

GRADUATE SHOES LIMITED

DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 DECEMBER 2000

Registered number 1481688



GRADUATE SHOES LIMITED

DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2000.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The company did not trade during the year and accordingly no profit and loss account is presented. The directors do not anticipate that the company will trade during the current year.

BUSINESS REVIEW AND DIVIDENDS

The state of the company's affairs is as shown by the attached financial statements. The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend (1999 -£Nil).

DIRECTORS AND THEIR INTERESTS

The following directors held office during the year:

BM Anderson
AJ de Keyser (Chairman)

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The directors are required by company law to prepare financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company at the end of the financial year and of the profit or loss of the company for the period to that date. In preparing those financial statements the directors are required:

- to select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- to make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- to state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- to prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors have responsibility for ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the company and which enables them to ensure that the financial statements of the company comply with the Companies Act 1985. The directors have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

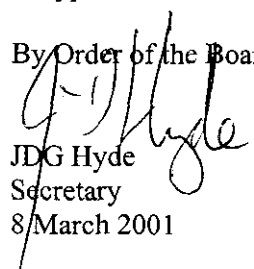
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DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)

AUDITORS

The company is not trading. The directors have relied on Section 250 of the Companies Act 1985 not to appoint auditors to the company on the grounds that it is dormant.

By Order of the Board



JDG Hyde

Secretary

8 March 2001

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2000

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2000</u> £	<u>1999</u> £
Current liabilities			
Creditors - amounts falling due within one year	4	(385,676)	(385,676)
		<u>(385,676)</u>	<u>(385,676)</u>
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	5	100	100
Profit and loss account		(385,776)	(385,776)
		<u>(385,776)</u>	<u>(385,776)</u>
Total shareholders' funds (all attributable to equity interests)		<u>(385,676)</u>	<u>(385,676)</u>

The company was dormant within the meaning of Section 250 of the Companies Act 1985 throughout the financial year.

Approved by the Board on 8 March 2001

On behalf of the Board


AJ de Keyser

Director

The notes on page 4 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2000

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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

Going concern basis The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the ultimate parent undertaking has indicated its intention to provide continuing financial support to the company.

2 PROFIT AND LOSS

The company did not trade during the financial year and accordingly no profit and loss account is presented. The directors do not anticipate the company will trade during the current year.

3 CREDITORS - amounts falling due within one year

	<u>2000</u> £	<u>1999</u> £
Amounts due to fellow subsidiary undertakings	385,676	385,676
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4 SHARE CAPITAL

	<u>2000</u> £	<u>1999</u> £
Authorised 1,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	1,000	1,000
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	<u>2000</u> £	<u>1999</u> £
Allotted, issued and fully paid 100 ordinary shares of £1 each	100	100
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5 PARENT UNDERTAKINGS

The intermediate parent undertaking, Pentland Industries Limited, a company registered in England, has produced accounts for the year ended 31 December 2000 which will be available from Lakeside, Squires Lane, Finchley, London, N3 2QL. The ultimate parent undertaking is Robert Stephen Holdings Limited, a company registered in England. Consolidated accounts will be prepared by Robert Stephen Holdings Limited for the year ended 31 December 2000 and these will be obtainable from the company's registered office at 8 Manchester Square, London W1M 5AB.