ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2004

Computer Patent Annuities International Limited

Registered No 4016625



DIRECTORS REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2004

The directors present their report and the audited consolidated financial statements for the financial year ended 31 July 2004.

Incorporation

The company was incorporated in England and Wales on 13 June 2000.

Directors' responsibilities for the financial statements

Directors are required by UK Company Law to prepare consolidated financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and group as at the end of the financial year and of the profit or loss for that financial year. In preparing these 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 and group 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 group 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 group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud, error and non-compliance with law and regulations.

Principal activities

The principal activity of the group is the development and sale of Intellectual Property software.

Profit and Loss Account

The consolidated profit and loss account for the year is set out on page 4.

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend in respect of the year ended 31 July 2004 (2003: £nil).

DIRECTORS REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2004 (continued)

Directors and their interests

The directors of the company as at 31 July 2004, whom have served for the whole of the year and subsequently were:

M.J. Brunner C.J.R. Gibson P.L. Sewell M.A. Shanahan

No director had any interest in the company during the year.

Secretary

The secretary of the company at 31 July 2004 was Mourant & Co. Capital Secretaries Limited, who had been secretary for the whole of the year then ended and subsequently.

Auditors

Following the conversion of our auditors PricewaterhouseCoopers to a Limited Liability Partnership (LLP) from 1 October 2004, PricewaterhouseCoopers resigned on 1 November 2004 and the directors appointed its successor, PricewaterhouseCoopers CI LLP, as auditors. PricewaterhouseCoopers CI LLP, have indicated their willingness to continue in office.

By order of the board

Registered office:

MA Shanahan

4 Royal Mint Court London EC3N 4HJ

Director



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF CPA INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements, which comprise the group profit and loss account, the group and company balance sheets, the group statement of cash flows and the related notes.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors' responsibilities for preparing the annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable UK Company law and United Kingdom accounting standards are set out in the statement of directors' responsibilities on page 1.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and United Kingdom Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. This report, including the opinion, has been prepared for and only for the company's members as a body in accordance with Section 235 of the UK Companies Act 1985 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving this opinion, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or in to whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and have been properly prepared in accordance with the UK Companies Act 1985. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the directors' report is not consistent with the financial statements, if the company and group have not kept proper accounting records, or if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

We read the other information contained in the Annual Report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the financial statements. The other information comprises only the directors' report.

Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the circumstances of the company and group, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and group at 31 July 2004 and of its loss for the year then ended in accordance with United Kingdom accounting standards and have been properly prepared in accordance with the UK Companies Act 1985.

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PricewaterhouseCoopers CI LLP
Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors
Jersey, Channel Islands

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GROUP PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

for the year ended 31 July 2004

	Notes	2004 £000	2003 £000
TURNOVER	2	7,193	7,849
Cost of sales		(1,290)	(1,639)
GROSS PROFIT	2	5,903	6,210
Administrative expenses		(16,794)	(14,656)
Other operating income		11,724	10,408
OPERATING PROFIT BEFORE FINANCING COSTS AND AMORTISATION OF GOODWILL	3	833	1,962
Amortisation of Goodwill	7	(1,205)	(1,211)
Interest receivable Interest payable	4	120 (328)	51 (421)
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		(580)	381
Taxation on profit on ordinary activities of overseas subsidiaries	5	(255)	(576)
MINORITY INTERESTS	18	-	(72)
RETAINED (LOSS) FOR THE YEAR	20	(835)	(267)

The Group has no recognised gains and losses other than those included in the profit and loss account above, and therefore no separate statement of total recognised gains and losses has been presented.

There is no difference between the retained loss for the year stated above and its historical cost equivalent.

All figures relate to the continuing activities of the group.

GROUP BALANCE SHEET

at 31 July 2004			
at 51 July 2004		2004	2003
	Notes	£000	£000
FIXED ASSETS			
Intangible assets	7	8,587	10,535
Tangible assets	8	1,058	876
		9,645	11,411
CURRENT ASSETS	11	90	87
Stocks	12	5,643	4,656
Debtors		2,932	3,123
Cash at bank and in hand	21 (b)	8,665	7,866
		0,000	7,000
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	13	11,441	9,972
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES		(2,776)	(2,106)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		6,869	9,305
CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more			
than one year	14	7,469	8,915
PROVISION FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES	17	191	201
		(791)	189
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital	19	1	1
Profit and Loss account	20	(792)	188
		(704)	400
Equity Shareholder's Funds		(791)	189

The Financial Statements on pages 4 to 21 were approved by the board of directors on the day of MM 2005 and were signed on their behalf by:

Director

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COMPANY BALANCE SHEET

at 31 July 2004		2004	2003
	Notes	£	£
FIXED ASSETS Investments	9	6	6
CURRENT ASSETS Debtors	12	18,307	10,677
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	13	16,101	9,450
NET CURRENT ASSETS		2,206	1,227
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		2,212	1,233
CAPITAL AND RESERVES Called up share capital Profit and Loss account	19 20	1 2,211	1 1,232
Equity Shareholder's Funds		2,212	1,233

The Financial Statements on pages 4 to 21 were approved by the board of directors on the day of $\Re MU$ 2005 and were signed on their behalf by:

Director

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GROUP STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

for the year ended 31 July 2004			
Tol the year ended of odly 2004		2004	2003
	Notes	£000	£000
NET CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	21(a)	3,144	2,542
RETURNS ON INVESTMENTS AND SERVICING OF			
FINANCE Interest received		120	51
Interest paid		(328)	(459)
		(208)	(408)
TAXATION			(1227
Overseas tax paid		(750)	(401)
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE AND FINANCIAL INVESTMENT			
Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets		(622)	(246)
Receipts from sales of tangible fixed assets		- (005)	-
Payments to acquire intangible fixed assets		(385) (1,007)	(343) (589)
ACQUISITIONS AND DISPOSALS		(1,007)	(000)
Purchase of subsidiary undertakings (remaining 50% share)	10		(1,383)
NET CASH FLOW BEFORE FINANCING		1,179	(239)
FINANCING			
Increase / (Repayment) of loans		(1,524)	137
(Decrease) / Increase in cash in the year		(345)	(102)
RECONCILIATION OF NET CASH FLOW TO MOVEMENT IN NET DEBT			
(Decrease) / Increase in cash in the year	21(b)	(345)	(102)
(Increase) / Decrease in bank loans	21(b)	1,524	(137)
Change in net debt resulting from cash-flows		1,179	(239)
NET DEBT AT 1 AUGUST 2003		(6,868)	(6,629)
			(0.777)
NET DEBT AT 31 JULY 2004	21(b)	(5,689)	(6,868)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

at 31 July 2004

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Preparation

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("UK GAAP"). The more significant accounting policies used are set out below: -

Basis of Consolidation

The group financial statements consolidate the financial statements of Computer Patent Annuities International Limited and all its subsidiary undertakings drawn up to 31 July each year. Subsidiary undertakings acquired during the year have been included in the group financial statements using the acquisition method of accounting. Accordingly, the group profit and loss account and statement of cash flows include the results and cash flows from dates of acquisition during the year.

Trade Debtors

Trade debtors represent outstanding invoices.

Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost of tangible fixed assets over their estimated useful lives as follows:

	Rate
Leasehold improvements	are depreciated over the period of the lease remaining
Furniture and Equipment	10-20% on cost
Computer Equipment	20-25% on cost
Computer Programs	20-25% on cost
Motor Vehicles	25% on cost

Stocks and Work In Progress

Stocks and work in progress are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Research and Development

Expenditure incurred in the development of the ALECTO software product up to and including 31 July 1997 has been capitalised and has been fully amortised. Expenditure incurred by CPA Software Solutions (Australia) Pty Limited (formerly Maxim Technology Pty Limited) in the development of their products up to 31 July 2004 has been capitalised and is being amortised over the life of the product or over five years, whichever is the shorter. No amortisation has been provided to date as development of the products is not complete.

Goodwill

On the acquisition of subsidiaries and businesses, goodwill represents the difference between the purchase consideration and the fair value of net assets acquired. Goodwill arising on the acquisition of subsidiaries and businesses has been capitalised and is amortised through the Profit and Loss Account over a period of 10 years, estimated by the directors to be the period over which the values of the businesses acquired are expected to exceed the value of underlying assets.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Pensions

The group operates a number of defined contribution schemes, all of which require contributions to be made to separately administered funds.

One of the primary schemes is operated by CPA Management Systems Ltd (included in this consolidation); which is a money purchase scheme. Contributions are payable by the company at 7.5% or 10% of gross earnings for staff who have completed 1 years service. Contribution for this scheme for the year ended 31 July 2004 amounted to £192,290 (2003: £156,239).

Taxation

Tax on profits arising in respect of overseas subsidiary undertakings has been charged to the profit and loss account. Such tax has been provided for based upon the estimated effective tax rates for the year where the year end is non-coterminous with that of the company.

Investments

Investments in subsidiary undertakings are carried at cost.

Foreign currencies

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date or at the contracted rate if the transaction is covered by a forward exchange contract.

Foreign currency transactions are translated at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of transaction or at an average rate where this gives rise to no significant difference. Profits and losses on exchange are dealt with in the profit and loss account for the year.

The balance sheets of overseas subsidiary undertakings are translated at the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Profit and loss accounts and cash flows of overseas subsidiary undertakings are translated at an average rate or at closing rates where no material difference arises.

2. TURNOVER

Turnover represents amounts derived from the provision of products and services, which fall within the Group's ordinary activities.

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3. OPERATING PROFIT BEFORE FINANCING COSTS AND AMORTISATION OF GOODWILL

This is stated after charging:

	2004 £000	2003 £000
Other operating income (representation fees)	11,724	10,408
Auditors' remuneration - audit services - current year	19	12
- non-audit services	-	-
Depreciation of owned assets Depreciation of assets held under finance leases	377 -	355 11
Operating lease rentals - land and buildings	978	716
Loss on foreign exchange	22	91
Pension cost	569	537
Loss on sale of fixed assets	3	-
4. INTEREST PAYABLE		
	2004 £000	2003 £000
Bank loans and overdrafts	328	421
5. TAXATION ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES		
The taxation charge is made up as follows:	2004 £000	2003 £000
Overseas taxation	255	576

There is no material difference between the tax charge for the year and that which would be derived using the weighted average standard rate of tax and the profit before taxation for the year, therefore no reconciliation between the two figures has been presented.

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6. DIRECTORS EMOLUMENTS

No directors received any emoluments from the company and group during the year (2003 £Nil).

The average number of employees of the group during the year was 224 (2003 - 207).

7. INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Group	Goodwill	Development Expenditure	TOTAL
	£000	£000	£000
Cost: At 1 August 2003 Exchange differences Additions during the year (Note 10)	12,464 (552)	1,914 (36) 385	14,378 (588) 385
As at 31 July 2004	11,912	2,263	14,175
Amortisation: At 1 August 2003 Provided during the year	2,796 1,205	1,047 540	3,843 1,745
As at 31 July 2004	4,001	1,587	5,588
Net book value at 31 July 2004	7,911	676	8,587
Net book value at 31 July 2003	9,668	867	10,535

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8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS Group

	Leasehold improve- ments	Furniture and equipment	Computer equipment	Computer programs	Motor vehicles	Total
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Cost						
At 1 August 2003	160	893	627	77	51	1,808
Exchange difference	(18)	(58)	(34)	(6)	(3)	(119)
Additions	19	504	90	6	3	622
Disposals	-	(187)	(76)	(19)	(5)	(287)
At 31 July 2004	161	1,152	607	58	46	2,024
Depreciation						
At 1 August 2003	30	499	319	38	46	932
Exchange difference	(3)	(33)	(19)	(3)	(3)	(61)
Provided during the year	17	166	165	22	7	377
Disposals	-	(189)	(69)	(19)	(5)	(282)
At 31 July 2004	44	443	396	38_	45	966
Net book value						
At 31 July 2004	117	709	211	20	1	1,058
At 31 July 2003	130	394	308	39	5	876

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS at 31 July 2004

9. INVESTMENTS Company

Subsidiary Undertakings £

At 31 July 2003 and 31 July 2004

Details of the investments in which the group holds 20% or more of the nominal value of any class of share capital are as follows:

Name of Undertaking	Country of Operation	Holding (Ordinary shares)	Proportion of voting rights and shares held	Nature of Business
CPA Germany Holdings Limited	U.K.	1 share of £1	100%	Investment holding
CPAFH1 Ltd	U.K.	1 share of £1	100%	Investment holding
CPAFH2 Ltd	U.K.	1 share of £1	100%	Investment holding
CPAUSH Ltd	U.K.	1 share of £1	100%	Investment holding
CPA Management Systems Ltd	U.K.	1 share of £1	100%	UK Sales and Marketing and employment of UK based support staff
Computer Patent Annuities Deutschland GmbH	Germany	25,000 shares of Euro1 each	100%	Sales and Marketing
Memotech Holdings S.N.C.	France	1,525 shares of Euro1 each	100%	Investment holding
CPA Software Solutions (France) S.A.	France	153,000 shares of Euro1 each	100%	Software development
Computer Patent Annuities North America L.L.C.	U.S.A.	-	100%	Sales and Marketing
Memotech Inc.	U.S.A.	50 shares of US\$1 each	100%	Dormant
Intellectual Applications Inc.	U.S.A.	1,450 shares of US\$1 each	100%	Software distribution
CPAAUH Limited	U.K.	1 share of £1	100%	Investment holding

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9. INVESTMENTS (continued)

Name of Undertaking	Country of Operation	Holding (Ordinary shares)	Proportion of voting rights and shares held	Nature of Business
Computer Patent Annuities (Australia) Pty Limited	Australia	1 share of AUS\$1	100%	Investment holding
CPA Software Solutions (Australia) Pty Limited	Australia	3,600 shares of AUS\$1 each	100%	Software development
IP Solutions Pty Limited	Australia	1 share of AUS\$1 each	100%	Dormant
CPA Software Solutions (U.K.) Limited	U.K.	1 share of £1	100%	Software Sales & Support
CPA Software Solutions (Canada) Inc.	Canada	50 shares of CAN\$1 each	100%	Software Sales & Support
CPA Software Solutions (Asia) Limited	Hong Kong	50 shares of HK\$1 each	99%	Software Sales & Support

All subsidiary undertakings are ultimately held by Computer Patent Annuities International Limited. Computer Patent Annuities North America LLC is a Delaware Limited Liability Company with single member status and that member is CPAUSH Ltd.

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10. ACQUISITIONS

During February 2002 the Group acquired 50% of the entire share capital of CPA Software Solutions (Australia) Pty Limited (formerly Maxim Technology Pty Limited) for a total consideration of £1,228,000, comprising a payment to the shareholders of £1,000,000 and acquisition costs of £228,000. On 23^{rd} December 2002 the group acquired the remaining 50% share capital for a total consideration of £1,383,000 comprising of a payment to the minority shareholder of £1,300,000 and acquisition costs of £83,000.

Net assets at date of acquisition as reflected in the unaudited management accounts:

The assets at date of asquisition as removing in the angular man	Book value and fair value to Group £'000	Book value and fair value to Group £'000
	February 2002	December 2002
Fixed assets Intangible assets Tangible assets	282 155	610 116
Current assets Trade debtors	340	487
Other debtors Cash at bank and in hand	32 206	34 104
Total assets	1,015	1,351
Liabilities Trade Creditors Charges to clients in	30	152
advance Other creditors	241 430 72	325 316 140
Bank loans		
Total liabilities	773	933
Net assets (book value)	242	418
Net assets acquired (50%)	121	209
Purchase consideration		
Payable to vendors Costs of acquisition	1,000 228	1,300 83
	1,228	1,383
Goodwill on acquisition	1,107	1,174

No adjustment has been made to the net book value of assets acquired to reflect the fair value of these assets as any adjustment would have been immaterial. As a result, there is an immaterial difference between the book value of assets acquired and the minority interest at the date of acquisition.

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11. STOCKS

Group

	2004 £000	2003 £000
Work in progress	90	<u>87</u>
12. DEBTORS: amounts falling due within one year		
Group	2004 £000	2003 £000
Trade debtors Amounts owed by group undertakings Other debtors Prepayments and accrued income	1,738 2,970 592 343	1,569 2,276 280 531
Company	5,643	<u>4,656</u> 2003
Amounts owed by group undertakings	£ 18,307	£ 10,67 <u>7</u>
13. CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year		
Group	2004 £000	2003 £000
Bank loans (see note 15) Bank overdrafts Trade creditors Charges to clients in advance Amounts due to group undertakings Income tax Other creditors including taxation and social security Accruals and deferred income	1,055 230 384 439 5,469 72 2,327 1,465	1,114 76 383 366 4,577 555 1,803 1,098
-	11,441	9,972

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13. CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year (continued)

Company	2004 £	2003 £
Amounts due to group undertakings Accruals and deferred income	- 16,096	8,256
	16,096	9,450
14. CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more than one year Group		
	2004 £000	2003 £000
Provision for long service leave Bank Loans (see note 15)	133 7,336	114 8,801
	7,469	8,915
15. LOANS Group		
Amounts falling due:	2004 £000	2003 £000
In one year or less or on demand	1,055	1,114
Between one and two years	996	1,052
Between two and five years In five years or more	3,983 2,357	3,857 3,892
	8,391	9,915
Included within amounts falling due within one year	1,055	1,114
	7,336	8,801

The Memotech Holdings SNC bank loan of EUR12,550,000: £8,332,227 (2003: EUR14,050,000: £9,853,426) bears interest at a margin dependent upon the ratio of net debt to earnings before taxation, interest and dividends. The margin is currently 1% above LIBOR, plus associated costs. The loan was drawn down on 4 December 2000, the term being 10 years and the first scheduled repayment was made on 4 December 2002.

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Closing balance

16. OPERATING LEASES AND OTHER COMMITMENTS Group

	2004 £000	2003 £000
Operating lease payments payable within one year of the balance sheet date were in respect of leases expiring:		
Within one year Between one and five years After five years	83 563 605	186 225 305
Total payable within one year	1,251	<u>716</u>
17. PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES Group		
Provision for taxation	Amount falling due within one year	Amount falling due after more than one
	£000	year £000
At 1 August 2003	555	201
Transfers	10	(10)
Reserve for the year	255	-
Paid in the year	(748)	
At 31 July 2004 .	72	191
18. MINORITY INTERESTS		
The remaining 50% shareholding in CPA Software Solutions (Australia) Technology Pty Limited) was acquired on 23 rd December 2002.	Pty Limited	(formerly Maxim
	2004 £000	
Opening balance Profit for the year Acquisition of minority interest in Maxim to 100% share ownership	-	162 72 (234)

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at 31 July 2004

At 31 July 2004

19. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL Company and Group

	2004 £000	2003 £000
Authorised 1,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	1,000	1,000
Issued, called up and fully paid 1 ordinary share of £1	1	1
20. RESERVES		
Group		Profit and loss account £000
At 1 August 2003 Exchange difference on consolidation Retained loss for the year after taxation		188 (145) (835)
At 31 July 2004		(792)
Company		Profit and loss account £
At 1 August 2003 Exchange difference on consolidation Retained loss for the year after taxation		1,232 - 979

In the opinion of the directors a reconciliation of movement in equity shareholder's funds is not required as sufficient information is given with the note above.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

at 31 July 2004

21. NOTES TO THE GROUP STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

a) Reconciliation of operating profit to net cash inflow from operating ac	tivities		
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		£000	£000
Operating profit before financing costs and amortisation of goodwill		833	1,962
Depreciation and amortisation of research and development		917	366
Loss on sale of fixed assets		5	-
Increase in debtors		(987)	(1,483)
Decrease / (Increase) in stocks		(3)	47
Increase in creditors		1,878	2,620
Exchange difference		501	(970)
Net cash inflow from operating activities	_	3,144	2,542
Net cash limbw from operating activities	-	3,144	2,542
b) Analysis of changes in net debt			
At 1 Au	aust		At 31 July
	2003	Cash flow	2004
±	£000	£000	£000
Cash at bank and in hand 3	,123	(191)	2,932
Bank overdrafts	(76)	(154)	(230)
	,047 –	(345)	2,702
	915)	1,524	(8,391)
Net debt (6,	868)	1,179	(5,689)

22. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Computer Patent Annuities International Limited has guaranteed a Letter of Credit, in favour of the landlords of the property occupied by a subsidiary undertaking, Computer Patent Annuities North America LLC, in Washington, Virginia, USA. The value of the Letter of Credit was USD 435,567 as at 31 July 2004, and is reduced in value at the end of each year of the lease.

23. ULTIMATE PARENT UNDERTAKING AND CONTROLLING PARTY

The immediate and ultimate parent undertaking, and ultimate controlling party, is Computer Patent Annuities Limited Partnership, a Limited Partnership registered in Jersey, Channel Islands.

Computer Patent Annuities Limited Partnership is the parent undertaking of the smallest group to consolidate these financial statements.

AUDITORS, BANKERS AND LEGAL ADVISORS

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