Laybran Limited

Report and Financial Statements

Year Ended

31 December 1994



BDO Stoy Hayward Chartered Accountants

Annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1994

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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 1994

The directors present their report together with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1994.

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 principal 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 1994 (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

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

24 August 1995

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Profit and loss account for the year ended 31 December 1994

	Note	1994 £	1993 £
Turnover	2	7,688,697	6,137,168
Cost of sales		3,266,968	2,707,819
Gross profit		4,421,729	3,429,349
Administrative expenses		1,819,273	1,704,515
		2,602,456	1,724,834
Interest receivable	4	71,018	109,028
Interest payable	5	(13,337)	(7,172)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	6	2,660,137	1,826,690
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	7		397,394
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation		2,660,137	1,429,296
Retained profit/(loss) brought forward		1,178,937	(250,359)
Retained profit carried forward		3,839,074	1,178,937

The notes on pages 5 to 8 form part of these financial statements

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.

Balance sheet at 31 December 1994

	Note		1994	199	93
	11010	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	8		263,209		335,531
Current assets					
Stocks	9	363,846		313,850	
Debtors	10	5,544,894		3,167,366	
Cash at bank and in hand		20,526		153,716	
		5,929,266		3,634,932	
Conditions on and falling due					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	1,353,401		1,791,526	
within one year	11				
Net current assets			4,575,865		1,843,406
TD-4-34-1			4 920 074		2 179 027
Total assets less current liabilities			4,839,074		2,178,937
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	12		1,000,000		1,000,000
Profit and loss account			3,839,074		1,178,937
					
Shareholders Funds			4,839,074		2,178,937

All Shareholders funds are equity

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 24 August 1995.

BLK Heng

Director

The notes on pages 5 to 8 form part of these financial statements

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1994

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.

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Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1994 (Continued)

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3	Employees	1994	1993
		£	£
	Staff costs consist of:		
	Wages and salaries	445,357	350,826
	Social security costs	42,766	35,014
		488,123	385,840
	The average weekly number of employees during the		
	year was as follows:	Number	Number
	Part time	2	3
	Full time	20	19
			
		22	22
4	Interest receivable	£	£
	Bank interest receivable	1,942	8,807
	Group company interest receivable	69,076	100,221
		71,018	109,028
5	Interest payable		
	Bank loans and overdrafts	13,337	7,172

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Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1994 (Continued)

6	Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		1994 £	1993 £
	This is arrived at after charging:		*	~
	Depreciation Auditors' remuneration Directors' emoluments		73,477 11,858 -	82,000 7,040 -
7	Taxation			
	UK corporation tax at 33% (1993 - 33%) ba	sed on profit for the year	<u>-</u>	397,394
8	Tangible assets	Short leasehold property £	Furniture and equipment £	Total £
	Cost			
	At beginning of year Additions	1,013,711 450	111,866 705	1,125,577 1,155
	At end of year	1,014,161	112,571	1,126,732
	Depreciation			
	At beginning of year Provided for the year	701,399 62,463	88,647 11,014	790,046 73,477
	At end of year	763,862	99,661	863,523
	Net book value			
	At 31 December 1994	250,299	12,910	263,209
	At 31 December 1993	312,312	23,219	335,531

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1994 (Continued)

9	Stocks		
		1994 £	1993 £
	Finished goods and goods for resale	363,846	313,850
10	Debtors		
	Trade debtors	95,700	60,993
	Amounts owed by group undertakings	1,859,444	2,305,187
	Prepayments	91,524	88,004
	Other debtors	3,487,393	713,182
	Corporation Tax	10,833	-
		5,544,894	3,167,366
			3,107,300
	All amounts shown under debtors fall due for payment within	one year.	
11	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		
	Bank overdraft	620,642	160,316
	Trade creditors	223,609	641,079
	Amounts owed to group undertakings	199,970	468,984
	Taxation and social security	98,175	77,931
	Corporation tax	-	397,394
	Accruals	112,353	44,509
	Other creditors	98,652	1,313
		1,353,401	1,791,526
10			
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.

Report of the auditors

To the shareholders of Laybran Limited

We have audited the financial statements on pages 3 to 8 which have been prepared under the accounting policies set out on page 5.

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 1994 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

Date