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PEACE & QUIET LIMITED REPORT AND ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 1995



Registered number: 1577739

#### COMPANY INFORMATION

Directors

Y. Anselm
M. Anselm
A. Anselm
A.J.D. Corlett

Secretary

M. Anselm

Company number

1577739

Registered office

Unit 46, Milton Park Estate Abingdon, Oxon OX14 4RU

Business address

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Auditors

H. W. Fisher & Company

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London NW3 1QB

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#### DIRECTORS REPORT

The directors present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 January 1995.

#### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of the group continues to be that of design, manufacture and retailing of fashion clothes and shoes. This is carried out by its subsidiaries, Hobbs Limited and Hobbs Too Limited. The group also wholesales these goods through another subsidiary, Hobbs (Wholesale) Limited. The holding company did not separately trade during the year. From 1 February 1995 all trading is now carried out through Hobbs Limited.

## RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The trading loss for the year after taxation and minority interests amounted to £315,214.

Preference dividends amounting to £25,274 have been paid in the year.

Interim ordinary dividends amounting to £12,637 have been paid in the year.

The dividends for the year and the loss for the financial year have been funded from retained profits brought forward. After crediting the realised revaluation reserve the reduction to retained profits amounted to £257,870.

## REVIEW OF BUSINESS AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

Both the level of business and the year end financial position were as expected in the light of current trading conditions and the directors anticipate a further increase in the level of activity in the forthcoming year.

# DIRECTORS AND THEIR INTERESTS

The directors at 31 January 1995 and their interests in the share capital of the company were:

					Ordinary	shares	
				31	January 1995	1 February	1994
	Anselm				98,058	100,000	
	Anselm				101,942	100,000	
Α.	J.D. Corlett	(appointed	24 September	1994)	-	_	

On 23 March 1995, A. Anselm was appointed a director.

#### Issue of shares

As explained in note 20, the issued share capital of the company has been increased by £1,058,900.

#### FIXED ASSETS

Details of movements in fixed assets during the year are set out in notes 13 and 14 to the accounts.

#### AUDITORS

A resolution proposing the re-appointment of H. W. Fisher & Company as auditors will be put to the members at the next Annual General Meeting.

On behalf of the Board

Y. Anselm

Director

Dated: 13 March 1996

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#### STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

Company law requires the directors to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and the group, and of the profit or loss of the group for that period.

In preparing those accounts the directors are required to

- \* select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- \* make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- \* state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts;
- \* prepare the accounts on a 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 accounts comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

#### AUDITORS' REPORT

#### TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF

# PEACE & QUIET LIMITED

We have audited the accounts on pages 4 to 24 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of certain land and buildings and the accounting policies set out on pages 9 and 10.

#### RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORS AND AUDITORS

As described on page 2 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those accounts and 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 accounts. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the accounts, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the group'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 accounts 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 the information in the accounts.

#### OPINION

In our opinion the accounts give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the company and the group as at 31 January 1995 and of the group's profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

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H.W. FISHER & COMPANY

Chartered Accountants Registered Auditor Acre House 11/15 William Road London NW1 3ER

Dated: 13 March 1996

# PEACE & QUIET LIMITED GROUP PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 1995

	Notes	1995 £	As restated 1994 £
TURNOVER	2	15,388,708	12,388,539
Cost of sales		(7,373,653)	(5,821,591)
GROSS PROFIT		8,015,055	6,566,948
Distribution costs Administrative expenses		(5,441,961) (2,369,102)	(4,181,008) (1,948,136)
OPERATING PROFIT	3	203,992	437,804
Other income Amounts written off investment propert Interest payable and similar charges	6 :ies7 8	54,351 (175,000) (230,399)	59,895 - (234,769)
(LOSS)/PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		(147,056)	262,930
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	9	(165,769)	(149,000)
(LOSS)/PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION		(312,825)	113,930
Minority Interest		(2,389)	(2,987)
(LOSS)/PROFIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO MEMBERS OF THE HOLDING COMPANY	10	(315,214)	110,943
Dividends	12	(37,911)	-
(LOSS)/PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		(353,125)	110,943
STATEMENT OF RETAINED RESERVES			
Retained profit brought forward As previously reported Prior year adjustment	11	1,543,100 (830,612)	1,269,799 (762,578)
As restated		712,488	507,221
(LOSS)/PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR Transfers from revaluation reserve	23	(353,125) 95,255	110,943 94,324
RETAINED PROFIT CARRIED FORWARD		454,618	712,488

There are no recognised gains and losses other than those passing through the profit and loss account.

# NOTE OF HISTORICAL COST PROFITS AND LOSSES

# YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 1995

	1995 £	As restated 1994 £
NOTE OF HISTORICAL COST PROFITS AND LOSSES		
Reported (loss)/profit on ordinary		
activities before taxation	(147,056)	262,930
Difference between depreciation charge on revalued		
amount and on the historical cost basis	95,255	94,324
HISTORICAL COST (LOSS)/PROFIT ON ORDINARY		
ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	(51,801)	357,254
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HISTORICAL COST RETAINED (LOSS)/ PROFIT		
FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR	(257,870)	205,267

# GROUP BALANCE SHEET AT 31 JANUARY 1995

			1995		estated 1994
	Notes		£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	13		3,514,138		3,589,199
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks		2,642,653		1,982,760	
Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	17	789,015 295,937		680,547 19,948	
cash at bank and in hand					
		3,727,605	<b>;</b>	2,683,255	
CREDITORS - Amounts falling due within one year	18	(2,978,512	4) (	(2,924,339	)
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)			749,093		(241,084)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			4,263,231		3,348,115
CREDITORS - Amounts falling due after more than one year	19		(1,228,406)	)	(1,387,751)
PROVISION FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES	20		(349,000)	)	(361,070)
			2,685,825		1,599,294
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capital	21		1,258,900		200,000
Share premium account	22		387,251		•••
Revaluation reserve	23		450,944		546,199
Capital reserve on consolidation			134,112		135,173
Profit and loss account			454,618		712,488
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	27		2,685,825		1,593,860
Minority interest			<del></del>		5,434
			2,685,825		1,599,294

Y. Anselm

Director

Approved by the Board on: 13 Harch 1996

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# BALANCE SHEET

# AT 31 JANUARY 1995

		•	1995		estated 994
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets Investments	14 15		232,401 9,381		270,119 497
			241,782	•	270,616
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	17	1,574,254 233		60,420 233	
eg et		1,574,487	•	60,653	
CREDITORS - Amounts falling due within one year	18	(14,873)	)	(395)	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			1,559,614		60,258
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			1,801,396	:	330,874
CAPITAL AND RESERVES Called up share capital Share premium account	21 22		1,258,900 387,251		200,000
Revaluation reserve	23		223,828		259,932
Profit and loss account			(68,583)		(129,058)
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	27		1,801,396		330,874
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Y. Anselm

Director

Approved by the board on: 13 March 1996

# GROUP CASH FLOW STATEMENT

# YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 1995

		19	995	19	94
	Notes	£	£	£	£
NET CASH INFLOW FROM					
OPERATING ACTIVITIES	28		29,402		886,104
DEMITTANC ON TANKERSENIES AND					
RETURNS ON INVESTMENTS AND SERVICING OF FINANCE					
Interest received		679		3,056	
Rent received		38,552		41,709	
Interest paid		(226,232)		(231,225)	
Interest element of finance					
lease rentals		(4,167)		(3,544)	
Dividends paid		(37,911)		-	
Net cash outflow from returns on					
investments and servicing of fi	inance		(229,079)		(190,004)
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CORPORATION TAX			(47,581)		(138,661)
INVESTING ACTIVITIES					
Payments for tangible fixed asset	cs	(669,684)		(650,188)	
Receipts from sales of tangible		<b>(</b> ) , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		, ,	
assets		10,000		10,900	
Reverse premium received				90,000	
•		<del></del>			
Net cash outflow from investing					
activities			(659,684)		(549,288)
Net cash (outflow)/inflow before	financ	ing	(906,942)		8,151
FINANCING	29				
Issue of ordinary share capital		1,500,000		-	
Cost of share issue		(57,733)		_	
New loan		49,995		110,304	
Repayment of director's loan		-		(325,000)	
Repayment of bank loan		(187,050)		(146,926)	
Capital element of hire purchase		<b>(</b> ****** <b>,</b> **** <b>,</b> ***** <b>,</b> *************		<b>( ,</b> ,	
and finance lease contracts		(17,626)		(15,400)	
Net cash inflow/(outflow)		-			(688
from financing		•	1,287,586		(377,022)
INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND					
CASH EQUIVALENTS	30		380,644		(368,871)
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#### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

#### YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 1995

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### 1.1 Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of certain land and buildings.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

#### 1.2 Accounting reference date

The accounting reference date is 30 January. The company annually prepares its accounts to 31 January. These accounts have been made up to 28 January 1995, the nearest Saturday. Comparative figures cover either the year ended 31 January 1994 or the position at that date.

# 1.3 Basis of consolidation

The group accounts consolidate the accounts of Peace & Quiet Limited and its subsidiaries, made up to 31 January 1995.

No profit and loss account is presented for Peace & Quiet Limited as provided by Section 230 of the Companies Act 1985.

Goodwill arising on consolidation is written off immediately to reserves.

#### 1.4 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost or valuation less depreciation. Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets, other than freehold land and investment properties, at rates calculated to write off the cost or valuation, less estimated residual value, of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

z z	per annum	Method
Freehold land	nil	
Freehold property	2	Straight line
Fixtures, fittings & equipment	10/15	Straight line
Motor cars	25	Straight line

Leasehold property is depreciated over the primary lease period. This represents a change of accounting policy in 1995 - see note 11 for further explanation.

The part of the annual depreciation charge on revalued assets which is realised is released to the profit and loss account.

Investment properties are revalued annually by the directors and the aggregate surplus or deficit is transferred to the revaluation reserve. Permanent diminutions in property, not covered by prior reserves on these assets, are written off directly against the profit and loss account. No depreciation is provided. The directors consider that this accounting policy results in the accounts giving a true and fair view. Depreciation is only one of many factors reflected in the annual valuation and the amount which might otherwise have been shown cannot be identified or quantified.

#### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

#### YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 1995

#### ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### 1.5 Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost includes all direct costs incurred in bringing the stocks to their present location and condition.

Net realisable value is based on estimated selling price less further costs expected to be incurred to completion and disposal.

#### 1.6 Leasing and hire purchase commitments

Assets held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts are treated as if they had been purchased outright at the present value of the outstanding rentals payable, less finance charges, over the primary period of the leases. The corresponding obligations under these leases are shown as creditors. The finance charge element of rentals payable is charged to the profit and loss account so as to produce a constant rate of charge on the outstanding balance in each period.

Rental payments under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the period of the leases.

#### 1.7 Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided at appropriate rates on all timing differences using the liability method only to the extent that, in the opinion of the directors, there is a reasonable probability that a liability or asset will crystalise in the foreseeable future.

#### 1.8 Foreign currency translation

Transactions denominated in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction.

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated to sterling at rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. All exchange differences are dealt with in the profit and loss account.

#### 2. TURNOVER

Turnover represents the invoiced value of goods sold and services provided excluding VAT.

An analysis of turnover by geographical market is shown below:

	1995	1994
	£	£
Geographical market		
United Kingdom	15,049,255	12,234,622
Rest of Europe	339,453	-
North America	<b>-</b>	149,117
Asia	-	4,800
	15,388,708	12,388,539

# NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

# YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 1995

Operating profit is stated after charging:  Exceptional write off of debtor Depreciation of owned tangible fixed assets Depreciation of tangible fixed assets held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts Loss on disposal of tangible fixed assets 18,666 1,495 Operating lease rentals - Plant and machinery - Other assets Auditors' remuneration  4. DIRECTORS EMOLUMENTS  Remuneration for management services Directors' emoluments include: The chairman and highest paid director  92,672  55,000  The other directors fall within the following ranges:	Operating profit is stated after charging:  Exceptional write off of debtor Depreciation of owned tangible fixed assets Depreciation of tangible fixed assets held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts Loss on disposal of tangible fixed assets Operating lease rentals - Plant and machinery - Other assets Auditors' remuneration  4. DIRECTORS EMOLUMENTS  Remuneration for management services Directors' emoluments include: The chairman and highest paid director  The other directors fall within the following ranges:  **Num** **Incompany** Num  **Staff costs were as follows:  **Wages and salaries Social security costs  **The average number of persons employed by the company during the year was:  Number  **Number**  **Number**	Restated 1994 £
Depreciation of owned tangible fixed assets   527,858   452,736   Depreciation of tangible fixed assets held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts   13,220   13,220   Loss on disposal of tangible fixed assets   18,666   1,495   Operating lease rentals   - Plant and machinery   31,441   27,376   - Other assets   1,553,049   1,469,995   Auditors' remuneration   22,500   20,250   20,250   20,250     20,250     20,250     20,250     20,250     20,250   20,250     20,250	Depreciation of owned tangible fixed assets Depreciation of tangible fixed assets held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts Loss on disposal of tangible fixed assets Operating lease rentals - Plant and machinery - Other assets Auditors' remuneration  4. DIRECTORS EMOLUMENTS Directors' emoluments include: The chairman and highest paid director The other directors fall within the following ranges:  **Num* **EMPLOYEE INFORMATION**  Staff costs were as follows:  Wages and salaries Social security costs  **The average number of persons employed by the company during the year was:  Numb  **Numb  **Num	~
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Auditors' remuneration 22,500 20,250  4. DIRECTORS EMOLUMENTS 1995 £ £  Remuneration for management services 182,965 110,000  Directors' emoluments include: The chairman and highest paid director 92,672 55,000  The other directors fall within the following ranges: Number £ Nil - £5,000 1 - 1 - 1 1 - 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	Auditors' remuneration  22,5  4. DIRECTORS EMOLUMENTS  199.  Remuneration for management services  182,9  Directors' emoluments include: The chairman and highest paid director  92,6  The other directors fall within the following ranges: Num  £ Nil - £5,000 £50,001 - £55,000 £90,001 - £95,000  5. EMPLOYEE INFORMATION  Staff costs were as follows:  Wages and salaries Social security costs  2,777,3 Social security costs  The average number of persons employed by the company during the year was:  Numb	·
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# NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

# YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 1995

6.	OTHER INCOME	1995 £	1994 £
	Rent receivable Bank interest receivable	38,552 679	41,709
	Release of reverse premium received	15,120	3,056 15,130
		54,351	59,895
7.	AMOUNTS WRITTEN OFF INVESTMENTS	1995	1994
		£	£
	Amounts written off freehold investment properties - permanent diminution in value	175,000	_
8.	INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES	1995 £	1994 £
	Interest payable on:		
	Bank overdrafts and loans repayable within five years Loans repayable after five years Other loans Finance lease and hire purchase contracts	86,123 111,710 28,399 4,167 230,399	-
9.	TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES	1995	1994
	U.K. corporation tax at 33% (1994 - 33%) Deferred tax Underprovision of tax in earlier years	£ 104,689 3,050 58,030	£ 99,000 50,000
		165,769	149,000
10.	(LOSS)/PROFIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO MEMBERS OF THE HOLDING COMPANY	1995 £	Restated 1994 £
	Holding Company Subsidiaries	62,282	(27,718)
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		(315,214)	110,943

#### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

#### YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 1995

#### 11. PRIOR YEAR ADJUSTMENTS

The prior year adjustment has been made as a result of a change in accounting policy with respect to the amortisation of leasehold properties. Previously where leases were considered renewable over a second term, the policy was to amortise the lease over the extended number of years, being the deemed full life of the asset. No residual values are now applied to short leaseholds. It is now considered by the directors that a more true and fair treatment is to amortise each short lease solely over the period of the primary lease term.

Consequently the revaluation reserve has also been restated for the cumulative effect on the annual transfers to the profit and loss account, relating to those leasehold properties carried at valuation in the accounts.

An amortisation charge of £207,550 has been put through to the profit and loss account for the year ended 31 January 1995 in respect of leasehold properties. The corresponding amortisation charge under the old policy would have been £121,191.

12.	DIVIDENDS	1995	1994
	_	£	£
	Preference: interim paid	25,274	-
	Ordinary: interim paid	12,637	-
		37,911	-
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## 13. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS - GROUP

			Fixtures,		
	Freehold	Short	fittings,		
	Investment	leasehold	and	Motor	
	properties	properties	s equipment	vehicles	o Total
	£	£	£	£	£
COST OR VALUATION					
At 1 February 1994	904,401	3,220,018	2,602,699	93,171	6,820,289
Additions	-	_	669,684	-	669,684
Disposals	_	_	(7,533)	(21,954)	(29,487)
Revaluation	(183,000)			_	(183,000)
At 31 January 1995	721,401	3,220,018	3,264,850	71,217	7,277,486
DEPRECIATION					
As restated		1,946,638	1,241,363	43,089	3,231,090
Charge for the year	8,000	207,550	320,966	4,562	541,078
Disposals	-	-	(820)	-	(820)
Revaluation	(8,000)	-			(8,000)
At 31 January 1995		2,154,188	1,561,509	47,651	3,763,348
NET BOOK VALUE					
At 31 January 1995	721,401	1,065,830	1,703,341	23,566	3,514,138
At 31 January 1994	904,401	1,273,380	1,361,336	50,082	3,589,199

The net book value of tangible fixed assets includes an amount of £61,694 (1994:£74,914) in respect of assets held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts.

The short leaseholds comprise :

	Group		Con	mpany
	1995	1994	1995	1994
	£	£	£	£
Valuation on open market				
basis – 1988	2,865,000	2,865,000	935,000	935,000
Additions post 1988	355,018	355,018	24,447	24,447
	3,220,018	3,220,018	959,447	959,447

In the opinion of the directors, the net book value of the freehold and leasehold properties, for both the group and the company, fairly reflect their market value as at 31 January 1995.

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# 13. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS - GROUP: continued

If stated under historical cost principles the comparable amounts for the short leacholds would be:

	Group		Company	
	1995	1994	1995	1994
	£	£	£	£
Cost	1,859,223	1,859,223	137,100	137,100
Accumulated depreciation	(1,240,358)(	1,128,063)	(128,527)	(126,913)
Historical cost value	618,865	731,160	8,573	10,187

All other tangible fixed assets are stated at historical cost.

# 14. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS - COMPANY

^	Short Leasehold Properties f
Cost or valuation	
1 February 1994 and	
31 January 1995	959,447
Depreciation	
1 February 1994	689,328
Charge for year	37,718
31 January 1995	727,046
Net book values	<del></del>
31 January 1995	232,401
31 January 1994	270,119

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# 15. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

#### INVESTMENT IN SUBSIDIARIES

	Group		Company	
	1995	1994	1995	1994
	£	£	£	£
COST				
1 February 1994	_	151	497	453
Additions			8,884	44
Included in consolidation	_	(151)	-	
31 January 1995	_	-	9,381	497

Details of the investments in which the company holds more than 10% of the nominal value of any class of share capital, all of which are incorporated in England, are as follows:

Name	Type of shares	Propor	tion	Nature of business
Subsidiary undertakings:				
Hobbs Limited Hobbs Too Limited	Ordinary Ordinary		,	Design, manufacture, and retail of fashion clothes and shoes.
Hobbs (Wholesale) Limited	Ordinary	100%		Wholesale of fashion clothes and shoes.
Hobbs (Tunbridge Wells) Limited	Ordinary	100%	)	Dormant
Hobbs Finance Limited	Ordinary	100%	)	Dormant

On 31 January 1995, the trade, assets and liabilities of Hobbs Too Limited and Hobbs (Wholesale) Limited were transferred to Hobbs Limited.

		Gr	oup
16.	STOCKS	1995	1994
		£	£
	Raw materials and consumables	730,439	505,704
Finished goods and goods for resale	1,912,214	1,477,056	
		2,642,653	1,982,760

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f f f  17. DEBTORS  Amounts falling due within one year:  Trade debtors 248,146 91,325 -  Amounts owed by subsidiary undertakings - 1,574,254 60  Other debtors 183,898 271,396 -  Prepayments and accrued income 356,971 317,826 -	994 £ ,420 - ,420
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789,015 680,547 1,574,254 60	,420
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Group Company	
<b>1995</b> 1994 <b>1995</b> 1	994
£ £	£
18. CREDITORS - AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	
Current portion of bank loans 139,382 113,133 -	_
Other loans 6,000 27,585 -	-
Bank overdrafts 963,259 1,067,914 -	-
Obligations under hire	
purchase contracts 17,627 -	-
Amounts owed to subsidiary undertakings 395	395
Trade creditors 657,376 664,955 -	-
Current corporation tax 227,171 121,511 -	_
Other taxes and social	
security costs 477,896 479,226 -	-
Directors' current account 5,386 258 -	-
Accruals and deferred income 197,027 249,642 -	-
Other creditors 277,907 182,488 5,000	-
Advanced corporation tax 9,478 - 9,478	-
2,978,512 2,924,339 14,873	395

The bank loans and overdrafts are secured on the freehold and leasehold premises which are owned by both the company and its subsidiaries. The leasehold premises are used as retail outlets by the trading subsidiaries.

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	Gı	roup
	1995	1994
	£	£
CREDITORS - AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR		
Bank loans	1,178,213	1,241,588
Obligations under hire purchase contracts	38,193	55,819
Other loans	12,000	90,344
	1,228,406	1,387,751
BANK LOANS	£	£
Repayable:		
Other than by instalments		
Within five years	500,000	-
Repayable by instalments:		
Due within five years	617,595	554,721
Due in more than five years	200,000	800,000
	1,317,595	1,354,721
Less: Amounts due within one year		) (113,133)
	1,178,213	1,241,588
	£	***************************************

The bank loans which are secured on the freehold and leasehold premises owned by the group, bear interest at variable rates above base or LIBOR.

The other loans are unsecured and bear interest at various rates.

## OBLIGATIONS UNDER HIRE PURCHASE CONTRACTS

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The net obligation under finance leases and hire purchase contracts is repayable as follows:

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Between two and five years	38,193	55,819
In one year or less	17,627	17,627
	55,820	73,446

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# 20. PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES

THOUSE ON THE HILLIEF MAD	G	roup	Comp	anv
•	1995	1994	1995	1994
	£	£	£	£
Deferred tax	159,250	156,200	_	-
Reverse premium	189,750	204,870	•••	-
	349,000	361,070	<del></del>	-
Deferred taxation:	<del></del>	<del></del>		
Deferred taxation:				
PROVIDED				
Accelerated capital allowances	159,250	157,600	-	-
Short term timing differences	<u>-</u>	(1,400)		
	159,250	156,200		
FULL POTENTIAL LIABILITY				
FOLL POIENTIAL LIABILITY				
Accelerated capital allowances	161,150	159,500	1,900	1,900
Short term timing differences		(1,400)	-	
	161,150	158,100	1,900	1,900
		<del></del>		

Deferred tax has been calculated at 33%.

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21.	SHARE CAPITAL	1995	1994
		£	£
	Authorised		
	203,884 of ordinary shares £1 each	203,884	250,000
	55,016 'A' ordinary shares of £1 each	55,016	-
	1,000,000 preference shares of £1 each	1,000,000	~
		1,258,900	250,000
		-	
	Allotted, called up and fully paid		
	203,884 of ordinary shares £1 each	203,884	200,000
	55,016 'A' ordinary shares of £1 each	55,016	· _
	1,000,000 preference shares of £1 each	1,000,000	-
		1,258,900	200,000
			-

During the year, 1,000,000 preference shares of £1 each and 55,016 'A' ordinary shares of £1 each were issued to 3i Group plc for a consideration of £1,500,000 in order to increase the working capital of the group.

A further 3,884 ordinary shares of £1 each were issued to the minority shareholder of one of the group's subsidiary companies in exchange for his shares in that subsidiary.

Preference shares are entitled to dividends of 7.5p per annum per share, payable half yearly on 30 June and 31 December. 125,000 shares are redeemable at par every six months from 30 June 1997 to 31 December 2000, or earlier at the company's option. The shares do not carry the right to attend or vote at a general meeting of the company. On winding up, the shares carry the right to repayment of capital and the amount of any dividends in arrears; this right is in preference to the rights of the 'A' ordinary and ordinary shareholders.

'A' ordinary shares are entitled to an annual fixed dividend of 68.16p per share accruing from the date of subscription and payable half yearly on 30 June and 31 December, and a cumulative participating dividend which, together with the fixed dividend, equals 7.5% of the net profit for the year. On winding up, the shares carry the right to repayment of capital and the amount of any dividend in arrears; this right is in preference to the rights of the ordinary shareholders. Any surplus on winding up is payable to 'A' ordinary and ordinary shareholders as if they were all shares of the same class.

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		Group
22.	SHARE PREMIUM ACCOUNT	1995
		£
	At 1 February 1994	-
	Premium arising from the issue of shares	444,984
	Costs of raising finance	(57,733)
	At 31 January 1995	387,251

		Group		Company	
		1995	1994	1995	1994
		£	£	£	£
23.	REVALUATION RESERVE				
	At 1 February 1994				
	as previously stated	681,534	760,400	387,156	428,218
	Prior year				
	adjustment (see note 11)	(135,335)	(119,877)	(127,224)	(132,182)
	As restated	546,199	640,523	259,932	296,036
	Transfer to profit and				
	loss account	(95,255)	(94,324)	(36,104)	(36,104)
	At 31 January 1995	450,944	546,199	223,828	259,932
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The revaluation reserve relates to a surplus on revaluation of short leasehold properties.

		Group	
	•	1995	1994
24.	CAPITAL COMMITMENTS	£	£
	Approved by the directors but not yet		
	contracted for	_	200,000
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		-	200,000

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#### 25. COMMITMENTS UNDER OPERATING LEASES

At 31 January 1995 the group had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as set out below:-

			Group	
			1995	1994
			£	£
Land and	Building	;s:		
Expiring	in less	than one year	256,000	287,000
Expiring	between	two and five years	300,000	161,000
Expiring	in five	years or more	975,600	966,800
			1,531,600	1,414,800
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The company's leases of land and buildings are subject to periodic rent reviews.

	1995 £	1994 £
Other:	~	~
Expiring between two and five years	27,022	25,830

# 26. DIRECTORS' INTEREST IN CONTRACTS

The group rents property in the ordinary course of business on an arms' length basis from Mr.Y.Anselm.

During the year loans were made available to Mr.Y.Anselm. The maximum indebtedness during the year was £22,910. The account stood at £5,386 credit at the year end.

Other creditors include three loans totalling £130,000 granted to the group by the Hobbs Directors' Pension Scheme. All the loans are repayable on demand, but not later than March 2000 and for one loan totalling £50,000 and for the remainder no later than the date at which the first of the current members reaches normal pension age. Mr.Y.Anselm and Mrs.M.Anselm are trustees and beneficiaries of this pension scheme.

Included within other debtors is a loan of £144,000 (1994: £144,000) to a company in which Mr.Y. Anselm has a beneficial interest.

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# 27. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

			-	
	(	Group	Co	mpany
	1995	1994	1995	1994
	£	£	£	£
Profit/(loss) for the				
financial year	(315,214)	110,943	62,282	(27,718)
Dividends	(37,911)	-		-
	(353,125)	110,943	24,371	(27,718)
New share capital subscribed	1,446,151		1,446,151	
Net goodwill written off to				
Capital reserve	(1,061)	) –	_	_
Minority interest	(5,434)	-	-	-
	1,086,531	110,943	1,470,522	(27,718)
Opening shareholders' funds				
as previously reported	2,565,241	2,365,372	592,228	625,918
Prior year adjustment	(965,947)	(882,455)	(261,354)	(267,326)
Closing shareholders' funds	2,685,825	1,593,860	1,801,396	330,874
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TOTAL E	OULTY A	AND	NON-	FOHTTY	SHAREHOLDERS'	PUMDS
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		Group		Company	
		1995	1994	1995	1994
		£	£	£	£
Attributable interests	to equity	1,685,825	1,593,859	801,396	330,874
Attributable	to non-equity				
interests		1,000,000	-	1,000,000	-
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		2,685,825	1,593,859	1,801,396	330,874

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28.	NET CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	1995 £	1994 £
	Reconciliation to operating profit:		
	Operating profit Depreciation of tangible assets Loss on disposal of tangible assets	203,992 541,078 18,666	437,804 465,956 1,495
	Movements in: Stocks Debtors Creditors		(324,275) (64,121) 369,245
	Net cash inflow from operating activities	29,402	886,104

# 29. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN FINANCING DURING THE YEAR

	Share capital (including premium) £	Loans and finance lease obligations
1 February 1993 Cash outflow from financing Inception of finance lease contracts At 31 January 1994 Share for share exchange Cash outflow from financing New share capital subscribed Costs of new issue At 31 January 1995	200,000 200,000 3,884 1,500,000 (57,733) 1,646,151	1,834,984 (377,022) 88,134 1,546,096 (154,681)

# 30. INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Analysis of the balances and movements in cash and cash equivalents.

	Balances as included in balance sheet		Change	in year
	1995	1994	1995	1994
	£	£	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand	295,937	19,948	275,989	
Bank overdrafts	(963,259)	(1,067,914)	104,655	
	(667,322)	(1,047,966)	380,644	(368,871)