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# NOVAGRAAF IP UK LIMITED AND SUBSIDIARIES FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR 31 DECEMBER 2005



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#### FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2005

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# NOVAGRAAF IP UK LIMITED AND SUBSIDIARIES OFFICERS AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS

**The director** Novagraaf Finance B.V.

Company secretary T Doyle

Registered office Parchment House

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Auditor Higgins Fairbairn & Co.

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#### THE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

#### YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2005

The director has pleasure in presenting his report and the financial statements of the group for the year ended 31 December 2005.

#### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of the company during the year was that of a holding company for its trade mark and patent businesses in the UK.

#### RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The trading results and dividends for the year and the group's financial position at the end of the year are shown in the attached financial statements.

#### THE DIRECTOR AND HIS INTERESTS IN THE SHARES OF THE PARENT COMPANY

The director who served the company during the year together with its beneficial interests in the shares of the parent company was as follows:

Ordinary shares of £1 in the parent company
At
At
At
31 December 2005
1 January 2005

Novagraaf Finance B.V.

1,357,529

1,357,529

#### **DIRECTOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES**

The director is responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Company law requires the director 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 group and of the profit or loss of the group for that year. In preparing those financial statements, the director is required to:

select suitable accounting policies, as described on pages 9 to 10, 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; and

prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the group will continue in business.

The director is responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the group and to enable him to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. The director is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

#### THE DIRECTOR'S REPORT (continued)

#### YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2005

#### **AUDITORS**

A resolution to re-appoint Higgins Fairbairn & Co. as auditor for the ensuing year will be proposed at the annual general meeting in accordance with section 385 of the Companies Act 1985.

Registered office: Parchment House 13 Northburgh Street London EC1V 0JP Signed by order of the director

T. Doyle Company Secretary

Approved by the director on Ly..March 2006

### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF NOVAGRAAF IP UK LIMITED AND SUBSIDIARIES

#### YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2005

We have audited the financial statements on pages 6 to 17 which have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2005) and on the basis of the accounting policies set out on pages 9 to 10.

This report is made solely to the company's shareholders, as a body, in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's shareholders those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's shareholders as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

#### RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTOR AND AUDITOR

As described in the Statement of Director's Responsibilities the company's director is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland).

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the Director's Report is not consistent with the financial statements, if the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding director's remuneration and other transactions is not disclosed.

We read the Director's Report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it.

#### BASIS OF AUDIT OPINION

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) 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 director in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the group's and company's circumstances, 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.

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF NOVAGRAAF IP UK LIMITED AND SUBSIDIARIES (continued)

#### YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2005

#### **OPINION**

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of company's affairs and of the group as at 31 December 2005 and of the profit of the group for the year then ended, and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

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HIGGINS FAIRBAIRN & CO. Chartered Accountants

& Registered Auditors

71 Duke Street Mayfair London W1K 5NY

14 .... March 2006

#### **GROUP PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT**

#### YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2005

		2005	2004
	Note	£	(Restated) £
GROUP TURNOVER	2	5,229,576	4,891,085
Cost of sales		2,015,574	1,865,432
GROSS PROFIT		3,214,002	3,025,653
Distribution costs		31,031	31,955
Administrative expenses		2,598,648	2,518,740
Other operating income		(600)	(1,250)
OPERATING PROFIT	3	584,923	476,208
Interest receivable and similar income		10,989	5,053
Interest payable and similar charges	6	_	(17,932)
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	N	595,912	463,329
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	7	267,212	220,611
RETAINED PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR	8	328,700	242,718

All of the activities of the group are classed as continuing.

The company has taken advantage of section 230 of the Companies Act 1985 not to publish its own Profit and Loss Account.

#### **GROUP BALANCE SHEET**

#### **31 DECEMBER 2005**

	2005		5	2004
	Note	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS				
Intangible assets	10		408,727	658,822
Tangible assets	11		114,562	133,355
			523,289	792,177
CURRENT ASSETS				
Work in progress	13	194,213		174,084
Debtors	14	1,599,478		1,221,151
Cash at bank		496,287		300,984
		2,289,978		1,696,219
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one				
year	15	935,109		791,717
NET CURRENT ASSETS			1,354,869	904,502
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	,		1,878,158	1,696,679
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES				
Deferred taxation	17		3,595	816
			1,874,563	1,695,863
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CAPITAL AND RESERVES Called-up equity share capital	21		1,357,529	1,357,529
Profit and loss account	22		517,034	338,334
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	23		1,874,563	1,695,863

These financial statements were approved and signed by the director on .....March 2006

Novagraaf Finance B.V.

#### **COMPANY BALANCE SHEET**

#### **31 DECEMBER 2005**

	2005			2004
1	Vote	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS				
Intangible assets	10		408,727	658,822
Investments	12		1,385,380	1,259,816
			1,794,107	1,918,638
CURRENT ASSETS				<del>-</del>
Debtors	14	419,079		58,201
Cash at bank		58,480		20,913
		477,559		79,114
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one				
year	15	397,108		301,892
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)			80,451	(222,778)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			1,874,558	1,695,860
CAPITAL AND RESERVES				
Called-up equity share capital	21		1,357,529	1,357,529
Profit and loss account	22		517,029	338,331
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS			1,874,558	1,695,860

These financial statements were approved and signed by the director on 24....March 2006

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#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2005

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Basis of accounting

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

#### Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the financial statements of the company and all group undertakings. As a consolidated group profit and loss account is published, a separate profit and loss account for the parent company is omitted from the group financial statements by virtue of section 230 of the Companies Act 1985.

#### Cash flow statement

The director has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No 1(Revised 1996) from including a cash flow statement in the financial statements on the grounds that the group is wholly owned and its parent publishes a consolidated cash flow statement.

#### **Turnover**

The turnover shown in the group profit and loss account represents amounts invoiced during the year, exclusive of Value Added Tax.

#### Goodwill

Goodwill represents the excess of the cost of acquisition over the fair value of the separable net assets of the business acquired. Goodwill is capitalised and amortised on a straight line basis (subject to impairment tests) over its useful economic life of not more than 7 years in accordance with FRS 10 and group policy.

#### Amortisation

Amortisation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Goodwill

- Over 7 years

#### Fixed assets

All fixed assets are initially recorded at cost.

#### Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Leasehold Improvements

- Over period of lease

Fixtures & Fittings

- 10% straight line

Computer Equipment

- 25% straight line

Office Equipment

- 25% straight line

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2005

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### Work in progress

Work in progress is valued on the basis of direct costs. Provision is made for any foreseeable losses where appropriate. No element of profit is included in the valuation of unbilled direct costs.

#### Operating lease agreements

Rentals applicable to operating leases where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor are charged against profits on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

#### **Deferred taxation**

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing difference that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date where the transactions or events have occurred at that date that will result in the obligation to pay more, or the right to pay less or to receive more tax.

Deferred tax is measured on an undiscounted basis at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the periods in which timing differences reverse, based on the tax rates and laws enacted or substantively enacted on the balance sheet date.

#### Foreign currencies

Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction. Exchange differences are taken into account in arriving at the operating profit.

#### Investments

Investments are held as fixed assets and stated at cost less provision for any impairment in value.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2005

#### 2. TURNOVER

The turnover and profit before tax are attributable to the one principal activity of the group. An analysis of turnover is given below:

	2005	2004
	£	£
United Kingdom	5,229,576	4,891,085

#### 3. OPERATING PROFIT

Operating profit is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2005	2004
	£	£
Directors emoluments	721,024	652,115
Amortisation	250,095	250,113
Depreciation of owned fixed assets	28,283	27,374
Auditor's remuneration		
- as auditor	38,300	38,700
Net (profit)/loss on foreign currency translation	(12,961)	8,155
Exceptional item	21,437	_

Exceptional items are leasehold improvements written off £46,092 (Debit) and pre acquisition tax recovered of £24,655 (Credit).

#### 4. PARTICULARS OF EMPLOYEES

The average number of staff employed by the group during the financial year amounted to:

Number of administrative staff Number of management staff	2005 No 25 6 31	2004 No 26 10 36
The aggregate payroll costs of the above were:		
Wages and salaries Social security costs Other pension costs	2005 £ 1,282,967 148,626 90,920	2004 £ 1,231,579 145,365 90,685
	1.522.513	1,467,629

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2005

#### 5. DIRECTOR'S EMOLUMENTS

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The director's aggregate emoluments in respect of qualifying services were:

Emoluments receivable Value of company pension contributions to money purchase schemes	2005 £ 721,024 53,623 774,647	2004 £ 652,115 48,554 700,669
Emoluments of highest paid director:	2005	2004
Total emoluments (excluding pension contributions) Value of company pension contributions to money purchase	£ 178,471	£ 148,188
schemes	19,137	15,837
	197,608	164,025
The number of directors who accrued benefits under company pension	schemes was a	as follows:
	2005 No	2004 No
Money purchase schemes	7	<del></del>
INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES		
	2005 £	2004 £
Interest on holding company loan		17,932
TAXATION ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES		
Current tax:	2005 £	2004 £
In respect of the year:		
UK Corporation tax based on the results for the year at 30% (2004 - 30%)	264,433	225,229
Total current tax	264,433	225,229
Deferred tax:		
Origination and reversal of timing differences (note 17) Capital allowances	2,779	(4,618)
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	267,212	220,611
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#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2005

#### 8. PROFIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO MEMBERS OF THE PARENT COMPANY

The profit dealt with in the accounts of the parent company was £328,698 (2004 - £242,713). This includes dividends received and gain on revaluation of subsidiary investment.

#### 9. DIVIDENDS

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Dividends	on	equity	chares
Dividends	ULL	cquity	SHAI CS

	2005	2004
	£	£
Paid during the year	150,000	_

#### 10. INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Group and company	Goodwill £
COST	
At 1 January 2005 and 31 December 2005	1,750,790
AMORTISATION	
At 1 January 2005	1,091,968
Charge for the year	250,095
At 31 December 2005	1,342,063
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 December 2005	408,727
At 31 December 2004	658,822

#### 11. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Group	Leasehold Improvemts £	Fixtures & Fittings £	Computer Equipment £	Office Equipment £	Total £
COST					
At 1 January 2005	130,841	55,831	331,643	27,914	546,229
Additions	_	795	54,787	_	55,582
Disposals	(65,085)	(7,610)	(42,742)	(21,003)	(136,440)
At 31 December 2005	65,756	49,016	343,688	6,911	465,371
DEPRECIATION					
At 1 January 2005	38,987	45,459	304,729	23,699	412,874
Charge for the year	5,219	3,342	17,994	1,728	28,283
On disposals	(18,993)	(7,610)	(42,742)	(21,003)	(90,348)
At 31 December 2005	25,213	41,191	279,981	4,424	350,809
NET BOOK VALUE					
At 31 December 2005	40,543	7,825	63,707	2,487	114,562
At 31 December 2004	91,854	10,372	26,914	4,215	133,355

# NOVAGRAAF IP UK LIMITED AND SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2005

#### 12. INVESTMENTS

Company	Group companies
	£
COST OR VALUATION	
At 1 January 2005	1,259,816
Revaluations	125,564
At 31 December 2005	1,385,380
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 December 2005	1,385,380
At 31 December 2004	1,259,816

#### 13. WORK IN PROGRESS

	Group		Company	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
	£	£	£	£
Unbilled direct costs	194,213	174,084	_	_

#### 14. DEBTORS

	Group		Company	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
	£	£	£	£
Trade debtors	1,038,919	986,697	_	_
Amounts owed by group undertakings	436,233	119,238	419,033	58,201
Other debtors	5,725	8,900	_	
Prepayments and accrued income	118,601	106,316	46	
	1,599,478	1,221,151	419,079	58,201
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#### 15. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	Group		Company	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
	£	£	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts	22,049	_	_	-
Trade creditors	329,228	291,291	_	-
Amounts owed to group undertakings	16,926	17,314	386,926	291,892
Other creditors	369,214	383,613	_	_
Accruals and deferred income	197,692	99,499	10,182	10,000
	935,109	791,717	397,108	301,892

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2005

#### 16. PENSIONS

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The group 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 and amounted to £90,290(2004 £90,686). There were no outstanding or pre-paid contributions at the balance sheet date.

#### 17. DEFERRED TAXATION

The movement in the deferred taxation provision during the year was:

	Group		Company	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
	£	£	£	£
Provision brought forward	816	5,434	-	-
Increase/(Decrease) in provision	2,779	(4,618)	-	-
Provision carried forward	3,595	816		

#### 18. COMMITMENTS UNDER OPERATING LEASES

At 31 December 2005 the group had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as set out below.

	2005		2004	
	Land & Buildings £	Other Items £	Land & Buildings £	Other Items £
Operating leases which expire:				
Within l year	-	7,115	36,780	3,513
Within 2 to 5 years	146,500	6,138	147,020	13,616
	146,500	13,253	183,800	17,129

#### 19. CONTINGENCIES

	2005	2004
	£	£
Guarantees of group undertakings' bank		
indebtedness (Maximum bank facility)	24,087,762	3,035,270
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The European group bank indebtedness is secured by a first fixed charge and debenture on certain UK group companies' shares.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2005

#### 20. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year, the company earned fees of £171,209 (2004: £199,836) from Novagraaf BV and other non-UK group companies. The amount owed on the sales ledger was £13,356 (2004: £17,448).

During the year, the company also paid fees of £100,011 (2004: £56,974) to Novagraaf BV and other non-UK group companies. The amount owed on the purchase ledger was £26,906 (2004: £2,064).

Management charges of £130,923 (2004: £112,787) were paid to the ultimate holding company, Novagraaf Holding B.V.

All transactions were on an arms length basis.

#### 21. SHARE CAPITAL

#### Authorised share capital:

1,357,529 Ordinary shares of £1 each			2005 £ 1,357,529	2004 £ 1,357,529
Allotted, called up and fully paid:				
	200	5	200	4
Ordinary shares of £1 each	No 1,357,529	£ 1,357,529	No 1,357,529	£ 1,357,529

#### 22. RESERVES

Group	Profit and loss
	account
	£
Balance brought forward	338,334
Retained profit for the year	328,700
Equity dividends	(150,000)
Balance carried forward	517,034

Company	Profit and loss
	account
	£
Balance brought forward	338,331
Retained profit for the year	328,698
Equity dividends	(150,000)
Balance carried forward	517,029
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#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2005

#### 23. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

	2005		2004 (Restated)	
Profit for the financial year Foreign currency gains/losses on translation of long term loan	£	£ 328,700	£	£ 242,718 58,472
Equity dividends paid  Net addition to shareholders' equity funds		(150,000) —————————————————————————————————		301,190
Opening shareholders' equity funds Prior year adjustments	1,695,863	1,695,863	1,394,451 222 ———	1,394,673
		1,874,563		1,695,863

#### 24. SUBSIDIARIES

The following companies, which are all trade mark and patent agents, are the principal subsidiary undertakings of the Group at 31st December 2003:

- (1) Novagraaf Limited
- (2) J.E. Evans-Jackson & Co Limited
- (3) William A. Shepherd & Son Limited
- (4) Novagraaf Norwich Limited
- (5) Novagraaf Patents Limited

All the above companies are 100% owned, located and registered in the United Kingdom, and have been included in the consolidated accounts.

#### 25. ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY

The immediate holding company is Novagraaf Finance B.V. (formerly known as Vredezicht's Gravenhage 80 B.V.) which is incorporated in the Netherlands. The director regards Novagraaf Holding B.V, which is also incorporated in the Netherlands, as the ultimate holding company