

THE CENTRAL FINANCE BUREAU LIMITED

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 MARCH 2000

Registered number: 2107668

WEATHERER BAILEY BRAGG

CHARTERED CERTIFIED ACCOUNTANTS

West Midlands



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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
for the year ended 31 March 2000

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## THE CENTRAL FINANCE BUREAU LIMITED

## COMPANY INFORMATION

31 March 2000

INCORPORATED	In England and Wales on 9 March 1987
COMPANY NUMBER	2107668
DIRECTOR	M S Kenny
SECRETARY	Mrs S A Kenny
REGISTERED OFFICE	Central House 582 - 586 Kingsbury Road Erdington Birmingham B24 9ND
BANKERS	Barclays Bank plc 21 Birmingham Road Sutton Coldfield West Midlands
AUDITORS	Weatherer Bailey Bragg Chartered Certified Accountants 100 Boldmere Road Sutton Coldfield West Midlands B73 5UB

## THE CENTRAL FINANCE BUREAU LIMITED

## DIRECTORS' REPORT

31 March 2000

The director presents his report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2000.

**Principal activity**

The principal activity of the company during the year was that of financial consultants.

**Director**

The director of the company during the year and his interest in the shares of the company as recorded in the register of directors' interests were as follows:

	31 March 2000 Ordinary shares	31 March 1999 Ordinary shares
M S Kenny	600	600

**Auditors**

Weatherer Bailey Bragg have agreed to offer themselves for re-appointment as auditors of the company.

**Computer systems year 2000 compliance**

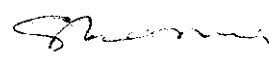
Computer systems are widely used in the business environment and action is being taken to overcome what has become known as the Millennium Bug. Where digital storage and computer systems express dates using only the last two digits of the year, they need to be reprogrammed or replaced to enable the year 2000 and beyond to be recognised. The continued efficient information processing operation of the business is therefore dependent on its computers and in many cases those of its suppliers and customers being able to cope with the year 2000 problem.

The company is taking steps to assess the business risks resulting from the date change to the year 2000 and although the costs of compliance have not been fully quantified it is not expected that they will materially affect future results.

**Small company exemptions**

This report is prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

On behalf of the board



Mrs S A Kenny  
Secretary

Central House  
582 - 586 Kingsbury Road  
Erdington  
Birmingham B24 9ND

19 May 2000

THE CENTRAL FINANCE BUREAU LIMITED  
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 apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- 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.

19 May 2000

On behalf of the board



M. S. Kenny  
Director

## THE CENTRAL FINANCE BUREAU LIMITED

## AUDITORS' REPORT

## Auditors' report to the members of

## The Central Finance Bureau Limited

We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 11 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 7.

**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 error or other irregularity. 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 the company's affairs as at 31 March 2000 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.



West Midlands  
19 May 2000

Weatherer Bailey Bragg  
Registered Auditors  
Chartered Certified Accountants

## THE CENTRAL FINANCE BUREAU LIMITED

## PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

for the year ended 31 March 2000

	Note	2000 £	1999 £
Turnover	2	96,932	129,063
Net operating expenses			
Administrative expenses		(68,023)	(83,238)
Other operating income	5	-	1,436
Operating profit	3	28,909	47,261
Interest payable	6	(2,680)	(3)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		26,229	47,258
Taxation	7	(6,711)	(9,076)
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation		19,518	38,182
Dividends	8	(14,000)	(11,200)
Retained profit for the year	15	5,518	26,982

Movements in reserves are shown in note 15.

None of the company's activities were acquired or discontinued during the above two financial years.

There were no recognised gains or losses in 2000 or 1999 other than the profit for the year.

## THE CENTRAL FINANCE BUREAU LIMITED

## BALANCE SHEET

at 31 March 2000

	Note	£	2000 £	£	1999 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	9		60,640		57,612
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors	10	11,583		24,444	
Cash at bank and in hand		1,238		5,415	
			12,821		29,859
<b>Creditors:</b> amounts falling due within one year	11	(11,417)		(27,552)	
<b>Net current assets</b>			1,404		2,307
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			62,044		59,919
<b>Creditors:</b> amounts falling due after more than one year	12		(23,004)		(26,398)
			39,040		33,521
<b>Capital and reserves</b>					
Called up share capital	14		600		600
Profit and loss account	15		38,440		32,921
<b>Total shareholders' funds</b>	13		39,040		33,521

These financial statements are prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

The financial statements on pages 5 to 11 were approved by the board of directors on 19 May 2000 and signed on its behalf by:



M. S. Kenny  
Director



## THE CENTRAL FINANCE BUREAU LIMITED

## NOTES ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 March 2000

**1 Accounting policies****Basis of accounting**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost accounting rules.

The company has taken advantage of the exemption from preparing a cash flow statement as conferred by Financial Reporting Standard No. 1 (Revised 1996) on the grounds that it qualifies as a small company under the Companies Act 1985.

**Turnover**

Turnover represents the amount derived from the provision of services falling within the company's activities after deduction of trade discounts and value added tax.

**Tangible fixed assets**

Depreciation of fixed assets is calculated to write off their cost or valuation less any residual value over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Motor vehicles	25% reducing balance
Fixtures and fittings	15% reducing balance

**Leases and hire purchase contracts**

Tangible fixed assets acquired under finance leases and hire purchase contracts are capitalised at the estimated fair value at the date of inception of each lease or contract. The total finance charges are allocated over the period of the lease in such a way as to give a reasonably constant charge on the outstanding liability.

**Deferred taxation**

Deferred taxation is provided on the liability method in respect of the taxation effect of all timing differences to the extent that tax liabilities are likely to crystallise in the foreseeable future.

**2 Turnover**

In the opinion of the directors, none of the turnover of the company is attributable to geographical markets outside the UK (1999 : £nil).

## THE CENTRAL FINANCE BUREAU LIMITED

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## 3 Operating profit

	2000 £	1999 £
Operating profit is stated after crediting:		
Net rental income	-	1,412
Interest receivable	-	24
Profit on sale of assets	689	-
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
and after charging:		
Auditors' remuneration	250	250
Loss on sale of assets	-	41
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets (note 9):		
Owned assets	4,110	3,407
Assets under hire purchase contracts	10,581	901
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
	<u>14,691</u>	<u>4,308</u>

## 4 Directors

	2000 £	1999 £
Directors' emoluments	<u>37,413</u>	<u>25,579</u>

## 5 Other income

	2000 £	1999 £
Bank interest received	-	24
Rent received	-	1,412
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
	<u>-</u>	<u>1,436</u>

## 6 Interest payable

	2000 £	1999 £
Finance lease and hire purchase contracts	2,640	-
Other interest payable	40	3
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
	<u>2,680</u>	<u>3</u>

## 7 Taxation

	2000 £	1999 £
Corporation tax on profit on ordinary activities at 20% (1999 : 24%)	6,711	9,075
Under provision in earlier years	-	1
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
	<u>6,711</u>	<u>9,076</u>

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## 8 Dividends

	2000 £	1999 £
Equity dividends paid	14,000	11,200

## 9 Tangible fixed assets

Cost	Motor Vehicles £	Fixtures and Fittings £	Total £
31 March 1999	58,105	3,436	61,541
Additions	27,345	185	27,530
Disposals	(13,800)	-	(13,800)
31 March 2000	71,650	3,621	75,271
Depreciation			
31 March 1999	1,620	2,309	3,929
Charge for the year	14,421	270	14,691
31 March 2000	16,041	2,579	18,620
Net book amount			
31 March 2000	59,598	1,042	60,640
31 March 1999	56,485	1,127	57,612

Included above are assets held under hire purchase contracts with a net book value of £31,743 (1999 : £42,324).

## 10 Debtors

	2000 £	1999 £
Amounts falling due within one year		
Amounts owed by group undertakings and undertakings in which the company has a participating interest	10,000	20,000
Other debtors	1,583	4,444
	11,583	24,444

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## 11 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2000 £	1999 £
Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts - note 12	3,502	3,452
Corporation tax	6,711	9,075
Other taxation and social security	-	2,800
Other creditors	1,204	12,225
	<u>11,417</u>	<u>27,552</u>

## 12 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	2000 £	1999 £
Amounts due between 2 - 5 years		
Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts	23,004	26,398
	<u>23,004</u>	<u>26,398</u>

## 13 Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds

	2000 £	1999 £
Profit for the financial year	19,518	38,182
Dividends	(14,000)	(11,200)
Net addition to shareholders' funds	5,518	26,982
Opening shareholders' funds	33,522	6,540
Closing shareholders' funds	<u>39,040</u>	<u>33,522</u>

## 14 Called up share capital

	2000		1999	
	Number of shares	£	Number of shares	£
Authorised				
Ordinary shares of £1 each	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>
Allotted, called up and fully paid				
Ordinary shares of £1 each	<u>600</u>	<u>600</u>	<u>600</u>	<u>600</u>

## THE CENTRAL FINANCE BUREAU LIMITED

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## 15 Profit and loss account

	2000 £
31 March 1999	32,922
Retained profit for the year	5,518
31 March 2000	<u>38,440</u>

## 16 Related party transactions

During the year the company earned commissions from Birmingham Mortgage Company Limited, a company of which M S Kenny is a director and has an interest, amounting to £50,000.

The company also made a loan to Central Independent Financial Services Limited, a company of which M S Kenny is a director and has an interest, of £10,000.

Amounts outstanding in respect of these transactions are shown in note 10.