

FIRST INDEPENDENT FINANCE LIMITED
DIRECTORS' REPORT
AND FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2000

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2000

The directors present their report together with accounts for the period ended 31st December 2000.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of the company during the year was the supply of Finance Services.

RESULTS

The profit for the period after all charges, including tax, amounted to £1,292.

DIVIDEND

No dividend was paid in the year.

DIRECTORS AND THEIR OTHER INTERESTS

The directors who held office throughout the period and their interests in the shares of the company are as follows:-

Ordinary shares of £1 each


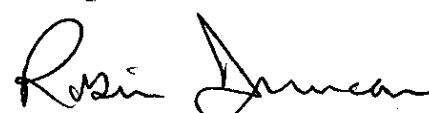
Year To 31st August 2000

Allan Ross	59
Douglas Anderson	20
Robin Duncan	20

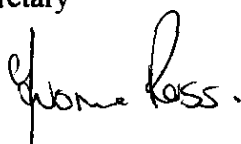
CLOSE COMPANY

In the opinion of the directors the company is a closed company as defined by Section 414 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1998.

By Order of the Board

Secretary



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ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2000

We have prepared, on the basis of the information contained in the company's accounting records and provided by the company directors and without carrying out an audit or examination, the accounts for the period ended 31st December 2000 set out on pages 3 to 8.

As described on the Balance Sheet the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, and they believe that the company is exempt from an audit.

We have not conducted an audit on the accounts in accordance with Auditing Standards or an examination in accordance with the appropriate standards for reporting accountants issued by the Auditing Practices Board and accordingly we express no opinion thereon.

Our work does not provide any assurance that the accounting records and the accounts are free from material misstatement.

Peter M Brown & Company

Stewarton



Chartered Accountants

Date: 31st May 2001

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PROFIT & LOSS ACCOUNT**FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2000**

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2000</u> <u>£</u>
TURNOVER	3	127,597
Administrative expenses		126,305

PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	4	1,292
Taxation	5	-

PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION		1,292
RETAINED PROFIT BROUGHT FORWARD		-

RETAINED RESERVES AT 31st AUGUST 2000	7	1,292
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The notes on pages 6 to 8 form part of these accounts

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BALANCE SHEET**AS AT 31st DECEMBER 2000**

	Note	2000 £
EMPLOYMENT OF CAPITAL		
FIXED ASSETS	8	7,429

CURRENT ASSETS		
Bank & Cash	9	14,108
Debtors	10	3,657

		17,765

CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	11	23,802

NET CURRENT ASSETS		(6,037)

CREDITOR DUE AFTER ONE YEAR	12	-

NET ASSETS		1,392
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CAPITAL EMPLOYED		
CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL	13	100
REVENUE RESERVE		1,292

		1,392
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The directors:

1. confirm that for the period to 31st December 2000 the company was entitled to the exemption under subsection (1) of Section 249A.
2. confirm that no notice requiring an audit has been deposited under subsection (2) of Section 249B in relation to the accounts for the period, and acknowledge that responsibility for
 - (a) ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply under Section 221; and
 - (b) preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the accounting period and of its profit and loss for the period in accordance with the requirements of the Companies' Act 1985 relating to accounts, so far as applicable to the company.

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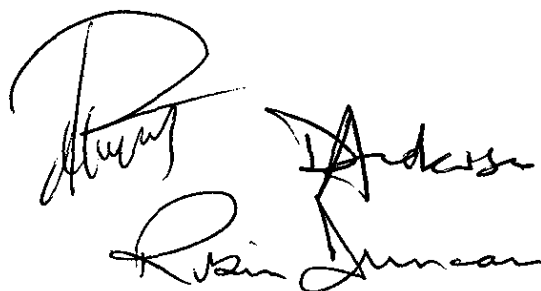
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BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED)

AS AT 31st DECEMBER 2000

The directors have taken advantage of the exemptions conferred by Part I of Schedule 8 to the Companies Act 1985, applicable to small companies in the preparation of the accounts, and have done so on the grounds that, in their opinion, the company is entitled to the benefit of those exemptions as a small company.

Allan Ross)
Douglas Anderson) Directors
Robin Duncan)

Handwritten signatures of the three directors: Allan Ross, Douglas Anderson, and Robin Duncan. The signatures are written in black ink and are positioned to the right of the printed names.

The notes on pages 6 to 8 form part of these accounts

NOTES TO ACCOUNTS**FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2000****1 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 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;
- * 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.

2 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Accounting convention

The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention

b) Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets, at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset over its expected useful life as follows:-

Office Equipment - 15% on reducing balance method

Plant & Equipment - 15% on reducing balance method

3 TURNOVER

Turnover represents the invoiced amount of services provided and work in progress at the balance date at direct cost.

4 PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION

	2000
a) This is stated after charging:	£
Directors' remuneration	-
Depreciation	882
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b) Staff costs (including Social Security costs)	9,325
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NOTES TO ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)**FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2000**

			2000
			£
5	TAXATION		
	There is no liability to corporation tax for the period		-
6	DIVIDEND		
	No dividend was paid in year		-
7	REVENUE RESERVE		
	Retained profits to date		1,292
8	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS		
		Office Furniture	Office Equipment
			Total
	COST - Added in Year	2,141	6,170
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	DEPRECIATION		
	Charge for year	385	497
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	NET BOOK VALUE		
	At 31st December 2000	1,756	5,673
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9	STOCK AND WORK IN PROGRESS - have been valued at lower of cost and net realisable value.		
10	DEBTORS		
	Trade Debtors		3,657
	Tax repayable (after deducting provision for corporation tax)		-

			3,657
			=====
11	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		2000
			£
	Accruals		725
	Trade Creditors		20,594
	Loan		2,000
	VAT		483

			23,802
			=====
12	CREDITORS: Amounts falling due after one year		-
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NOTES TO ACCOUNTS(CONTINUED)**FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2000****2000****13 SHARE CAPITAL**

Authorised:	100 Ordinary shares of £1 each	£100
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Allotted, issued and fully paid:	100 Ordinary shares of £1 each	£100
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Prior to the end of the accounting period to 31st December 2000, the Directors Shareholders passed a resolution to increase the authorised share capital of the Company to £50,000 and to capitalise the outstanding loan of £2,000. This loan appears at note 11 in these accounts. These matters will be reflected in the Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2001.

14 CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

There were no significant capital commitments at 31st December 2000.

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TRADING ACCOUNT**FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2000**

SALES	£127,597
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COST OF SALES

Commissions	84,020

	43,577

LESS EXPENDITURE

Rent Paid	£280	
Salaries and Wages	10,325	
Consultant's Costs	7,314	
Travel Costs	1,502	
Repairs & Renewals	4,011	
Equipment Hire	84	
Telephone Charges	3,562	
Printing & Stationery	4,840	
Advertising & PR	1,648	
Staff Entertainment	374	
Training	783	
Licences	2,349	
Insurance	220	
Subscriptions	195	
Sundry	426	
Postage	2,658	
Bank Interest & Charges	107	
Accountancy	725	
Depreciation	882	

		42,285

NET PROFIT FOR THE YEAR		£1,292
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