

Report and Financial Statements

31 December 1997

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REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 1997

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors present their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1997.

ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of the company is the marketing of health, nutritional and beauty products. There has been no change in the principal activity of the company during the year.

REVIEW OF DEVELOPMENTS

The company concluded the fifth year of operation under the direction of Dusty Greene and his management team with a milestone achievement of sales just under 100,000 cases of products. Core product turnover in 1997 exceeded the previous twelve months by some 26% and this growth has accelerated in to the first four months of 1998 with budgeted growth of 31% surpassed by actual sales to date.

The addition of two all new products to the UK, Forever Kidds multi-vitamins and Forever Gingko Plus, at the well attended National Rally in Cardiff, Wales in November 1997 broadens the appeal of the core range of health and beauty products. In addition, the focused packaging of Mini Touch of Forever boxes gives both new and existing distributors another exciting tool to develop their businesses.

The Company moved its warehousing operations to a rented site in Leamington Spa, which will provide more space for future growth and will ease the congestion of loading and despatching at peak times encountered at the Wellesbourne site. Elsewhere the investment in the Head Office facilities at Longbridge Manor continues and with decorating and deployment of furniture ongoing, the prestige location looks very impressive, combining a busy office with a welcoming venue.

Looking to the future, we see a number of Pan-European issues, which present the opportunity for the family of FLP companies to work together in the EU, exchange knowledge and benefits and further grow the profitability of the group.

DIVIDENDS AND TRANSFERS TO RESERVES

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend. The results of the company are set out on page 5.

The profit for the year of £614,007 (1996 - £701,207) has been transferred to reserves.

DIRECTORS AND THEIR INTERESTS

The directors who served during the year and their interests in the ordinary share capital of the company were as follows:

	Ordinary shares of £1 e	
	1997	1996
R G Maughan	10,000	10,000
R Lloyd	-	-



DIRECTORS' REPORT

AUDITORS

Deloitte & Touche have expressed their willingness to continue in office as auditors and a resolution to reappoint them will be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

Approved by the Board of Directors and signed on behalf of the Board

Secretary



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 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
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed
- 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. 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.



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AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF

FOREVER LIVING PRODUCTS (U.K.) LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 14 which have been prepared under the accounting policies set out on page 8.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 3 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 at 31 December 1997 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT Year ended 31 December 1997

·	Note	1997 £	1996 £
TURNOVER	2	11,307,082	9,014,700
Cost of sales		(2,570,371)	(2,349,059)
Gross profit		8,736,711	6,665,641
Distribution costs		(6,589,560)	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Administrative expenses		(1,310,580)	
Other operating income		60,502	34,468
		(7,839,638)	(5,826,294)
OPERATING PROFIT BEING PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE			
TAXATION	2, 4	897,072	839,347
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	5	(283,065)	(138,140)
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION FOR THE			
FINANCIAL YEAR	15	614,007	701,207
			

All activities derive from continuing operations.

There are no recognised gains and losses other than the profit for the financial year. Accordingly, no statement of total recognised gains and losses is given.



BALANCE SHEET 31 December 1997

•	Note	£	1997 £	£	1996 £
FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets	6		167,990		99,597
CURRENT ASSETS Stocks Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	7 8	1,269,810 248,667 1,269,035 2,787,512		795,949 531,458 318,136 1,645,543	
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	9	(1,870,750)		(1,177,585)	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			916,762		467,958
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			1,084,752		567,555
CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more than one year	10		(1,215,510)		(1,314,790)
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES	12		(5,515)		(3,045)
			(136,273)		(750,280)
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capital Profit and loss account	13 14		10,000 (146,273)		10,000 (760,280)
EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS' DEFICIT	15		(136,273)		(750,280)

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on

Signed on behalf of the Board of Directors

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Director

17 m August 1998



Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu

CASH FLOW STATEMENT Year ended 31 December 1997

	Note	1997 £	1996 £
Cash flow from operating activities	16	1,341,698	183,978
Taxation		(110,700)	-
Capital expenditure and financial investment	17	(129,949)	(67,578)
Cash inflow before financing		1,101,049	116,400
Financing	17	(150,150)	(6,701)
Increase in cash in the year		950,899	109,699
Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net debt	18	1997 £	1996 £
	10	1007	1006
Increase in cash in the year		950,899	109,699
Cash inflow from increase in debt and lease financing		150,150	6,701
Change in net debt resulting from cash flows		1,101,049	116,400
Exchange movements on borrowings		(56,721)	149,324
		(,,	177,52
Movement in net debt in the year		1,044,328	265,724
Movement in net debt in the year Net debt at 1 January		1,044,328	<u></u>



NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 December 1997

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards. The particular accounting policies adopted are described below.

Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention.

Basis of preparation

In order to fund its working capital requirements the company is reliant upon loans from other companies in common ownership with it (as described in note 11). The directors of these companies have indicated their continuing intention to support the working capital requirement of the company and the directors have, therefore, adopted the going concern basis in the preparation of these accounts.

Turnover

Turnover represents the aggregate of amounts receivable for services and goods supplied in the ordinary course of business, excluding value added tax.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost. Depreciation is provided for all fixed assets to write off their cost on a reducing balance at the following rates:

Computers	25%
Vehicles	25%
Fixtures and office equipment	25%

Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided at the anticipated tax rates on differences arising from the inclusion of items of income and expenditure in taxation computations in periods different from those in which they are included in the financial statements to the extent that it is probable that a liability or asset will crystallise in the future.

Leases

Assets held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts and the related lease obligations are recorded in the balance sheet at the fair value of the leased assets at the inception of the leases. The amounts by which the lease payments exceed the recorded lease obligations are treated as finance charges which are amortised over each lease term to give a constant rate of charge on the remaining balance of the obligation.

Rental costs under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account as they are incurred.

Pensions

The company operates a money purchase scheme for the benefit of its employees. The company's contributions to this scheme are shown in Note 3.

2. ANALYSIS OF TURNOVER AND PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION

The turnover and profit before taxation is entirely attributable to the principal activity and arises in the United Kingdom.



3. INFORMATION REGARDING DIRECTORS AND EMPLOYEES

		1997 £	1996 £
	Directors' emoluments Other emoluments	21,116	16,534
		No.	No.
	Average number of persons employed	23	19
		£	£
	Staff costs during the year (including directors)		
	Wages and salaries	429,432	306,036
	Social security costs	39,620	29,230
	Other pension costs	11,416	7,534
		480,468	342,800
4.	OPERATING PROFIT		
		1997	1996
		£	£
	Operating profit is after charging / (crediting):		
	Depreciation		
	Owned assets	61,556	33,199
	Rentals under operating leases	1,626	2,604
	Hire of plant and machinery Other operating leases	33,553	62,750
	Auditors' remuneration	33,333	02,700
	Audit services	13,500	12,000
	Foreign exchange (gains) / losses	113,269	(114,863)
5.	TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES		
5.	TAX ON FROM ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES	1007	1007
		1997 £	1996 £
	United Kingdom corporation tax charge at 31.5%		
	(1996 - 33%) based on the profit for the year	304,990	135,095
	Deferred taxation	(21,925)	3,045
		283.065	138,140
	Adjustment in respect of prior year - corporation tax	(24,395)	-
	- deferred tax	24,395	
		283,065	138,140
	Deferred taxation Adjustment in respect of prior year - corporation tax	(21,925) 283,065 (24,395) 24,395 283,065	138

The tax charge on the profit for 1996 was reduced by the utilisation of losses brought forward.



6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

		Computers £	Fittings and office equipment £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
	Cost				.=
	At 1 January 1997	65,117	60,402	44,710	170,229
	Additions	40,506	89,443		129,949
	At 31 December 1997	105,623	149,845	44,710	300,178
	Accumulated depreciation				
	At 1 January 1997	27,781	27,446	15,405	70,632
	Charge for the year	23,628	30,600	7,327	61,556
	At 31 December 1997	51,409	58,046	22,732	132,188
	Net book value				
	At 31 December 1997	54,214	91,799	21,978	167,990
	At 31 December 1996	37,336	32,956	29,305	99,597
7.	STOCKS				
				1997	1996
				£	£
	Goods for resale			1,269,810	795,949
8.	DEBTORS				
0.	DEDICKS			1997	1996
	Due within one year			1997 £	1990 £
	Due within one year				
	Trade debtors			109,906	471,872
	Amounts owed by related parties			50,907	50.506
	Other debtors			87,854	59,586
				248,667	531,458

At 31 December 1997, there was a loan outstanding of £51,052 (US\$ 84,000) (1996 - £49,085 (US\$ 84,000)) payable by an officer of the company.

1997

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1996 £

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 December 1997

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

		•	
	Trade creditors Corporation tax Other taxation and social security Amounts owed to related parties (note 11) Accruals and deferred income	119,731 304,990 208,033 394,283 843,713	59,873 135,095 180,801 155,404 646,412
		1,870,750	1,177,585
10.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THA	N ONE YEAR 1997 £	1996 £
	Amounts owed to related parties (note 11)	1,215,510	1,314,790

11. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The company is controlled by Mr R Maughan, the director and principal shareholder.

The company owed the following amounts to companies in joint control with it.

	1997 £	1996 £
Aloe Vera of America Inc Forever Living Products Asia Limited	242,344 1,367,449	9,316 1,460,878
	1,609,793	1,470,194

These balances all fall due within one year with exception of the balance owed to Forever Living Products Asia Limited which is a non interest bearing term loan repayable in instalments.

These related party balances are repayable as follows:

1997 £	1996 £
394,283	155,404
455,816	146,088 438,264
759,694	730,438
1,609,793	1,470,194
	\$394,283 455,816 759,694

The company is dependent on the continuance of this funding in order to continue trading, as it is technically insolvent.

During the year the company purchased goods and services to the value of £2,775,571 (1996 - £1,969,269) from the companies named above. In addition, certain of these companies provided marketing and product development support to the company. The company occupies premises owned by Mr Maughan, for which no rent was charged in the year.



12. PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES

				£	
	Deferred taxation				
	Balance at 1 January 1997			3,045	
	Provision - current year			(21,925)	
	- prior year			24,395	
	Balance at 31 December 1997			5,515	
	The amounts provided in the accounts and the amou	Provided 1997 £ 5,515	are as follows: Provided 1996 £ 3,045	Not provided 1997 £	Not provided 1996 £
	Capital anowances in advance of depreciation				
13.	CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL				
				1997	1996
				£	£
	Authorised, allotted and fully paid			10.000	10,000
	10,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each			10,000	10,000
14.	PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT				
				£	
	At 1 January 1997			(760,280)	
	Profit for the year			614,007	
	·				
	At 31 December 1997			(146,273) ————	
15.	RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHA	AREHOLDERS	FUNDS		
				1997	1996
				£	£
	Profit for the financial year			614,007	701,207
	Opening shareholders' funds			(750,280)	(1,451,487)
	Closing shareholders' funds			(136,273)	(750,280)



16. RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING PROFIT TO OPERATING CASH FLOWS

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				1997	1996
				£	£
	Operating profit			897,072	839,347
	Depreciation			61,556	33,199
	Loss on sale of tangible fixed assets			-	2,537
	(Increase) in stock			(473,861)	(68,923)
	Decrease/(increase) in debtors			282,791	(164,031)
	Increase/(decrease) in creditors			517,419	(308,827)
	Exchange differences on borrowings			56,721	(149,324)
	Net cash inflow from operating activities			1,341,698	183,978
17.	ANALYSIS OF CASH FLOWS FOR HEADING	S NETTED IN T	HE CASH F	1997	MENT 1996 £
				£	æ
	Capital expenditure and financial investment			(120.040)	(60 070)
	Purchase of tangible fixed assets Sale of tangible fixed assets			(129,949) -	(68,078) 500
	oute of tanglote and appell				
	Net cash outflow for capital expenditure and			(120.040)	(67,578)
	financial investment			(129,949) ———	(07,378)
	Financing				
	Repayment of intercompany borrowings			(150,150)	-
	Capital element of finance lease rental payments			-	(6,701)
	Net cash inflow from financing			(150,150)	(6,701)
	The cash made I out among				
18.	ANALYSIS OF NET DEBT				
		At			At
		1 Jan	Cash	Exchange	31 Dec
		1997	flow	differences	1997
		£	£	£	£
	Cash in hand and at bank	318,136	950,899	-	1,269,035
	Borrowing from group company	(1,460,878)	150,150	(56,721)	(1,367,449)
		(1.140.742)	1,101,049	(56,721)	(98,414)
		(1,142,742) ====================================	=======================================	(30,721)	



19. FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

	1997	1996
	£	£
Capital commitments		
Contracted for but not provided	-	-
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Operating lease commitments

At 31 December 1997, the company was committed to making the following payments during the next year in respect of operating leases.

	Land and buildings 1997 £	Other 1997 £	Land and buildings 1996 £	Other 1996 £
Leases which expire: Within one year Within two to five years After five years	61,000	635 - -	10,224	86 1,540
	61,000	635	10,224	1,626



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The additional information on page 16 has been prepared from the accounting records of the company. While it does not form part of the statutory financial statements, it should be read in conjunction with them and the auditors' report thereon.



TRADING ACCOUNT Year ended 31 December 1997

	£	1997 £	£	1996 £
TURNOVER		11,307,082		9,014,700
Cost of sales Opening stock Purchases, freight and duty Closing stock	795,949 3,044,232 (1,269,810)		727,026 2,417,982 (795,949)	
		2,570,371		2,349,059
GROSS PROFIT		8,736,711		6,665,641
Distribution costs Bonuses Motor, travel and entertaining Printing and publicity Warehouse and delivery	5,854,371 89,822 613,230 32,137	6,589,560	4,650,094 63,419 387,237 20,669	5,121,419
Administrative expenses Wages, salaries and employment costs Repairs and maintenance Telephones Heat, light and power Rent, rates and insurances Bank charges Legal and professional fees Audit and accountancy Management expenses Depreciation Loss on disposal (Gain)/loss on exchange Sundry expenses	480,468 93,274 24,331 12,012 86,565 154,559 174,433 21,605 64,575 61,556		350,630 68,741 21,906 10,556 71,890 97,315 64,277 18,956 77,063 33,199 2,537 (114,863) 37,136	
		1,310,580		739,343
Other operating income		60,502		34,468
OPERATING PROFIT		897,072		839,347