COMPANY REG NO: 1688620 ENGLAND AND WALES

ARRI (GB) LIMITED

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31ST DECEMBER 1996



R Arnold (Germany) **DIRECTORS** W Stahl (Germany) D C Ross M S N Leone N C E Shapley R Louka M S N Leone **SECRETARY** The Movie House REGISTERED OFFICE 2 - 3 Airlinks, Spitfire Way Heston, Middlesex Company Reg. No. 1688620 Maurice Apple **AUDITORS** 1 Hyde Park Place, London, W2 2LH Barclays Bank PLC **BANKERS CONTENTS** 1 Report of the Directors Report of the Auditors 3 4 Consolidated Profit and Loss Account 5 Note of Historical Cost Profit 6 Consolidated Balance Sheet 7 Company Balance Sheet

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NOTICE is given that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the company will be held at The Movie House, 1-3 Airlinks, Spitfire Way, Heston, Middlesex at 22nd April 1997 for the following purposes:

- 1. To consider the report of the directors and statement of accounts for the year ended 31st December 1996 together with the report of the auditors.
- 2. To re-appoint Maurice Apple as auditors and to authorise the directors to fix their remuneration for the ensuing year.

A member entitled to attend and vote at the meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and vote in his stead. A proxy need not be a member of the company.

By order of the Board

M S N Leone

Secretary

Dated: 22nd April 1997

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The Directors submit their annual report and the audited accounts of the group for the year ended 31st December 1996.

DIRECTORS

The directors and their interests in the share capital of the company throughout the year were as follows:-

	<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>
R Arnold (Germany)	-	-
Dr. W Stahl (Germany)	-	-
D C Ross	100,000	100,000
M S N Leone	-	-
N C E Shapley	-	-
R Louka	-	-

DIRECTORS RESPONSIBILITIES

Company law requires the directors to prepare accounts 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 accounts the directors are required to:

select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;

make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

follow applicable accounting standards, subject to any material departures disclose and explain in the in the accounts:

prepare the accounts on a 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 accounts comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS

The group's principal activity during the year was the supply of camera and lighting equipment to the film, television and theatre industries.

The directors are of the opinion that future prospects are satisfactory.

RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

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

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend.

FIXED ASSETS

Changes in the company's fixed assets appear in the notes to the accounts.

CLOSE COMPANY PROVISIONS

The company is a close company within the meaning of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS Cont.

AUDITORS

A resolution proposing the reappointment of Maurice Apple as auditors will be put to the annual general meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Board of Directors

M S N Leone Secretary

Approved by the Board of Directors on: 22nd April 1997

AUDIT REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS

We have audited the accounts on pages 4 to 19 which have been prepared under historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 9.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DIRECTORS AND AUDITORS

As described on page 1, the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of accounts. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those accounts and to report our opinion to you.

BASIS OF 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 accounts. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements by the directors in the preparation of the accounts, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the 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 accounts 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 accounts.

GROUP ACCOUNTS

As stated in note 1(b) the accounts of two of it's subsidiaries have not been consolidated on the grounds of immateriali

OPINION

In our opinion the accounts give a true and fair view of the state of the company's and the group's affairs at 31st December 1996 and of the profit of the group for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 1985.

22nd April 1297 1 Hyde Park Place,

London, W2 2LH

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

and REGISTERED AUDITORS

ARRI (GB) LIMITED GROUP PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1996

TURNOVER	NOTE	<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>
TURNOVER Continuing Operations	2	24,900,761	21,063,279
	_	24,900,761	21,063,279
Discontinued Operations	_	0_	828,939
		24,900,761	21,892,218
Cost of sales		16,000,007	14,753,731
Gross Profit		8,900,754	7,138,487
Net Operating Expenses (Note 29)		5,286,888	4,725,824
OPERATING PROFIT Continuing Operations	4	3,613,866	2,466,747
Discontinued Operations	-	3,613,866 0	2,466,747 (54,084)
		3,613,866	2,412,663
Profit (Loss) on Disposal of Fixed Assets		(30,626)	80,859
Investment Income	6	56,961	94,986
Interest Payable and Similar Charges	7	(286,622)	(422,873)
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		3,353,579	2,165,635
Taxation	8	1,141,546	733,127
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION		2,212,033	1,432,508
Minority Interest		(2,992)	8,055
PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		2,209,041	1,440,563

TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES

The company has made no recognised gains or losses for the above two financial years, other than as shown above.

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ARRI (GB) LIMITED AND IT'S SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES NOTE OF HISTORICAL COST AND PROFITS AND LOSSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1996

•	<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>
Reported profit on ordinary activities before taxation	3,353,579	2,165,635
Realisation of property revaluation gains of previous years	-	-
Difference between the historical cost depreciation charge and the actual depreciation charge for the year calculated on the revalued amount	- 27,807	2,010 34,051
HISTORICAL COST PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	3,381,386	2,201,696
HISTORICAL COST PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION	2,239,840	1,468,569

GROUP BALANCE SHEET AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1996

	NOTE	<u>199</u>	<u>96</u>	<u>1995</u>	
FIXED ASSETS Tangible Assets Investments	10 11	-	9,008,064 9,104 9,017,168	_	7,534,988 4,150 7,539,138
CURRENT ASSETS Stock Debtors Cash and Bank Balances	1 12	3,764,063 4,215,447 656,129		3,841,460 4,037,009 1,121,069	
CREDITORS Amounts due within one year	 14 _	8,635,639 6,130,805	_	8,999,538 7,588,265	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			2,504,834		1,411,273
ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			11,522,002	_	8,950,411
CREDITORS: Amount falling due after more than one year	15		1,253,836		1,180,616
PROVISION FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES	17		1,026,921		805,072
			9,241,245	=	6,964,723
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called Up Share Capital	18		2,000,000		2,000,000
Capital Reserves	19		70,435		66,795
Revaluation Reserve	19		144,483		165,194
Profit and Loss Account	19		7,020,228		4,717,212
Sub Total	20		9,235,146	_	6,949,201
Minority Interests			6,099		15,522
			9,241,245	=	6,964,723

Approved by the Board on: 22nd April 1997

Signed on behalf of the Board

D C Ross

Director

M S N Leone

Director

BALANCE SHEET AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1996

•	NOTE	<u>19</u>	<u>96</u>	<u>199</u>	<u>95</u>
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible Assets Investments	10 11		441,622 1,999,065 2,440,687	_	575,379 994,111 1,569,490
CURRENT ASSETS			2,110,007		.,000, .00
Stock Debtors Cash and Bank Balances	1 12	3,386,260 4,774,637 651,243		3,594,806 5,431,242 1,055,780	
CREDITORS		8,812,140	. –	10,081,828	
Amounts due within one year	14 _	3,526,628	. –	5,612,617	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			5,285,512	-	4,469,211
ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			7,726,199	-	6,038,701
CREDITORS: Amount falling due after more than one year			26,650		67,159
PROVISION FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES	17		22,651		11,000
			7,676,898		5,960,542
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called Up Share Capital	18		2,000,000		2,000,000
Profit and Loss Account	19		5,676,898		3,960,542
			7,676,898		5,960,542

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D C Ross

Director

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Director

ARRI (GB) LIMITED AND IT'S SUBSIDIARIES COMPANIES

GROUP CASH FLOW STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1996

	<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>
Net cash flow from operating activities (Note 24)	2,624,814	2,761,930
Return on investment and servicing of finance:		
Interest and similar income Interest paid (Note 7) Dividends Received	56,947 (286,622) 14	94,986 (422,873) 0
Net cash outflow from returns on investments and servicing of finance	(229,661)	(327,887)
Taxation: Tax refund United Kingdom Corporation tax paid Investing Activities:	(525,615) (525,615)	25,083 (407,353) (382,270)
Purchase of subsidiary undertaking Purchase of tangible assets Sale of fixed assets	(4,000) (2,961,238) 58,795	(4,138) (2,348,967) 240,881
Net cash outflow from investing activities	(2,906,443)	(2,112,224)
Net cash Inflow/(Outflow) before financing	(1,036,905)	(60,451)
Financing: (Note 27)		
New lease purchase contracts Repayment of bank loans	2,149,102 0	1,533,342 (5,579)
Capital repayment of finance lease and lease purchase rental payments	(1,487,259)	(1,101,083)
Net cash Inflow from finance	661,843	426,680
(Decrease)/Increase in cash and cash equivalents (Note 26)	(375,062)	366,229

NOTES ON AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS TO 31ST DECEMBER 1996

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a. Accounting convention

These accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention, except that certain fixed assets are included at valuation, and in accordance with applicable Accounts Standards.

b. Basis of Consolidation

The group accounts consolidate the accounts of Arri (GB) Limited and its subsidiaries undertakings made up to 31st December 1996. As permitted by section 230(4) of the Companies Act 1985, the company's Profit and Loss Account has not been included in these accounts.

Subsidiary Undertakings excluded from consolidation:

The company owns the entire share capital of Boltquarry Limited, Imagination Technology Limited , Arri Ireland Limited and Arri (I. O.M) Limited. Both Boltquarry Limited and Imagination Technology Limited did not trade during the year and as they have both remained dormant they have been excluded from the group accounts Arri Ireland Limited and Arri (I.O.M)Limited have been excluded from the group accounts on the basis that their trading results are not material.

c. Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost of each asset over its expected useful life, at the following rates:

Asset
Short Leasehold Improvements
Evenly over term of lease
% on written down value
Motor Vehicles
Plant and Machinery
Furniture and Fittings
Office Equipment

Method
Evenly over term of lease
% on written down value
10% - 20%
10% - 20%
% on straight line basis

Computer Equipment

d. Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. In general, cost is determined on a first-in-first-out basis and includes transport and handling costs. Net realisable value is the price at which stocks can be sold in the normal course of business. Provision is made where necessary for obsolescence, slow moving and defective stocks.

25% or 14.25%

e. Research and development

Expenditure on all research and development is written off as incurred.

f. Taxation

Corporation Tax payable is provided on taxable profits at the current rate.

The taxation liabilities of certain group undertakings are reduced wholly or in part by the surrender of losses by fellow group undertakings. The tax benefits arising from group relief are recognised in the accounts of the surrendering and recipient companies.

Deferred taxation is provided under the liability method on all short term timing differences. Provision is also made for long term timing differences, except for those which are not expected to reverse in the future.

g. Foreign Currencies

Assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currency are translated at the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date or the actual rate for assets and liabilities converted after the balance sheet date.

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate ruling at the date of the transaction. All differences are taken in to the profit and loss.

NOTES ON AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS TO 31 DECEMBER 1996

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES Cont'd

h. Goodwill

This is the excess of the cost of a business over the fair value of the net assets on the date of acquisition. This has been fully written off against reserves in the year of purchase.

i. Leasing and Hire Purchase Commitments

Assets obtained under hire purchase contracts and finance leases are capitalised in the balance sheet and are depreciated over their useful lives.

The interest element of the rental obligations is charged to the Profit and Loss account over the period of the hire purchase contract and represents a constant proportion of the balance of capital repayments outstanding. Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to income as incurred.

j. Lease Rental Income

Rental under operating leases are credited to income as received.

The finance charge element of finance lease income is allocated to accounting periods over the lease term using the sum of the year digit method. The total net investment in finance leases included in the balance sheet represents total lease payments receivable net of finance charges relating to future accounting periods.

k. Pension Costs

Defined Contribution Scheme:

The contributions payable by the group are charged to the profit and loss account as they arise.

Defined Benefits Scheme:

Contributions are made to the pension scheme in accordance with actuarial advice where appropriate, and are charged to the Profit and Loss Account so as to spread the pension cost over the anticipated period of service of the pension scheme members (Note 23).

2. TURNOVER AND PROFIT

Turnover represents the invoiced amount of goods sold and services provided stated net of Value Added Tax.

	LIGHTIN	PHOTOGRAPHIC LEASING LIGHTING AND RENTAL ACCESSORIES EQUIPM		L OF	TOT	OTAL	
	1996	1995	1996	1995	<u>1996</u>	1995	
a) <u>Group Turnover</u>	17,661,900	16,212,817	7,238,861	5,679,402	24,900,761	21,892,219	
b) <u>Group Profit</u> <u>before tax</u>	2,599,437	1,896,961	754,142	268,674	3,353,579	2,165,635	

3. HOLDING COMPANY

The ultimate holding company of the group is A & R Beteiligungsgessellschaft MbH, a company incorporated in Germany.

NOTES ON AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS TO 31 DECEMBER 1996

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4. <u>OPERATING PROFIT</u>		
a) <u>This is stated after charging</u> :	<u>31.12.96</u>	<u>31.12.95</u>
•	£	£
Directors' Remuneration	425,965	292,928
Directors' Pension Contributions	58,086	16,860
Auditors Remuneration	41,700	41,700
Depreciation - owned assets	883,131	648,017
Depreciation - under hire purchase	579,147	610,045
Research and Development	9,327	832
Lease Rentals - Plant and Equipment	2,652	2,652
· ·	462,492	393,179
- Other	402,432	000, 170
IND: / December line		
b) <u>Directors Remuneration</u> :	aliadina nensian eentrihiitiana i	woo C247 202
The remuneration of the chairman and the highest paid Director, ex	cluding pension contributions, v	was £247,392
(1995 - £183,557). Other Directors' emoluments, excluding pension		
	<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>
	<u>No.</u>	<u>No.</u>
Nil - 5,000	2	2
10,001 - 15,000	-	1
45,001 - 50,000	-	2
55,001 - 60,000	3	
		
5. <u>STAFF COSTS</u>	<u>31.12.96</u>	<u>31.12.95</u>
	£	£
Wages and Salaries	3,159,573	3,095,552
Social security costs	301,883	274,922
Other pension costs	182,267	154,821
Other pension costs	3,643,723	3,525,295
The average weekly number of employees during the period was ma	ade un as follows:	
The average weekly humber of employees during the period was me	NO.	<u>NO.</u>
Office and vegetarious	<u>NO.</u> 38	38
Office and management	18	20
Sales		26
Service	25 24	25 25
Electricians and Warehouse		109
	105	109
6. <u>INVESTMENT INCOME</u>	4.	•
Income from listed Investments	14	0
Income from current asset investment	53,078	71,287
Other Interest receivable and similar income	3,869	23,699
	56,961	94,986
7. <u>INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES</u>		
Bank Overdraft	1,675	1,383
Lease Purchase Arrangements	187,873	161,468
Holding Company	85,723	242,236
Other	11,351	17,786
	286,622	422,873
		
8. TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES		
Based on the profit for the year:		
bagod on the profit for the year.		
Corporation tax at 33%	919,697	525,615
Corporation tax at 33%	010,001	(25,083)
Over provision in previous years	221,849	232,595
Transfer (from) to deferred Taxation (Note 17)	1,141,546	733,127
		700,127

NOTES ON AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS TO 31 DECEMBER 1996

9. PROFIT ATTRIBUTION TO THE MEMBERS OF THE HOLDING COMPANY

Profit after tax of £1,716,355 (1995 - £1,255,218) has been dealt with in the accounts of Arri (GB) Limited.

10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS GROUP a)Cost/Valuation	Short Lease Premises & Improvements £	Motor <u>Vehicles</u> £	Plant & <u>Equipment</u> £	Fixtures & Fittings, computer and office Equipment	<u>Total</u> £
<u>-,</u>				-	
At 1.1.96	458,211	292,723	10,743,477	1,187,718	12,682,129
Additions Disposals	130,249 0	218,318 (24,500)	2,456,955 (54,414)	154,762 (66,759)	2,960,284 (145,673)
At 31.12.96	588,460	486,541	13,146,018	1,275,721	15,496,740
<u>Depreciation</u>					
At 1.1.96	93,293	126,106	4,139,653	786,964	5,146,016
For the year	28,231	58,599	1,202,528	108,430	1,397,788
Disposals At 31.12.96	<u>0</u> 121,524	(22,146) 162,559	(24,025) 5,318,156	(8,957) 886,437	(55,128) 6,488,676
At 31.12.90	121,024	102,009	0,010,100	000,401	0,400,010
NET BOOK VALUES At 31.12.96	466,936	323,982	7,827,862	389,284	9,008,064
				·	
At 31.12.95	364,918	166,617	6,603,824	400,754	7,536,113
Assets acquired under finance leases a	nd lease nurchass	e contracts incl	uded above ar	e se followe:	
Assets acquired under illiance leases at	iu lease purchase	contracts inci	adea above an	e as lollows.	
	Office		Motor		Plant And
Cost	<u>Equipment</u>		<u>Vehicles</u>		<u>Equipment</u>
At 31.12.95	47,290	=	165,539	: :	3,696,557
At 31.12.96	47,290		347,988		4,727,183
71. 01. 12.00	41,200	=	011,000	= =	1,127,100
<u>Depreciation</u>					
At 31.12.95	3,898	=	60,200	= :	401,991
At 31.12.96	15,150		98,546		1,060,355
At 31, 12.90	10,100	=	30,040	= :	1,000,000_
Provided during the year	11,252	:	43,865	= :	524,031
b) Revalued Assets					
·					
On the 31st December 1990 certain plant					
If the plant and equipment had not been r	evalued it would h	iave been inclu	ided at the folio 31.12.96	owing amounts :	<u>31.12.95</u>
			<u>51.12.30</u>		01.12.00
Cost		:	629,791	= :	642,684
Aggregate Depreciation			473,895		456,585

NOTES ON AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS TO 31 DECEMBER 1996

10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS Continued

COMPANY	Short Lease Premises & Improvements	Motor <u>Vehicles</u>	Plant & Equipment	Fixtures & Fittings, computer and office Equipment	<u>Total</u>
c)Cost/Valuation	£	£	£	£	£
At 1.1.96	198,076	110,153	307,505	831,976	1,447,710
Additions Disposals	(58,574)	0	5,119	96,336 (65,975)	42,881 (65,975)
Disposais	-	_	_	(00,970)	(00,970)
At 31.12.96	139,502	110,153	312,624	862,337	1,424,616
<u>Depreciation</u>					
At 1.1.96	29,618	24,993	240,357	577,363	872,331
For the year	6,527	21,290	14,032	77,391	119,240
Disposals	-	-	-	(8,577)	(8,577)
At 31.12.96	36,145	46,283	254,389	646,177	982,994
NET BOOK VALUES					
At 31.12.96	103,357	63,870	58,235	216,160	441,622
At 31.12.95	168,458	85,160	67,148	254,613	575,379
Assets acquired under finance leases a	nd lease purchase	e contracts inc		e as follows:	
Cost			Office		Motor Vehicles
<u>Cost</u> At 31.12.95			Equipment 41,180		81,012
At 31.12.96		•	41,180	= =	81,012
		!		=	
<u>Depreciation</u> At 31.12.95			2,574	= =	6,060
At 31.12.96			12,869	= =	24,799
Provided during the year			10,295	<u>.</u>	18,739
11.INVESTMENTS					
GROUP			Subsidiary		
•			<u>Undertakings</u>		<u>Total</u>
Cost			£ 4,150		£ 4,150
At 1.1.96 Additions			4,150 4,954		4,150
				_	
At 31.12.96			9,104		9,104
Amount Written-Off At 1.1.96			0		0
At 31.12.96			0	- - ·	0
Net Book Value At 1.1.96			4,150		4,150
At 31.12.96			9,104		9,104
At 01.12.90			3,104	_	5,107

NOTES ON AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS TO 31 DECEMBER 1996

11. <u>INVESTMENTS</u> Cont'd <u>COMPANY</u>	Shares in Subsidiary <u>Undertakings</u>	Loans to Subsidiary Undertakings	Other Investments	<u>Total</u>
Cost		£	£	£
At 1.1.96	63,378	930,733	0	994,111
At 31.12.96	1,067,378	930,733	954	1,999,065
Amounts Written-Off At 1.1.96	0	0	0	0
At 31.12.96	0	0	0	0
Net Book Values At 1.1.96	63,378	930,733	0	994,111
At 31.12.96	1,067,378	930,7 <u>33</u>	954_	1,999,065

SUBSIDIARY UNDERTAKINGS

Subsidiary <u>Undertakings</u>	Country of Incorporation	<u>Holding</u>	Proportion <u>Held</u>	Nature of <u>Business</u>
Boltquarry Limited	England	Ordinary Share	100%	Dormant
Imagination Technology Limited	England	Ordinary Share	100%	Dormant
Arri Lighting Rental Limited	England	Ordinary Share	99.55%	Leasing of Equipment
Media Film Service Limited	England	Ordinary Share	100%	Hire of Equipment
Cinequip Lighting Company Limited	England	Ordinary Share	99.55%	Leasing of Equipment
Arri Ireland Limited	Ireland	Ordinary Share	100%	Hire of Equipment
Arri (I.O.M) Limited	Isle of Man	Ordinary Share	100%	Hire of Equipment

NOTES ON AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS TO 31 DECEMBER 1996

Parent undertaking	12. <u>DEBTORS</u>	<u>Group</u> 31.12.96	<u>Company</u> 31.12.96	<u>Group</u> 31.12.95	<u>Company</u> 31.12.95
Trade debtors 3,681,594 2,230,610 3,432,142 2,434,387 Subsidiary undertaking 0 133,487 0 131,078 Parent undertaking and fellow subsidiary undertaking 39,187 39,187 168,364 139,957 Other debtors 7,783 600 36,499 5,769 Met investments in Finance Leases 129,790 129,790 69,377 699,377 Prepayments 238,310 74,295 306,588 71,321 4,095,664 2,607,969 4,012,970 2,851,889 Amounts falling due after one year Subsidiary undertaking 0 2,047,885 0 2,555,314 Net Investments in Finance Leases 118,783 118,783 24,039 24,039 24,039 Net Investments in Finance Leases 118,783 118,783 24,039 25,553,14 Net Investments in Finance Leases 118,783 118,783 24,039 25,039 128,03	Amounts falling due within one year				
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NOTES ON AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS TO 31 DECEMBER 1996

15. <u>CREDITORS</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Company</u>	<u>Group</u>	Company
	31.12.96	31.12.96	31.12.95	31.12.95
Amounts falling due after more than one year				
Obligations under finance leases and lease purchase contracts(Note 16) Other Creditors	1,253,836	26,650	925,201	67,159
	0	0	255,415	0
- -	1,253,836	26,650	1,180,616	67,159
16.FINANCE LEASE AND LEASE PURCHASE CREDITORS Amounts maturing as follows:	<u> </u>			
Within one year In second to fifth year	1,501,211	46,500	1,131,754	46,500
	1,416,910	30,635	1,065,260	77,135
	2,918,121	77,135	2,197,014	123,635
Less finance charges	345,814	9,976	286,551	15,966
	2,572,307	67,159	1,910,463	107,669
Hire purchase contracts shown as: Current obligations Non-current obligations	1,318,471	40,510	985,262	40,510
	1,253,836	26,649	925,201	67,159
	2,572,307	67,159	1,910,463	107,669

17. PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES

Deferred Taxation:

The Provision has been made at the rate of 33% and the main components of the provision are as follows:

Accelerated capital allowances	960,746	19,626	786,049	11,000
Tax effect of losses c/fwd	0	3,025	(54,952)	0
On revaluation reserve	47,897	0	57,383	0
Other timing differences	18,278	0	16,592	0
•	1,026,921	22,651	805,072	11,000

NOTES ON AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS TO 31 DECEMBER 1996

18. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

Ordinary Shares of £1 each:			
	<u>1996</u>		<u>1995</u>
Authorised	5,000,000		5,000,000
Allotted, called up and fully paid	2,000,000		2,000,000
19. <u>RESERVES</u>	Capital	Revaluation	Profit & Loss
<u>Group</u>	<u>Reserve</u>	Reserve	Account
Balances As At 1.1.96 Change in Minority Interest	66,795 3,640	165,194 0	4,717,212 0
Realised Gain on Transfer of Assets	0	8,034	65,230
Transfer relating to revalued assets	0	(28,745)	28,745
Retained Profit for the financial year	0	0	2,209,041
Balances As At 31.12.96	70,435	144,483	7,020,228
Company			Profit & Loss Account
Balances As At 1.1.96			3,960,542
Retained Profit for the financial year			1,716,356
Balances As At 31.12.96			5,676,898
20.RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT ON SHAREHOLDERS FUNDS			
<u>GROUP</u>			
PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR	2,209,041		1,440,563
Movement in Reserves	76,904		0
NET ADDITIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	2,285,945		1,440,563
Opening Shareholders' Funds	6,949,201		5,508,638
CLOSING SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	9,235,146		6,949,201

21.CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

There are contingent liabilities in respect of cross guarantees given to the bank for facilities granted to the group. There is a contingent liability in respect of guarantees given by the company's bankers to third parties, amounting to 1996 £47,400 (1995 - £48,870).

NOTES ON AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS TO 31 DECEMBER 1996

22.OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS

The group has entered into non-cancellable leases in respect of plant and equipment, the payments for which extend over a period of up to four years. The total annual rentals for 1996 was £465144, (1995 - £395,831), of which £192,502 (1995 - £164,889) was applicable to the company.

The minimum annual rentals under the foregoing leases are as follows:

	<u>1996</u>		<u>1995</u>	
	<u>Group</u>	<u>Company</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Company</u>
Operating leases which expire:	£	£	£	£
- within 1 year	7,653	1,954	25,037	15,474
- within 2-5 years	56,898	30,241	32,337	14,922
- over 5 years	382,795	151,593	384,203	151,593
·	447,346	183,788	441,577	181,989

23.PENSION COSTS

The group operates a mix of both defined contribution schemes and a defined scheme. The assets of the schemes, which are held separately from those of the group, are invested with insurance companies.

The scheme provides benefits based on final pensionable pay and the pension contributions are determined by a qualified actuary on the basis of triennial valuations using the Projected Unit Method. The most recent valuation was at 1st January 1995. The assumptions which have the most significant effect on the results of the valuation are those relating to the rate of return on investments and the rate of increasing salaries. It was assumed that the investment return would be 9% per annum, that salary increases would average 7% per annum and the Retail Price Index increases at 5% per annum.

The most recent actuarial valuation showed that the market value of the Scheme's assets was £741,000 and that the actuarial value of those assets represented 108% of the benefits that had accrued to members, after allowing for expected future increases in earnings.

24.RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING PROFIT TO NET CASH IN FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:

	<u> 1996</u>	<u> 1995</u>
Operating profit	3,613,866	2,412,663
Depreciation	1,462,277	1,258,062
(Increase)/Decrease in stocks	77,397	(323,463)
(Increase)/Decrease in debtors	(178,438)	89,820
Increase(Decrease) in creditors	(2,350,288)	(675,152)
Net cash in flow from operating activities	2,624,814	2,761,930

NOTES ON AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS TO 31 DECEMBER 1995						
25. <u>ANALYSIS OF CHANGE</u>	S IN CASH AND	CASH EQUIVAL	ENTS DURING	G THE YEAR		
At 31st December 1995 Net cash Inflow					<u>1996</u> 947,552 (375,062)	<u>1995</u> 581,323 366,229
At 31st December 1996				-	572,490	947,552
26.ANALYSIS OF THE BAL	ANCES OF CAS	H AND CASH E	QUIVALENTS A	AS SHOWN IN T	HE BALANCE SI	<u>-IEET</u>
				<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>	Change <u>In Year</u>
Cash in hand at bank Bank Overdraft				656,129 (83,639)	1,121,069 (173,517)	(464,940) 89,878
				572,490	947,552	(375,062)
27. <u>ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN FINANCING ON BANK LOANS, FINANCE LEASES AND LEASE PURCHASE OBLIGATIONS</u> :						
At 1st January 1996 Cash outflow from financ New lease purchase con	•				1,910,463 (1,487,259) 2,149,102	1,483,783 (1,106,662) 1,533,342
At 31st December 1996				-	2,572,306	1,910,463
28. <u>DISTRIBUTION AND ADMINISTRATION COSTS FOR CONTINUING AND DISCONTINUING OPERATIONS</u>						
	1996 Discontinued	1996 Continued	TOTAL	1995 Discontinued	1995 Continued	TOTAL
Cost of Sales		16,000,007	16,000,007	621,489	14,132,242	14,753,731
Net Operating Expenses			·			
Distribution Costs Administration Costs	- -	2,227,285 3,141,966	2,227,285 3,141,966	8,251 253,283	2,278,362 2,314,543	2,286,613 2,567,826

(82,363)

5,286,888

Other Operating Income

(82,363)

5,286,888

(128,615)

4,464,290

261,534

(128,615)

4,725,824

TRADING AND PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 1996

•	1996	1	<u>1995</u>
SALES COST OF SALES		17,257,018	15,959,632
COST OF SALES		12,378,194 4,878,824	11,684,572 4,275,060
		4,010,024	-1,210,000
OTHER INCOME			
Lease and Hire Rentals	2,250	10,25	50
Dividends Received	14		0
Interest Receivable	3,869	23,69	
Bank Interest Receivable on All Accounts	53,078	71,28	
Income from Finance Leases	72,666	117,6	
		131,877	222,845
FOTADLIQUIMENT OVERLIEADS		5,010,701	4,497,905
ESTABLISHMENT OVERHEADS	200.400	224.4	70
Rent, Rates and Building Insurance	200,490 15,736	224,47 15,48	
Light and Heat Telephone	33,529	31,5	
Insurance	86,598	83,8	
Repairs and Renewals - Premises	55,987	26,3	
Repairs and Renewals - Equipment	46,837	54,50	
Hire of Equipment	320	2,14	
Cleaning	17,822	18,8	
Site Security	9,695	16,3	
Depreciation (except Motor Vehicles)	97,950	102,0	
Doprosidador (oxespe meter vermines)	564,964	575,50	
SELLING OVERHEADS	 		
Salaries, Commissions & Staff Costs	789,696	897,0	11
Social Security Costs	74,767	75,39	90
Pension Scheme	55,316	77,1	76
Staff Medical Scheme	2,680	3,3	
Motor Expenses	19,268	24,20	
Travel and Subsistence	99,962	77,7	
Entertainment	16,839	16,7	
Advertising	76,931	68,8	
Exhibition Expenses	72,326	120,5	
Service and Warehouse Consumable	18,820	20,5	
Periodicals & Trade Publications	7,935	7,3	
Translations	1,104		46 43
Bad & Doubtful Debts	(12,838) 31,918	29,5 38,0	
Vehicle Leasing Research & Development	9,327		3 2
Depreciation (motor vehicles)	21,290	10,5	
(Profit)Loss On Sales of Fixed Assets	54,727	1,9	
(1 Tolit) 2003 Off Oales Of Fixed Added	1,340,068	1,470,2	
ADMINISTRATION OVERHEADS			<u> </u>
Directors' Remuneration	425,965	292,9	28
Directors' Social Security	43,933	30,0	72
Directors' Pension Scheme	58,086	16,8	60
Directors' Medical Scheme	7,183	3,8	
Printing, Postage and Stationery	31,933	33,7	
Audit and Accountancy	26,528	27,4	
Legal Professional Fees	9,671	52,1	
Management Charges	(269,661)	(288,1	-
General Expenses	384		26
Donations	5,774	4,4	
	339,796	174,2	1 02

TRADING AND PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 1996

FINANCIAL OVERHEADS	<u>1996</u>	<u>199</u> :	<u>5</u>
Hire Purchase Charges	7,595	2,180	
Net Discount Allowed	27,381	90,675	
Bank Charges	40,565	37,737	
Bank Interest	788	1,113	
Interest Payable	90,106	249,119	
	166,435	380,824	
	2,411,26	3	2,600,944
NET PROFIT FOR THE YEAR	2,599,43	8	1,896,961