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## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1996

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### COMPANY INFORMATION

## 31 DECEMBER 1996

Chairman

L D Zetter Esq

Other directors

B D Smith Esq

Lord Howie of Troon

Secretary

L Zetter Esq.

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Number

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Bankers

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Auditors

Wagner & Partners

Chartered Accountants

Meares House

194/196 Finchley Road

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## DIRECTORS' REPORT

#### **31 DECEMBER 1996**

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1996.

### Principal activity

The principal activity of the company is engaging in the writing and selling of books on members of parliament.

#### Business review

The company's balance sheet as detailed on page 6 shows a deficiency of shareholders' funds amounting to £27,829.

### Results and dividends

The results for the year are shown in the profit and loss account on page 5. The directors do not propose payment of an ordinary dividend.

#### Directors

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

	31 December 1996 Ordinary shares	1 January 1996 Ordinary shares
L Zetter Esq	51	51
B D Smith Esq	49	49
Lord Howie of Troon	-	<u>-</u>

#### Auditors

Wagner & Partners have agreed to offer themselves for re-appointment as auditors of the company.

## Small company exemptions

Advantage has been taken in the preparation of this report of special exemptions applicable to small companies provided by part II of schedule 8 to the Companies Act 1985.

On behalf of the board

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L D Zetter Esq

Director

12 March 1997



### STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

We are required under company law 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 we are required to:

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

We are also responsible for:

- keeping proper accounting records;
- safeguarding the company's assets;
- taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud.

On behalf of the board

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> L D Zetter Esq Director

12 March 1997



#### AUDITORS' REPORT

### Auditors' report to the members of

### PMS Publications Limited

We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 10 which have been prepared under 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 December 1996 and of its loss for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 1985 applicable to small companies.

Meares House 194/196 Finchley Road London NW3 6BX

12 March 1997

Wagner & Partners Registered Auditor Chartered Accountants



### PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1996

	Note	1996 £	1995 £
Turnover	2	109,248	104,566
Cost of sales		(54,884)	(52,735)
Gross profit		54,364	51,831
Net operating expenses			
Distribution costs Administrative expenses		(5,872) (67,867)	(5,123) (42,953)
Operating (loss)/profit	3	(19,375)	3,755
Investment income Interest payable	4	863 -	1,144 (48)
(Loss)/profit on ordinary acti- before taxation	vities	(18,512)	4,851
Taxation	5	~	(1,215)
(Loss)/profit on ordinary actiafter taxation	<b>vities</b> 10	(18,512)	3,636

Movements in reserves are shown in note 10.

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

There are no recognised gains and losses in 1996 or 1995 other than the (loss)/profit for the year.



#### BALANCE SHEET

### AT 31 DECEMBER 1996

		1996		1995	
	Note	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	6		1,753		2,097
Current assets					
Debtors	7	10,563		13,111	
Cash at bank and in hand		36,079		22,816	
Creditors: amounts falling due		46,642		35,927	
within one year	8	(76,224)		(47,341)	
Net current liabilities			(29,582)	<del></del>	(11,414)
Total assets less current liabiliti	es		(27,829)		(9,317)
Capital and reserves				•	****
Called up share capital	9		100		100
Profit and loss account	10		(27,929)		(9,417)
Total shareholders' funds	11		(27,829)	-	(9,317)

The directors have taken advantage in the preparation of these financial statements of special exemptions provided by Part I of Schedule 8 to the Companies Act 1985 on the basis that the company qualifies as a small company.

The financial statements on pages 5 to 10 were approved by the board of directors on 12 Magch 1997.

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> L D Zetter Esq Director



#### NOTES ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 31 DECEMBER 1996

### 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 conferred by Financial Reporting Standard No. 1 on the grounds that it is entitled to the exemptions available in Sections 246 to 247 of the Companies Act 1985 for small companies.

### Depreciation

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

Office equipment Motor vehicles

33.33% reducing balance basis 25% reducing balance basis

### Leases and hire purchase contracts

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to income as incurred.

#### 2 Turnover

Turnover represents the amount derived from the provision of goods and services which fall within the company's ordinary activities stated net of value added tax.

In the opinion of the directors, none of the turnover of the company is attributable to geographical markets outside the UK. (1995 nil)

### 3 Operating (loss)/profit

	1996	1995
Operating (loss)/profit is stated after ch	£ narging	£
Auditors' remuneration	1,800	1,650
Rent	9,000	9,000
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets (note 6)		
owned assets	728	844



## NOTES ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## 31 DECEMBER 1996

### 4 Investment income

		1996 £	<b>1995</b> £
	Interest receivable	863	1,144
5	Taxation		
	Corporation tax on loss on ordinary activities	1996 £	1995 £
	at 24/25% (1995 25%)	<u>.</u>	1,215

## 6 Tangible fixed assets

Cost or valuation	Motor Vehicles £	Office Equipment £	<b>Total</b> £
1 January 1996 Additions	5,034 -	4,153 384	9,187 384
31 December 1996	5,034	4,537	9,571
Depreciation			
1 January 1996 Charge for year	3,840 299	3,250 429	7,090 728
31 December 1996	4,139	3,679	7,818
Net book amount			
31 December 1996	895	858	1,753
1 January 1996	1,194	903	2,097



## NOTES ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## 31 DECEMBER 1996

## 7 Debtors

	Amounts falling due within one year	1996 £	<b>1995</b> £
	Other debtors	10,563	13,111
		10,563	13,111
8	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		
		1996 £	1995 £
	Trade creditors Corporation tax Other taxation and social security Accruals and deferred income Directors' current account	1,480 - 18,505 38,680 17,559	882 1,215 744 42,241 2,259
		76,224	47,341

## 9 Called up share capital

	19 Number of	96	199	95
	shares	£	Number of shares	£
Authorised				
Ordinary shares of £1 each	100	100	100	100
Allotted called up and fully paid				
Ordinary shares of £1 each	100	100	100	100



# NOTES ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## 31 DECEMBER 1996

10	Profit	and lo	ss account

TO	Profit and loss account	*	
			1996 £
	1 January 1996 Retained loss for the year		(9,417) (18,512)
	31 December 1996		(27,929)
11	Reconciliation of movements in sharehold	ers' funds	
		<b>1996</b> £	1995 £
	(Loss)/profit for the financial year representing a Net (subtraction from)/addition to shareholders' funds	(18,512)	3,636
	Opening shareholders' funds	(9,317)	(12,953)
	Closing shareholders' funds	(27,829)	(9,317)

