or any other company within the group. None of the directors had a material interest in any contract significant to the company's business.

#### Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of the profit of the company for that year. In preparing these 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; 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 are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

#### **Auditors**

On 1 February 1996 our auditors changed the name under which they practice to Deloitte & Touche and, accordingly, have signed their report in their new name.

A resolution for the re-appointment of Deloitte & Touche as auditors of the company is to be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

By Order of the Board

K. J. H. MALDE

Secretary

Date 27/3/

1996

Report of the Auditors to the Members of Confederation Financial Services (UK) Limited

We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 9 which have been prepared under the accounting policies set out on page 7.

## Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 2 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 December 1995 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Deloitte & Touche

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

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Stonecutter Court

1 Stonecutter Street

London

EC4A 4TR

Date 16 April 1996

# Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 31 December 1995

	Note	<u>1995</u> £000	1994 £000
Income from group undertakings	2	2,600	<b>.</b>
Tax on profit on ordinary activities		-	-
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation		2,600	
Dividend	4	(2,500)	
Retained profit for the financial year	6	100	<u> </u>

A statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been included as there were no recognised gains or losses or movements in shareholders' funds for the current or previous financial year other than those already dealt with in the profit and loss account.

## Balance Sheet as at 31 December 1995

	Notes	<u>1995</u> £000	<u>1994</u> £000
Fixed Assets			
Investments			
Shares in group undertakings	7	27,600	27,500
Other investments		1	1
		27,601	27,501
Capital and Reserves			
Called up share capital	5	27,501	27,501
Profit and loss account Total Shareholders' funds	6	100 27,601	<u>27,501</u>
Attributable to Equity Shareholders Attributable to Non-Equity Shareholders		101 <u>27,500</u> <u>27,601</u>	1 27,500 27,501

Approved by the Board of Directors

Director

Date 24 March 1996

Director

Date 27 Man 1996

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1995

#### 1. PARENT UNDERTAKING

The immediate parent undertaking is Confederation U.K. Holdings plc, a company registered in England and Wales. The accounts of the immediate parent undertaking are available from Bank House, Primett Road, Stevenage, Hertfordshire, SG1 3UQ. The ultimate parent undertaking is Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada, a mutual company incorporated in Canada. The annual report of the ultimate parent undertaking can be obtained from the Company Secretary, Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada, Sun Life Centre, 150 King Street West, Toronto, Ontario, M59 1J9, Canada.

## 2. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

## **Basis of Preparation**

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

## **Income from Group Undertakings**

Income from group undertakings is accounted for on a received basis and an interim dividend of £2,600,000 was received from a subsidiary undertaking.

#### Investments

The investments are shown at cost less any permanent diminution in value of the investments.

## 3. DIRECTORS AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

None of the directors received any emoluments in respect of direct services to the company in the current and the previous year.

The administrative expenses for the company are negligible and are borne by a subsidiary undertaking.

#### 4. **DIVIDENDS**

An interim dividend of 9.09 pence (1994 - nil) per share was paid on the cumulative redeemable preference shares.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1995

## 5. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

	1995 £000	<u>1994</u> £000
Authorised		
1,000,000 ordinary shares of £1 each 29,000,000 cumulative redeemable preference shares of £1 each	1,000 29,000 30,000	1,000 29,000 30,000
Called up, allotted and fully paid		
1,000 ordinary shares of £1 each 27,500,000 cumulative redeemable preference shares of £1 each	1 <u>27,500</u> <u>27,501</u>	1 27,500 27,501

The company is entitled at any time to redeem, at par, all or any of the cumulative redeemable preference shares.

## 6. PROFIT AND LOSS RESERVE

	<u>1995</u> £000	1994 £000
At 1 January	-	-
Retained profit for the year	100	
At 31 December	<u>100</u>	

#### 7. SUBSIDIARY UNDERTAKINGS

The company's wholly owned subsidiary undertakings incorporated in the United Kingdom and registered in England and Wales unless otherwise stated are:

Subsidiary Undertaking	Principal Activity
Sun Banking Corporation Limited	Providers of a range of banking services.
Sun Banking (Jersey) Limited* (Channel Islands)	Offshore banking.

Confederation Mortgage Services (UK) Limited\* Provision of residential mortgages

Primett Property Management Limited\* Provision of property management services

Confederation Property Services Limited Franchising estate agency.

On 15 December 1995, the company subscribed for 100,000 ordinary shares of £1 each at par for cash in Confederation Property Services Limited.

<sup>\*</sup>wholly owned subsidiary undertaking of Sun Banking Corporation Limited

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1995

#### 8. COMMITMENTS

The company undertook a guarantee for two property lease agreements in the name of a subsidiary undertaking and at the balance sheet date, the annual commitments under these operating leases are as follows:-

1995 £ £

Operating leases which expire:

Over five years

<u>51,676</u> <u>51,676</u>

These commitments are partially matched by rental income receivable from sub letting arrangements on similar terms and conditions as the head leases and is as follows:-

Over five years

30,000 30,000