REGISTERED NUMBER: 2265000

ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1997 FOR

SPECIALIST TECHNOLOGIES LIMITED



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<u>COMPANY INFORMATION</u> FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1997

DIRECTORS:

C Davis

T De Bouillane

SECRETARY:

C Davis

REGISTERED OFFICE:

34 Trinity Crescent

London SW17 7AE

REGISTERED NUMBER: 2265000

AUDITORS:

Lawes & Co.

Registered Auditor Boyce's Building Regent Street

Clifton Bristol BS8 4HU

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS TO SPECIALIST TECHNOLOGIES LIMITED **UNDER SECTION 247B OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985**

We have examined the abbreviated financial statements on pages three to six, together with the full financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 December 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 246 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 Sections 246(5) and (6) 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 consider 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 did 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 Sections 246(5) and (6) of the Companies Act 1985, and the abbreviated financial statements on pages three to six are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions.

Lawes & Co.

Registered Auditor

Boyce's Building

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BS8 4HU

Dated: 24/8/58

ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET 31 DECEMBER 1997

		31.12	.97	31.12.	96
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS:		•			200 129
Tangible assets	2		448,428		399,128
Investments	3		4,041		
			452,469		399,128
CURRENT ASSETS:				545.060	
Stocks		530,422		545,263	
Debtors		881,922		893,903	
Cash at bank and in hand		346,688		155,201	
		1,759,032		1,594,367	
CREDITORS: Amounts falling					
due within one year		1,179,658		1,191,506	
NET CURRENT ASSETS:			579,374		402,861
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES:			1,031,843		801,989
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due after more than one year			86,277		68,069
			£945,566		£733,920
CAPITAL AND RESERVES:			100.000		100,000
Called up share capital	4		100,000		100,000
Profit and loss account			845,566		633,920
Shareholders' funds			£945,566		£733,920

ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET 31 DECEMBER 1997

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:

C Davis - DIRECTOR

T De Bouillane - DIRECTOR

Approved by the Board on ...10/2/98

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

ACCOUNTING POLICIES 1.

Accounting convention

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

Turnover

Turnover represents net invoiced sales of goods, excluding value added tax.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life or, if held under a finance lease, over the lease term, whichever is the shorter.

- not provided Freehold property - 25% on cost Fixtures, fittings & equipment - 25% on cost Computer equipment

Stocks

Stock and work in progress are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

Cost includes all direct expenditure and an appropriate proportion of fixed and variable overheads.

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.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Assets obtained under hire purchase contracts or finance leases are capitalised in the balance sheet. Those held under hire purchase contracts are depreciated over their estimated useful lives. Those held under finance leases are depreciated over their estimated useful lives or the lease term, whichever is the shorter.

The interest element of these obligations is charged to the profit and loss account over the relevant period. The capital element of the future payments is treated as a liability.

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

2.	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS			Total
				£
	COST:			
	At 1 January 1997			572,891
	Additions			139,349
	Disposals			(21,481)
	At 31 December 1997			690,759
	DEPRECIATION:			
	At 1 January 1997			173,762
	Charge for year			68,569
	At 31 December 1997			242,331
	NET BOOK VALUE:			
	At 31 December 1997			448,428
	At 31 December 1996			399,128
3.	FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS			
	COCT			£
	COST:			4.041
	Additions			4,041
	At 31 December 1997			4,041
	NET BOOK VALUE:			
	At 31 December 1997			4,041
4.	CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL			
	Authorised, allotted, issued and fully paid:			
	Number: Class:	Nominal value:	31.12.97 £	31.12.96 £
	400 000		400.000	400.000

£1

100,000

100,000

100,000

Ordinary