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25 July 2002

Dear Sir

We hereby submit our resignation as auditors of the attached list of companies with effect from 31 July 2002.

In accordance with section 394 of the Companies Act 1985, we confirm that there are no circumstances connected with our ceasing to hold office that we consider should be brought to the attention of the companies' members or creditors.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Arthur Andersen'.

Arthur Andersen



EXTRACT OF MINUTE OF MEETING OF
THE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF
DIRECTORS OF JOHNSTON PRESS PLC
HELD AT 53 MANOR PLACE, EDINBURGH
ON MONDAY, 5 AUGUST 2002, AT 8.30
A.M.

Present: Mr T J Bowdler (in the Chair)
Mr S R Paterson

In attendance: Mr P R Cooper

Appointment of Auditors

Having received on 25 July 2002 the formal notice of resignation of Arthur Andersen as auditors to the Company, such resignation to take effect on 31 July 2002, it is resolved that Deloitte & Touche be appointed to fill the casual vacancy so created to serve as auditors until the conclusion of the next general meeting at which accounts are laid before the members.

The Secretary is hereby authorised to file the necessary notification with the Registrar of Companies.

Signed as a true Extract:

Signed 

Dated 6-8-02