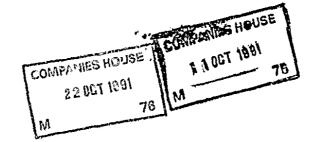
INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPERS (UK) LIMITED (Registered Number: 1370287)

DIRECTORS' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

28 DECEMBER 1090



DIRECTORS' REPORT

The Directors submit their report and the accounts of the company for the period ended 28 December 1990.

REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS

The company did not trade during the period ended 28 December 1990. No dividend has been proposed. The company acts as a holding company for Greater London and Essex Newspapers Limited which publishes paid and free circulation newspapers in East London and Essex. During the period the company purchased additional shares in its subsidiary for the consideration of £469,087 increasing its shareholding from 90% to 100%. A dividend of £1,007,920 was received from Greater London and Essex Newspapers Limited during the period.

DIRECTORS

The Directors who held office during the period were:

JF Meagher - Chairman (resigned 09/01/91) LP Healy BMA Hopkins JJ Parkinson

The interests of the Directors in the ultimate holding company are disclosed in that company's accounts.

AUDITORS

The auditors, Price Waterhouse, have expressed their willingness to be reappointed.

By Order of the Board

JJ McCORMACK

Secretary

27 February 1991

Registered office:

7-9 Kathbone Street London W1P 1AF AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPERS (UK) LIMITED

We have audited the accounts on pages 3 to 7 in accordance with Auditing Standards.

In our opinion the accounts give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company at 28 December 1990 and of the profit and source and application of funds for the period then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

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Chartered Accountants London

27 February 1991

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

	Period ended 28 December 1990	Year ended 31 December 1989
Income from shares in group undertakin	gs 1,007,920	
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAX	1,007,920	-
Taxation		
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAX	1,007,920	- (lion 120)
Accumulated loss brought forward	(499, 130)	(499,130)
ACCUMULATED PROFIT/(LOSS) CARRIED FORWARD	508,790 =======	(499,130) =======

DIRECTORS

LP Healy

JJ Parkinson

27 February 1991

The notes on pages 6 and 7 form part of these accounts.

BALANCE SHEET

	28 December 1990 <u>£</u>	31 December 1989 <u>£</u>
INVESTMENT (Note 4)	3,329,909	2,860,822
CREDITORS (amounts falling due within one year) (note 5)	(2,820,119)	(3,358,952)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	509,790 =======	(498, 130)
CAPITAL AND RESERVES		
Authorised, allotted and called up share capital: 1,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	1,000	1,000
Profit and Loss Account	508,790	(499, 130)
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DIRECTORS

LP Healy

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27 February 199

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SOURCE AND APPLICATION OF FUNDS

	Period ended 28 December 1990 £	Year ended 31 December 1989
SOURCE OF FUNDS		
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	1,007,920	-
APPLICATION OF FUNDS		
Purchase of investment	(469,087)	
	538,833	
INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN WORKING CAPI	TAL	
Amounts owed to group undertakings	538,833	

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 28 DECEMBER 1990

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(1) <u>Historical Cost Convention</u>

The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention.

(2) Investments

Investments are valued at cost in the accounts.

OPERATING PROFIT

The company did not trade during the year to 28 December 1990. Auditors' remuneration was borne by the parent company. A dividend of £1,007,920 was received from its subsidiary company, Greater London and Essex Newspapers Limited.

3. DIRECTORS' EMOLUMENTS AND EMPLOYEES

No Director received any emoluments in respect of services to the company during the year. The company had no employees during the year (1989:Nil).

4. INVESTMENT

	1990 £_	1989 <u>£</u>
Ordinary shares, at cost	£3,329,909	£2,860,822

This investment represents 100% (1989: 90%) of the ordinary share capital of Greater London and Essex Newspapers Limited, a company registered and operating in England. The company publishes paid and free newspapers in East London and Essex.

The company is not required to submit group accounts as it is a wholly owned subsidiary of Independent Newspapers Holdings Limited, incorporated in the United Kingdom.

In the opinion of the Directors the value of the investment in the subsidiary company is not less than the amount at which the investment is stated in the balance sheet.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 28 DECEMBER 1990

5. CREDITORS (amounts falling due within one year)

	1990 <u>£</u>	1989 <u>£</u>
Amounts owed to group undertakings	2,820,119	3,358,952

The advances are non-interest bearing and unsecured.

6. CONTINGENT LIABILITY

The company is a guarantor to an agreement entered into by its immediate holding company for a revolving multi-currency facility of \$40,000,000.

7. ULTIMATE HOLDING COMPANY

The ultimate holding company is Independent Newspapers, PLC, a company incorporated in the Republic of Ireland.