Registered number: 3481522

MELLING LIMITED

DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED **31 DECEMBER 2000**

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COMPANY INFORMATION

DIRECTORS

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IF Goodfellow

IA Sexton

SECRETARY

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COMPANY NUMBER

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DIRECTORS' REPORT For the year ended 31 December 2000

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The company did not trade during the year

DIRECTORS

The directors who served during the year were:

PA Neill (resigned 1 November 2001) FP McGinty (resigned 14 January 2000) IF Goodfellow (appointed 1 October 2001) 1A Sexton (appointed 1 October 2001)

The directors had no beneficial interests required to be disclosed under Schedule 7 of the Companies Act 1985.

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;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- 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.

This report was approved by the board on 20 August 2002 and signed on its behalf.

IA Sexton Director

BALANCE SHEET As at 31 December 2000

	Note	2000 £	1999 £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	3	1	1
NET CURRENT ASSETS		1	1
			
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital	4	1	1
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS		1	

For the year ended 31 December 2000 the company was entitled to exemption under section 249AA(1) of the Companies Act 1985.

Members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 249B(2) of the Companies Act 1985.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- (i) ensuring the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 221 of the Companies Act 1985, 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 or loss for the financial year, in accordance with the requirements of section 226, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act relating to accounts, so far as applicable to the company.

The financial statements were approved by the board on 20 August 2002 and signed on its behalf.

IA Sexton Director

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The notes on pages 3 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 December 2000

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

2. PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

The company did not trade during the current or prior years, and therefore there are no profit and loss transactions to be reported.

3. DEBTORS

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		2000	1999
		£	£
	Due within one year		
	Amounts owed by group undertakings	1	1
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4.	SHARE CAPITAL		
		2000	1999
		£	£
	Authorised		
	1,000 Ordinary shares shares of £1 each	1,000	1,000
	Allotted, called up and fully paid		
	1 Ordinary shares shares of £1 each	1	1

5. PARENT COMPANY

The ultimate parent company is Suez SA, a company incorporated in France.

The largest group of which Melling Limited is a member and for which group financial statements are drawn up is that headed by Suez SA, whose consolidated financial statements are available from 1 Rue d'Astorg, Paris, France. The smallest such group is that headed by Groupe Fabricom SA, a company incorporated in Belgium. The consolidated financial statements of the Groupe Fabricom SA Group may be obtained from Rue Gatti de Fammond 254, B-1180 Brussels, Belgium.