DIRECTORS' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

for the year ended 31 July 1998

Company Number 2403788

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 JULY 1998

	Note	1998 £	1997 £
CURRENT ASSETS Cash at Bank Amounts owed by Group undertaking		$ \begin{array}{r} 1,998 \\ \hline 2 \\ \underline{2,000} \end{array} $	$ \begin{array}{r} 1,998 \\ \hline 2 \\ \hline 2,000 \end{array} $
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital Equity shareholders' funds	2	2,000 2,000	<u>2,000</u> <u>2,000</u>

The Company was dormant throughout the year ended 31 July 1997.

The accounts were approved by the Board on 17 Moscoler 1998.

M.G. Williams

Director

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

for the year ended 31 July 1998

DIRECTORS

The Directors who served during the year were as follows:

M.G. Williams E.H. Getchell (USA) J.L. Brackpool P.E. Jones (USA) I. Pickering

(Appointed 1st May 1998)

The Directors submit their report and the accounts for the year ended 31 July 1998.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY AND REVIEW OF BUSINESS

The Company did not trade during the year nor is it expected to do so in the foreseeable future.

DIVIDENDS

The Directors do not recommend a dividend.

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS

Mr. M.G. Williams and Mr. I. Pickering are directors of Manganese Bronze Holdings PLC and their respective interests in the capital of that company are disclosed in the report and accounts of that Company. As at 31 July 1998 Mr J.L. Brackpool held options granted on 29 March 1993 to purchase 15,000 ordinary shares in Manganese Bronze Holdings PLC at an exercise price of 87.5p per share. The options are exercisable between 3 and 10 years from the date of grant.

Save as disclosed above none of the Directors had any notifiable interest in the share capital of the Company or in the share capital of Manganese Bronze Holdings PLC or any of its subsidiaries.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

for the year ended 31 July 1998

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; 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. 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.

AUDITORS

The Company has taken advantage of the exemption under section 250 of the Companies Act 1985 and therefore, has not appointed auditors.

By order of the Board

A. Walker Secretary

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NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS

for the year ended 31 July 1998

1. ACCOUNTING POLICY

Accounting convention

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

2. SHARE CAPITAL 1998 1997 £ £

Authorised, allotted and fully paid:
Ordinary shares of £1 each

2,000

2,000

3. ULTIMATE PARENT UNDERTAKING

The ultimate parent company is Manganese Bronze Holdings PLC, a company registered in England and Wales, whose accounts may be obtained from the company's registered office at 1 Love Lane, London, EC2V 7HJ.