B.A.T ADDITIONAL RETIREMENT BENEFIT SCHEME TRUSTEE LIMITED

REPORT AND ACCOUNTSFOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1997

Registered no. 2913147



B.A.T Additional Retirement Benefit Scheme Trustee Limited

Report of the directors for the year ended 31 December 1997

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

Activity

The Company, which acts as the corporate trustee for the B.A.T Additional Retirement Benefit Scheme, was dormant (within the meaning of Section 250 of the Companies Act 1985) throughout the year ended 31 December 1997.

Directors

(Chairman)
(Resigned 26/2/98)
(Appointed 26/2/98)

Directors' interests

The interests of those persons, who were directors at 31 December 1997, in the share capital and share option schemes of B.A.T Industries p.l.c. and its subsidiaries are shown in the table below, with the exception of Mr D P Allvey whose interests are disclosed in the Directors' Report of B.A.T Industries p.l.c.. Interests disclosed are those which existed on 1 January 1997 and 31 December 1997, together with interests acquired or exercised in the said share option schemes during that period.

B.A.T Industries p.l.c.

	Ordinary 25p Shares Share Options					
	Opening	Closing	<u>Opening</u>	<u>Acquired</u>	Exercised	Closing
P L Clarke	8,100	8,579	29,513	11,180	Nil	40,693
A F Hooper	5,195	8,277	26,184	8,195	3,378	31,001
J A Jolliffe	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
D W Price	11,857	10,585	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
L Previati	12,364	12,372	7,262	759	2,814	5,207

Details of the share option schemes are included in the Report and Accounts of B.A.T Industries p.l.c..

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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 year. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select appropriate accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed subject to any material departures being disclosed and explained; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless they consider that to be inappropriate.

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.

By order of the board

D P Allvey Director:

Dated:

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Balance Sheet - 31 December 1997

		<u> 1997</u>	<u> 1997</u>	<u> 1996</u>	1996			
Current assets				-				
Amounts owed by parent u	ındertaking		£2		£2			
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Capital and reserves Share capital								
(Ordinary shares of £1 each)								
4 . 41	•	84.00						
Authorised -	value	£100		£100				
-	number	100		100				
Allotted, called up and fully paid								
-	value		£2		£2			
-	number	2		2				

Notes

- (1) The Company's ultimate parent undertaking is B.A.T Industries p.l.c., being incorporated in the United Kingdom and registered in England and Wales.
- (2) The Company was dormant (within the meaning of Section 250 of the Companies Act 1985) throughout the year ended 31 December 1997.
- (3) During the financial year and the preceding financial year the Company did not trade and received no income and incurred no expenditure. Consequently, during those years the Company made neither a profit nor a loss.
- (4) Copies of the report and accounts of B.A.T Industries p.l.c. may be obtained from:

The Company Secretary Windsor House 50, Victoria Street London SW1H 0NL

The above financial statement was approved by the directors on 30 111 1988 and is signed on their behalf by:

D P Allvey Director: