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HART & CLOUGH LTD

ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

30 SEPTEMBER 1997

STUART B LODGE & CO.

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

Bradford



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for the Year ended 30 September 1997

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COMPANY INFORMATION

30 September 1997

INCORPORATED

In England and Wales on 1 October 1928.

NUMBER

233722

DIRECTORS

Mrs B A H Clough

P M Clough

SECRETARY

P M Clough

REGISTERED OFFICE

Summerville Road

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AUDITORS

Stuart B Lodge & Co. Chartered Accountants

Registered Auditor 44 Bradford Road

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

30 September 1997

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the Year ended 30 September 1997.

Principal activity

The principal activity of the company is that of general printers.

Business review

The company's balance sheet as detailed on page 7 shows a satisfactory position, shareholders' funds amounting to £693,672.

Results and dividends

The results for the Year are shown in the profit and loss account on page 6. An interim ordinary dividend amounting to £19,219 was paid.

Fixed assets

In the opinion of the directors there is no significant difference between the present market value of the company's properties and the amounts at which they are stated in the accounts. Details are set out in note 10.

Directors

The directors of the company during the Year and their interests in the shares of the company as recorded in the register of directors' interests were as follows

	30 September 1997 Ordinary shares	1 October 1996 Ordinary shares
Mrs B A H Clough	1	1
P M Clough	815	815

Charitable Donations

The company made donations of £612 during the year.

Auditors

Stuart B Lodge & Co. have agreed to offer themselves for re-appointment as auditors of the company.

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P M Clough Secretary

Summerville Road Bradford West Yorkshire BD7 1PZ

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 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.

On behalf of the board

Mrs B A H Clough Director

SAW Cloregh

Auditors' report to Hart & Clough Ltd under section 247B to the Companies Act 1985

We have examined the abbreviated financial statements set out on pages 6 to 17, together with the financial statements of the company for the Year ended 30 September 1997 prepared under section 226 of the Companies Act 1985.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated financial statements in accordance with section 246A of the Companies Act 1985. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to whether the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated financial statements prepared in accordance with section 246A(3) of the Act to the registrar of companies and whether the financial statements to be delivered are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of opinion

We have carried out the procedures we considered necessary to confirm, by reference to the financial statements, that the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated financial statements and that the abbreviated financial statements to be delivered are properly prepared. The scope of our work for the purpose of this report does not include examining or dealing with events after the date of our report on the full financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated financial statements prepared in accordance with section 246A(3) of the Companies Act 1985, and the abbreviated financial statements on pages 6 to 17 are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions.

Bradford

Stuart B Lodge & Co. Registered Auditor Chartered Accountants

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AUDITORS' REPORT

Auditors' report to the directors of Hart & Clough Ltd pursuant to Section 248(3) of the Companies Act 1985.

We have examined the financial statements of the company and its subsidiaries for the year ended 30th September 1997.

Basis of opinion

The scope of our work for this purpose was limited to confirming that the company is entitled to exemption from preparing group financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the company is entitled to exemption from preparing group accounts conferred by Section 248 of the Companies Act 1985.

Bradford

Stuart B Lodge & Co.
Registered Auditor
Chartered Accountants

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ABBREVIATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

for the Year ended 30 September 1997

		1997	1996
	Note	£	£
Gross profit		523,791	571,427
Net operating expenses			
Distribution costs		(26,321)	(27,542)
Administrative expenses		(468,749)	(436,082)
Other operating income	7	30,000	30,000
Operating profit	3	58,721	137,803
Investment income	5	41,029	28,146
Interest payable	6	(22,400)	(20,871)
Profit on ordinary activities			
before taxation		77,350	145,078
Taxation	8	(7,030)	(31,722)
Profit on ordinary activities			
after taxation		70,320	113,356
Dividends	9	(19,219)	(21,525)
Retained profit for the Year	21	51,101	91,831

Movements in reserves are shown in note 21.

None of the company's activities were acquired or discontinued during the above two financial years.

There are no recognised gains and losses in 1997 or 1996 other than the profit for the Year.

ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET

at 30 September 1997

		1997		1996	
N	ote	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	10		499,308		568,879
Investments	12		336,592		336,592 ———
			835,900		905,471
Current assets					
Stocks	13	39,403		35,498	
Debtors	14	324,362		281,578	
Cash at bank and in hand		117,020		238,509	
		480,785		555,585	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	15	(366,953)		(484,552)	
Net current assets			113,832		71,033
Total assets less current liabilities	:		949,732		976,504
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	16		(247,923)		(320,232)
Provision for liabilities and charges	17		(8,137)		(13,700)
			693,672		642,572
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital ,	20		3,076		3,076
Profit and loss account	21		690,596		639,496
Total shareholders' funds	19		693,672		642,572

These financial statements are prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to medium-sized companies.

The abbreviated financial statements on pages 6 to 17 were approved by the board of directors on 70 February 1998 and signed on its behalf by:

Mrs B A H Clough

Director

CASH FLOW STATEMENT

for the Year ended 30 September 1997

		1997		1996	
	Note	£	£	£	£
Net cash inflow					
from operating activities	22		24,670		440,440
Returns on investments and servicing	ng				
of finance		9,829		8,946	
Interest received		9,829 (5,318)		(8,487)	
Interest paid Interest element of finance lease		(3,310)		10,4077	
		(17,082)		(12,384)	
rental payments		31,200		19,200	
Other returns		31,200			
			18,629		7,275
Taxation			•		•
Corporation tax paid			(27,277)		(35,775)
Z .					
Capital expenditure					
and financial investment					
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(47,221)		(258,240)	
Sale of tangible fixed assets		14,250		56,500	
					(0.0001
			(32,971)		(201,740)
			(16,949)		210,200
Equity dividends paid			(19,219)		(21,525)
Equity dividends para					
			(36,168)		188,675
Financing					
Debt due within a year:		(75 056)		(5,525)	
Other loan repayments		(15,956)			
Bank loan repayments		-		(8,340)	
Debt due beyond a year:		C 111		8,351	
Other loan advances		6,444		(43,945)	
Bank loan repayments		-		(43,343)	
Capital element of finance lease		(75,809)		77,885	
rental payments		(73,803)			
			(85,321)		28,426
(9			/727 4001		217,101
(Decrease)/increase in cash			(121,489) ———		21/,101

NOTES ON ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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1 Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

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

Consolidation

The company and its subsidiaries comprise a medium sized group. The company has taken advantage of the exemption provided by section 248 of the Companies Act 1985 not to prepare group accounts.

Turnover

Turnover represents the amount derived from the provision of goods and services falling within the company's activities after deduction of trade discounts and value added tax.

Depreciation

Depreciation of fixed assets is calculated to write off their cost or valuation less any residual value over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Freehold land and buildings	18	Straight line
Leasehold land and buildings	Not	Provided
Plant and machinery	15%	Straight Line
Motor vehicles	25%	Straight Line
Fixtures and fittings	208	Straight Line

Leases and hire purchase contracts

Tangible fixed assets acquired under finance leases and hire purchase contracts are capitalised at the estimated fair value at the date of inception of each lease or contract. The total finance charges are allocated over the period of the lease in such a way as to give a reasonably constant charge on the outstanding liability.

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss as they are incurred.

Stocks and work in progress

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is computed on a first in first out basis. The cost of work in progress and finished goods includes all production overheads and depreciation and the attributable proportion of indirect overheads based on the normal level of activity. Net realisable value is based on estimated selling price less the estimated cost of disposal.

Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided on the liability method in respect of the taxation effect of all timing differences to the extent that tax liabilities are likely to crystallise in the foreseeable future.

Pensions - Defined contribution scheme

Contributions are charged to the profit and loss account as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme.

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2 Turnover

The turnover for the Year was derived from the company's principal activity. The whole of the turnover is attributable to the UK market.

3	Operating	profit
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3	Operating profit		
		1997	1996
		£	£
	Operating profit is stated after crediting		
	Profit on sale of assets	6,139	34,704
	and after charging		
	Staff costs (note 4)	508,849	518,830
	Auditors' remuneration	3,600	3,300
	Pension costs	33,874	33,380
	Depreciation Depreciation	**, ** **	·
	Owned Assets	61,113	41,136
	Leased Assets	47,573	58,814
		-	
4	Directors and employees		
-		1997	1996
	Staff costs including directors' emoluments	£	£
	Wages and salaries	430,076	428,129
	Social security costs	44,899	45,390
	Pension costs	33,874	33,380
		508,849	506,899
		**	Number
	Average monthly number employed including executive directors:	Number	Mumber
	Production staff	15	15
	Office and management	2	2
	Administration staff	6	6
		23	23
			

Defined contribution pension scheme

The company operates a defined contribution 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 to the fund and amounted to £33,874 (1996 £33,380).

Directors	£	£
Emoluments Company contributions to money purchase	68,017	68,948
pension schemes	12,454	12,454
	80,471	81,402

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5	Investment income		
-		1997	1996
		£	£
	Dividend received from subsidiary	19,200	19,200
	Interest receivable	9,829	8,946
	Rental Income	12,000	-
		41,029	28,146
6	Interest payable		
-		1997	1996
		£	£
	Bank interest	_	2,658
	Other interest	5,318	5,829
	Hire purchase interest	17,082	12,384
		22,400	20,871
7	Other operating income		
	•	1997	1996
		£	£
	Management Charges	30,000	30,000
8	Taxation	1997	1996
		1997 £	1990 £
	Corporation tax on profit on ordinary acti-		
	at 22.5% (1996 24.5%)	17,048	22,472
	Group relief	(4,455)	
	Deferred taxation	(5,563) —————	7,700
		7,030	30,172
	Under provision in earlier years	-	1,550
		7,030	31,722
			
9	Dividends		
		1997	1996
		£	£
	Equity - ordinary/interim	19,219	21,525
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10 Tangible fixed assets

	Motor Vehicles	Plant and Machinery	Fixtures and Fittings	Land and Buildings	Total
Cost	£	£	£	£	£
1 October 1996 Additions Disposals	139,427 30,052 (27,655)	833,285 14,000	60,644 3,169	249,762	1,283,118 47,221 (27,655)
30 September 1997	141,824	847,285	63,813	249,762	1,302,684
Depreciation			<u>.</u>		
1 October 1996 Charge for Year Disposals	43,254 35,273 (19,544)	621,712 63,359 -	38,074 8,286	11,199 1,768 -	714,239 108,686 (19,544)
30 September 1997	58,983	685,071	46,360	12,967	803,381
Net book amount					
30 September 1997	82,843	162,282	17,454 ———	236,729	499,308
1 October 1996	96,173	211,572	22,570	238,564	568,879 ———

Included in the above assets is plant, machinery and motor vehicles with historical cost £508,225 (1996- £527,090) and net book value £355,595 (1996- £220,982)

11 Land and buildings

	1997 £	1996 £
Freehold Long leasehold	163,729 73,000	165,564 73,000
	236,729 	238,564

Long leaseholds are those leaseholds with more than 50 years unexpired

The historical cost of leasehold land and buildings included above at a valuation of £73,000 was £110,229 (1996- £110,229) and the aggregate depreciation thereon would have been £8668 (1996- £7566).

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12	Fixed asset investments	Woods	Allanwood	Amadeus	
		(Bradford)	Press	Press	Total
	Ondinous Change	Ltd £	Ltđ £	Ltd £	£
	Ordinary Shares 1 October 1996	177,276	10,000	149,316	336,592
	and at	======	========	=======================================	=======================================
	30 September 1997				
	Percentage of Capital Held	100%	100%	96%	
	Nature of Business	Print Finishers	Dormant	Printers	
	Capital & Reserves	£289,770	£10,539	£533,225	
	Profit/(Loss) for Year	£(33,821)	Dormant	£60,844	
13	Stocks				
				1997	1996
	Work in Progress		7 (£ 9,313	£ 13,873
	Stock			7,313 7,090	21,625
	Book				
			39	9,403	35,498
14	Debtors				
				1997	1996
	Amounts falling due within	one year		£	£
	Trade debtors		200	3,831	269,675
	Amounts owed by group under	rtakings		5,754	209,075
	Other debtors			5,175	2,500
	Prepayments and accrued in	come	22	2,602	9,403
			324	 1,362	281,578
					
15	Creditors: amounts falling within one year	due			
	Within one year			1997	1996
				£	£
	Trade creditors		76	5,328	38,399
	Other loans		12	2,731	15,956
	Amounts owed to group under	rtakings		1,985	239,269
	Corporation tax			7,789	22,472
	Other taxation and social :	security		9,075	25,063
	Other creditors Accruals and deferred income	ma		2,891 5,803	28,751 29,649
	Obligations under finance		36	,,005	29,043
	and hire purchase contract		46	5,351	84,993
			366	5,953	484,552

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16	Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	e				
	arter more than one year			1997	,	1996
				£		£
	Other loans			53,723		60,010
	Other creditors			98,762		127,617
	Obligations under finance leas	ses	_	95,438	} -	132,605
				247,923		320,232
	Maturity of debt		=		•	
	In one year or less, or on der	mand				
	- see note 15			12,731	•	15,956
	Between one and two years			7,491		7,531
	Between two and five years			27,622	?	26,731
	In five years or more			18,610)	25,748
			-	66,454	- !	75,966
	Amounts falling due		=	········	:	
	after more than five years:					
	Other loans			18,610)	25,748
	Obligations under finance leas and hire purchase contracts	ses	=		=	
	These are repayable over varyaby monthly instalments as follows:		s			
	In the next year - see note 15	5		46,351		84,993
	In the second to fifth years			95,438		132,605
			_	141,789	- }	217,598
			=		;	
17	Provision for liabilities and	charges				
			Profit		Other	
		1996	loss acc		ovements	1997
		£		£	£	£
	Deferred taxation					4-
	(notes 8 and 18)	(13,700)	5,5	563 		(8,137)
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18 Deferred taxation

		19	397	19	96
		Potential liability £	Provision made £	Potential liability £	- ·
	Corporation tax deferred by				
	Capital allowances in excess	8,137	8,137	13,700	13,700
	The potential liability and pof 21% (1996 24%).	provision a	ce based on a	corporation	tax rate
19	Reconciliation of movements	in sharehold			4004
			1	997 £	1996 £
	Profit for the financial Year	r	70,	320	113,356
	Dividends		(19,	219)	(21,525)
	Net addition to shareholders' funds		51,	101	91,831
	Opening shareholders' funds		642,	571	550,741
	Closing shareholders' funds		693,	672	642,572
20	Called up share capital	1	997	1	996
		Number of	.997	Number of	990
		shares	£	shares	£
	Authorised £1 Ordinary Shares	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
	Allotted called up and fully paid				
	fl Ordinary Shares	3,076	3,076	3,076	3,076
21	Profit and loss account				1997
	1 October 1996 Retained profit for the Year				£ 639,495 51,101
	30 September 1997				690,596

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22 Notes to the cash flow statement

Reconciliation of operating profit to operating cash flows

	1997	1996
	£	£
Operating profit	58,721	137,803
Depreciation charges	108,685	99,950
Profit on sale of fixed assets	(6,140)	(34,704)
(Increase)/decrease in stocks	(3,906)	1,421
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(42,785)	85,508
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	(89,905)	150,462
Net cash inflow		
from operating activities	24,670	440,440

23 Notes to the cash flow statement (continued)

Analysis of changes in net debt

	At start of year f	Cash flows £	Other changes £	At end of year f
Cash in hand, at bank	238,509	(121,489)	-	117,020
(Decrease)/increase in cash	in the Year	(121,489)		
Debt due within 1 year Debt due after 1 year	(15,956) (60,010)	15,956 (6,444)	(12,731) 12,731	(53,723)
Finance leases	(217,598)	75,809 ————	-	(141,789)
Change in net debt due to c	ash flows	85,321		
	<u> </u>			
Total	(55,055)	(36,168)	_	(91,223)

Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net debt

	£
21,489)	166,640
85,321	(28,426)
36,168)	138,214
55,055) 	(193,269)
91,223)	(55,055)
	36,168) 55,055)

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24 Related Party Transactions

The company has derived income of £90,650 from group undertakings, and has been invoiced £48,428 by group undertakings.

25 Guarantees and other financial commitments

Financial commitments under non-cancellable operating leases will result in the following payments falling due in the year to 30th September 1998

	1997	1996
	Land &	Land &
	Buildings	Buildings
	£	£
Expiring in over 5 years	3,375	3,375