WESTANLEY TRADING & INVESTMENT COMPANY LIMITED

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1995

Registered no. 90337



Report of the directors for the year ended 31 December 1995

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1995.

Principal activities

The Company has an investment in a subsidiary operating in the tobacco industry.

Review of business and future developments

Both the level of business and the year end financial position were satisfactory, and the directors expect it to be sustained in the foreseeable future.

Dividends

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend. The profit for the financial year of £219,649 will be transferred to reserves.

Directors

B D Bramley

(Chairman)

P N Adams

N Davis

K S Dunt

A C Johnston

R H Pilbeam

J Rembiszewski

D S Watterton

(Resigned 29 December 1995)

In accordance with the Articles of Association of the Company, Messrs P.N. Adams, K.S. Dunt and N. Davis will retire in rotation and offer themselves for re-election at the next Annual General Meeting.

Directors' interests in the shares of the Company

The interests of those persons, who were directors at 31 December 1995, in the share capital and share option schemes of B.A.T Industries p.l.c. and its subsidiaries are disclosed in the Directors' Report of British-American Tobacco Company Limited, of which this company is a wholly owned subsidiary. Details of the share option schemes are included in the Report and Accounts of B.A.T Industries p.l.c.

Report of the directors for the year ended 31 December 1995

Directors' responsibilities

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 of the profit or loss of the Company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select appropriate accounting policies and then apply them consistently, subject to any material departures being disclosed and explained;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless they consider that to be inappropriate.

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 financial statements 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.

By order of the board

Director

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Dated:

29 MAR 1996

Auditors' Report to the Shareholders of Westanley Trading & Investment Company Limited

We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 10 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 7.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 3 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 affairs of the Company as at 31 December 1995 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

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Price Waterhouse Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors Southwark Towers 32 London Bridge Street London SE1 9SY.

29 March 1996

Profit and loss account for the year ended 31 December 1995

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>1995</u> <u>£000</u>	1994 £000
Administration expenses	2	2	2
Operating charges	3	1,147	-
Operating income	4	-	131
Operating (loss)/profit - continuing operations		(1,149)	129
Income from shares in a group undertaking		1,272	43,322
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		123	43,451
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	5	(97)	3,569
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation		220	39,882
Dividend proposed		-	42,000
Retained profit/(loss) for the year		220	(2,118)
Statement of retained profits			
Retained profits at 1 January Retained profit/(loss) for the year		13,375 220	
Retained profits at 31 December		13,595	13,375

There are no recognised gains and losses other than the profit for the financial year.

The notes on pages 7 to 10 form part of these financial statements.

Balance Sheet - 31 December 1995

	<u>Notes</u>	1995 £000	1995 £000	1994 £000	1994 £000
Fixed assets					
Investments	6		1		1
Current assets					
Debtors	7	154,036		195,816	
Creditors: amounts falling	8	-		42,000	
due within one year					
Net current assets			154,036		153,816
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Total assets less current liabilities			154,037 ======		153,817
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Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	9		1		l
Other reserves	10		140,441		140,441
Profit and loss account			13,595		13,375
Teach drawn bellevet for t	1.1		154.005		1.50.015
Total shareholders' funds	11		154,037 ======		153,817
Equity interests			154,037		153,817
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Total shareholders' funds	11		154,037		153,817
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The financial statements on pages 5 to 10 were approved by the Directors on 29th March 1996 and are signed on their behalf by:

Director:

R.H. PILBEAM

The notes on pages 7 to 10 form part of these financial statements.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1995

1 Accounting policies

A summary of the principal accounting policies, all of which have been applied consistently throughout the current year and the preceding year, is set out below. A cash flow statement is not submitted, as the Company, being a wholly owned subsidiary undertaking of a parent undertaking established under UK law, includes cash flow information in the financial statements of the parent undertaking.

1.1 Basis of accounting

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the Accounting Standards applicable in the United Kingdom and under the historical cost convention.

1.2 Group financial statements

Group financial statements are not submitted as the Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of a company incorporated in Great Britain.

1.3 Translation of assets and liabilities

Assets and liabilities are translated at rates of exchange ruling at the end of the financial year. Transactions expressed in currencies other than sterling are translated into sterling at actual rates. Exchange differences on remittances are reflected in trading profit.

1.4 Investments valuation

Investments are shown at cost less provisions consistent with the concept of prudence.

1.5 Accounting for income

Income is accounted for on a receivable basis. Where delays are anticipated in the receipt of monies from overseas companies, provision is made in accordance with the concept of prudence.

1.6 Taxation

No account is taken of taxation which may be payable on the realisation of investments, or in the event of the distribution of profits retained by the subsidiary undertaking.

1.7 Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided for on timing differences using the liability method to the extent that it is probable that the liability will crystallise. Timing differences arise on items of income and expenditure which are recognised for tax purposes in different periods from those in which they are recognised in the profit and loss account.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1995

2 Administration expenses

None of the directors received any remuneration in respect of their services to the Company during the year (1994 - Nil).

There were no employees, and no staff costs during the year (1994 - Nil).

Audit fees are paid by the parent undertaking.

3 Operating charges

Charges include losses on exchange amounting to £1,146,811 (1994 - Nil).

4 Operating income

Operating income represents gains on exchange, and no gains were made during the year (1994 - gain £131,276).

	xation	<u>1995</u> <u>£000</u>	<u>1994</u> £000
	ed Kingdom corporation tax at 0% (1994: 33.00%)	(1,391)	8,814
Less	Double taxation relief	(1,391)	8,814
Over	seas taxation	(97)	3,569
		(97) =====	3,569
	vestments	% Nominal	
lnv	estments in subsidiaries	Value Held Directly Ordinary Shar	es of A \$1 each
6.1	Vestments in subsidiaries Unlisted - Australia	Directly	es of A \$1 each
		Directly	es of A \$1 each
	Unlisted - Australia B.A.T Australia Pty. Limited,- Company through which interests in Australia are held.	Directly Ordinary Shar	es of A \$1 each 1994 £000

6.3 The directors are of the opinion that the investments have an aggregate value of not less than the amount at which they are stated in the balance sheet.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1995

7 Debtors		1995 £000	1994 £000
Amounts owed	g due within one year by parent undertaking able from subsidiary undertaking	154,036 154,036	169,422 26,394 195,816
8 Creditors: a	mounts falling due within one year	1995 £000	1994 £000
Dividend propo	sed	- =====	42,000
9 Share capital		Ordinary Shares of £1 each	
		<u>1995</u>	<u>1994</u>
Authorised -	value	£1,000 =====	£1,000 =====
	number	1,000	1,000
Allotted, called	up and fully paid value	£1,000 =====	£1,000 =====
	number	1,000 =====	1,000
10 Other reser	ves	1995 £000	1994 £000
Capital reserves	;	140,441	140,441
Profit arising on	a capital redution by BAT Australia (1990).		
11 Reconciliation	on of movements in shareholders' funds	1995 £000	1994 £000
Opening shareho Profit attributab Dividend propos	ele to shareholders for the year	153,817 220 -	155,935 39,882 (42,000)
Closing shareho	lders' funds	154,037	153,817

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1995

12 Parent undertaking

The Company's parent undertaking is British-American Tobacco Company Limited and its ultimate parent undertaking is B.A.T Industries p.l.c., both being incorporated in the United Kingdom and registered in England and Wales. These are respectively the smallest and largest groups for which group accounts are prepared and of which this Company is a member.

13 Copies of the report and accounts

Copies of the report and accounts of B.A.T Industries p.l.c. may be obtained from:

The Company Secretary Windsor House 50, Victoria Street London SW1H 0NL

Copies of the report and accounts of British-American Tobacco Company Limited may be obtained from:

The Company Secretary Millbank Knowle Green Staines TW18 1DY