Report & Accounts

31 December 1998

AG5 MANUSYRUUM 0372

Registered No. 3487882

DIRECTORS

C Meijer

H C Wijnbergen

A F Grocock

D E Millar

SECRETARY

A F Grocock

REGISTERED OFFICE

Paycocke Road Basildon Essex SS14 3EQ

DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 December 1998.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The company was incorporated on 2 January 1998 under the name of Longshort Limited. The company name was changed to Bleckmann (Holding) U.K. Limited on 30 March 1998 and was dormant throughout the whole period.

DIRECTORS AND THEIR INTERESTS

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The directors during the period and appointed subsequently were as follows:

C Meijer

(appointed 25 February 1998)

H C Wijnbergen

(appointed 23 February 1999)

J A Murdoch

(appointed 25 February 1998, resigned 23 September 1998)

A F Grocock

(appointed 26 June 1998)

D E Millar

(appointed 23 February 1999)

W B R Saunders

(appointed 25 February 1998, resigned 25 February 1998)

I P Redford

(appointed 25 February 1998, resigned 25 February 1998)

None of the directors have any interest in the share capital of the company.

By order of the board

Secretary

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES IN RESPECT OF THE ACCOUNTS

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 then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts; and
- prepare the accounts 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 accounts 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.

BALANCE SHEET at 31 December 1998

	Notes	1998 £
CURRENT ASSETS Amount due from parent undertaking Investment in subsidiaries	2	2 1,192,504
NET CURRENT ASSETS		1,192,506
CREDITORS	3	(1,192,504)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		2
CAPITAL AND RESERVES Called up share capital		2

The company was dormant (within the meaning of section 250 of the Companies Act 1985) throughout the financial period ended 31 December 1998.

Director

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

at 31 December 1998

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

2. INVESTMENT IN SUBSIDIARIES

The company had the following investments:

	£
Fashionet U.K. Limited Bleckmann Distribution Limited Bleckmann Logistics Limited	$ \begin{array}{r} 1,192,500 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 1,192,504 \end{array} $

3. CREDITORS

	£
Amounts owed to parent undertakings Amounts owed to subsidiary undertakings	$ \begin{array}{r} 1,192,500 \\ \hline 1,192,504 \end{array} $

4. SHARE CAPITAL

	1998 No.	1998 £
Ordinary shares of £1 each	1,000,000	1,000,000
		
	Allotte	ed, called up
	ar	nd fully paid
	1998	1998
	£	£
Ordinary shares of £1 each	2	2

5. PARENT UNDERTAKING AND CONTROLLING PARTY

The company's immediate parent undertaking is Bleckmann Group BV, a company registered in the Netherlands and for which group accounts are prepared.

In the directors' opinion, the company's ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party is Union Bank of Switzerland, a company registered in Switzerland. Copies of the group accounts may be obtained from 45 Bahnhofstrasse, 8021 Zurich, Switzerland

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