Linley Limited
REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED
31 MAY 1997

Registered Number: 2154216



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REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR

The director presents his report and the financial statements for the eighteen months ended 31 May 1997

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES AND BUSINESS REVIEW

The principal activity of the Company continues to be that of trading in marketable securities. The companies to which loans are owed have indicated that repayment will not be sought for the forseeable future. Future developments are described in note '12' in the notes to the financial statements.

RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The profit for the period, which has been transferred to reserves, was £3,415,467. The director did not recommend the payment of a dividend.

DIRECTORS

The following changes in directors occurred during the period :

Mr JD Rowland

resigned 30 November 1995

appointed 16 May 1996

resigned 30 June 1997

Mr JE James

resigned 16 May 1996

Mr DJ Rowland

appointed 30 June 1997

The directors who served during the period, did not have any interest in either the company, or the ultimate holding company.

ELECTIVE RESOLUTIONS

In accordance with section 379A of the Companies Act 1985 the Company has passed elective resolutions to dispense with the laying of financial statements and reports before the Company in General Meeting, holding Annual General Meetings and the annual appointment of auditors.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

K Woolrich Secretary

Norwich

24 March 1998

STATEMENT OF DIRECTOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES

The director is required by UK company law to prepare financial statements for each financial period that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company as at the end of the financial period and of the profit or loss of the Company for that period.

The director confirms that suitable accounting policies have been used and applied consistently, and reasonable and prudent judgements and estimates have been made in the preparation of the financial statements for the eighteen month period ended 31 May 1997. The director also confirms that applicable accounting standards have been followed and that the financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis.

The director is responsible for keeping proper accounting records, for safeguarding the assets of the Company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

K Woolrich Secretary Norwich

24 March 1998

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS
TO THE MEMBERS OF LINLEY LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 11.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 3 the Company's director is 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 the 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.

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs at 31 May 1997 and of its profit and total recognised gains and cash flows for the eighteen month period then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

COOPERS & LYBRAND

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

Norwich

24 March 1998

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

FOR THE EIGHTEEN MONTH PERIOD ENDED 31 MAY 1997

	NOTES	18 Months to 31 May 1997 £	12 Months to 30 November 1995 £
TURNOVER	2	10,233,106	7,721,623
Cost of sales		(6,867,260)	(7,044,884)
GROSS PROFIT		3,365,846	676,739
Administrative expenses	3	(8,086)	(7,569)
OPERATING PROFIT		3,357,760	669,170
Interest receivable		77,779	127,435
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		3,435,539	796,605
Taxation	4	(20,072)	(31,622)
PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD		3,415,467	764,983
STATEMENT OF RETAINED EARNINGS		(44.040.040)	(40.444.000)
Balance at beginning of period		(11,349,849)	(12,114,832)
Profit for the period		3,415,467	764,983
		(7,934,382)	(11,349,849)

All the Company's turnover and profit as disclosed above is derived from continuing operations.

The Company has no recognised gains and losses other than the profits above and therefore no separate statement of recognised gains and losses has been presented.

There is no difference between the profit on ordinary activities before taxation and the profit for the period stated above, and their historical cost equivalents.

BALANCE SHEET AT 31 MAY 1997

BALANGE GREET AT STRIKE 1997	NOTES	31 May 1997 £	30 November 1995 £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks	5	240,948	2,487,475
Debtors	6	217,448	681,930
Cash at bank		6,718	433,912
		465,114	3,603,317
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	7	(8,399,396)	(953,066)
NET CURRENT (LIABILITIES)/ASSETS		(7,934,282)	2,650,251
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		(7,934,282)	2,650,251
CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more than one year NET LIABILITIES	8		(14,000,000) (11,349,749)
CAPITAL AND RESERVES Called up share capital Profit and loss account	9	100 (7,934,382)	100 (11,349,849)
Deficit on equity shareholders' funds	10	(7,934,282)	(11,349,749)

The financial statements on pages 5 to 11 were approved and signed by the sole director on 24 March 1998

D J Rowland

Director

CASH FLOW STATEMENT

FOR THE EIGHTEEN MONTH PERIOD ENDED 31 MAY 1997

NOTES	18 Months to 31 May 5 1997 £	12 Months to 30 November 1995 £
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING PROFIT TO NET CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTVITIES		
Operating profit	3,357,760	669,170
Decrease / (increase) in stocks	2,246,527	(936,702)
(Increase) / decrease in debtors	468,405	2,208,537
Increase / (decrease) in creditors	805,162	(24,821)
	6,877,854	1,916,184
NET CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	6,877,854	1,916,184
RETURNS ON INVESTMENTS AND SERVICING OF FINANCE		
Interest received	51,390	33,391
TAXATION		·
UK Corporation tax paid	(6,249)	-
UK Income tax received	22,466	
	16,217	-
FINANCING		
Repayment of long term debt from holding company	(7,372,050)	(1,800,906)
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(DECREASE)/INCREASE IN CASH IN THE PERIOD	(426,589)	148,669
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RECONCILIATION OF NET CASH FLOW TO 11	18 Months to	12 Months to
MOVEMENT IN NET DEBT	31 Ma y	30 November
	1997	1995
	£	£
(DECREASE)/INCREASE IN CASH IN THE PERIOD	(426,589)	148,669
Cash outflow from repayment of long term debt	,	·
Non-cash repayment of long term debt	7,372,050	1,800,906
	(1,119,499)	(85,343)
MOVEMENT IN NET DEBT IN THE PERIOD	5,825,962	1,864,232
OPENING NET DEBT	(14,168,107)	(16,032,339)
CLOSING NET DEBT	(8,342,145)	(14,168,107)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE EIGHTEEN MONTH PERIOD ENDED 31 MAY 1997

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Principal Accounting Policies

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards.

A summary of the more important accounting policies, which have been applied consistently, is set out below.

b) Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention of accounting as modified by the revaluation of investments.

c) Trading stocks

Marketable securities held as stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

d) Foreign currency translation

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the year end exchange rate. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the average rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction. The resulting exchange differences are included in the profit and loss account.

e) Deferred taxation

Provision is made for deferred taxation using the liability method, to the extent to which it is expected that an actual liability to corporation tax will crystallise in the forseeable future.

2. TURNOVER

Turnover comprises the gross sales value of marketable securities.

3. ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

The directors received no remuneration for the period ended 31 May 1997 and the year ended 30 November 1995. The auditors' remuneration for the period ended 31 May 1997 was £ 5,581 (Year ended 30 November 1995 was £ 2,644).

4.	TAXATION	18 Months to	12 Months to
		31 May	30 November
		1997	1995
		£	£
	The charge based on results for the period comprises :		
	Charge for the period at 24% (1995 - 25%)	20,072	31,622

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE EIGHTEEN MONTH PERIOD ENDED 31 MAY 1997

5.	STOCKS	31 May 1997 £	30 November 1995 £
	Marketable securities	240,948	2,487,475
	The aggregate market value of listed investments at 31 May 1997 wa (30 November 1995 - £2,487,475).	s £273,506,	
6.	DEBTORS		
		31 May 1997 £	30 November 1995
	Amounts falling due within one year:	£.	£
	Trade debtors Other debtors Amounts due from group companies	2,300 215,148 - 217,448	1,903 71,242 608,785 681,930
7.	CREDITORS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		
		31 May 1997	30 November 1995
	Bank Overdraft	£	£ 605
	Trade Creditors	-	293,739
	Corporation Tax Amounts owed to group companies	3,225 4,759,761	6,249
	Amounts due to related company	3,589,102	601,414 -
	Other creditors and accruals	47,308	51,059
		8,399,396	953,066
8.	CREDITORS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR		
		31 May 1997	30 November 1995
	Amounts owed to group companies	£ -	£ 14,000,000

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE EIGHTEEN MONTH PERIOD ENDED 31 MAY 1997

9. SHARE CAPITAL

	Number of Shares	£
Authorised Ordinary shares of £1 each At 1 December 1995 and 31 May 1997	100	100
Allotted, called up and fully paid: Ordinary shares of £1 each		
At 1 December 1995 and 31 May 1997	100	100

10. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

	31 May	30 November
	1997	1995
	£	£
Profit for the financial period	3,415,467	764,983
Shareholders' funds brought forward	(11,349,749)	(12,114,732)
Shareholders' funds carried forward	(7,934,282)	(11,349,749)

11. ANALYSIS OF NET DEBT

			Other	
	1 December		Non-cash	31 May
	1995	Cash flow	Changes	1997
	£	£	£	£
NET CASH				
Cash at bank and in hand	433,912	(427,194)	-	6,718
Bank overdraft	(605)	605	-	<u>-</u>
	433,307	(426,589)	-	6,718
DEBT				
Holding company loan	(14,601,414)	7,372,050	2,469,603	(4,759,761)
Amounts due to related companies	-	-	(3,589,102)	(3,589,102)
NET DEBT	(14,168,107)	6,945,461	(1,119,499)	(8,342,145)

12. ULTIMATE HOLDING COMPANY AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The ultimate holding company of Linley Limited at 31 May 1997 was Stockton Industries Limited, a company incorporated in the Bahamas.

On 30 June 1997 the Company's share capital was purchased by Attiebridge Limited.

The ultimate parent undertaking of Attlebridge Limited is Sarquila Investments Limited, a company incorporated in the British Virgin Islands.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE EIGHTEEN MONTH PERIOD ENDED 31 MAY 1997

13. GOING CONCERN

The Company is dependent upon the loans from its parent undertaking and other related company not being called. The director has obtained assurances from these companies that the loans will be made available for the forseeable future.