ASTICUS (UK) LIMITED

(Registered number 2305636)

ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2001

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ASTICUS (UK) LIMITED DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors submit their report and the audited financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 December 2001, which show the state of the company's affairs.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY, REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The principal activity of the company during the year was the acquisition and the holding of property in central London for commercial letting.

RESULTS

The profit for the year after taxation amounted to £1,668,545 which is transferred to reserves. No dividend is recommended.

DIRECTORS

The following directors served during the year:

Mr J Svedin Mr P Banerjee Mr T A Seifert

Mr D H Gibson (Appointed 20 February 2001)

The directors had no interests during the year which required to be recorded in the register maintained by the company under Section 325 of the Companies Act 1985.

AUDITORS

A resolution to reappoint the auditors, PKF, will be proposed at the annual general meeting.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

BANERJEE Director

14.2. 2002

ASTICUS (UK) LIMITED 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 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;
- 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.

The directors are responsible for ensuring that the directors' report is prepared in accordance with company law in the United Kingdom.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDER OF ASTICUS (UK) LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Asticus (UK) Limited for the year ended 31 December 2001 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and the related notes. These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors' responsibilities for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards are set out in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and United Kingdom Auditing Standards.

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 Companies Act 1985. 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 with the company is not disclosed.

We read the Directors' Report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it.

Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with United Kingdom 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 2001 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

PKF Registered Auditors

London, UK

25 February 2002

ASTICUS (UK) LIMITED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2001

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2001</u> ₤	2000 £
Rents receivable		3,380,246	4,308,916
Other operating income		683,216	1,006,185
		4,063,462	5,315,101
Operating costs		(996,398)	(1,612,674)
Administrative expenses		(1,173,534)	(863,334)
Operating profit	2	1,893,530	2,839,093
Loss on disposal of properties	7	-	(287,150)
Interest receivable and similar items	4	90,420	285,235
Interest payable and similar charges	5	(315,405)	(2,088,739)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		1,668,545	748,439
Taxation	6	-	•
Retained profit for the year	14	1,668,545	748,439

All amounts relate to continuing operations.

ASTICUS (UK) LIMITED STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2001

	<u>2001</u> ₤	2000 £
Profit for the financial year	1,668,545	748,439
Unrealised surplus on revaluation	100,000	1,731,289
Total gains & losses recognised since last annual report	1,768,545	2,479,728

NOTE OF HISTORICAL COST PROFITS AND LOSSES

	2001 £	2000 £
Reported profit on ordinary activities after taxation	1,668,545	748,439
Realisation of property revaluation deficits of previous years	-	(324,792)
Historical cost profit for the year retained after taxation	1,668,545	423,647

ASTICUS (UK) LIMITED BALANCE SHEET 31 DECEMBER 2001

	Notes	£	2001 £	£	<u>2000</u> £
FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets Investments	8 9		116,719,422 18,104,614		96,685,956 18,104,614
			134,824,036		114,790,570
CURRENT ASSETS Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	10	2,385,556 1,989,874		1,227,587 1,454,443	
CREDITORS		4,375,430		2,682,030	
Amounts falling due within one year	11	7,836,304		3,251,733	
NET CURRENT (LIABILITIES)			(3,460,874)		(569,703)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			131,363,162		114,220,867
CREDITORS Amounts falling due after more than one year	11		80,350,305		64,976,555
			51,012,857		49,244,312
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capital	12		40,000,000		40,000,000
Capital contribution Revaluation reserve	13 14		1,475,000 5,502,320		1,475,000 5,402,320
Profit and loss account	15		4,035,537		2,366,992
SHAREHOLDER'S FUNDS	16		51,012,857		49,244,312

Approved by the board on 14 2. 2002

J SVEDIN

Director

ASTICUS (UK) LIMITED CASH FLOW STATEMENT YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2001

I	Notes	2001 £	2000 £
Operating profit		1,893,530	2,839,093
Depreciation (Increase)/decrease in trade debtors Increase/(decrease) in creditors		38,016 (1,162,241) 4,908,416	36,931 2,112,193 (840,097)
Net cash inflow from operating activities		5,677,721	4,148,120
CASHFLOW STATEMENT			
Net cash inflow from operating activities		5,677,721	4,148,120
Returns on investments and servicing of finance	17	(508,558)	(2,250,045)
Capital expenditure (less receipts)	17	(20,007,482)	(3,472,491)
Cash outflow before financing		(14,838,919)	(1,574,416)
Financing	17	15,373,750	(1,002,283)
Increase/(decrease) in cash in the period		535,431	(2,576,699)
Reconciliation of net cash flow movement to movement in net debt	18		
Increase/(decrease) in cash in the period		535,431	(2,576,699)
Cash and other (inflow)/outflow from movement in debt		(15,373,750)	1,002,283
Movement in net debt in the period		(14,838,319)	(1,574,416)
Net debt at 1 January 2001		(63,522,112)	(61,947,696)
Net debt at 31 December 2001		(78,360,431)	(63,522,112)

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of investment property.

(b) Consolidated financial statements

Consolidated accounts have not been prepared as permitted by section 228 of the companies Act 1985. The financial statements present information about the company as an individual undertaking and not about the group as a whole.

Investments in subsidiaries are stated at cost.

(c) Turnover

Rents receivable represent amount due from tenants, excluding VAT. All rents are generated from within the United Kingdom.

(d) Investment property

All costs associated with the acquisition and development of investment property, net of incidental receipts and including interest payable on loans taken out to finance the project, are capitalised. For properties completed prior to 31 December 1997 capitalisation of interest and expenses continued until the property was let or until 18 months had elapsed from the date of practical completion, whichever was earlier. For properties whose practical completion is after 31 December 1997, capitalisation of interest finishes at the date of practical completion, while expenses continue to be capitalised where appropriate after this date.

In accordance with Statement of Standard Accounting Practice No. 19 (SSAP 19), investment property is stated in the balance sheet at open market value. Revaluation surpluses and deficits are taken to a revaluation reserve except to the extent that they represent reversals of deficits previously recognised through the profit and loss account.

Also in accordance with SSAP 19 no depreciation is provided in respect of investment property. This is a departure from the requirement of the Companies Act 1985 which requires all assets having a limited useful economic life to be depreciated. The directors consider this treatment necessary in order to show a true and fair view. Depreciation or amortisation is only one of many factors reflected in the annual valuation and the amount which would otherwise have been shown cannot be separately quantified.

(e) Development property

All costs associated with the acquisition and development of development property, net of incidental receipts and including interest payable on loans taken out to finance the project are capitalised. No depreciation is provided prior to the completion of the development.

(f) Other tangible fixed assets

Other tangible fixed assets are depreciated by equal annual instalments over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Fixtures, fittings and equipment - 25%

Motor vehicles - 25% or the term of the lease

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(g) Deferred taxation

Provision is made for deferred tax, using the liability method, to the extent that it is probable that a liability will crystallise in the foreseeable future.

(h) Foreign currency translation

Assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated to sterling at the rate prevailing at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are converted at the rate prevailing at the date of the transaction. All exchange gains and losses are taken to the profit and loss account.

(i) Operating leases

Leasing charges in respect of operating leases are recognised in the profit and loss account over the lives of the lease agreement as incurred.

(j) Pension Contributions

The company makes contributions into personal pension plans, which are charged to the profit and loss account as they arise.

2	OPERATING PROFIT	<u>2001</u> £	2000 £
	The operating profit is stated after charging:		~
	Auditors' remuneration - for audit services - for other services Depreciation Directors' remuneration Operating lease rentals in respect of land and buildings	21,280 54,130 38,016 179,865 493,672	18,700 38,347 36,931 164,403 479,029
3	STAFF COSTS AND NUMBERS		
	Staff costs, including directors were:		
	Wages and salaries Social security costs Pension contributions	326,551 67,398 30,918	298,584 50,750 26,823
		424,867	376,157
	Average monthly number of persons employed during the year	<u>Number</u>	Number
	Administration	5	5

4	INTEREST RECEIVABLE AND SIMILAR ITEMS	2001 £	2000 £
	Group interest Bank interest	90,420	153,505 131,730
		90,420	285,235
5	INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES		
	Group interest Bank interest	165,021 150,384	181,854 1,906,885
		315,405	2,088,739

Interest payable of £3,033,245 (2000 - £822,789) has been capitalised within the cost of development property and is excluded from the above.

6 TAXATION

No taxation charge arises on the profit for the year due to the availability of tax losses.

7 LOSS ON DISPOSAL OF PROPERTIES

During 2000 the company sold the long leasehold property at 15 Regent Street, London and the residential flats at 40/41 Conduit Street, London. The loss realised on a historical cost basis was £611,942.

8 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold and long leasehold	Fixtures,		
	investment <u>properties</u> £	fittings and equipment	Motor <u>vehicles</u> £	Total
Cost or valuation At 1 January 2001 Additions at cost Revaluation	96,607,238 19,964,797 100,000	341,433	25,679 6,685	96,974,350 19,971,482 100,000
At 31 December 2001	116,672,035	341,433	32,364	117,045,832
Depreciation At 1 January 2001 Charge for the year	· -	285,184 30,761	3,210 7,255	288,394 38,016
At 31 December 2001	-	315,945	10,465	326,410
Net book amounts At 31 December 2001	116,672,035	25,488	21,899	116,719,422
At 31 December 2000	96,607,238	56,249	22,469	96,685,956
				

Properties in the course of development are stated at cost. Investment properties are stated at a valuation following a professional valuation.

At 31 December 20 1 the freehold property is stated at a valuation by the directors following a professional open market valuation obtained from FPD Savills International Property Consultants at 30 September 2001.

The valuations were carried out in accordance with the Practice Statements of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors Appraisal and Valuation Manual, and were undertaken by external valuers as defined in Practice Statement 5.

The historical cost of the properties was £111,169,716 (2000 - £91,204,919). Included in the cost are interest charges of £3,856,034 (2000 : £822,789).

9	INVESTMENTS	Investments <u>in subsidiaries</u> £	Loans £	Total
	At 1 January 2001 and 31 December 2001	2	18,104,612	18,104,614

At 31 December 2000 the company owned directly, or indirectly, the entire share capital of the following subsidiaries, both of which are registered in England and Wales, and were dormant for the whole year:

	Proportion and class of shares held	Reserves at 31 December 2001
Brooksave Limited Asticus (Mayfair) Limited	100% of ordinary shares 100% of ordinary shares	2 18,220,305

10	DEBTORS	<u>2001</u>	<u>2000</u>
	Amounts falling due within one year: Trade debtors Amounts due from fellow subsidiary Other debtors	240,042 355,000 1,285,301	294,388 381,243 8,973
	Prepayments and accrued income	2,313,086	1,155,117
	Amounts falling due after more than one year: Rent deposit	72,470	72,470
11	CDEDITORS	2,385,556	1,227,587
11	CREDITORS		
	Amounts falling due within one year: Other tax and social security Accruals and deferred income	7,836,304	52,460 3,199,273
		7,836,304	3,251,733
	Amounts falling due after more than one year: Amounts due from subsidiary undertaking Bank loan	18,220,305 62,130,000	18,220,305 46,756,250
		80,350,305	64,976,555

The bank loan represents an advance under a group revolving loan facility, ultimately repayable in November 2006. The current advance expires on 28 February 2001 but the company has the option to rollover the loan.

12 CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

Authorised 45,000,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	45,000,000	45,000,000
Allotted, issued and fully paid 40,000,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	40,000,000	40,000,000

13 CAPITAL CONTRIBUTION

In 1998 a capital contribution of £1,475,000 was received from the company's parent undertaking, Stockned BV. This contribution is not repayable and bears no interest.

14	REVALUATION RESERVE		£
	At 1 January 2001 Revaluation of freehold land and buildings		5,402,320 100,000
	At 31 December 2001		5,502,320
15	PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT		£
	At 1 January 2001 Profit for the financial year		2,366,992 1,668,545
	At 31 December 2001		4,035,537
16	RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	2001 £	2000 £
	At 1 January 2001 Profit for the financial year Revaluation of freehold land & buildings	49,244,312 1,668,545 100,000	46,764,584 748,439 1,731,289
	At 31 December 2001	51,012,857	49,244,312
17	ANALYSIS OF CASHFLOW FOR HEADINGS NETTED IN THE CASHFLOW STATEMENT Returns on investment and servicing of finance	. <u>2001</u>	2000 £
	Interest received Interest paid	94,692 (603,250)	288,150 (2,538,195)
		(508,558)	(2,250,045)
	Capital expenditure (less receipts)		
	Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets Proceeds from sale of fixed assets	(20,007,482)	(26,370,341) 22,897,850
		(20,007,482)	(3,472,491)
	Financing Pennyment of loans		(1,002,283)
	Repayment of loans New loans	15,373,750	(1,002,283)
		15,373,750	(1,002,283)

18	ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET DEBT	£	At 1 January <u>2001</u> £	Cash Flows £	At 31 December 2001
	Cash in hand and at bank		1,454,443	535,431	1,989,874
	Net debt due in more than one year		(64,976,555)	(15,373,750)	(80,350,305)
			(63,522,112)	(14,838,319)	(78,360,431)
19	LEASE COMMITMENTS	Land and buildings 2001 2000 f		<u>2001</u> €	Other <u>2000</u>
	Annual commitments in respect of operating leases expiring:	~	~	~	a.
	Between two and five years After five years	574,700	121,260 362,224	8,485	14,185
		574,700	483,484	8,485	14,185

20 CONTRACTUAL COMMITMENTS

The company had contractual commitments at 31 December 2001 for building works on Soho Square and 29 Gresham Street of £15,234,847 (2000: £339,973).

21 ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY AND PARENT GROUPS

The company's immediate parent undertaking is Stockned Holding BV, a company incorporated in the Netherlands.

IVG Holding AG, incorporated in Germany, is regarded by the directors as the ultimate parent company and is the parent undertaking of the largest and smallest group for which group accounts are prepared.

Group accounts of IVG Holding AG are available to the public from Zanderstr. 5, D-53177 Bonn, Germany.

No disclosure has been made within these financial statements of any transactions with Asticus AB or fellow subsidiaries in accordance with the exemptions allowed by Financial Reporting Standard No. 8.