

BRITISH AFRICAN TEA ESTATES LIMITED

Registered number 455846

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
for the year ended 31 December 1994



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REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1994

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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1994.

ACTIVITIES

On 4 January 1994 the Malawian branch assets of the company were transferred to Eastern Produce Malawi Limited, a wholly owned Malawi incorporated subsidiary of Linton Park Plc. The company did not trade during the year ended 31 December 1994.

RESULTS

£

Profit for the year after taxation

NIL

The directors have proposed a final dividend of £127,591.

DIRECTORS DURING THE PERIOD

H. K. FitzGerald	(resigned 4.1.94)
M. C. Perkins	(appointed 4.1.94)
G. S. G. Brown	(appointed 4.1.94)
P. A. Leggatt	

Mr. P. A. Leggatt retires by rotation and being eligible offers himself for re-election.
Mr. M. C. Perkins and Mr. G. S. G. Brown, having been appointed since the last Annual General Meeting, retire and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS

Mr. M. C. Perkins, Mr. G. S. G. Brown and Mr. P. A. Leggatt are directors of Linton Park Plc and their interests in the shares of group undertakings are disclosed in the accounts of that company.

TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Changes during the year are shown in note 7 to the financial statements.

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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS *(cont'd)*

DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The directors are required by the Companies Act 1985 to prepare accounts for each financial year that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of its financial year and of the profit or loss for that period. The directors are also required to maintain adequate accounting records.

Suitable accounting policies, consistently applied and supported by reasonable and prudent judgements and estimates, have been made in the preparation of the accounts. Applicable accounting standards have been followed and the accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis.

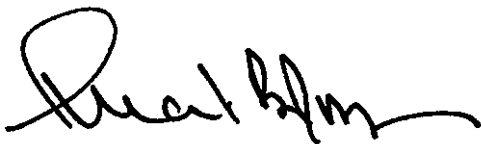
The directors are also responsible to the company for taking reasonable steps to safeguard its assets and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

AUDITORS

On 29 August 1995 Gane Jackson Scott resigned as auditors of the company. Coopers and Lybrand were appointed auditors by the directors to fill the casual vacancy on 29 August 1995.

A resolution to re-appoint Coopers and Lybrand will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD



G. S. G. BROWN
Secretary

27 October 1995

BRITISH AFRICAN TEA ESTATES LIMITED

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS

to the shareholders of British African Tea Estates Limited

We have audited the accounts on pages 5 to 13.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page three the 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.

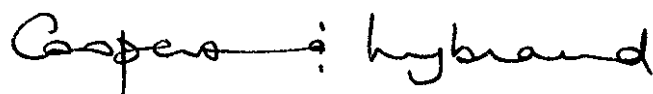
Basis of opinion

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 made 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.

Opinion

In our opinion the accounts give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at 31 December 1994 and of the result and total recognised gains for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.



COOPERS & LYBRAND
Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors
London

27 October 1995

BRITISH AFRICAN TEA ESTATES LIMITED

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1994

			Discontinued Operations
	Note	1994	1993
		£	(15 months) £
TURNOVER		-	1,604,416
Cost of Sales		<u>-</u>	<u>1,414,369</u>
GROSS PROFIT		-	190,047
Administrative expenses		<u>-</u>	<u>85,303</u>
		-	104,744
Other operating income		<u>-</u>	<u>71,492</u>
OPERATING PROFIT	1	-	176,236
Investment and other income	2	<u>-</u>	<u>53,089</u>
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE INTEREST PAYABLE		-	229,325
Interest payable	3	<u>-</u>	<u>(239,360)</u>
LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	1	-	(10,035)
Taxation on loss on ordinary activities	4	<u>-</u>	<u>16,449</u>
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation			6,414
Dividend proposed		<u>127,591</u>	<u>-</u>
(LOSS)/PROFIT TRANSFERRED (FROM)/TO RESERVES	14	£ <u>(127,591)</u>	£ <u>6,414</u>

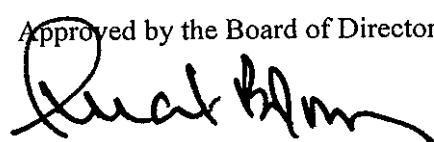
The notes on pages 9 to 13 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 1994

	Note	£	1994 £	1993 £
FIXED ASSETS				
Tangible	7		-	1,363,070
Investments	8		<u>-</u>	<u>15,140</u>
			<u>-</u>	<u>1,378,210</u>
CURRENT ASSETS				
Stocks	9		-	453,654
Debtors	10		777,591	1,370,045
Cash at bank and in hand			<u>-</u>	<u>31,551</u>
			777,591	1,855,250
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	11		<u>127,591</u>	<u>2,406,210</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)			650,000	(550,960)
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due after more than one year	11		-	39,364
DEFERRED TAXATION	12		<u>-</u>	<u>10,295</u>
NET ASSETS			£ <u>650,000</u>	£ <u>777,591</u>
CAPITAL AND RESERVES				
Called-up share capital	13		580,000	580,000
Share premium account	14		70,000	70,000
Revaluation reserve	14		-	828,856
Profit and loss account	14		<u>-</u>	<u>(701,265)</u>
			£ <u>650,000</u>	£ <u>777,591</u>

Approved by the Board of Directors on 27 October 1995 and signed on their behalf by:



G. S. G. BROWN
Director

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STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1994

	1994	1993 (15 months)
	£	£
Profit for the year	-	6,414
Exchange differences	<u>-</u>	<u>102,012</u>
Total recognised gains and losses relating to the year	<u>-</u>	£ <u>108,426</u>

RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1994

	1994	1993 (15 months)
	£	£
Opening shareholders funds	777,591	669,165
Profit for the year	-	6,414
Dividend proposed	(127,591)	-
Exchange differences	<u>-</u>	<u>102,012</u>
Closing shareholders funds	£ <u>650,000</u>	£ <u>777,591</u>

HISTORICAL COST PROFITS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1994

	1994	1993 (15 months)
	£	£
Reported loss before taxation	-	(10,035)
Realisation of property revaluation gains of previous years	<u>828,856</u>	<u>-</u>
Historical cost profit/(loss) before taxation	£ <u>828,856</u>	£ <u>(10,035)</u>
Historical cost profit after taxation	£ <u>828,856</u>	£ <u>6,414</u>

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STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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

CASH FLOW STATEMENT

The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Linton Park Plc and the cash flows of the company are included in the consolidated group cash flow statement of that company. Consequently the company is exempt from the requirement to publish a cash flow statement.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION

	1994	1993 (15 months)
	£	£
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after charging:		
Depreciation	<u>-</u>	£ <u>55,277</u>
Auditors' remuneration	<u>-</u>	£ <u>4,038</u>

The net assets of the company's Malawian branch were transferred at net book value to Eastern Produce Malawi Limited, a wholly owned Malawi incorporated subsidiary of Linton Park Plc, on 4 January 1994.

2. INVESTMENT AND OTHER INCOME

	1994	1993 (15 months)
	£	£
Income from unlisted investments	-	3,709
Interest receivable	<u>-</u>	<u>49,380</u>
	<u>-</u>	£ <u>53,089</u>

3. INTEREST PAYABLE

	1994	1993 (15 months)
	£	£
On bank overdraft	-	189,980
On loans repayable with 5 yearly instalments	<u>-</u>	<u>49,380</u>
	<u>-</u>	£ <u>239,360</u>

4. TAXATION ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES

	1994	1993 (15 months)
	£	£
The charge comprises:		
Malawi tax at 40% (1993 - 40%)	-	1,514
United Kingdom corporation tax at 33% (1993 - 33%)	-	1,514
Double taxation relief	-	(1,514)
Deferred taxation	<u>-</u>	<u>10,295</u>
	-	11,809
Prior years' adjustment	<u>-</u>	<u>(28,258)</u>
	<u>-</u>	£ <u>(16,449)</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (cont'd)

5. EMPLOYEES

	1994	1993 (15 months)
(a) Average number of employees by business:		
Plantations	<u>-</u>	<u>1,474</u>
(b) Employee costs:	£	£
Wages and salaries	-	636,698
Pension costs	<u>-</u>	<u>14,953</u>
	<u>-</u>	£ <u>651,651</u>
(c) Pension Costs		
Defined benefit scheme	-	14,953
Defined contribution schemes	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>-</u>	£ <u>14,953</u>

6. DIRECTORS

	1994	1993 (15 months)
Fees	<u>-</u>	<u>848</u>
Emoluments of the Chairman who was also the highest paid director	<u>-</u>	<u>375</u>
Directors emoluments were within the following ranges:		
Nil - £5000	four	three

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (cont'd)

7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	<u>Freehold Land and Buildings</u> £	<u>Plant and Machinery</u> £	<u>Furniture Fittings and Equipment</u> £	<u>Total</u> £
COST OR VALUATION				
At 1 January 1994	1,206,870	455,960	104,281	1,767,111
Disposals	(1,206,870)	(455,960)	(104,281)	(1,767,111)
At 31 December 1994	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 January 1994	95,396	262,090	46,555	404,041
Disposals	(95,396)	(262,090)	(46,555)	(404,041)
At 31 December 1994	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
NET BOOK VALUE				
31 December 1994	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -

8. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	<u>Unlisted Investments</u> £
COST	
At 1 January 1994	15,140
Disposals	(15,140)
At 31 December 1994	<u><u>-</u></u>

9. STOCKS

	1994 £	1993 £
Work in progress	-	58,973
Produce on hand	-	246,804
Estate stores	-	147,877
	<u><u>-</u></u>	£ <u><u>453,654</u></u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (cont'd)

10. DEBTORS

	1994	1993
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade debtors	-	54,673
Amounts owed by group undertakings	777,591	1,228,685
Prepayments and accrued income	-	19,872
Other debtors	-	16,060
Taxation recoverable	-	50,755
	<u>£ 777,591</u>	<u>£ 1,370,045</u>

11. CREDITORS

	1994	1993
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Bank loans and overdraft	-	889,788
Trade creditors	-	172,756
Amounts owed to group undertakings	-	1,146,475
Other taxation and social security	-	17,987
Other creditors	-	179,204
Proposed dividend	127,591	-
	<u>£ 127,591</u>	<u>£ 2,406,210</u>

Amounts falling due after more than one year

Term loan	£ -	£ 39,364
Repayable between 2 and 5 years	£ -	£ 39,364

12. DEFERRED TAXATION

The amount provided in respect of deferred taxation comprises:

	£
At 1 January 1994	10,295
Transferred	(10,295)
At 31 December 1994	<u>£ -</u>

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13. SHARE CAPITAL

	1994 £	1993 £
Authorised:		
750,000 ordinary shares at £1 each	£ <u>750,000</u>	£ <u>750,000</u>
Allotted, called up and fully paid:		
580,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	£ <u>580,000</u>	£ <u>580,000</u>

14. RESERVES

	Share Premium <u>Account</u> £	Revaluation <u>Reserve</u> £	Profit and <u>Loss Account</u> £
At 1 January 1994	70,000	828,856	(701,265)
Loss for year			(127,591)
Realised profit transferred		(828,856)	<u>828,856</u>
At 31 December 1994	£ <u>70,000</u>	£ <u>-</u>	£ <u>-</u>

15. PARENT COMPANY

The parent company is Linton Park Plc which is registered in England and the ultimate parent company is Camellia Plc which is registered in England. Accounts are filed with the Registrar of Companies, Companies House, Crown Way, Cardiff CF4 3UZ.