BRITANNIA HOTELS LIMITED REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2000

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YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2000

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The following pages do not form part of the statutory financial statements

Holding company trading and profit and loss account

Appendix 1

DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors present their annual report together with the audited financial statements of the company and the group, for the year ended 31 March 2000.

Principal activity and business review

The group's principal activity continued to be hoteliers and developing and selling residential properties.

The directors are satisfied with the results for the year, and view future trading prospects with optimism.

Results and dividends

The results for the year ended 31 March 2000 are shown in the profit and loss account on page 6.

The group profit for the year, after taxation amounted to £1,115,000 (1999 - profit £2,839,000).

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend for the year.

The profit has been added to retained reserves.

Economic monetary union

The group has no business or assets denominated in European currencies, and so the introduction of the single currency and its potential adoption within the UK will not affect the reporting of results. Costs will be incurred, however, in the modification of certain computer systems to handle dual currencies and in associated staff training. These modifications will take place within the timescale for UK entry. These costs cannot be quantified at this stage, but are not expected to be sufficiently material to be reported as exceptional.

DIRECTORS' REPORT

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Directors and interests

The directors who held office during the year and their beneficial interests in the share capital of the company, were as follows:

Ordinary shares of £1 each 31 March 2000 1 April 1999

Mr R Ferrari Mr D E Smith

Mr R Ferrari retires by rotation at the annual general meeting and, being eligible, offers himself for re-election.

Employees

Briefing and consultative procedures exist throughout the group to inform employees on matters of concern to them and to provide opportunities for comment and discussion. The group encourages the involvement of employees in the group's performance and to this end operates a profit related pay scheme.

The group makes every effort to provide the same opportunities to disabled persons as to others and does not discriminate between employees on the grounds of race, ethnic origin or sex. Equal opportunity is given to all job applicants.

Statement of 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 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 financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements 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 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.

DIRECTORS' REPORT

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Auditors

In accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985, a resolution to re-appoint Hacker Young as auditors will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting.

By order of the board

R Ferrari

Director

26 September 2000

AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF

BRITANNIA HOTELS LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 6 to 28 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention (as modified by the revaluation of certain fixed assets) and the accounting policies set out on pages 10 and 11.

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 state of affairs of the company and of the group as at 31 March 2000 and of the group's profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Hacker Young

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Chartered Accountants
Registered Auditor

26 September 2000

CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2000

	Note	£'000	2000 £'000	£'000	1999 £'000
Turnover	2		29,491		35,814
Cost of sales			15,978		18,349
Gross profit			13,513		17,465
Administrative expenses Other operating income			11,508 (221)		13,530 (203)
Operating profit	3		2,226		4,138
Interest receivable	5	(369)		(198)	
Interest payable	6	1,375	1,006	1,497	1,299
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	2		1,220		2,839
Taxation	7		105		
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation and retained profit for the financial year (of which loss - £1,106,000 (1999 profit - £2,2 with in the financial statements of the holding company)	24,000) is dea	alt	1,115		2,839
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The group's operations in the year continued unchanged, no operations were disposed of or acquired.

The group has no recognised gains or losses other than those passing through the profit and loss account,

GROUP BALANCE SHEET AT 31 MARCH 2000

	Note		2000		1999
		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Fixed assets					
Intangible assets	8		71		73
Tangible assets	9		90,239		90,168
Investments (rounded down)	10		-		-
			90,310		90,241
Current assets			,-		,
Stocks	11	3,329		3,353	
Debtors	12	5,919		3,810	
Cash at bank and in hand		9,887		28,340	
		19,135		35,503	
Creditors - amounts		,			
falling due within one year	13	24,898		41,279	
Net current liabilities			(5,763)		(5,776)
Total assets less current liabilities			84,547		84,465
Creditors - amounts falling due					
after more than one year	14		7,692		8,725
			76,855		75,740
			=====		
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital (rounded up)	16		6		6
Revaluation reserve	17		49,683		49,683
Profit and loss account	17		27,166		26,051
Equity shareholders' funds	18		76,855		75,740

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 26 September 2000.

R Ferrari Director

HOLDING COMPANY BALANCE SHEET AT 31 MARCH 2000

	Note	£'000	2000 £'000	£'000	1 999 £'000
Fixed assets		2000	2.000	2000	2000
Intangible assets Tangible assets	8 9		33 63,380		33 63,309
Investments in subsidiary undertakings (rounded down)	10		-		-
Current assets			63,413		63,342
Stocks Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	11 12	3,196 11,343 9,864		3,225 7,765 25,644	
Creditors - amounts falling		24,403		36,634	
due within one year	13	30,971		40,999	
Net current liabilities			(6,568)		(4,365)
Total assets less current liabilities			56,845		58,977
Creditors - amounts falling due after more than one year	14		7,692		8,718
			49,153		50,259
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital (rounded up)	16		6		6
Revaluation reserve Profit and loss account	17 17		31,014 18,133		31,014 19,239
Equity shareholders' funds	18		49,153		50,259

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 26 September 2000.

R Ferrari Director

GROUP CASH FLOW STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2000

	Note	2000	1999
		£'000	£'000
Net cash inflow from operating activities	22	1,568	2,098
Returns on investments and servicing of finance	23	(1,124)	(1,075)
Taxation	23	(105)	-
Capital expenditure	23	(118)	(15)
Cash inflow before financing		221	1,008
Financing	24	(1,072)	4,970
(Decrease)/increase in cash in the year	25	(851)	5,978

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

AT 31 MARCH 2000

1 Accounting policies

Accounting convention

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to incorporate the revaluation of the majority of the tangible fixed assets, and have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards (with the exception of Financial Reporting Standard No 15 as noted below).

Basis of consolidation

The group financial statements incorporate the audited results of the holding company and its subsidiaries, other than those disclosed as excluded in note 10, made up to a common accounting date.

The group financial statements do not include a separate profit and loss account for Britannia Hotels Limited (the parent company) as permitted by Section 230 of the Companies Act 1985.

Depreciation/amortisation

Certain of the groups' fixed assets are carried at valuation. With the introduction of FRS15, the group has followed the transitional provisions to retain the net book value of those assets, but not to adopt a policy of revaluation in the future.

No depreciation is provided on freehold hotel properties or hotel properties with leases of twenty years or more to run at the balance sheet date or plant, machinery, fixtures and fittings. It is the group's practice to maintain these assets in a continual state of sound repair and to extend and make improvements thereto from time to time and accordingly the directors consider that the lives of these assets are so long, and residual values (based on prices prevailing at the time of acquisition or subsequent valuation) are so high, that their depreciation is insignificant. Moreover, whilst the initial costs incurred on extensive repair and refurbishment programmes are capitalised, those in respect of items subsequently replaced are written off to the profit and loss account as incurred. Any permanent diminution in the value of such properties is charged to the profit and loss account as appropriate.

Depreciation on other tangible fixed assets is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of assets over their expected useful lives as follows:-

Motor vehicles - 25% per annum reducing balance basis

Chief rents created are capitalised on the basis of 3-5 times the annual amounts receivable. No amortisation is provided on chief rents capitalised, as the amount involved would not be significant.

Goodwill is capitalised and amortised straight line over its useful economic life, which in the opinion of the directors, is twenty years.

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1 Accounting policies - continued -

Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Bank and loan interest

Where the directors consider that bank and loan interest is payable in relation to capital expenditure incurred on the development of hotels it is capitalised as part of the cost of land and buildings and alterations. Where the directors consider that this is not the case, it is written off to the profit and loss account as incurred.

Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided on the liability method on all timing differences which are expected to reverse in the foreseeable future, calculated at the rate at which it is estimated that tax will be payable.

Operating leases

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to income as incurred.

Accounting reference period

These financial statements are prepared for the 53 week period ended 1 April 2000.

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2 Turnover and profit on ordinary activities before taxation

Turnover represents the total amount receivable by the group for goods sold and services provided (stated net of value added tax) during the year.

The turnover and pre-tax profit are attributable to the group's principal activities within the United Kingdom.

Group turnover and profit on ordinary activities before taxation were contributed as follows:

Transcription	2000 £'000	1999 £'000
Turnover	1000	£ 000
Area of activity:		
Hoteliers	29,491	35,813
Property development and sale	-	1
	29,491	35,814
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		
Area of activity:		
Hoteliers	1,220	2,839
Property development and sale	-	
	1,220	2,839

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Operating profit 3

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This is stated after charging/(crediting).	2000 £'000	1999 £'000
Auditors' remuneration - audit fees	20	24
Depreciation and the second and the	43	34
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	4	_
Amortisation of goodwill	2	2
Exceptional items -rates rebate	-	(273)
Operating leases - hire of equipment	78	` 76 [°]
- other	164	164
Rental income	(221)	(203)
Audit fees charged to the holding company during the year we	ere £14,000 (1999 - £14,000).	
Directors' remuneration		
Management remuneration	119	94
Staff costs - directors and employees		

Staff costs - directors and employees	2000 £'000	1999 £'000
Wages and salaries Social security costs	10,584 781	7,341 814
	11,365	8,155

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4 Staff costs - directors and employees - continued -

The average monthly number of employees during the year was made up as follows:

	Directors Office and management Direct workers	2000 No 2 142 1,413 1,557	1999 No 2 51 1,272 1,325
5	Interest receivable	2000 £'000	1999 £'000
	Other interest Bank interest	369	27 171 —————————————————————————————————
6	Interest payable	2000	1999
	Bank loans and overdrafts	£'000 1,375	£'000 1,497
7	Taxation		
	Prior years	2000 £'000	1999 £'000
	UK corporation tax	105	

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8	Intangible assets
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Group	Goodwill capitalised	Chief rents capitalised	Total
Cost or valuation	£'000	£'000	£'000
At 1 April 1999 and at 31 March 2000	50	33	83
at 31 iviaicii 2000		====	====
Balance at 31 March 2000			
At cost	50	18	68
At valuation		15	15
		33	83
Amortisation			
At 1 April 1999	10	-	10
Provided during the year	2		2
At 31 March 2000	=====		=======================================
Net book value			
At 31 March 2000	38	33	<u>71</u>
At 31 March 1999	40		73
Holding company			
			Chief rent
Cost or valuation			£'000
At 1 April 1999 and at 31 March 2000			33
Balance at 31 March 2000			
At cost			18
At valuation			15
			33

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9 Tangible assets

Group

Cost or valuation	Freehold land and buildings and alterations £'000	Long leasehold land and buildings £'000	Plant, machinery fixtures and fittings £'000	Motor vehicles £'000	Total £'000
At 1 April 1999 Additions Disposals	50,458	20,942	18,662	241 125 (35)	90,303 125 (35)
At 31 March 2000	50,458	20,942	18,662	331	90,393
Balance at 31 March 20	000				
At cost At valuation	13,508 36,950	20,942	6,004 12,658	331	19,843 70,550
	50,458	20,942	18,662	331	90,393
Depreciation					
At 1 April 1999 Provided during the year Disposals	- - -	- - -	- - -	135 43 (24)	135 43 (24)
At 31 March 2000	-		-	154	154
Net book value					
At 31 March 2000	50,458	20,942	18,662	177	90,239
At 31 March 1999	50,458	20,942	18,662	106	90,168

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9 Tangible assets - continued -

Holding company	Freehold land and buildings and alterations	Plant, machinery fixtures and fittings	Motor vehicles	Total
Cost or valuation	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
At 1 April 1999 Additions Disposals At 31 March 2000	48,610 - - - 48,610	14,593 - - 14,593	241 125 (35) ————————————————————————————————————	63,444 125 (35) 63,534
Balance at 31 March 2000				
At cost At valuation	11,660 36,950 48,610	5,993 8,600 14,593	331	17,984 45,550 63,534
Depreciation				
At 1 April 1999 Provided during the year Disposals At 31 March 2000	- - - -	- - - -	135 43 (24) ————————————————————————————————————	135 43 (24) ————————————————————————————————————
Net book value				
At 31 March 2000	48,610	14,593	177	63,380
At 31 March 1999	48,610	14,593	106	63,309

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9 Tangible assets - continued -

The company has adopted FRS15: Tangible Fixed Assets and has followed the transitional provisions to retain the revalued amount of certain land and buildings.

The freehold land and buildings and alterations and corresponding plant, machinery, fixtures and fittings included at valuation were valued in 1988.

The long leasehold land and buildings and corresponding plant, fixtures and fittings were valued as at 21 April 1994 at £25,000,000.

If these tangible fixed assets had not been revalued, they would have been included in the financial statements as follows:

Group	Freehold land and buildings and alterations £'000	Long leasehold land and buildings £'000	Plant, machinery fixtures and fittings £'000
Cost	9,731	3,328	7,808
Holding company			
Cost	9,731	-	4,805

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10 Fixed assets - investments

Cost - subsidiary undertakings	Group £	Holding company £
At 1 April 1999 and at 31 March 2000	100	402

Group

The directors consider that consolidating Britannia Hotel (Manchester) Limited would be of no real value to the group's members in view of the insignificant amounts involved.

	Aggregate capital and reserves at 31 March 2000 £'000	Profit for the year ended 31 March 2000 £'000
Britannia Hotel (Manchester) Limited	78	6

Holding company

Particulars of subsidiary undertakings, which are all wholly owned, are as follows:

Name of subsidiary	Nature of business	Total issued share capital £
Britannia Adelphi Hotel Limited	Hoteliers	100
Britannia Hotel (Manchester) Limited	Leasing of door answering equipment	100
Britannia Hotels Payroll Services Limited	Provision of labour	100
Britannia Developments (Manchester) Limited	Not trading	100
Birmingham International Hotel Limited	Hoteliers	2

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11 Stocks

The book value of stocks comprises:

The book value of stocks comprises.	Gr	oup	Holding	company
	2000	1999	2000	1999
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Development properties	3,056	3,058	3,056	3,058
Wet stocks	178	189	98	101
Food stocks	89	74	38	35
Others	6	32	4	31
	3,329	3,353	3,196	3,225

12 Debtors

Debtors	Gı	oup	Holding company	
	2000	1999	2000	1999
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Trade debtors	916	574	506	352
Amounts due from subsidiary undertakings	-	-	7,009	5,570
Other debtors (see note 20)	3,545	2,878	3,181	1,545
Taxation receivable	3	121	-	112
Prepayments and accrued income	1,455	237	647	186
	5,919	3,810	11,343	7,765

13 Creditors - amounts falling due within one year

	Group		Holding company	
	2000	1999	2000	1999
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Bank overdraft (see below)	4,157	21,759	7,085	21,663
Bank loans (see note 13)	10,026	10,026	10,026	10,026
Other loans (see note 13)	7	46	-	-
Trade creditors	1,008	751	536	476
Amounts due to subsidiary undertakings	60	56	5,706	4,389
Other taxes and social security costs	641	948	53	237
Other creditors (see note 20)	2,503	3,672	3,441	2,959
Accruals and deferred income	6,496	4,021	4,124	1,249
	24,898	41,279	30,971	40,999

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14 Creditors - amounts falling due after more than one year

	Group		Holding company	
	2000	1999	2000	1999
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Bank loans (see below)	7,692	8,718	7,692	8,718
Other loans (see below)			-	
	7,692	8,725	7,692	8,718

Creditors due after more than one year comprises debts repayable at £256,500 every three months.

Total debt is secured on freehold properties belonging to the group. Interest rates are linked to bank base rates.

Bank loans and other loans are repayable as follows:

1 0	G	Group		Holding company	
	2000	1999	2000	1999	
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	
Between 1 and 2 years	1,026	1,033	1,026	1,026	
Between 2 and 5 years	3,076	3,077	3,076	3,077	
After 5 years	3,590	4,615	3,590	4,615	
Total due after more than one year	7,692	8,725	7,692	8,718	
Total due within one year	10,033	10,072	10,026	10,026	
					
	17,725	18,797	17,718	18,744	

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15 Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation calculated in the financial statements and the potential amounts, including the amounts for which provision has been made, are as follows:

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	2000 £'000	1999 £'000	2000 £'000	1999 £'000
Capital allowances in advance of depreciation	-	-	7,970	7,713
Other timing differences	-	-	(15)	(15)
Less: Taxation losses	-	-	(2,258)	(2,662)
_	<u> </u>	-	5,697	5,036
Taxation payable if property disposed of at book value	-	-	16,120	16,120
	<u>-</u>	-	21,817	21,156
			g company	
	2000 £'000	vision 1999 £'000	2000 £'000	tential 1999 £'000
Capital allowances in advance of depreciation		-	6,132	5,925
Other timing differences		-	(12)	(12)
Less: Taxation losses		-	(1,783)	(1,459)
-	 -	-	4,337	4,454
Taxation payable if property disposed of at book value		-	10,516	10,516
			10,516	10,516

The directors have not provided for deferred taxation in respect of the excess of capital allowances over depreciation as they consider the reversal of such timing differences will not result in a tax charge, due to probable future trading losses.

No provision has been made for the potential liability on the disposal of the property as the directors do not consider that this will take place in the foreseeable future. No allowance has been made for indexation in calculating the potential liability.

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16	Share capital		
	•	2000	1999
		No	No
	Ordinary shares of £1 each:		
	Authorised	10,000	10,000
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		2000	1999
		£	£
	Allotted, called up and fully paid	5,500	5,500
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17 Reserves

	Group		Holding company	
	Profit and loss account £'000	Revaluation reserve £'000	Profit and loss account £'000	Revaluation reserve £'000
At 1 April 1999 Profit/(loss) after tax for the year	26,051 1,115	49,683	19,239 (1,106)	31,014
At 31 March 2000	27,166	49,683	18,133	31,014

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18 Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds

	Group		Holding company	
	2000 £'000	1999 £'000	2000 £'000	1999 £'000
Profit/(loss) for the financial year after taxation and net addition to shareholders' funds	1,115	2,839	(1,106)	2,224
Opening shareholders' funds	75,740	72,901	50,259	48,035
Closing shareholders' funds	76,855	75,740	49,153	50,259

19 Contingent liabilities

Holding company

The company has guaranteed to the Royal Bank of Scotland the borrowings of Britannia Adelphi Limited and Britannia Hotels Payroll Services Limited. At 31 March 2000 the potential liability amounted to £Nil (1999 - £Nil).

20 Commitments under operating leases

At 31 March annual commitments under operating leases were as follows:

	Group		Holding company	
	2000 £'000	1999 £'000	2000 £'000	1999 £'000
Leases expiring within two to five years				
Land and buildings	164	164	-	-
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21 Related party transactions

During the year the company entered into transactions with various businesses in which the shareholders, A Langsam and M S Morton, and/or directors are materially interested as detailed below:

Company	Interested as shareholder	Interested as director
Britannia Country House Hotel Limited	A Langsam M S Morton	R Ferrari Britannia Hotels Limited
The Britannia Hotel Wolverhampton Limited	A Langsam M S Morton	R Ferrari Britannia Hotels Limited
MSM Construction Limited		M S Morton
Business	Interested as proprietors	
Langsam and Morton Hoteliers	A Langsam M S Morton	
A Langsam Hotelier	A Langsam	
A Langsam Estate Agents	A Langsam	
Hotel Management Services	A Langsam M S Morton	

Included in amounts due to subsidiary undertakings is the following balance:

	Group		Holding company	
	2000 £'000	1999 £'000	2000 £'000	1999 £'000
Britannia Hotel (Manchester) Limited	60	56	60	56

Included in other debtors/(creditors) are the following balances:

	Group		Holding company	
	2000	1999	2000	1999
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Britannia Country House Hotel Limited	1,667	(226)	1,594	(287)
The Britannia Hotel				
Wolverhampton Limited	278	(22)	(180)	(251)
MSM Construction Limited	1,583	816	1,583	816
Langsam and Morton Hoteliers	(1,386)	(1,460)	(2,120)	(2,168)
A Langsam	7		-	_
A Langsam Estate Agents	(59)	(42)	(59)	(42)
Hotel Management Services	(807)	(11)	(931)	(14)
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21 Related party transactions - continued -

The group charged its related parties for payroll services during the year as follows:

	2000	1999
	£'000	£'000
Britannia Country House Hotel Limited	742	739
The Britannia Hotel Wolverhampton Limited	165	162
Langsam and Morton Hoteliers	3,634	3,753
Hotel Management Services	766	676
A Langsam Hotelier	50	355

Transactions with MSM Construction Limited consisted of the supply of maintenance and repair work by that company for the group totalling £5,152,174 (1999 - £4,069,957) and the holding company totalling £4,610,408 (1999 - £1,237,140).

Transactions with Hotel Management Services consisted of management charges for services provided by that business for the group totalling £1,290,000 (1999 - £4,748,749) and for the holding company totalling £601,000 (1999 - £3,419,972). During the year rent was received from Hotel Management Services for premises used by that business totalling £65,000 (1999 - £65,000).

The group provided sales and management and marketing services to The Britannia Hotel Wolverhampton Limited totalling £224,000 (1999 - £137,000).

Included in debtors/(creditors) are amounts due to A Langsam and M S Morton as follows:

		Group and Holding company	
		2000	1999
		£'000	£'000
	Other debtors	-	410
	Other creditors	534	
22	Reconciliation of operating profit to net cash inflow from operating activitie	<u> </u>	
		2000	1999
		£'000	£'000
	Operating profit	2,226	4,138
	Amortisation of goodwill	2	2
	Depreciation	43	34
	Loss on disposal of assets	4	-
	Decrease in stock	24	16
	Increase in debtors	(2,017)	(2,291)
	Increase in creditors	1,286	199
	Net cash inflow from operating activities	1,568	2,098

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23	Gross cash flows	2000	1999
	Returns on investments and servicing of finance	£'000	£'000
	Interest received Interest paid	369 (1,493)	193 (1,268)
		(1,124)	(1,075)
	Taxation Corporation tax paid	(105)	-
	Capital expenditure	2000	1000
		2000 £'000	1999 £'000
	Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets Receipts from sale of tangible fixed assets	(125) 7	(18)
		(118)	(15)
24	Financing		
		2000 £'000	1999 £'000
	New bank loans Repayment of bank loans Repayment of other loans	(1,026) (46)	10,000 (3,756) (1,274)
		(1,072)	4,970
25	Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net debt		2000 £'000
	Decrease in cash in period Repayment of loans		(851) 1,072
	Change in net debt Net debt at 1 April 1999		221 (12,216)
	Net debt at 31 March 2000		(11,995)

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40	Analysis of changes in net debt	1 April 1 999 £'000	Cash flows £'000	Other movement £'000	31 March 2000 £'000
	Cash at bank and in hand Overdrafts	28,340 (21,759)	(18,453) 17,602	- -	9,887 (4,157)
		6,581	(851)	-	5,730
	Debt due within one year	(10,072)	1,072	(1,033)	(10,033)
	Debt due after one year	(8,725)	-	1,033	(7,692)
		(12,216)	221	-	(11,995)