BIG MAGAZINES LIMITED

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2000

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BIG MAGAZINES LIMITED OFFICERS AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS

Directors

Mr. M.S. Ellice Mr. P.M. Ashford

Secretary

Mr. M.S. Ellice

Company Number

2734618 (England)

Registered Office

The Northern & Shell Tower 4 Selsdon Way London E14 9GL

BIG MAGAZINES LIMITED

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2000

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2000</u> £	<u>1999</u> £
FIXED ASSETS Investments	2	69,770	69,770
CREDITORS : AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	3	(1,591,011)	(1,591,011)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIE	S	(1,521,241)	(1,521,241)
CAPITAL AND RESERVES Called up share capital Profit and loss account	4	69,772 (1,591,013)	69,772 (1,591,013)
		(1,521,241)	(1,521,241)

The company was dormant within the meaning of S.250(3) of the Companies Act 1985 throughout the year ended 31 December 2000.

Approved by the Board of Directors:

Mr. M.S. Ellice

Dated

The notes on page 4 form part of these accounts.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

Year ended 31 December 2000

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards .

(b) Investments

Investments held as fixedd assets are stated at cost less provision for permanent diminution in value.

2. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	<u>2000</u> <u>£</u>	<u>1999</u> <u>£</u>
Investment in subsidiary	69,770	69,770

The investment comprises the ownership of 100% of the ordinary share capital of Portland Magazines Limited, a company registered in England.

3. CREDITORS : AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	£	£
Amounts owed to group company	1,591,011	1,591,011
4. SHARE CAPITAL	<u>2000</u>	<u>1999</u>
Ordinary £1 shares : Authorised	<u>£</u> 300,000	300,000

2000

69,772

1999

69,772

5. PARENT COMPANY

Allotted, called up and fully paid

The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Portland Investments Limited, a company incorporated in England. Copies of Portland Investments Limited financial statements can be obtained from: The Northern & Shell Tower, 4 Selsdon Way, London, E14 9GL.

The company has received assurances from its parent company that it will be provided with the funds necessary to meet its liabilities as they fall due.

6. ULTIMATE HOLDING COMPANY

The company regards Northern & Shell Network Limited, a company incorporated in England, as its ultimate holding company. Copies of the group financial statements can be obtained from : Ludgate House, 245 Blackfriars Road, London, SE1 9UX.