

REGISTERED NUMBER: 2814597 (England and Wales)

ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MAY 1997

FOR

BRANLAM LIMITED



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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MAY 1997**

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**COMPANY INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MAY 1997**

DIRECTORS:	L M Hamilton B Hamilton
SECRETARY:	Brian Hamilton
REGISTERED OFFICE:	433 Watling Street Road Ribbleson Preston Lancashire PR2 6TY
REGISTERED NUMBER:	2814597 (England and Wales)
AUDITORS:	FREEMAN RICH Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors London House Primrose Hill London Road PRESTON PR1 4BX
BANKERS:	National Westminster Bank Plc 292 Garstang Road Fulwood Preston PR2 4RQ

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REPORT OF THE AUDITORS TO

BRANLAM LIMITED

PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH 24 OF SCHEDULE 8 TO THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

We have examined the abbreviated financial statements on pages four to six together with the full financial statements of Branlam Limited prepared under Section 226 of the Companies Act 1985 for the year ended 31st May 1997.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated financial statements in accordance with Schedule 8 to the Companies Act 1985. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to the company's entitlement to the exemptions claimed in the directors' statement on page four and whether the abbreviated financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with that Schedule.

Basis of opinion

We have carried out the procedures we considered necessary to confirm, by reference to the audited financial statements, that the company is entitled to the exemptions and that the abbreviated financial statements have been properly prepared from those financial statements. The scope of our work for the purpose of this report does not include examining or dealing with events after the date of our report on the full financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the company is entitled under Sections 246 and 247 of the Companies Act 1985 to the exemptions conferred by Section A of Part III of Schedule 8 to that Act, in respect of the year ended 31st May 1997, and the abbreviated financial statements on pages four to six have been properly prepared in accordance with that Schedule.

Other information

On 31st December 1997 we reported, as auditors of Branlam Limited, to the shareholders on the financial statements prepared under Section 226 of the Companies Act 1985 for the year ended 31st May 1997, and our audit report was as follows:

"We have audited the financial statements on pages four to nine which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page six.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page two 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 judgments 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.

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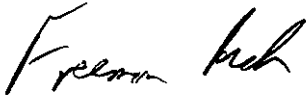
REPORT OF THE AUDITORS TO

BRANLAM LIMITED

PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH 24 OF SCHEDULE 8 TO THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31st May 1997 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 1985 applicable to small companies."



FREEMAN RICH

Chartered Accountants and

Registered Auditors

London House

Primrose Hill

London Road

PRESTON PR1 4BX

Dated: 31 December 1997

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ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET
31ST MAY 1997

	Notes	1997		1996	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS:					
Tangible assets	2		176,361		154,390
CURRENT ASSETS:					
Debtors		28,041		18,045	
Cash at bank and in hand		17,038		932	
		45,079		18,977	
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year		104,071		74,001	
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES:			(58,992)		(55,024)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES:			117,369		99,366
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due after more than one year			17,222		39,962
			£100,147		£59,404
CAPITAL AND RESERVES:					
Called up share capital	3		2		2
Profit and loss account			100,145		59,402
Shareholders' funds			£100,147		£59,404

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

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

L M Hamilton - DIRECTOR



Approved by the Board on 31 December 1997

BRANLAM LIMITED**NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MAY 1997****1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES****Accounting convention**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Financial Reporting Standard Number 1

Exemption has been taken from preparing a cash flow statement on the grounds that the company qualifies as a small company.

Turnover

Turnover represents net invoiced sales of goods, excluding value added tax.

Depreciation

Fixed assets are depreciated under the reducing balance method using the following annual rates which it anticipated will write off the cost of the assets over their estimated useful lives:

Motor Vehicles	- 15%
Plant and Machinery	- 15%
Office Fixtures and Equipment	- 15%

A full year's charge is made in the year of addition but none is made in the year of disposal.

Deferred taxation

Provision is made at current rates for taxation deferred in respect of all material timing differences except to the extent that, in the opinion of the directors, there is reasonable probability that the liability will not arise in the foreseeable future.

2. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Total
	£
COST:	
At 1st June 1996	213,663
Additions	61,903
Disposals	(10,658)
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At 31st May 1997	264,908
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DEPRECIATION:	
At 1st June 1996	59,273
Charge for year	31,378
Eliminated on disposals	(2,104)
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At 31st May 1997	88,547
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NET BOOK VALUE:	
At 31st May 1997	176,361
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At 31st May 1996	154,390
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3. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

Authorised:

Number:	Class:	Nominal value:	1997 £	1996 £
1,000	Ordinary	£1	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>

Allotted, issued and fully paid:

Number:	Class:	Nominal value:	1997 £	1996 £
2	Ordinary	£1	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>