

REGISTERED NUMBER: 911366 (England and Wales)

ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1997

FOR

HARRY THORNTON & SON LIMITED



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HARRY THORNTON & SON LIMITED
COMPANY INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1997

DIRECTORS: H W Thornton
D N Thornton
Mrs M A Thornton

SECRETARY: H W Thornton

REGISTERED OFFICE: City Works
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Morley
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ACCOUNTANTS: Bartfield & Co
Chartered Accountants
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HARRY THORNTON & SON LIMITED

ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET
31 DECEMBER 1997

		<u>1997</u>	<u>1996</u>
	Notes	£	£
CURRENT ASSETS:			
Debtors		196	196
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year		<u>209</u>	<u>209</u>
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES:		<u>(13)</u>	<u>(13)</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES:		<u>£(13)</u>	<u>£(13)</u>
CAPITAL AND RESERVES:			
Called up share capital	3	102	102
Profit and loss account		<u>(115)</u>	<u>(115)</u>
Shareholders' funds		<u>£(13)</u>	<u>£(13)</u>

The company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 249A(1) of the Companies Act 1985 for the year ending 31 December 1997.

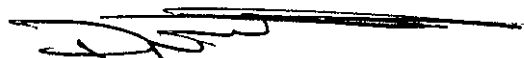
No notice has been deposited under Section 249B(2) of the Companies Act 1985 in relation to its financial statements for the financial year.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with Section 221 of the Companies Act 1985 and
- preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of each financial year and of its profit or loss for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Section 226 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 1985 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

These abbreviated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:



D N Thornton - DIRECTOR

Approved by the Board on 28 October 1998

HARRY THORNTON & SON LIMITED

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1997

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities.

The company was dormant throughout the current and previous years.

Deferred taxation

Provision is made at current rates for taxation deferred in respect of all material timing differences except to the extent that, in the opinion of the directors, there is reasonable probability that the liability will not arise in the foreseeable future.

Consolidation

The company and its subsidiary undertakings, Thorntons Lollies Limited and Ablea Limited, comprise a small size group. The company has taken advantage of the exemption provided by Section 248 of the Companies Act 1985 not to prepare group accounts. The financial statements therefore present information about the company as an individual undertaking and not about its group.

2. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

The company's investments in the ordinary share capital of unlisted companies at the balance sheet date is the 100% holding of the 4 ordinary shares of Thorntons Lollies Limited at cost. Thorntons Lollies Limited was incorporated in England.

3. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

Authorised:

Number:	Class:	Nominal value:	1997 £	1996 £
1,000	Ordinary	£1	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>

Allotted, issued and fully paid:

Number:	Class:	Nominal value:	1997 £	1996 £
102	Ordinary	£1	<u>102</u>	<u>102</u>

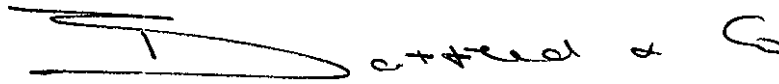
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REPORT OF THE ACCOUNTANTS TO THE DIRECTORS OF
HARRY THORNTON & SON LIMITED

The following reproduces the text of the report prepared for the directors in respect of the company's annual financial statements, from which the abbreviated financial statements (set out on pages two to three) have been prepared.

As described on the balance sheet you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1997 set out on pages three to five and you consider that the company is exempt from an audit in accordance with section 249A of the Companies Act 1985. In accordance with your instructions, we have compiled these unaudited financial statements in order to assist you to fulfil your statutory responsibilities, from the accounting records and information and explanations supplied to us.

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Dated: 28 October 1998