SKAKO COMESSA LIMITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 December 2001

Company Registration Number 2077748



HORWATH CLARK WHITEHILL

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year ended 31 December 2001

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OFFICERS AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS

The board of directors

R A Hill

T N Hansen (Appointed 1 January 2002)

Company secretary

R A Hill

Registered office

Station Road Industrial Estate

Tadcaster North Yorkshire LS24 9SG

Auditors

Horwath Clark Whitehill Chartered Accountants & Registered Auditors North Lane House 9b North Lane Headingley Leeds

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Bankers

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

Year ended 31 December 2001

The directors have pleasure in presenting their report and the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 December 2001.

Principal activities and business review

The principal activity of the company during the year was the distribution of vibratory plant and equipment.

The company's balance sheet as detailed on page 9 shows a satisfactory position, shareholders' funds amounting to £284,629.

The directors are pleased to report a profitable year for the company, generally in line with budget expectations. The result was achieved in spite of depressed market requirements, especially in the second half of the year.

The year 2001 has seen dramatic downsizing amongst our competitors, reported losses and one going out of business. With this in mind, it was pleasing that we held our market share, maintained our organisational structure throughout the year, and reported a healthy profit.

There is a general expectancy within the industry, that the low activity levels seen in the second half of 2001 should slowly begin to improve throughout 2002. Therefore, our forecast for 2002 is very similar to the results of 2001.

Results and dividends

The trading results for the year, and the company's financial position at the end of the year are shown in the attached financial statements.

The directors have not recommended a dividend.

The directors and their interests in shares of the company

The directors who served the company during the year were as follows:

F Madsen (resigned 31 January 2001)

R A Hill

N Duedahl (resigned 31December 2001)

S E Kristensen (appointed 31 January 2001; resigned 31 December 2001)

The company is a wholly owned subsidiary and the interests of group directors are disclosed in the financial statements of the parent company.

T N Hansen was appointed as a director on 1 January 2002.

DIRECTORS' REPORT (continued)

Year ended 31 December 2001

Auditors

A resolution to re-appoint Horwath Clark Whitehill as auditors for the ensuing year will be proposed at the annual general meeting in accordance with section 385 of the Companies Act 1985.

Signed by order of the directors

RAHill

Company Secretary

7 February 2002

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

Year ended 31 December 2001

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 at the end of the year and of the profit or loss for the year then ended.

In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

select suitable accounting policies, as described on pages 11 to 12, 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; and

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. The directors 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.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS

Year ended 31 December 2001

We have audited the financial statements on pages 7 to 21 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on pages 11 to 12.

Respective responsibilities of the directors and the auditors

As described on page 4, the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards.

It is our responsibility to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and United Kingdom Auditing Standards.

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the directors' report is not consistent with the financial statements, if the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and transactions with the company is not disclosed.

We read the directors' report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it.

Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with United Kingdom 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.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS (CONTINUED)

Year ended 31 December 2001

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2001 and of the profit of the company for the year then ended, and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

North Lane House 9b North Lane Headingley Leeds LS6 3HG

7 February 2002

HORWATH CLARK WHITEHILL

Chartered Accountants & Registered Auditors

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

Year ended 31 December 2001

	Note	2001 £	2000 restated £
Turnover	2	845,451	914,805
Cost of sales		635,509	658,908
Gross profit		209,942	255,897
Distribution costs Administrative expenses		96,042 76,960	117,941 142,907
Operating profit/(loss)	3	36,940	(4,951)
Interest receivable Interest payable	6 7	11,013 (186)	11,119 -
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		47,767	6,168
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	8	(14,522)	(1,814)
Retained profit for the financial year		33,245	4,354

All of the activities of the company are classed as continuing.

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES

Year ended 31 December 2001

	2001	2000
Due fit for the financial way	£	restated £
Profit for the financial year attributable to the shareholders	33,245	4,354
Total recognised gains and losses relating to the year	33,245	4,354
Prior year adjustment (see note 9)	2,646	-
Total gains and losses recognised since the last annual		
report	<u>35,891</u>	4,354

BALANCE SHEET

31 December 2001

	Note	2001		2000	
		£	£	restated £	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	10		22,557		23,912
Current assets					
Stocks	11	35,588		45,397	
Debtors	12	275,519		369,732	
Cash at bank and in hand		104,170		51,348	
		415,277		466,477	
Creditors: Amounts falling due					
within one year	14	(153,205)		(239,005)	
Net current assets		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	262,072		227,472
Total assets less current liabilitie	es		284,629		251,384
Capital and reserves					· <u>-,.</u> <u>'</u> -
Called-up equity share capital	17		15,000		15,000
Profit and Loss Account	18		269,629		236,384
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Shareholders' funds	19		284,629		201,304

These financial statements were approved by the directors on 7 February 2002 and are signed on their behalf by:

R∕A/Hill

N Hansen

CASH FLOW STATEMENT

Year ended 31 December 2001

	Note	2001		2000 restated	4
		£	£	£	£
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	20		58,512		(68,715)
Returns on investments and servi Interest received Interest paid	icing of f	inance 11,013 (186)		11,119 -	
Net cash inflow from returns on investments and servicing of fina	nce		10,827		11,119
Taxation			(4,197)		(9,778)
Capital expenditure and financial Payments to acquire tangible fixed a Receipts from sale of fixed assets Loans to group undertakings		ent (15,620) 3,300		- - (100,000)	
Net cash outflow for capital expenditure and financial investr	nent		(12,320)		(100,000)
Increase/(decrease) in cash	21		52,822		(167,374)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year ended 31 December 2001

1. Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

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

Turnover

The turnover shown in the profit and loss account represents amounts invoiced during the year, exclusive of Value Added Tax.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Plant and machinery

10% straight line

Computer equipment

20% straight line

Motor vehicles

1/3 straight line

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

Operating lease agreements

Rentals applicable to operating leases where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor are charged against profits on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Pension costs

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme for employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company. The annual contributions payable are charged to the Profit and Loss Account.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year ended 31 December 2001

1. Accounting policies (continued)

Deferred taxation

In line with the policy of its parent group, the company has in 2001 for the first time adopted the policy on deferred taxation laid down by International Accounting Standard 12 (Revised). Deferred taxation is therefore provided on the liability method in respect of all temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying values in the financial statements. Deferred tax assets are only recognised to the extent that it is probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to enable the asset to be recovered in full.

The company's policy previously was to provide deferred tax in respect of the taxation effect of all timing differences to the extent that tax liabilities were likely to crystallise in the foreseeable future and not to provide for deferred tax assets unless their recovery was assured beyond reasonable doubt.

The corresponding figures for the year ended 31 December 2000 have been revised to reflect the change of accounting policy, resulting in an increase in the reported profit after taxation, and distributable reserves, of £2,646. The effect of the change in policy on the result for the year ended 31 December 2001 has been to increase the profit after tax by £652 and to increase distributable reserves by £3,298 compared to what they would have been under the previous policy.

Foreign currencies

Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction. Exchange differences are taken into account in arriving at the operating profit.

2. Turnover

The turnover and profit before tax are attributable to the one principal activity of the company.

An analysis of turnover is given below:

The distriction is given selection	2001	2000 restated
	£	£
United Kingdom	823,431	895,157
Other E.U. Countries	11,588	18,832
Africa and Asia	10,432	-
U.S.A.	•	816
	845,451	914,805
		

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3. Operating profit/(loss)

Operating profit/(loss) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2001	2000 restated
	£	£
Depreciation	16,975	24,076
Profit on disposal of fixed assets Auditors' remuneration	(3,300)	-
- as auditors	3,000	3,000
- for other services Operating lease costs:	1,501	2,814
Land and buildings	6,000	6,000
Exceptional bad debts	-	56,066

Auditors' fees

The fees charged by the auditors can be further analysed under the following headings for services rendered:

on those formation.	2001	2000 restated
	£	£
Audit	3,000	3,000
Accountancy	1,167	2,472
Payroll	334	342
	4,501	5,814

4. Particulars of employees

The average number of staff employed by the company during the financial year amounted to:

	2001	2000 restated
	No.	No.
Administration	2	2
Selling and distribution	1	2
Servicing	1	1
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4. Particulars of employees (continued)

The aggregate payroll costs of the above were:

The aggregate payron cools of the above t	2001	2000 restated
	£	£
Wages and salaries	97,948	109,566
Social security costs	12,051	11,806
Other pension costs	4,520	3,890
	114,519	125,262

5. Directors' emoluments

The directors' aggregate emoluments in respect of qualifying services were:

	2001	2000
	£	restated £
Emoluments receivable Value of company pension contributions to mor	47,194 nev	45,929
purchase schemes	3,056	2,638
	50,250	48,567

The number of directors who are accruing benefits under company pension schemes were as follows:

	2001	2000 restated
	No.	No.
Money purchase schemes	1	1
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Money purchase pension scheme

The company operates a money purchase scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently administerd fund. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the company to the fund and amount to $\pounds 4,520$ (2000: £3,890).

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6.	Interest receivable		
		2001	2000 restated
		£	£
	Bank interest receivable	4,370	5,310
	Other loan interest receivable	6,482	5,772
	Other interest	161	37
		11,013	11,119
7.	Interest payable		
		2001	2000 restated
		£	£
	Other similar charges payable	186	-

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8. Tax on profit on ordinary activities

	2001 £	2000 restated £
In respect of the year:		
Corporation Tax based on the results for the year at 30% (2000 - 29.40%) Decrease in deferred tax provision (Note 13): Capital allowances	15,116 (652) 14,464	6,499 (4,640) 1,859
Adjustment in respect of previous years:		
Corporation Tax	58 14,522	(45) 1,814

Reconciliation between taxation calculated at the standard rate of corporation tax on profit before taxation and the tax charge in the financial statements:

	2001	2000 restated
	£	£
Corporation tax on profit before tax		
at 30% (2000: 30.25%)	14,330	1,850
Taxation effect of disallowed expenditure	134	150
Marginal rate relief	-	(141)
Prior year under/(over) provision	58	(45)
Tax charge	14,522	1,814

9. Prior year adjustment

The prior year adjustment represents a deferred tax asset at 31 December 2000 which has been recognised following the adoption of International Accounting Standard number 12 (Revised).

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Year ended 31 December 2001

10. Tangible fixed assets

		Plant and machinery £	Computers £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
	Cost At 1 January 2001 Additions Disposals	9,490 - -	3,406 - -	49,804 15,620 (13,895)	62,700 15,620 (13,895)
	At 31 December 2001	9,490	3,406	51,529	64,425
	Depreciation At 1 January 2001 Charge for the year On disposals	6,306 669 -	2,674 477	29,808 15,829 (13,895)	38,788 16,975 (13,895)
	At 31 December 2001	6,975	3,151	31,742	41,868
	Net book value At 31 December 2001 At 31 December 2000	2,515 3,184		19,787 19,996	22,557 23,912
11.	Stocks				
			2001 £		2000 restated £
	Stock		35,588		45,397
12.	Debtors				
			2001		2000 restated
			£		£
	Trade debtors Amounts owed by group undertaking Other debtors Deferred tax (Note 13) Prepayments and accrued income	gs	166,353 103,105 100 3,298 2,663 275,519		253,306 111,346 100 2,646 2,334 369,732

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13. Deferred taxation

	2001	2000
	£	restated £
The movement in the deferred taxation account duri	ng the year was:	
Deferred tax asset (provision) brought forward	2,646	(1,994)
Increase in asset	652	4,640
Deferred tax asset carried forward	3,298	2,646
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The balance of the deferred taxation account consists of the tax effect of timing differences in respect of:

	2001	2000 restated	
	£	£	
Excess of depreciation on fixed assets over			
taxation allowances	3,298	2,646	

There were no amounts of unprovided deferred tax at either 31 December 2001 and 31 December 2000.

14. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2001	2000 restated
	£	£
Payments received on account	•	29,780
Trade creditors	4,018	7,013
Amounts owed to group undertakings	100,992	166,822
Corporation Tax	15,116	4,139
PAYE and social security	2,905	2,937
VAT	23,023	22,663
Accruals and deferred income	7,151	_ 5,651
	153,205	239,005
		

15. Ultimate parent undertaking

The company's ultimate holding company is V.T. Holding A/S, a company incorporated in Denmark.

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16. Related parties

Ultimate controlling party

The directors are unable to state the identity of the company's ultimate controlling party, if any.

Related party transactions

The company has not disclosed details of transactions with other group companies as it has taken advantage of the exemption from doing so available in Financial Reporting Standard number 8 by virtue of its status as a wholly-owned subsidiary of Skako Comessa A/S, which prepares publicly available consolidated accounts including the results of the company.

Copies of the consolidated accounts may be obtained from Skako Comessa A/S, DK5600, Faaborg, Denmark.

17. Share capital

Additional chart duplical	2001	2000
	£	restated £
15,000 Ordinary shares of £1.00 each	15,000	15,000
Allotted, called up and fully paid:	2004	2000
	2001	2000 restated
	£	£
Ordinary share capital	15,000	15,000
18. Profit and loss account		
	2001	2000 restated
	£	£
Original balance brought forward	233,738	232,030
Prior year adjustment (note 9)	2,646	
Restated balance brought forward	236,384	232,030
Retained profit for the financial year	33,245	4,354
Balance carried forward	269,629	236,384

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19. F	Reconciliation	of movements ir	n shareholders'	funds
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		2001	I	2000	
		£	£	restated £	£
	Profit for the financial year		33,245		4,354
	Opening shareholders' equity funds Prior year adjustment (see note 9)	248,738 2,646		247,030	
	Closing shareholders' equity funds		251,384 284,629		247,030 251,384
20.	Reconciliation of operating profit/(los Net cash inflow/(outflow) from opera	,	s		
			2001		2000
			£		restated £
	Operating profit/(loss) Depreciation Profit on disposal of fixed assets		36,940 16,975 (3,300)		(4,951) 24,076 -
	Decrease in stocks Decrease in debtors Decrease in creditors		9,809 94,865 (96,777)		3,154 171,934 (262,928)
	Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating	g activities	58,512		(68,715)
21.	Reconciliation of net cash flow to m	ovement in r	net funds		
			2001 £		2000 £
	Increase/(Decrease) in cash in the per	iod	52,822		(167,374)
	Movement in net funds in the period		52,822		(167,374)
	Net funds at 1 January 2001		51,348		218,724
	Net funds at 31 December 2001		104,170		51,348

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22. Analysis of changes in net funds

	At 1 Jan 2001 £	Cash flows	At 31 Dec 200 £
Net cash: Cash in hand and at bank	51,348	52,822	104,170
Net funds	51,348	52,822	104,170