UPS LIMITED

Report and Financial Statements

31 December 1992;

Touche Ross & Co. Hill House 1 Little New Street London EC4A 3TR





REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 1992

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors subjuit their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1992.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES AND REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS

The principal activities of the company are those of forwarding and the provision of customs clearance facilities for inbound parcels, incorporating a delivery service within the United Kingdom for parcels that originate from the United Parcel Service worldwide network.

In the past, operating hubs owned by Atlasair Limited (a sister company) and used for air freight, were also used by the company in its parcel business with appropriate recharges made by Atlasair Limited to reflect the use of those assets. By 1992 most of the hubs were in fact being used predominantly for parcel deliveries. In view of this and to simplify the recharge arrangements, the decision was taken to transfer all the hubs not dedicated to air freight to the company on 1 June 1992. From that date the company has invoiced Atlasair Limited for the use of hubs where appropriate.

FUTURE PROSPECTS AND POST BALANCE SHEET EVENT

The company intends to expand its operations domestically. As described in note 21 to the accounts the business and assets of fellow group companies Carryfast Limited and Haulfast Limited (acquired by the group in 1992) were transferred to the company effective from 1 January 1993.

RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The profit for the year after taxation transferred to reserves amounted to £2,637,362 (1991 loss transferred from reserves - £2,323,269). The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend (1991 - £nil).

United Parcel Service of America Inc., the company's ultimate parent company, has agreed to make sufficient finance available to the company to enable it to meet its obligations as they fall due.

DIRECTORS AND THEIR INTERESTS

The following directors held office throughout the year:

L.L. Long

P.K. Quantrill

J. Smith

L.L. Long resigned on 18 March 1993. J.R. Lockhart was appointed on the same date.

No director had any interests in the share capital of the company during the year. There are no disclosable interests in shares of other group companies.

FIXED ASSETS

Changes in fixed assets are shown in notes 8 and 9 to the accounts.

EMPLOYMENT OF DISABLED PERSONS

Disabled persons are employed by the company when they appear to be suited to a particular vacancy. The particular aptitudes and abilities of disabled persons are more easily met in certain aspects of our business, particularly in connection with clerical work, and every effort is made to ensure that they are given full and fair consideration when such vacancies arise. In the event that any employee should become disabled while in our employment every effort is made to ensure continuing employment within the company.



DIRECTORS' REPORT

EMPLOYEE INVOLVEMENT

The company recognises the need to provide information to employees on issues affecting them and the performance of the company. This is achieved through periodic management meetings and the publication of information bulletins.

AUDITORS

Touche Ross & Co. have expressed their willingness to continue in office as auditors and a resolution to reappoint them will be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

Approved by the Board of Directors and signed on behalf of the Board

Secretary

19 October 1993



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AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 12 in accordance with Auditing Standards.

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs at 31 December 1992 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Chartered Accountants and

Registered Auditor

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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT Year ended 31 December 1992

	Note		1992 £	1991 £
TURNOVER Cost of sales	2		63,994,515 (32,641,471)	46,566,993 (28,933,718)
Gross profit	,	t)	31,353,044	17,633,275
Administrative expenses			(29,644,914)	(18,670,134)
Other operating income		٥	1,038,971	
OPERATING PROFIT/(LOSS)			2,747,101	(1,036,859)
Interest receivable and similar income Interest payable and similar charges	. 4		7,521 (4,714)	36,297 (1,322,707)
PROFIT/(LOSS) ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	5		2,749,908	(2,323,269)
Tax on profit/(loss) on ordinary activities	7	.) .)	(112,546)	2 44
PROFIT/(LOSS) ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	2,637,362	(2,323,269)
Retained loss brought forward		े च ्राष्ट्र	(10,292,431)	(7,969,162)
Retained loss carried forward		. <i>I</i>	(7,655,069)	(10,292,431)



BALANCE SHEET 31 December 1992

Note	1992 £	1991 £
FIXED ASSETS		
Intangible assets 8	3,052,634	3,459,651
Tangible assets 9 Investments 10	7,360,337	7,562,378
d o o	72,000	72,000
	10,484,971	11,094;029
CURRENT ASSETS		
Stocks 11	206,807	67,833
Debtors 12	33,921,161	19,107,591
Cash at bank and in hand	2,389,705	866,834
	26.618.622	00.040.050
CREDITORS: amounts falling due	36,517,673	20,042,258
within one year	(54,650,418)	(41,397,426)
NAMES OF THE PROPERTY OF THE P		
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES	(18,132,745)	(21,355,168)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT	,	
LIABILITIES	(7,647,774)	(10,261,139)
CREDITORS: amounts falling due	•	
after more than one year		
Obligations under finance leases 14	(6,295)	(30,292)
	(7.654.069)	(10,291,431)
	(7,054,005)	(10,271,431)
CAPITAL AND RESERVES		
Called up share capital	1,000	1,000
Profit and loss account	(7,655,069)	(10,292,431)
	(7,654,069)	(10,291,431)

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 9 October 1993. Signed on behalf of the Board of Directors

Director

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 December 1992

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards. The particular accounting policies adopted are described below.

Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical east convention.

Group accounts and cash flow statement

Neither group accounts nor a cash flow statement have been prepared as the company is itself a wholly owned subsidiary of another company incorporated in Great Britain.

Intangible fixed assets

Goodwill arising on the purchase of unincorporated businesses is amortised over ten years in common with the policy of the ultimate parent company.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation of tangible fixed assets is provided at rates calculated to reduce their cost to estimated realisable value at the end of their anticipated useful life.

The rates used and applied to original cost are such as will fully depreciate the assets over the following periods:

Freehold buildings
Furniture and equipment
Motor vehicles

50 years 3 to 9 years 3 to 11 years

Freehold land has not been depreciated.

Investments

Investments held as fixed assets are stated at cost less provision for permanent diminution in value.

Stocks

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

Foreign currency

Transactions denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates ruling at the dates of the transactions. Monetary assets and liabilitic denominated in foreign currencies at the balance sheet date are translated at the rates ruling at that date. These translation differences are dealt with in the profit and loss account.

Pension costs

The expected cost of providing pensions, as calculated periodically by professionally qualified actuaries, is charged to the profit and loss account so as to spread the cost over the service lives of employees in the schemes, in such a way that the pension cost is a substantial level percentage of current and expected future pensionable payroll.

Leases

Assets held under finance leases an the related lease obligations are recorded in the balance sheet at the fair value of the leased assets at the inception of the leases. The amounts by which the lease payments exceed the recorded lease obligations are treated as finance charges which are amortised over each lease term to give a constant rate of charge on the remaining balance of the obligation.

Rental costs under operating leases are charged to profit and loss account in equal amounts over the periods of the leases.



2. TURNOVER

Turnover represents the value of services provided to customers of UPS Limited for forwarding of international parcels and the provision of customs clearance facilities together with amounts invoiced to group undertakings for services rendered on their behalf. It is stated net of value added tax and duty.

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Turnover and pre-tax profits were wholly attributable to the provision of services within the United Kingdom as forwarders and customs clearance agents.

3. OTHER OPERATING INCOME

Other operating income represents exchange gains and losses arising from the retranslation of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies.

4. INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES

		1992	1991
		£.	£
	Group loans	840	1,311,335
	Finance lease charges	3,874	3,400
	Bank loans, overdrafts and other loans		
	repayable within five years	•	7,972
	.^	4,714	1,322,707
			
5.	PROFIT/(LOSS) ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		
		1992	1991
		£	£
	The profit/(loss) on ordinary activities before		
	taxation was arrived at after charging:	C0 000	70.000
	Auditors' remuneration	62,000	70,000
	Depreciation and other amounts written off		
	tangible and intangible fixed assets:	407,017	397,877
	Goodwill	1,283,575	911,505
	Owned tangible fixed assets	14,284	8,044
	Tangible fixed assets held under finance leases	1,004,865	634,982
	Hire of plant	2,00.,000	

Cost of sales includes pick up and delivery charges from fellow group company Atlasair Limited.



6. INFORMATION REGARDING DIRECTORS AND EMPLOYEES

, ,	1992 Number	1991 Number
The average weekly number of employees during the year was made up as follows:	A	ţ
Office and management	670	564
Operators	466	393
	1,136	957
	£	£
Staff costs during the year amounted to: Wages and salaries	18,373,385	12,480,084
Social security costs	1,598,392	1,141,579
Other pension costs	592,988	472,856
	20,564,765	14,094,519

The directors of the company are also directors of the immediate parent company UPS (UK) Limited and their remuneration is borne by and disclosed in the financial statements of UPS (UK) Limited.

7. TAX ON PROFIT/(LOSS) ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES

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y.**		>	1992 £	1991 £
	*			
Group relief			8,533	•
Adjustment in respect of prior years		•	104,013	
e e		1	112,546	•
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The taxation charge is disproportionate to the profit for the year because of the effect of brought forward tax losses. Tax losses are available to be carried forward and set off against future profits arising from the same trade.



8. INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

		Goodwill £
Cost		4.050.150
At 1 January 1992 and 31 December 1992	•	4,070,178
Amortisation At 1 January 1992 Provided during the year		610,527 407,017
At 31 December 1992		1,017,544
Net book value At 31 December 1992		3,052,634
At 31 December 1991		3,459,651
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9. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold land and buildings	Furniture, equipment and motor vehicles	Finance leased equipment	Total £
Cost	, æ		¥ 2	L
At 1 January 1992	5,158,518	3,945,491	71,418	9,175,427
Additions	156,703	587,224	. 2, 120	743,927
Transfers from fellow subsidiary undertakings	20,203		16,798	1,538,615
Disposals	(139,980)	(59,231)	-	(199,211)
At 31 December 1992	5,195,444	5,975,098	88,216	11,258,758
Depreciation		,		
At 1 January 1992	290,114	1,314,891	8,044	1,613,049
Provided during the year	197,638	1,085,937	14,284	1,297,859
Transfers from fellow subsidiary undertakings	17,242	993,767	16,798	1,027,807
Disposals	_	(40,294)		(40,294)
At 31 December 1992	504,994	3,354,301	39,126	3,898,421
Net book value				
At 31 December 1992	4,690,450	2,620,797	49,090	7,360,337
At 31 December 1991	4,868,404	2,630,600	63,374	7,562,378



10. INVESTMENTS HELD AS FIXED ASSETS

Group undertakings £

Cost At 1 January 1992 and 31 December 1992

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At 1 January 1992 the company held 100% of the shares in Seabourne Belgium N.V., a company incorporated in Belgium. Seabourne Belgium N.V. was merged with United Parcel Service Belgium N.V. a fellow subsidiary company of UPS Limited which is also incorporated in Belgium, on 1 January 1992. The company now holds 3.3% of the shares in the merged company, United Parcel Service Belgium N.V.

11. STOCKS

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		·-		1992 £	1991 £
	Consumable stores		1	206,807	67,833
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12.	DEBTORS	0.			
		• • •		1992	1991
	ıı,			£	£
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	Trade debtors	D.		9,029,409	7,534,173
	Amounts owed by fellow subsidiary under	takings	ري. دې	23,729,185	
	Corporation tax recoverable			-	118,467
	Other debtors	,		415,002	603,784
	Prepayments and accrued income	•	1, A.	747,565	329,148
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	ev a production of the second		,	33,921,161	19,107,591
13.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING I	DUE WITHIN (NE YEAR		,
	,	· 	•	1992	1991
	1		*	£	£
				•	
	Bank loans and overdrafts (note 17)		*	262,026	88,894
	Obligations under finance leases			23,997	24,286
	Trade creditors)	5,598,925	4,009,885
	Amounts owed to immediate parent and for	ellow		4= 0.00 0.00	
	subsidiary undertakings			45,260,886	34,286,520
	Other taxation and social security			818,542	382,252
	Accruals and deferred income			2,686,042	2,605,589
				54,650,418	41,397,426



14. OBLIGATIONS UNDER FINANCE LEASES

4	S W			1992	1991
	Within one year Between two and five years inclusive		'	26,986 7,554	28,446 34,540
	a the state of the			34,540	62,986
	Deduct Finance charges allocated to future periods	Ó.	^	4,248	8,408
	$\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{L}}$,	30,292	54,578
4	Shown as Current obligations Non current obligations	J		23,997 6,295 30,292	24,286 30,292 54,578
15.	CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL				
	; %)			1992 £	1991 £
	Authorised 100,000 ordinary shares of £1 each			100,000	100,000
*					
	Allotted and fully paid 1,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	· 1	O)	1,000	1,000

16. PENSION SCHEMES

UPS (UK) Limited and its subsidiaries operate a group defined benefit pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held in a separate trustee administered fund. Contributions to the scheme are made at rates recommended by professional independent actuaries to meet obligations arising from both past and current service using the projected unit credit method.

The latest actuarial assessment of the scheme was as at 1 April 1992. The assumptions which have the most significant effect on the results of the valuation are those relating to the rate of return on investments and the rates of increase in salaries and pensions. It was assumed that the investment return would be 9% per annum, that salary increases would average 7% per annum and that present and future pensions would increase at the rate of 3% per annum.

At the date of the last actuarial valuation the market value of the assets of the scheme was sufficient to cover 117% of the benefits that had accrued to members allowing for expected future increases in earnings.

There is currently no difference between amounts funded and accumulated pension costs charged in the profit and loss account.

17. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The company has entered into a Composite Accounting Agreement with its bankers whereby the bank has a full right of set-off of bank balances and interest between the company and three other group companies. At the year end there was a contingent liability as a result of this agreement of £1,370,390 (1991 - £183,937).



18. OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS

,	Land and buildings £	Other £
Leases which expire	•	201.661
Within one year	-	384,554
Within two to five years	407,888	449,209
After five years	1,085,624	*
	1,493,512	833,773

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19. ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY

The company is a subsidiary of UPS (UK) Limited which is incorporated in Great Britain and registered in England and Wales. The ultimate parent company is United Parcel Service of America Inc., incorporated in the United States of America.

Copies of the financial statements for UPS (UK) Limited are available from Companies House, Crown Way, Maindy, Cardiff CF4 3UZ. Copies of the financial statements for United Parcel Service of America Inc. are available from UPS House, Forest Road, Feltham, Middlesex TW13 7DY.

20. FINANCIAL SUPPORT

United Parcel Service of America Inc. has agreed to make sufficient finance available to the company to enable it to meet its obligations as they fall due.

21. POST BALANCE SHEET EVENT

The company has entered into certain agreements as part of a group re-organisation, the effect of which were:

- (i) UPS (UK) Limited transferred its entire holdings of shares in Carryfast Holdings Limited, Draftmaster Limited, Earlyforce Limited, Scripform Limited and Touchstore Limited to the company in consideration for the issue of 1,000 £1 ordinary shares;
- (ii) Draftmaster Limited, Earlyforce Limited, Scripform Limited and Touchstore Limited each transferred their holdings in Carryfast Holdings Limited to the company for a consideration of £3,320,499 each;
- (iii) Carryfast Limited and Haulfast Limited, subsidiaries of Carryfast Holdings Limited, transferred all their business and assets to the company for a consideration of £15,211,945 and £2,273,049 respectively.

The transfer of business and assets from Carryfast Limited and Haulfast Limited was effective from 1 January 1993.