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# **CROWNBOOKS LIMITED**

For the year ended 31 January 1997

Company Number: 1174516

# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 1997

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SECRETARY:

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REGISTERED NUMBER:

1174516

**AUDITORS:** 

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#### DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 January 1997.

#### STATEMENT OF 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 then apply them consistently;
- · make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- comply with applicable accounting standards, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume 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.

#### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the company continued to be selling Christian literature.

At 15 July 1996 all trading, assets and liabilities of the company were transferred to Send The Light Limited, a charitable company with similar objectives.

#### DIRECTORS

The directors set out in the table below have held office during the whole of the period from 1 February 1996 to the date of this report unless otherwise stated.

The interests of the directors holding office on 31 January 1997 in the shares of the company, according to the register of directors' interests, were as shown below:

#### Ordinary shares of £1 each

Director's name	Date of appointment	31 January 1997 Beneficial interests	31 January 1996 or date of appointment if later Beneficial interests
D G Rivett	Resigned 15 July 1996	-	-
G C Reid	Resigned 15 July 1996 Resigned 15 July 1996 Resigned 15 July 1996	-	30,500
N Nibloe	Resigned 15 July 1996	-	-
B D Blogg	Resigned 15 July 1996	-	-
C B K Danby	15 July 1996	-	-
M E Olliffe	15 July 1996	-	-

#### DIRECTORS' REPORT

#### **AUDITORS**

Neville Russell, who were appointed during the year, have signified their willingness to continue in office and a resolution proposing their re-appointment will be put to the forthcoming annual general meeting.

Advantage has been taken in the preparation of the directors' report of the special exemptions applicable to small companies conferred by Part II of Schedule 8 to the Companies Act 1985.

Approved by the board on and signed on its behalf by

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# AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF CROWNBOOKS LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 8 which have been prepared following the accounting policies set out on page 6.

### Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 1 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 an 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 judgements 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.

#### **Opinion**

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the company's affairs at 31 January 1997 and of its loss for the period then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with Companies Act 1985.

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

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and Registered Auditors

Stockport

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### PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 1997

	Notes	1997 £	1996 £
TURNOVER		125,882	301,541
Cost of sales		(95,877)	(196,097)
GROSS PROFIT		30,005	105,444
Administration expenses Exceptional income	3	(63,079) 32,025	(119,509)
OPERATING LOSS		(1,049)	(14,065)
Interest receivable and similar income		63	17
LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE INTEREST		(986)	(14,048)
Interest payable and similar charges		(1,452)	(4,093)
LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE AND AFTER TAXATION	4,12	(2,438)	(18,141)

The company's turnover and expenses all relate to discontinued operations.

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than the loss for the year.

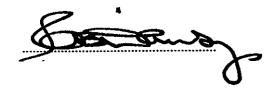
The loss for the year has been calculated on the historical cost basis.

## BALANCE SHEET AT 31 JANUARY 1997

	Notes	1997 £	1996 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	6		17,581
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	7 8	- - -	72,282 17,927 3,718
			93,927
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	9	<u>-</u>	(39,236)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>-</u>	54,691
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		-	72,272
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR	10	<u> </u>	(75,634)
		-	(3,362)
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital Profit and loss account	11 12	75,275 (75,275)	69,475 (72,837)
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	12	<del>-</del>	(3,362)

Advantage is taken of the exemptions conferred by Parts I and II of Schedule 8 to the Companies Act 1985. In the directors' opinion, the company is entitled to those exemptions having met the qualifications for a small company specified in Sections 246 and 247 of the Companies Act 1985.

Approved by the board on and signed on its behalf by 12-9-9



Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 January 1997

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### (a) Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention.

#### (b) Turnover

Turnover represents takings in respect of sales to customers, excluding value added tax, and as adjusted to take account of debtors.

#### (c) Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost or revalued amount less estimated residual value of fixed assets on a straight line basis over their estimated useful lives.

#### (d) Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is calculated using the first-in-first-out method.

#### 2. SEGMENTAL INFORMATION

The company operates in the UK and the whole of its turnover is in the UK market.

#### 3. EXCEPTIONAL INCOME

The exceptional income relates to the forgiveness of a part of loans from former shareholders at the point at which the ownership of the company and the benefit of the loans were assigned to Send the Light Ltd, a registered charity. Viz;

Loans payable Less: Other net assets of the Company	67,950 35,925
Loan forgiveness	32,025

#### 4. LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION

The loss on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after charging:

	1997 £	1996 £
Staff costs Depreciation of owned tangible fixed assets Hire of assets	24,942 8,762 700	57,859 7,248 1,200
Auditors' remuneration - audit fee	<del></del>	-

## Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 January 1997

5.	DIRECTORS	1997 £	1996 £
	Total emoluments	600	1,700
6.	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS		
		Fixture Fitting £	
	COST		
	At 1 February 1996 Disposals		658 658) 
	At 31 January 1997		-
	ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION		·············
	At 1 February 1996 Charge for the year Eliminated on disposals	8,	077 762 839)
	At 31 January 1997		<del></del>
	NET BOOK VALUES		
	At 31 January 1997		<u>.</u>
	At 31 January 1996	17,	581
7.	STOCKS	1997 £	1996 £
	Stocks	-	72,282
8.	DEBTORS	1997	1996
	DHE WITHIN ONE YEAR	£	£
	DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		
	Trade debtors Others	-	4,414 13,513
		-	17,927

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 January 1997

#### 9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	1997 £	1996 £
Bank loans and overdrafts		14,947
Trade creditors	-	17,362
Other creditors	<u> </u>	6,927
	-	39,236

#### 10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

	1997 £	1996 £
Other creditors		75,634

#### 11. SHARE CAPITAL

	Authorised		Allotted, Issued and Fully Paid	
	1997 £	1996 £	1997 £	1996 £
Ordinary shares of £1 each	100,000	100,000	75,275	69,475

## 12. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS ON SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

	Share Capital £	Profit and Loss Account £	Total Shareholders' Funds £
Balance at 1 February 1995 Loss for the financial year	45,475 -	(54,696) (18,141)	(9,221) (18,141)
New share capital subscribed	24,000	-	24,000
Balance at 31 January 1996	69,475	(72,837)	(3,362)
Loss for the financial year New share capital subscribed	5,800	(2,438)	(2,438) 5,800
Balance at 31 January 1997	75,275	(75,275)	-

### 13. PARENT UNDERTAKINGS

The ulimate parent company is Send The Light Limited a company incorporated in Great Britain.

## DETAILED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 1997

	1997 £	1996 £
SALES	125,882	301,541
COST OF SALES		
Opening stocks Purchases	72,282 86,165	75,286 193,093
Less: Closing stocks	158,447 (62,570)	268,379 (72,282)
	95,877	196,097
GROSS PROFIT	30,005	105,444
	23.8%	35.0%
ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES	63,079	119,509
	(33,074)	(14,065)
OTHER OPERATING INCOME	32,088	17
	(986)	(14,048)
INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES	1,452	4,093
LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAX	(2,438)	(18,141)

## SCHEDULE OF OVERHEADS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 1997

	1997 £	1996 £
ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES	-	-
Rent, rates and insurance Light, heat and cleaning Repairs and renewals	16,656 1,013 1,159	33,376 3,146 4,212
Directors' remuneration Wages and salaries Telephone and postage Printing and stationary Advertising Equipment hire Sundry expenses Subscriptions Travelling expenses	600 24,342 1,458 248 700 1,172 323 321	1,700 56,159 2,598 1,800 938 1,200 1,110 415 786
Legal and professional fees Audit and accountancy Bank charges Credit card charges Bad and doubtful debts	100 556 790 879 4,000	500 600 1,719 2,002
Depreciation: Fixtures and fittings	8,762	7,248
	63,079	119,509
OTHER OPERATING INCOME		
Bank interest receivable Gift from group companies	63 32,025	17
	32,088	17
INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES		
Interest payable on bank overdraft Interest payable on other loans < 5 yrs	1,452	691 3,402
	1,452	4,093