Abbreviated accounts

for the year ended 31 December 2002

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Independent auditors' report to The Bertrand Russell Peace Foundation Limited under Section 247B of the Companies Act 1985

We have examined the abbreviated accounts set out on pages 2 to 5 together with the financial statements of The Bertrand Russell Peace Foundation Limited for the year ended 31 December 2002 prepared under Section 226 of the Companies Act 1985.

This report is made solely to the company's shareholders, as a body, in accordance with Section 247B of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's shareholders those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsiblity to anyone other than the company and the company's shareholders as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors are responsible for preparing abbreviated accounts in accordance with Section 246 of the Companies Act 1985. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to whether the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with Sections 246(5) and (6) of the Act to the registrar of companies and whether the accounts to be delivered are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of opinion

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

Opinion

In our opinion the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with Sections 246(5) and (6) of the Companies Act 1985 in respect of the year ended 31 December 2002, and the abbreviated accounts on pages 2 to 5 are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions.

Hobsons

24/16/03

Chartered Accountants and

Registered auditors

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Abbreviated balance sheet as at 31 December 2002

		2002		2001	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Intangible assets	2		2		2
Tangible assets	2		15,974		5,352
Investments	2		4		4
			15,980		5,358
Current assets					
Stocks		29,346		32,389	
Debtors		54,020		49,436	
Cash at bank and in hand		196,346		215,600	
		279,712		297,425	
Creditors: amounts falling					
due within one year		(13,333)		(11,713)	
Net current assets			266,379	<u></u>	285,712
Net assets			282,359		291,070
Capital and reserves					
Profit and loss account			282,359		291,070
Total reserves			282,359		291,070

The abbreviated accounts are prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies .

The abbreviated accounts were approved by the Board on II. 25. 3003 and signed on its behalf by

MR avrolf Brown
M Barratt Brown

Director

Notes to the abbreviated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2002

1. Accounting policies

1.1. Accounting convention

The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective June 2002).

1.2. Turnover

Turnover represents the total invoice value, excluding value added tax, of sales made during the year.

Royalties

Royalties receivable have been included on a receipts basis.

1.3. Copyrights and Archives

Copyrights and Archives are valued at cost.

1.4. Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Computers - 20% straight line

Fixtures, fittings

and equipment - 5-10% straight line Motor vehicles - 25% straight line

1.5. Investments

Fixed asset investments are stated at cost less provision for diminution in value.

1.6. Stock

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

1.7. Pensions

The pension costs charged in the financial statements represent the contribution payable by the company during the year.

1.8. Deferred taxation

Provision is made for deferred taxation using the liability method to take account of timing differences between the incidence of income and expenditure for taxation and accounting purposes except to the extent that the directors consider that a liability to taxation is unlikely to materialise.

1.9. Group accounts

The company is entitled to the exemption under Section 248 of the Companies Act 1985 from the obligation to prepare group accounts.

Notes to the abbreviated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2002

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2.	Fixed assets	Intangible	fixed		
		assets	assets	Investments	Total
		£	£	£	£
	Cost				
	At 1 January 2002	2	29,275	4	29,281
	Additions	-	14,779	-	14,779
	Disposals	-	(14,280)	-	(14,280)
	At 31 December 2002	2	29,774	4	29,780
	Depreciation and	_ 			
	At 1 January 2002	-	23,923	_	23,923
	On disposals	-	(14,280)	-	(14,280)
	Charge for year	-	4,157	-	4,157
	At 31 December 2002	-	13,800	<u></u> -	13,800
	Net book values				
	At 31 December 2002	2	15,974	4	15,980
	At 31 December 2001	2	5,352	4	5,358
2.1.	Investment details			2002	2001
				£	£
	Subsidiary undertaking			4	4

Holdings of 20% or more

The company holds 20% or more of the share capital of the following companies:

	Country of			
	registration	Nature of	Shares held	d
Company	or incorporatio	n business	Class	%
Subsidiary undertaking				
The Russell Press Limited	England	Printing	Ordinary	100%

The aggregate amount of capital and reserves and the results of these undertakings for the last relevant financial year were as follows:

	Capital and reserves	Profit for the year		
	£	£		
The Russell Press Limited	930,415	175,805		

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3. Transactions with directors

During the year Mr K Fleet, a director listed on page 1, acquired his vehicle from the company at its subsequent part-exchange value of £1,300.