## **ACCOUNTS**

## 31 August 2001

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## REISMAN & CO CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

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Company Registration Number 3024407

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### REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The directors have pleasure in submitting their annual report and the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 August 2001.

### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the Company during the year was that of pawn broking, the buying and selling of quality pre-owned goods and third party cheque encashment. The Company also started using its expertise to assist other companies in setting up their businesses.

### **REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS**

The results of the Company for the year under review are shown on page 3. The state of the Company's affairs at 31 August 2001 was not satisfactory. The directors expect this to improve in the coming year. During the trading period, the Company funded additional activities which will reflect additional income and reduced operating costs in the years 2002 and 2003, of approximately £55,000.

## **DIRECTORS**

The directors in office during the year and their interest in the issued ordinary share capital of the Company (together with that of their families) were as follows:-

|           | 31 August 2001 | 1 September 2000 |
|-----------|----------------|------------------|
| D Wheeler | 50             | 50               |
| N Khan    | 50             | 50               |

### **FIXED ASSETS**

Details of changes to the fixed assets of the Company are shown at notes 8 and 9 to the accounts.

### **DIVIDENDS**

The directors recommended and paid dividends amounting to £36,000 for the financial year currently under review (£36,000 in 2000).

Signed on behalf of the Board

D Wheeler

Chairman 27 June 2002

# Profit and Loss Account Year Ended 31 August 2001

|  | <u>Notes</u> |  | <u>2001</u> |                   | <u>2000</u> |
|--|--------------|--|-------------|-------------------|-------------|
|  |              |  | £           |                   | £           |
| Turnover   | 2            |  | 416,807     |                   | 663,790     |
| Cost of Sales  |              |  | (208,742)   |                   | (280,579)   |
| Gross Profit   |              |  | 208,065     |                   | 383,211     |
| Less Expenses:-                                      |              |  |             |                   |             |
| Distribution costs Administration & general expenses |              | 50,798<br>312,042                      |             | 62,451<br>446,010 |             |
| Total expenses                                       |              | ~************************************* | (362,840)   | *                 | (508,461)   |
|  |              |  | (154,775)   |                   | (125,250)   |
| Other operating income                               |              |  | 203,223     |                   | 160,569     |
| Operating Profit                                     | 3            |  | 48,448      |                   | 35,319      |
| Interest payable                                     | 5            |  | (8,120)     |                   | (8,543)     |
| Profit on ordinary activities before taxatio         | n            |  | 40,328      |                   | 26,776      |
| Tax on profit on ordinary activities                 | 6            |  | (8,693)     |                   | (7,097)     |
| Profit on ordinary activities after taxation         |              |  | 31,635      |                   | 19,679      |
| Dividends  | 7            |  | (36,000)    |                   | (36,000)    |
| Loss for the year                                    |              |  | (4,365)     |                   | (16,321)    |
| (ADVERSE BALANCE)/RETAINED<br>PROFIT BROUGHT FORWARD |              |  | (4,223)     |                   | 12,098      |
| ADVERSE BALANCE CARRIED FOR                          | WARD         |  | (8,588)     |                   | (4,223)     |

The Company made no recognised gains or losses in the year ended 31 August 2001 other than the profit for the year.

The notes on pages 5 to 8 form part of these accounts.

| Balance Sheet<br>31 August 2001                 | Notes    |                            | <u>2001</u>      |                           | <u>2000</u>      |
|---|----------|----------------------------|------------------|---------------------------|------------------|
| Fixed Assets                                    |          |                            | £                |                           | £                |
| Intangible assets Tangible assets               | 8<br>9   |                            | 10,093<br>50,785 |                           | 12,652<br>53,232 |
|   |          |                            | 60,878           |                           | 65,884           |
| Current Assets                                  |          |                            |                  |                           |                  |
| Stocks Debtors Cash at bank and in hand         | 11<br>12 | 51,687<br>87,468<br>13,080 |                  | 61,426<br>72,544<br>1,964 |                  |
|   |          |                            |                  |                           |                  |
|   |          | 152,235                    |                  | 135,934                   |                  |
| Creditors                                       |          |                            |                  |                           |                  |
| Amounts due within one year                     | 13       | 171,601                    |                  | 205,941                   |                  |
| Net Current Liabilities                         |          |                            | (19,366)         |                           | (70,007)         |
| Total Assets Less Current Liabilities           |          |                            | 41,512           |                           | (4,123)          |
| Creditors                                       |          |                            |                  |                           |                  |
| Amounts due after more than one year            | 14       |                            | (50,000)         |                           | -                |
|   |          |                            | (8,488)          |                           | (4,123)          |
| Capital and Reserves                            |          |                            |                  |                           |                  |
| Called up share capital Profit and loss account | 15       |                            | 100<br>(8,588)   |                           | 100<br>(4,223)   |
| Shareholders' Funds                             | 16       |                            | (8,488)          |                           | (4,123)          |
|   |          |                            | =====            |                           | ======           |

In approving these financial statements as directors of the Company, we hereby confirm:-

- a) that for the year in question, the Company was entitled to the exemption conferred by section 249A(1) of the Companies Act 1985;
- b) that no notice has been deposited at the registered office of the Company pursuant to section 249B(2) requesting that an audit be conducted for the year ended 31 August 2001; and
- c) that we acknowledge our responsibilities for:-
  - (i) ensuring that the Company keeps accounting records which comply with section 221, and
  - (ii) preparing accounts 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 its profit for the year then ended and which otherwise comply with the provisions of the Companies Act relating to accounts, so far as applicable to the Company.

The notes on pages 5 to 8 form part of these accounts.

| D Wheeler  |                       |
|------------|-----------------------|
| Director   | Approved by the Board |
| $\epsilon$ | On 27 June 2002       |
| N Khan     |                       |
|            |                       |

### Notes to the Accounts Year Ended 31 August 2001

#### 1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

- a. The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention.
- b. Turnover represents the net amount of invoices to customers less credit notes for goods returned, excluding VAT.
- c. Depreciation is provided over the expected useful lives of fixed assets, at the following rates:-

Leasehold land and buildings

Fixtures and fittings

Goodwill

- over the term of the lease

- 20% on written down value

- over the term of the franchise

- d. Provision is made at current rates for taxation deferred in respect of all material timing differences except to the extent that, in the opinion of the directors, there is reasonable probability that the liability will not arise in the foreseeable future.
- e. The Company has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No. 1 from producing a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is a small company.
- f. Assets held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts are capitalised in the balance sheet and are depreciated over their estimated useful lives. The interest element of the rental obligations is charged to the profit and loss account over the year of the lease. Lease payments under operating leases, where substantially all the risks and benefits remain with the lessor, are charged as expenses in the years in which they are incurred.
- g. The Company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the Company in an independently administered fund. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the Company to the fund and amounted to £504 (nil in 2000).
- h. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective June 2002).

### 2 TURNOVER

The turnover and profit before taxation is attributable to the principal activity of the Company, which is as stated in the Report of the Directors. The whole of the turnover is attributable to the UK market.

|   |  | <u>2001</u> | <u>2000</u> |
|---|--|-------------|-------------|
| 3 | OPERATING PROFIT                                   | £           | £           |
|   | The operating profit is stated after charging:-    |             |             |
|   | Staff costs (see note 4)                           | 130,685     | 163,001     |
|   | Hire of equipment                                  | 7,515       | 18,024      |
|   | Operating lease rentals - land and buildings       | 51,907      | 81,246      |
|   |  |             | =====       |
|   | Depreciation of tangible fixed assets (see note 9) |             |             |
|   | Owned assets                                       | 11,736      | 18,106      |
|   | Amortisation of intangible fixed assets            | 2,559       | 3,838       |
|   |  |             |             |
|   |  | 14,295      | 21,944      |

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|   | tes to the Accounts ar Ended 31 August 2001  | <u>2001</u>   | <u>2000</u>                 |
|---|--|---|-----------------------------|
| 4 | STAFF COSTS  | £   | £                           |
|   | Directors' remuneration Wages and salaries Social security Staff pension scheme  | 8,560<br>112,973<br>8,648<br>504                      | 10,916<br>141,915<br>10,170 |
|   |  | 130,685   | 163,001                     |
|   | The average weekly number of employees during the year was as  | follows:-   |                             |
|   | Office and management<br>Sales   | 4<br>7<br>  | 3<br>8                      |
|   |  | 11<br>=====   | 11<br>======                |
| 5 | INTEREST PAYABLE   |   |                             |
|   | Bank interest Hire purchase interest Other interest  | 5,232<br>932<br>698                                   | 4,518<br>2,328              |
|   | Interest on late paid taxation   | 1,258   | 1,697                       |
|   |  | 8,120<br>======                                       | 8,543                       |
|   |  |   |                             |
|   | The shove hank interest is an loans and overdrafts whally renewe   | hle within five weers                                 |                             |
| 6 | The above bank interest is on loans and overdrafts wholly repaya  TAXATION   | ble within five years.                                |                             |
| 6 |  | 8,693   | 7,097<br>=                  |
| 6 | TAXATION   | 8,693   | · ·                         |
|   | TAXATION  Corporation tax at 10%/20%/22½ % (2000 - 10%/20%/22½%)   | 8,693   | · ·                         |
|   | TAXATION  Corporation tax at 10%/20%/22½ % (2000 - 10%/20%/22½%)  DIVIDENDS  | 8,693<br>====================================         |                             |
| 7 | TAXATION  Corporation tax at 10%/20%/22½ % (2000 - 10%/20%/22½%)  DIVIDENDS  Paid net  | 8,693<br>36,000<br>Goodwill  25,590                   |                             |
| 7 | TAXATION  Corporation tax at 10%/20%/22½ % (2000 - 10%/20%/22½%)  DIVIDENDS  Paid net  INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS  Cost   | 8,693<br>====================================         |                             |
| 7 | TAXATION  Corporation tax at 10%/20%/22½ % (2000 - 10%/20%/22½%)  DIVIDENDS  Paid net  INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS  Cost At 1 September 2000 and 31 August 2001  Depreciation At 1 September 2000                  | 8,693<br>36,000<br>Goodwill  25,590  12,938           |                             |
| 7 | TAXATION  Corporation tax at 10%/20%/22½ % (2000 - 10%/20%/22½%)  DIVIDENDS  Paid net  INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS  Cost At 1 September 2000 and 31 August 2001  Depreciation At 1 September 2000  Charge for year | 8,693  36,000  Goodwill  25,590  12,938 2,559  15,497 |                             |

# Notes to the Accounts Year Ended 31 August 2001

| Cost At 1 September 2000  | 9  | TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS                             | Fixtures<br>& Fittings | <u>Land &amp;</u><br>Buildings | <u>Total</u>                          |
|---|----|---|------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Additions         8,406         883         9,289           At 31 August 2001         81,843         32,655         114,498           Depreciation           A1 1 September 2000         39,134         12,843         51,977           Charge for year         8,542         3,194         11,736           At 31 August 2001         47,676         16,037         63,713           Net Book Value           At 1 September 2000         34,303         18,929         53,232           At 1 September 2000         34,303         18,929         53,232           Short leasehold         16,618         18,929           11 STOCK         51,687         61,426           12 DEBTORS         51,687         61,426           12 DEBTORS         50,739         65,944           Prepayments and accrued income         8,658         6,086           Other debtors         28,071         514           87,468         72,544           13 CREDITORS - amounts falling due within one year         43,159         35,238           Trade creditors         33,139         28,630           Accrued expenses and deferred income         25,505         34,319           Corporation t   |    | Cost  |                        |                                |                                       |
| At 31 August 2001   81,843   32,655   114,498   |    |   |                        |                                |                                       |
| Depreciation  |    | Additions   | 8,406                  |                                |                                       |
| At 1 September 2000 Charge for year  8,542 3,194 11,736  At 31 August 2001 47,676 16,037 63,713  Net Book Value At 31 August 2001 34,167 16,618 50,785  At 1 September 2000 34,303 18,929 53,232  2001 2000  10 LAND AND BUILDINGS £ £ £ Short leasehold 16,618 18,929 11 STOCK General stock 51,687 61,426  12 DEBTORS  Trade debtors Trade debtors Prepayments and accrued income 8,658 Other debtors 28,071 514 87,468 72,544  13 CREDITORS - amounts falling due within one year  Bank overdrafts Trade creditors 33,139 36,338 Trade creditors 33,139 28,630 Accrued expenses and deferred income 25,505 34,319 Corporation tax 18,516 18,480 Taxes other than corporation tax 21,073 Directors' current accounts Obligations under finance leases (secured) 171,601 205,941   |    | At 31 August 2001                                 | 81,843                 |                                |                                       |
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| Net Book Value  |    | Charge for year                                   | •                      |                                |                                       |
| At 31 August 2001         34,167         16,618         50,785           At 1 September 2000         34,303         18,929         53,232           2001         2000           10 LAND AND BUILDINGS         £         £           Short leasehold         16,618         18,929           11 STOCK         61,426           General stock         51,687         61,426           12 DEBTORS         50,739         65,944           Prepayments and accrued income         8,658         6,086           Other debtors         28,071         514           13 CREDITORS - amounts falling due within one year         87,468         72,544           13 CREDITORS - amounts falling due within one year         43,159         35,238           Trade creditors         33,139         28,630           Accrued expenses and deferred income         25,505         34,319           Corporation tax         18,516         18,480           Taxes other than corporation tax         21,073         13,073           Directors' current accounts         30,209         72,558           Obligations under finance leases (secured)         -         3,643   |    | At 31 August 2001                                 |                        |                                | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |
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| 10 LAND AND BUILDINGS       £       £         Short leasehold       16,618       18,929         11 STOCK       General stock       51,687       61,426         12 DEBTORS       Trade debtors       50,739       65,944         Prepayments and accrued income       8,658       6,086         Other debtors       28,071       514         87,468       72,544         13 CREDITORS - amounts falling due within one year       Bank overdrafts       43,159       35,238         Trade creditors       33,139       28,630         Accrued expenses and deferred income       25,505       34,319         Corporation tax       18,516       18,480         Taxes other than corporation tax       21,073       13,073         Directors' current accounts       30,209       72,558         Obligations under finance leases (secured)       -       3,643   |    | At 1 September 2000                               | 34,303                 |                                |                                       |
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| Short leasehold   16,618  |    |   |                        | <u>20</u> 01                   | 2000                                  |
| STOCK   General stock   51,687   61,426   | 10 | ) LAND AND BUILDINGS                              |                        | £                              | £                                     |
| STOCK   Stock   S1,687   61,426   |    | Short leasehold                                   |                        | •                              | •                                     |
| Trade debtors   50,739   65,944     Prepayments and accrued income   8,658   6,086     Other debtors   28,071   514     87,468   72,544     13 CREDITORS - amounts falling due within one year  | 1  | 1 STOCK   |                        |                                |                                       |
| 12 DEBTORS       50,739       65,944         Prepayments and accrued income       8,658       6,086         Other debtors       28,071       514         87,468       72,544         13 CREDITORS - amounts falling due within one year         Bank overdrafts       43,159       35,238         Trade creditors       33,139       28,630         Accrued expenses and deferred income       25,505       34,319         Corporation tax       18,516       18,480         Taxes other than corporation tax       21,073       13,073         Directors' current accounts       30,209       72,558         Obligations under finance leases (secured)       -       3,643  |    | General stock                                     |                        | •                              | •                                     |
| Prepayments and accrued income       8,658       6,086         Other debtors       28,071       514         87,468       72,544         13 CREDITORS - amounts falling due within one year         Bank overdrafts       43,159       35,238         Trade creditors       33,139       28,630         Accrued expenses and deferred income       25,505       34,319         Corporation tax       18,516       18,480         Taxes other than corporation tax       21,073       13,073         Directors' current accounts       30,209       72,558         Obligations under finance leases (secured)       -       3,643         171,601       205,941   | 1  | 2 DEBTORS   |                        | <b></b>                        |                                       |
| Prepayments and accrued income       8,658       6,086         Other debtors       28,071       514         87,468       72,544         13 CREDITORS - amounts falling due within one year         Bank overdrafts       43,159       35,238         Trade creditors       33,139       28,630         Accrued expenses and deferred income       25,505       34,319         Corporation tax       18,516       18,480         Taxes other than corporation tax       21,073       13,073         Directors' current accounts       30,209       72,558         Obligations under finance leases (secured)       -       3,643         171,601       205,941   |    | Trade debtors                                     |                        | 50.739                         | 65.944                                |
| Other debtors       28,071       514         87,468       72,544         13 CREDITORS - amounts falling due within one year         Bank overdrafts       43,159       35,238         Trade creditors       33,139       28,630         Accrued expenses and deferred income       25,505       34,319         Corporation tax       18,516       18,480         Taxes other than corporation tax       21,073       13,073         Directors' current accounts       30,209       72,558         Obligations under finance leases (secured)       -       3,643         171,601       205,941  |    |   |                        | •                              |                                       |
| 87,468  |    |   |                        | •                              |                                       |
| Bank overdrafts   |    |   |                        |                                |                                       |
| Bank overdrafts       43,159       35,238         Trade creditors       33,139       28,630         Accrued expenses and deferred income       25,505       34,319         Corporation tax       18,516       18,480         Taxes other than corporation tax       21,073       13,073         Directors' current accounts       30,209       72,558         Obligations under finance leases (secured)       -       3,643  |    |   |                        |                                | =====                                 |
| Trade creditors       33,139       28,630         Accrued expenses and deferred income       25,505       34,319         Corporation tax       18,516       18,480         Taxes other than corporation tax       21,073       13,073         Directors' current accounts       30,209       72,558         Obligations under finance leases (secured)       -       3,643  | 1  | 3 CREDITORS - amounts falling due within one year |                        |                                |                                       |
| Trade creditors       33,139       28,630         Accrued expenses and deferred income       25,505       34,319         Corporation tax       18,516       18,480         Taxes other than corporation tax       21,073       13,073         Directors' current accounts       30,209       72,558         Obligations under finance leases (secured)       -       3,643  |    | Bank overdrafts                                   |                        | 43,159                         | 35,238                                |
| Corporation tax       18,516       18,480         Taxes other than corporation tax       21,073       13,073         Directors' current accounts       30,209       72,558         Obligations under finance leases (secured)       -       3,643   |    | Trade creditors                                   |                        | 33,139                         |                                       |
| Taxes other than corporation tax       21,073       13,073         Directors' current accounts       30,209       72,558         Obligations under finance leases (secured)       -       3,643   |    |   |                        | -                              |                                       |
| Directors' current accounts       30,209       72,558         Obligations under finance leases (secured)       -       3,643         171,601       205,941  |    |   |                        |                                |                                       |
| Obligations under finance leases (secured) - 3,643  |    |   |                        |                                |                                       |
| 171,601 205,941   |    |   |                        | 30,209                         |                                       |
|   |    | Obligations under finance leases (secured)        |                        | -                              | 3,643                                 |
|   |    |   |                        | 171 601                        | 205 041                               |
|   |    |   |                        | =====                          |                                       |

The bank overdraft is guaranteed by the directors of the Company on a joint and several guarantee to a limit of £20,000.

| Notes to the Accounts                              |                   |                  |
|--|-------------------|------------------|
| Year Ended 31 August 2001                          | <u>2001</u>       | <u>2000</u>      |
|  | £                 | £                |
| 14 CREDITORS - amounts falling due after more than | one year          |                  |
| Directors' loan accounts                           | 50,000            | -                |
| 15 CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL                         |                   |                  |
| Authorised   |                   |                  |
| 10,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each                  | 10,000            | 10,000           |
| Allotted, issued and fully paid                    | <del>======</del> | <del>=====</del> |
| 100 Ordinary shares of £1 each                     | 100               | 100              |
| 16 MOVEMENT OF SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS                 |                   |                  |
| Profit for the year                                | 31,635            | 19,679           |
| Less dividends                                     | (36,000)          | (36,000)         |
|  | (4,365)           | (16,321)         |
| Opening shareholders' funds                        | (4,123)           | 12,198           |
| Closing shareholders' funds                        | (8,488)           | (4,123)          |
|  |                   |                  |

## 17 GUARANTEES AND OTHER FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

Financial commitments under non-cancellable operating leases will result in the following payments falling due in the year to 31 August 2001.

|  | <u>2001</u>                           | <u>2001</u>       | <u>2000</u>                           | <u>2000</u>      |
|--|---------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------|
|  | <u>Land &amp;</u><br><u>Buildings</u> | Plant<br>& Other  | <u>Land &amp;</u><br><u>Buildings</u> | Plant<br>& Other |
| Expiring:-                               |                                       | 10.4              |                                       | 1.000            |
| Within one year Within two to five years | -                                     | 134<br>2,254      | -                                     | 1,269<br>7,945   |
| After five years                         | 45,000                                | 2,2J <del>~</del> | 45,000                                |                  |
|  | 45,000                                | 2,388             | 45,000                                | 9,214            |
|  |                                       | ======            | ======                                | =======          |

## 18 COMPARATIVE FIGURES

The comparative figures are in respect of the eighteen month period from 1 March 1999 to 31 August 2000.