RIO TINTO MARKETING SERVICES LIMITED (formerly RIO TINTO RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LIMITED)

Registered Company No 3075230

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 1999

	Note	1000	4000
CURRENT ASSETS	<u>Note</u>	<u>1999</u> £	<u>1998</u> £
Amount owed by parent undertaking		2	2
TOTAL NET ASSETS		2	2
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital	2	2	2
		2	2

The Company was dormant throughout the year to 31 December 1999 within the meaning of Section 250 of the Companies Act 1985 (as amended) and the Directors have taken advantage of the exemption therein from the obligation to appoint auditors.

Approved on behalf of the Board on 4 January 2000

Hers Director

NOTES TO THE 1999 ACCOUNTS



1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Balance Sheet has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of Section 226 of , and Schedule 4 to, the Companies Act 1985 (as amended) and accounting standards applicable in the UK.

2. SHARE CAPITAL

	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>
	£	£
Authorised share capital is 1,000,000 shares; issued and fully paid 2 ordinary shares of £1 each	2	2

3. CHANGE OF NAME

The Company adopted the title Rio Tinto Marketing Services Limited on 18 November 1999.

4. COMMENCEMENT OF BUSINESS

The Company commenced to provide marketing services on 1 January 2000.

5. CONTROLLING PARTIES

The Company is controlled by Rio Tinto European Holdings Limited, which owns 100% of the issued share capital. Rio Tinto plc, registered in England and Wales, is the Company's ultimate holding company and also its ultimate controlling party at 31 December 1999. Copies of the ultimate parent's consolidated financial statements may be obtained from its registered office at 6 St. James's Square, London SW1Y 4LD.