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Laybran Limited

Report and Financial Statements

Year Ended 31 December 1993





Annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1993

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Directors

B L K Heng V K Sodhy

Secretary and registered office

G C V Morris, 172 New Bond Street, London, W1Y 9PB.

Company number

2199767

Auditors

BDO Stoy Hayward, 8 Baker Street, London, W1M 1DA.

Report of the directors for the year ended 31 December 1993

The directors present their report together with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1993.

Results and dividends

The profit and loss account is set out on page 3 and shows the profit for the year.

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend.

Principal activities, trading review and future developments

The principle activity of the company is the retailing of high fashion clothing under the "Giorgio Armani" label.

The directors expect a similar result for the ensuing year.

Significant changes in fixed assets

Significant changes in fixed assets are shown in note 8 to the financial statements.

Directors

The directors of the company during the year, neither of whom had any interest in the ordinary share capital of the company were:

B L K Heng V K Sodhy

Report of the directors for the year ended 31 December 1993 (Continued)

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 of the company 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; 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

Following their admission on 1 October 1994 as the United Kingdom representatives of BDO International our auditors have changed their name to BDO Stoy Hayward with effect from that date. BDO Stoy Hayward have expressed their willingness to continue in office and a resolution to re-appoint them will be proposed at the annual general meeting.

By order of the Board

Secretary

Date 13 APRIL 1995

LAYBRAN LIMITED

Profit and loss account for the year ended 31 December 1993

•	Note	1993	1992
Turnover	2	£ 6,137,168	£ 4,486,916
Cost of sales	2	2,707,819	2,357,344
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Gross profit		3,429,349	2,129,572
Administrative expenses		1,704,515	1,521,763
		1,724,834	607,809
Interest receivable	4	109,028	26,312
Interest payable	5	(7,172)	(16,178)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	6	1,826,690	617,943
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	7	397,394	10,485
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation		1,429,296	607,458
Retained loss brought forward		(250,359)	(857,817)
Retained profit/(loss) carried forward		1,178,937	(250,359)

All amounts relate to continuing activities.

All recognised gains and losses are included in the profit and loss account.

The retained profit for the period represents the movement in shareholders funds.

The notes on pages 6 to 10 form part of these financial statements

Balance sheet at 31 December 1993

	NT-4-		1993	1992	
	Note	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	8		335,531		416,180
Current assets					
Stocks	9	313,850		355,705	
Debtors	10	3,167,366		937,386	
Cash at bank and in hand		153,716		171,092	
		3,634,932		1,464,183	
Creditors: amounts falling due					
within one year	11	1,791,526		1,130,722	

Net current assets			1,843,406		333,461
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Total assets less current liabilities			2,178,937		749,641
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	12		1,000,000		1,000,000
Profit and loss account			1,178,937		(250,359)
			2 179 027		740 641
			2,178,937		749,641
					

The financial statements were approved by the Board on

B L K Heng

Director

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Cash flow statement for the year ended 31 December 1993

	Note	1993		1992	
		£	£	£	£
Net cash inflow from operating activities	14		2,513,225		43,722
Returns on investments and servicing of finance					
Interest paid Interest received		(7,172) 109,028		(16,178) 3,294	
Net cash outflow from returns on investments and servicing of finance			101,856		(12,884)
Taxation paid			(10,485)		-
Investing activities					
Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets		(1,351)		·-	
Net cash outflow from investing activities			(1,351)		
Net cash inflow before financing			2,603,245		30,838
Financing Short term loan to fellow subsidiary			(2,200,000)		<u> </u>
Increase in cash and cash equivalents	16		403,245		30,838

The notes on pages 6 to 10 form part of these financial statements

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1993

1 Accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and are in accordance with applicable accounting standards. The following principal accounting policies have been applied:

Turnover

Turnover represents sales to outside customers exclusive of value added tax.

Depreciation

Depreciation is provided to write off the cost, less estimated residual values, of all fixed assets, over their expected useful lives. It is calculated at the following rates:

Furniture and equipment

- 16.67% to 33% per annum

Short leasehold property

- Over length of licence

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value after making due allowance for any obsolete or slow moving items.

Deferred taxation

Provision is made for timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes, except that no provision is made where it can be reasonably foreseen that such deferred taxation will not be payable in the future.

Foreign currencies

Transactions denominated in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate of exchange ruling at the dates of the transactions.

Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at year end exchange rates. All exchange differences are taken to the profit and loss account.

2 Turnover

The turnover before taxation is attributable to one activity, the retailing of high fashion clothing in the United Kingdom.

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1993 (Continued)

3	Employees		
		1993	1992
		£	£
	Staff costs consist of:		
	Wages and salaries	350,826	428,019
	Social security costs	35,014	44,427
	Other pension costs	-	6,050
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		385,840	478,496
	The average weekly number of employees during the		
	year was as follows:	Number	Number
	Part time	3	3
	Full time	19	19
		22	22
4	Interest receivable	£	£
	Bank interest receivable	8,807	3,294
	Group company interest receivable	100,221	23,018
		109,028	26,312
			
5	Interest payable		
	Bank loans and overdrafts	7,172	16,178

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1993 (Continued)

6	Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	•	1993 £	1992 £
	This is arrived at after charging:			
	Depreciation Auditors' remuneration Directors' emoluments		82,000 7,040	86,168 6,995 -
7	Taxation			
	UK corporation tax at 33% (1992 - 33%) based	on profit for the year	397,394	10,485
8	Tangible assets	Short leasehold property £	Furniture and equipment £	Total £
	Cost At beginning of year Additions	1,013,711	110,515 1,351	1,124,226 1,351
	At end of year	1,013,711	111,866	1,125,577
	Depreciation At beginning of year Provided for the year	638,937 62,462	69,109 19,538	708,046 82,000
	At end of year	701,399	88,647	790,046
	Net book value At 31 December 1993	312,312	23,219	335,531
	At 31 December 1992	374,774	41,406	416,180

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1993 (Continued)

9	Stocks		
•		1993	1992
		£	£
	Finished goods and goods for resale	313,850	355,705
10	Debtors		
	Trade debtors	60,993	23,072
	Amounts owed by group undertakings	2,305,187	774,239
	Prepayments	88,004	86,980
	Other debtors	713,182	53,095
		<u> </u>	
		3,167,366	937,386
			
11	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		
	Bank overdraft	160,316	580,937
	Trade creditors	641,079	299,054
	Amounts owed to group undertakings	468,984	543
	Taxation and social security	77,931	20,997
	Corporation tax	397,394	10,485
	Accruals	44,509	114,326
	Other creditors	1,313	104,380
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		1,791,526	1,130,722
			
12	Share capital		
	Authorised, allotted and fully paid		
	1,000,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	1,000,000	1,000,000
			

13 Ultimate parent company

Lakeshire Co Limited, a company incorporated in Liberia, is regarded by the directors as the company's ultimate parent company.

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1993 (Continued)

14	Reconciliation of operating profit to net cash inflow from	om operating activitie	·s	
	Accommended to the control of the co		1993	1992
			£	£
	Operating profit		1,724,834	607,809
	Depreciation charges		82,000	86,168
	(Increase)/decrease in stocks		41,855	(15,921)
	(Increase)/decrease in debtors		(29,980)	175,965
	Increase/(decrease) in creditors		694,516	(810,299)
				
			2,513,225	43,722
15	Analysis of the balances of cash and cash equivalents d	uring the year		
	Balance at 1 January 1993		(409,845)	(440,683)
	Net cash inflow		403,245	30,838
	Balance at 31 December 1993		(6,600)	(409,845)
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16	Analysis of the balances of cash and cash equivalents a	s		
	shown in the balance sheet			
				Change
		1993	1992	in year
		£	£	£
	Cash at bank and in hand	153,716	171,092	(17,376)
	Bank overdrafts	(160,316)	(580,937)	420,621
		(6,600)	(409,845)	403,245

Report of the auditors

To the shareholders of Laybran Limited

We have audited the financial statements on pages 3 to 10 which have been prepared under the accounting policies set out on page 6.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 2 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the 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 an 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 1993 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

BDO STOY HAYWARD

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

London

13 April 1995