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COMPANY INFORMATION

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Secretary

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NOTICE OF MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of this company will be held at Mitre House, 160 Aldersgate Street, London EC1A 4DD on 3rd November 1998 at 10:00 am for the following purposes:

- 1. To receive the directors' report and accounts for the year ended 31st March 1998.
- 2. To re-appoint Moore Stephens as the auditors of the company.
- 3. To authorise the directors to fix the remuneration of the auditors.

By order of the Board

Roger W Toye Secretary

30th July 1998

NOTE: Any person entitled to attend and vote at the above meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and vote (on a poll) in his place and such proxy need not be a member.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The directors have pleasure in submitting their report together with the audited consolidated financial statements of the company and its subsidiaries for the year ended 31st March 1998.

Principal activities

The principal activities of the company and its subsidiaries are investment in shares, property and land, and farming in Scotland.

Results and dividend

The Group profit for the year before taxation was £251,995 (1997: £132,468) after taking account of profits from investment and fixed asset disposals net of provisions of £235,590 (1997: £73,207). The profit after taxation and minority interest of £188,155 (1997: £67,960) is accounted for through the profit and loss account.

The directors do not propose a dividend.

Review of the business

The farming side of the business suffered a serious downturn in the year to 31st March 1998. Grain prices collapsed owing to a world wide oversupply, beef prices continued to suffer from the B.S.E. export ban and sheep prices fell sharply during the second half of the year. The farming loss was however offset by profitable results from the investment company, the dealing company and residential property business, resulting in a small after tax profit of £10,440 from ongoing activities.

Operating costs in the investment side of the business were again satisfactorily reduced.

During the course of the year an actuarial review of the group pension scheme was carried out. After topping up as far as possible all pensions currently being paid and after allocating the maximum permissible amounts to the pension funds of those remaining in the new scheme there was a taxable surplus due to the company of £296,193. The net figure is £177,715 and is shown as an exceptional item in the profit and loss account.

The directors anticipate an improvement in the farming position although not a return to profitability and intend so far as the investment business is concerned to continue to pursue a cautious policy particularly keeping in view the financial problems in the Far East.

Directors' responsibilities for financial statements

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 group and of the profit or loss of the group for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors have:

- selected suitable accounting policies and applied them consistently;
- * made judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- * followed applicable accounting standards; and
- * prepared the financial statements on the going concern basis.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (Continued)

Directors' responsibilities for financial statements (continued)

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and group 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 group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Directors

The directors who held office during the year together with their share holdings in the company, all non-beneficial, were as follows:

Ordinary shares of 10p each 31st March 1998 31st March 1997

C S R Stroyan	1,000	1,000
P H Lawson	1,000	1,000
E Y Whittingdale	-	-

None of the directors held any of the 4.55% preference shares.

Fixed assets

Movements in tangible fixed assets are disclosed in Note 10.

The group's Scottish estates are included at professional valuation of £5,952,000 as at 9th August 1993. The group's English freehold and long leasehold properties are included on the basis of the directors' estimate of the current market value at 31st March 1998.

Year 2000

The directors are continuing to review the risks associated with the Year 2000 problem, both with regard to internal use of computer systems and embedded chips and in connection with relationships with third parties. They are satisfied that these steps will be completed in sufficient time to eliminate any potential problems. The total costs of ensuring Year 2000 compliance have not been quantified, but are not expected to be significant.

Auditors

A resolution for the re-appointment of Moore Stephens as auditors will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting.

The report of the directors was approved by the Board on 30th July 1998 and signed on its behalf by:

Roger William Toye

Secretary

AUDITORS REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF IOWA LAND COMPANY LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 6 to 26 which have been prepared on the basis of the accounting policies set out on pages 11 and 12.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on pages 3 and 4 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements 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 financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, 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 financial statements 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 financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and the Group as at 31st March 1998 and of the profit, total recognised gains and cash flows of the group for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Moore Stephens

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditor

London 30th July 1998

CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT for the year ended 31st March 1998

	Note	1998 £	1997 £
Income: continuing operations		~	
Turnover: Farming activities Rental income Investment dealing activities Investment income Investment interest receivable		1,309,599 110,374 6,504 175,214 53,950	1,582,333 76,464 16,027 207,247 47,713
Total income		1,655,641	1,929,784
Operating costs	2	(1,776,245)	(1,766,685)
Operating (loss)/profit: continuing operations		(120,604)	163,099
Profit on disposal of tangible fixed assets Profit on disposal of fixed asset investments	7	23,824 211,766	42,049 31,158
		235,590	73,207
Profit before interest		114,986	236,306
Interest payable Exchange gains/(losses) Exceptional profit	4 6	(45,724) 5,018 177,715	(81,920) (21,918)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		251,995	132,468
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	8	(62,045)	(61,598)
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation		189,950	70,870
Minority Interest		(1,795)	(2,910)
Profit for the financial year	24	188,155	67,960

Movements in reserves are shown in notes 23 and 24 on page 25.

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES for the year ended 31st March 1998

	1998 £	1997 £
Profit for the financial year Unrealised surplus on property revaluation	188,155 39,289	67,960 44,931
Deferred taxation on revaluation Less: Share of minority interest	(29,300) (2,497)	(11,233)
Total recognised gains	195,647	101,658
RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT IN SHAREHOLDERS' for the year ended 31st March 1998	1998	1997
	£	£
Total recognised gains Opening shareholders' funds	195,647 12,445,355	101,658 12,343,694
Closing shareholders' funds	12,641,002	12,445,352
NOTE ON HISTORICAL COST PROFITS AND LOSSES for the year ended 31st March 1998		
	1998 £	1997 £
Reported profit on ordinary activities before taxation Realisation of property revaluation gains of previous years	251,995 18,879	132,468
Historical cost profit on ordinary activities before taxation	270,874	132,468
Historical cost profit for the year retained after taxation	207,034	67,960

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET at 31st March 1998			
	Note	1998	1997
Fixed assets		£	£
Tangible fixed assets	10	7,271,982	7,271,339
Investments	11	3,857,074	4,436,240
		11,129,056	11,707,579
Current assets			
Stocks	12	572,380	594,572
Debtors	13	722,272	583,954
Investments	14	116,542	155,330
Cash at bank and in hand		1,029,412	602,126
		2,440,606	1,935,982
Cuaditana Amounta falling due within and your	1.5	(800.051)	(1.079.200)
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	15	(809,051)	(1,078,290)
Net current assets		1,631,555	857,692
Total assets less current liabilities		12,760,611	12,565,271
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year Provision for liabilities and charges	16 18	(53,910) (29,300)	(87,809)
Net assets		12,677,401	12,477,462
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	22	104,842	104,842
Share premium account		163,163	163,163
Capital redemption reserve	23	310,843	310,843
Revaluation reserve	23	3,399,048	3,410,435
Other reserves	23	5,068,565	5,068,565
Profit and loss account	24	3,594,538	3,387,504
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Shareholders' funds (including non-equity)	25	12,640,999	12,445,352
Minority interests' (equity)		36,402	32,110
Approved by the Board of Directors on 30 th July 1998		12,677,401	12,477,462
and signed on its behalf by: (C. C. R.	Shinga	<u></u>	
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BALANCE SHEET at 31st March 1998

	Note	1998 £	1997 £
Fixed assets		••	
Investments	0	1 522 072	1 522 072
Investments in subsidiary undertakings	9	1,532,973	1,532,973
		1,532,974	1,532,974
Current assets			
Debtors due within one year	13	3,030,199	3,079,685
Debtors due after one year	13	1,605,494	1,605,494
Cash at bank and in hand		63,510	12,302
		4,699,203	4,697,481
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	15	(613,170)	(613,170)
Net current assets		4,086,033	4,084,311
Total assets less current liabilities		5,619,007	5,617,285
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	22	104,842	104,842
Share premium account		163,163	163,163
Capital redemption reserve	23	310,843	310,843
Capital reserve	23	4,949,336	4,949,336
Profit and loss account	24	90,823	89,101
Shareholders' funds (including non-equity)	25	5,619,007	5,617,285

Approved by the Board of Directors on 30th July 1998 and signed on its behalf by:

C. S. R. Shiyur Colin Strathearn Ropner Stroyan

Director

CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT for the year ended 31st March 1998

	Notes	1	998	-	1997
		£	£	£	£
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	20		81,408		(56,120)
Other returns on investments and servicing of finance	21 A		(40,706)		(103,838)
Taxation	21 B		(36,777)		(54,191)
Capital expenditure and financial investment	21 C		722,158		(802,330)
Acquisition and disposals	21 D		-		(200)
Cash inflow/(outflow) before management of liquid resources and financing			726,083		(1,016,679)
Management of liquid resources and financing:					
Management of liquid resources Financing	21 E 21 F	45,292 (24,649)	20,643	19,922 70,319	90,241
Increase/(decrease) in cash			746,726		(926,438)

RECONCILIATION OF NET CASH FLOW TO MOVEMENT IN NET FUNDS for the year ended $31^{\rm st}$ March 1998

	Cash £	Overdrafts £	1998 Total £	1997 £
Cash flow in year	427,286	319,440	746,726	(926,438)
Balance at 1st April	602,126	(784,031)	(181,905)	744,533
Balance at 31st March	1,029,412	(464,591)	564,821	(181,905)

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards under the historical cost basis of accounting as modified by the revaluation of land and buildings.

Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements incorporate those of Iowa Land Company Limited and its subsidiary companies.

As permitted by section 230 of the Companies Act 1985, the profit and loss account of the parent company has not been separately presented in the financial statements.

Fixed assets and depreciation

No division is made of the cost or valuation of freehold land and buildings into the proportion relating to land and the proportion relating to buildings. In the opinion of the directors it would not be meaningful to do so given the nature of the buildings which are, for the most part, farm buildings. No depreciation is provided for farm buildings, but all costs of maintaining the buildings to a high standard are written off as incurred. Depreciation is provided to write off other fixed assets over their expected useful lives at the following rates:

Short leaseholds
Implements, plant and machinery
Office equipment, furniture, fixtures and fittings
Motor vehicles
Over the period of lease
10% - 15% pa
4% - 33% pa
25% pa

Investment properties

Investment properties are revalued annually at open market value and any temporary surplus or deficit is transferred to investment property revaluation reserve. Permanent deficits on individual properties are charged in the profit and loss account which is also credited with subsequent reversals.

As these properties are held for investment purposes not consumption, depreciation is not considered to be relevant. In accordance with SSAP 19 no depreciation or amortisation is provided in respect of freehold and long leasehold investment properties. Depreciation or amortisation is only one of many factors reflected in the annual valuation and the amount, which might otherwise be shown, cannot be separately identified or quantified.

Leased assets

Assets held under finance leases are included in the balance sheet and depreciated in accordance with the group's normal accounting policies. The present value of future rentals is shown as a liability. The interest element of rental obligations is charged to the profit and loss account over the period of the lease in proportion to the balance of capital repayments outstanding.

Farming stocks

Farming stocks have been valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Investments

Investments held as fixed assets are included at cost. Provision is made where in the opinion of the directors any diminution in value is permanent.

Investments held as trading stock are shown as current assets and are included at the lower of cost or market value.

Income from investments

Income from investment in equities is included when received. Interest income from fixed interest and index linked stock is accrued to the end of the financial year.

Investment interest receivable

Interest on cash deposits is accrued to the end of the financial year.

Taxation

The charge for taxation is based on the profit for the year and takes into account taxation deferred or accelerated because of timing differences between the treatment of certain items for accounting and taxation purposes.

Provision for deferred taxation is made under the liability method only to the extent that it is material and probable that the liability will become payable in the foreseeable future.

Foreign exchange

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction. Assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currency are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the year end.

Turnover

Turnover represents invoiced sales of farming produce, exclusive of VAT.

Government Grants

Grants of a revenue nature are credited to the profit and loss account in the year in which they accrue.

Grants of a capital nature received for land and buildings (which are not depreciated) have been deducted from the original cost of the relevant asset. This is not in accordance with schedule 4 to the Companies Act 1985, which requires fixed assets to be shown at their purchase price or production cost and hence grants and contributions would be presented as deferred income. This departure from the requirements of the Act is, in the opinion of the directors, necessary since complying with the Act would not give a true and fair view as no provision is made for depreciation and any grants and contributions relating to such assets would not be taken to the profit and loss account.

Pensions

The group operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are invested and managed independently of the finances of the group. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable in the year.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 31st March 1998

2. SEGMENTAL INFORMATION

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		1998 ₤	1997 £
	Other direct expenses and farming activities		
	Cost of livestock	361,577	341,237
	Other direct costs Administration costs - all companies	397,728 1,016,940	455,390 970,058
		1,776,245	1,766,685
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3.	PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXA	ATION	
		1998 £	1997 £
	Profit on ordinary activities is arrived at after charging:	17.162	1.7.400
	Auditors remuneration Depreciation	17,163 131,244	15,492 134,279
	and after crediting: Subsidies and grants	277,913	356,558
	Bank interest receivable	53,950	47,713
		- 122	
4.	INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES	1000	1007
		1998 £	1997 £
	Bank loans and overdrafts	38,669	75,055
	Other loans	7,055	6,865
		45,724	81,920

5. EMPLOYEES AND STAFF COSTS

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403,690	380,192
No.	No.
(including	20
<u> </u>	
1998	1997
£	£
33,250	30,875
1998 £	1997 £
296 193	_
(118,478)	-
177,715	
NOTE IN COURT ADDRESS	
	1998
£	£
390,542	155,181
(178,776)	(124,023)
211,766	31,158
	1998 £ 33,250 1998 £ 296,193 (118,478) 177,715 177,715 390,542 (178,776)

8. TAXATION

	1998 £	1997 £
Taxation charge based on the profit for the year:		
Corporation tax at 31% (1997: 33%)	53,719	39,800
Tax suffered on investment income	21,230	22,596
	74,949	62,396
Prior year adjustments: Corporation tax	(12,904)	(798)
	62,045	61,598

9. INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES

Principal trading subsidiaries	Parent and group interest in ordinary shares and voting rights	Country of incorporation and registration	Principal activity
Teniwood Securities Ltd	100%	England and Wales	Investment holding
London Commercial and Mercantile Company Lir		England and Wales	Investment dealing
Cotswold & General Far Limited	ms 1 00 %	England and Wales	Investment holding
Scottish Trust Managers Limited	75%	England and Wales	Property investment
Culfargie Estates Limited	d 100%	Scotland	Farming and property investment
Fingask and Kinnaird Properties Limited	100%	Scotland	Farming
Strathtay and Perthshire Properties Limited	100%	Scotland	Farming
Tay and Torridon Estate Limited	s 100%	Scotland	Farming

10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Freehold land and	Long	Short	Plant equipment and motor	
	leaseholds	leaseholds	vehicles	Total
£	£	£	£	£
6,496,130	120,000	11,079	1,350,951	7,978,160
59,322	-	-		251,208
(99,200)	-	-	(144,148)	(243,348)
29,289	10,000	<u>-</u>		39,289
6,485,541	130,000	11,079	1,398,689	8,025,309
-	-	11,079	695,742	706,821
-	-	-	131,244	131,244
			(84,738)	(84,738)
		11,079	742,248	753,327
6,485,541	130,000		656,441	7,271,982
6,496,130	120,000	-	655,209	7,271,339
	land and buildings £ 6,496,130 59,322 (99,200) 29,289 6,485,541	land and buildings leaseholds £ 6,496,130	land and buildings £ Long leaseholds £ Short leaseholds £ 6,496,130 120,000 11,079 59,322 -	Freehold land and buildings leaseholds £ £ £

Freehold land and buildings includes investment properties revalued by the directors at the balance sheet date at the open market value of £372,300 (1997: £441,250).

The group's Scottish estates were revalued on 9th August 1993 at £5,952,000 on the basis of their open market value, by a firm of Chartered Surveyors. This valuation is incorporated in the financial statements. The valuation has been reviewed by the directors and in their opinion is no less than the current market value.

The historical cost of freehold property is £3,242,984 (1997: £3,084,462).

Long leaseholds were revalued by the directors at the balance sheet date at the open market value of £130,000 (1997: £120,000).

There were no capital commitments at 31st March 1998 or 1997.

11. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Listed in United Kingdom	Listed abroad	Unlisted	Total
Group	£	£	£	£
Cost		1 005 100	046 010	4 72 5 2 4 1
At 1st April 1997	1,993,684	1,895,438	846,219	4,735,341
Additions	353,481	602,037	100	955,618
Disposals	(937,458)	(370,184)	(48,366)	(1,356,008)
At 31st March 1998	1,409,707	2,127,291	797,953	4,334,951
Provisions				
At 1 st April 1997	79,795	105,458	113,848	299,101
Movement in the year	49,693	120,399	8,684	178,776
At 31st March 1998	129,488	225,857	122,532	477,877
Net book value				
At 31st March 1998	1,280,219	1,901,434	675,421	3,857,074
At 31st March 1997	1,913,889	1,789,980	732,371	4,436,240
Market value				
At 31st March 1998	2,796,580	2,489,327	71 7,8 49	6,003,756
At 31st March 1997	3,101,703	2,181,117	768,920	6,051,740
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The market value of listed investments is based on mid-market published prices.

The market value of unlisted investments has been estimated by the directors on the basis of the most recent financial information.

11. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Companies in which the group holds over 20% of the issued equity capital are as follows:

	Country of registration	Description of shares/stock	Percentage held
Murray Campbell & Co Ltd	England	Ordinary	50%
, ,	Ü	Deferred	50%
Pelican Estates Inc	USA	Common	40%
Quail Estates Inc	USA	Common	29%

The directors are of the opinion that as they do not exert significant influence over the day-to-day management of these companies it is not appropriate to consolidate their results.

12. STOCKS

Group Stocks, all of which related to farming, comprised the	1998 £	1997 £
following:		
Cattle and sheep	393,373	399,118
Crops	119,370	120,209
Sundry	59,637	75,245
	572,380	594,572

13. DEBTORS

DEDIORS	Gro	oup	Company	
	1998	1997	1998	1997
	£	£	£	£
Due within one year				
Trade debtors	626,628	380,931	-	_
Other debtors	39,677	140,592	-	-
Corporation tax and income tax recoverable Amounts due from subsidiary	-	7,120	-	-
undertakings	_	-	3,030,199	3,079,677
Prepayments and accrued income	55,967	55,311		8
	722,272	583,954	3,030,199	3,079,685
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 31st March 1998

13. DEBTORS (Continued)

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DEBIORS (Continued)	Grou	ıp	Com	pany
	1998	1997	1998	1997
	£	£	£	£
Due after one year				
Amounts owed by subsidiary				
undertaking	-	-	1,605,494	1,605,494
-				
	-	-	1,605,494	1,605,494
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CURRENT ASSET INVESTM	(ENTS			
CORRENT ASSET INVESTIG	LIVES		1998	1997
Group			£	£
Listed, at lower of cost and mark	ket value		116,542	155,330
				
Market value, based on mid-mar	ket published pr	ices	121,831	155,330

15. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Gr	oup	Com	pany
	1998	1997	1998	1997
	£	£	£	£
Bank loan and overdrafts Obligations under finance	464,591	784,031	-	-
leases	89,939	80,689	-	-
Tax and social security	5,507	5,874	-	-
Trade creditors	91,209	66,382	-	-
Other creditors	45,686	45,686	2,713	2,713
Amounts due to subsidiary undertakings	-	-	-	610,457
Accruals and deferred income	72,338	73,995	-	-
Corporation Tax	39,781	21,633		
	809,051	1,078,290	2,713	613,170

16. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

Group	1998 £	1997 £
Obligations under finance leases	53,910	87,809

17. DEBT ANALYSIS

DEDI ANALIGIS	Group		Com	pany
	1998	1997	1998	1997
	£	£	£	£
Repayable within 1 year	554,530	864,720	•	-
Repayable in 1 - 2 years	-	-	-	-
Repayable in 2 - 5 years	53,910	87,809	-	-
	608,440	952,529	-	-
				

18. PROVISION FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES

	1998 £	1997 £
Group		
Deferred taxation		
The provision for deferred taxation which comprises the		
full potential liability is:		
Accelerated capital allowances	91,784	73,733
Less: unrelieved trading losses	(91,784)	(73,733)
Revaluation of tangible fixed assets	29,300	-
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	29,300	-

19. CASH FLOW INFORMATION

In accordance with the revised FRS 1 the following definitions have been applied:

- (i) Cash: cash in hand, overnight deposits and overnight borrowings.
- (ii) Liquid resources: all monetary assets (excluding cash at (i) above) which are convertible into cash at, or close to, the carrying value in the balance sheet.
- (iii) Debt financing: all borrowings other than overnight.

20. RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING PROFIT TO NET CASH INFLOW/(OUTFLOW) FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	1998	1997
	£	£
Operating (loss)/profit	(120,604)	163,099
Depreciation	131,244	134,279
Decrease in stocks	22,192	75,589
(Increase) in debtors	(145,438)	(329,456)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	22,803	(83,604)
(Profit) on disposal of current asset investments	(6,504)	(16,027)
Refund of pension scheme surplus	177,715	-
	81,408	(56,120)

21. ANALYSIS OF CASH FLOWS GIVEN IN THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT

Α.	Other returns on investments and servicing of finance	1998 £	1997
	Exchange gains/(losses) Bank interest paid Interest element of finance lease payments	5,018 (38,669) (7,055)	(21,918) (75,055) (6,865)
	Net cash outflow from other returns on investments and servicing of finance	(40,706)	(103,838)
В.	Taxation	1998 £	1997 £
	Net UK corporation tax and overseas tax Tax suffered on UK investment income	15,547 21,230	31,595 22,596
	Net cash outflow for taxation	36,777	54,191
C.	Capital expenditure and financial investment	1998 £	1997 £
	Purchase of tangible fixed assets Sale of tangible fixed assets Purchase of fixed asset investments Sale of fixed asset investments	(251,208) 182,434 (955,618) 1,746,550	(632,501) 214,503 (1,177,787) 793,455
	Net cash inflow/(outflow) for capital expenditure and financial investment	722,158	(802,330)
D.	Acquisitions and disposals	1998 £	1997 £
	Decrease in investment in subsidiary by minority		(200)
	Net cash outflow from acquisitions and disposals	-	(200)

Net cash (outflow)/inflow

21. ANALYSIS OF CASH FLOWS GIVEN IN THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT (continued)

E.	Management of liquid resources	1000	1997
		1998 £	£
	Purchase of current asset investments Sale of current assest investments	(281,430) 326,722	(280,694) 300,616
	Net cash inflow	45,292	19,922
F.	Financing	1998 £	1997 £
	(Decrease)/increase in finance leases	(24,649)	70,319

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22. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

	1998 £	1997 £
Authorised		
450,000 4.55% Non-cumulative preference shares of £ 1 each	450,000	450,000
565,000 ordinary shares of 10p each	56,500	56,500
	506 500	506 500
	506,500	506,500
	1998	1997
	£	£
Allotted and fully paid: 49.484 4.55% Non-cumulative preference	£	£
Allotted and fully paid: 49,484 4.55% Non-cumulative preference shares of £1 each	£ 49,484	£ 49,484
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49,484 4.55% Non-cumulative preference shares of £1 each	49,484	49,484

The preference shareholders are entitled to a fixed preferential dividend at the rate of 4.55% per annum payable out of the profits which the directors determine to distribute.

On a winding up, the preference shares carry priority over other classes of share as to the repayment of capital, but not as to arrears of dividend as they are non-cumulative.

The preference shares are non-voting shares.

23. OTHER RESERVES

Group		Company	
1998	1997	1998	1997
£	£	£	£
5,068,565	7,563,245	4,949,336	4,949,336
	(2,494,680)		-
5,068,565	5,068,565	4,949,336	4,949,336
			
3,410,435	3,376,737	-	-
29,467	33,698	-	-
(18,879)	-	-	-
(21,975)	<u>-</u>		
3,399,048	3,410,435	-	-
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310,843	310,843	310,843	310,843
	1998 £ 5,068,565 5,068,565 3,410,435 29,467 (18,879) (21,975) 3,399,048	1998 £ £ 5,068,565 7,563,245 - (2,494,680) 5,068,565 5,068,565 3,410,435 3,376,737 29,467 33,698 (18,879) - (21,975) - 3,399,048 3,410,435	1998 1997 1998 £ £ £ 5,068,565 7,563,245 4,949,336 - (2,494,680) - 5,068,565 5,068,565 4,949,336 3,410,435 3,376,737 - 29,467 33,698 - (18,879) - - (21,975) - - 3,399,048 3,410,435 -

24. PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

Group		Con	Company	
1998	1997	1998	1997	
£	£	£	£	
3,387,504	824,864	89,101	89,230	
188,155	67,960	1,722	(129)	
-	2,494,680	-	-	
18,879	-	-	_	
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3,594,538	3,387,504	90,823	89,101	
	1998 £ 3,387,504 188,155 - 18,879	£ £ 3,387,504 824,864 188,155 67,960 - 2,494,680 18,879 -	1998 1997 1998 £ £ £ 3,387,504 824,864 89,101 188,155 67,960 1,722 - 2,494,680 - 18,879 - - - - - - - -	

25. SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

	Group		Company	
	1998	1997	1998 £	1997 £
	£	£	T.	T
Equity shareholders' interests Non-equity shareholders'	12,591,515	12,395,868	5,569.523	5,567,801
interests	49,484	49,484	49,484	49,484
	12,640,999	12,445,352	5,619.007	5,617,285
				

Non-equity interests of £49,484 (1997: £49,484) comprise 49,484 4.55% non-cumulative preference shares of £1 each.