AUTOLEASE LIMITED REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 December 1993

Registered number 767474



DIRECTORS' REPORT

31 December 1993

The directors present their annual report and the audited financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 December 1993.

Results and dividends

The profit for the year after taxation amounted to £1,525,513. It is recommended that no dividend be paid and that the profit of £1,525,513 be transferred to reserves.

Review of business

The principal activities of the company continue to be those of motor vehicle hirers.

The turnover for the year at £62,880,522 was 17 % lower than the previous year. The profit on ordinary activities before taxation amounted to £2,436,513 compared with a profit of £309,172 in the previous year.

The directors consider the state of affairs of the company to be satisfactory.

Fixed assets

The movements in tangible fixed assets during the year are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Directors

The following were directors of the company at 31 December 1993

R.E.C. Marton) Directors of B.S.G. J.B. Tustain) International plc

J.M. Given

A. Guest

K.B. Hall

J. Haynes

T.J. Jones

Mr. R.E.C. Marton was appoin., 1 as a director of the company on 1 August 1993.

Mr. T.C. Cannon resigned as a director of the company on 10 May 1993.

In accordance with the Articles of Association none of the directors retire.

DIRECTORS' REFORT

31 December 1993 (continued)

Directors' shareholdings

None of the directors have any beneficial interest in the share capital of the company.

The directors of the parent undertaking disclose their interests in the share capital of B.S.G. International plc in the financial statements of that company. None of the other directors have any beneficial interest in the share capital of B.S.G. International plc.

The directors holding options under the share option schemes of B.S.G. International ple (other than directors of the parent undertaking) are as follows

	31 December 1993 Ordinary shares of 10p each	31 December 1992 Ordinary shares or 10p each
Options held under the B.S.G. International plc Executive Share Option Scheme 1985		
T.J. Jones	103,940	100,000
Options held under the B.S.G. International plc Savings Related Share Option Scheme 1988		
J.M. Given	9,066	8,720
A. Guest	30,157	· -
K.B. Hall	39,262	. 26,162
T.J. Jones	39,262	26,162
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Share capital

On 1 July 1993 the authorised share capital was increased by 999,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each. On the same date 999,450 Ordinary shares of £1 ranking pari passu with the shares already in issue were issued as fully paid by capitalising existing reserves.

Officers' insurance

The company has purchased and maintained insurance to cover its officers against liabilities in relation to their duties to the company.

DIRECTORS' REPORT

31 December 1993 (continued)

Auditors

The company has elected to dispense with the annual re-appointment of auditors and in the absence of a specific resolution to the contrary Kidsons Impey will continue in office.

Registered Office

Burgess House 1270 Coventry Road Yardley Birmingham B25 8JD By order of the board

R. Thorne

for B.S.G. Secretarial Services Limited

Secretary

30 March 1994

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

31 December 1993

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 year.

In proparing these financial statements the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
- make reasonable and prudent judgements and estimates
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, and give details of any departures
- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless in their view the company will be unable to continue in business.

They are also responsible for:

- keeping proper accounting records
- safeguarding the company's assets
- taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud

By order of the board

R. Thome

for B.S.G. Secretarial Services Limited

Secretary

30 March 1994

AUDITORS' REPORT

Auditors' report to the shareholders of Autolease Limited

We have audited the financial statements on pages 6 to 16 which have been prepared under the accounting policies set out on page 9.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 4 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 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 state of the company's affairs at 31 December 1993 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Kidsons Impey

Registered Auditors

Chartered Accountants

Birmingham

30 March 1994

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AUTOLEASE LIMITED

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

for the year ended 31 December 1993

	Note	1993 £	1992 £
Turnover	2	62,880,522	75,879,300
Cost of sales		(58,263,857)	(73,575,665)
Gross profit		4,616,665	2,303,635
Administrative expenses		(2,401,926)	(2,172,845)
Operating profit	3	2,214,739	130,790
Interest receivable	4	824,362	987,835
Interest payable	5	(602,588)	(809,453)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		2,436,513	309,172
Taxation	7	(911,000)	(160,776)
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation		1,525,513	148,396
Dividends	8	-	(600,000)
Retained profit/(loss) for the year	14	1,525,513	(451,604)
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STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES

31. December 1993

There are no recognised gains or losses other than the profit for the year of £1,525,513 (1992 loss £451,604).

RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

	1993 £	1992 £
Profit for the year	1,525,513	148,396
Dividends	<u>.</u>	(600,000)
Net addition to/(reduction in) shareholders' funds	1,525,513	(451,604)
Opening shareholders' funds	<u>2,778,748</u>	3,230,352
Closing shareholders' funds	4,304,261	2,778,748
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BALANCE SHEET

at 31 December 1993

	Note	1993	1992
Fixed assets		£ £	£
Tangible assets	9	482,800	586,488
Current assets			
Debtors Cash at bank	10	23,687,319 2,942	21,044,527 2,510
Creditors: amounts falling due		23,690,261	21,047,037
within one year	11	(19,868,800)	(18,832,777)
Net current assets		<u>3,821,461</u>	<u>2,214,260</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		4,304,261	2,800,748
Provision for liabilities and charges			
Deferred tax	12		(22,000)
		4,304,261	2,778,748
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Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital Profit and loss account	13	1,000,600	550
From and loss account	14	<u>3,304,261</u>	<u>2,778,198</u>
		4,304,261	2,778,748

The financial statements on pages 6 to 16 were approved by the board of directors on 30 March 1994

J.B. Tustain Director

NOTES ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 December 1993

1 Principal accounting policles

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards and under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of freehold property.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated on cost or revalued amounts on a straight line basis to write off the relevant assets over their expected useful lives. The principal annual rates used are as follows

	%
Vehicles	25
Office equipment	10
Computer equipment	33.33

Contract hire and leasing business

The company has entered into operating agreements with finance houses in respect of vehicles which are subleased to customers. Net income from vehicle leasing and contract hire agreements is credited to the profit and loss account so as to spread profits equally over the period of the lease.

Leases

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the term of the lease. Assets held for the company's own use and funded through finance leases have not been capitalised in the balance sheet.

Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is calculated on the liability method in respect of timing differences between profits as stated in the financial statements and as computed for tax purposes. Where such timing differences are anticipated to continue for the foreseeable future no provision is made.

Pensions

The parent undertaking operates a number of defined benefit pension schemes for its employees. All the schemes are funded; liabilities are provided on a systematic basis over the period of employment of scheme members. Variations disclosed by actuarial valuations are spread over the average remaining service lives of current scheme members.

Cash flow statement

The company has taken advantage of the exemption from preparing a cash flow statement in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard No.1 as it is a wholly owned subsidiary undertaking and the parent undertaking publishes consolidated financial statements which include a consolidated cash flow statement.

NOTES ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 December 1993 (continued)

2 Turnover

Turnover represents the invoiced value excluding value added tax of services provided to customers.

The turnover and profit before taxation are attributable to the principal activities of the company, being those of motor vehicle hirers.

Turnover relates wholly to continuing operations in the United Kingdom.

3	Operating profit	1993 £	1992 £
	Operating profit is stated after charging		
	Depreciation of tangible fixed assets - Owned assets - Profit on the sale of fixed assets	161,053 <u>(349</u>)	175,809
		160,704	175,809

	Auditors' remuneration - Audit fees - Other services Operating lease rentals - Hire of plant and machinery	17,900 850 43,471,525	18,072 925 54,019,885
4	Interest receivable		
	Group company Other interest	824,362 ————	986,959 <u>876</u>
		824,362	987,835

NOTES ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 December 1993 (continued)

5	Interest payable	1993	1992
	Interest payable on loans repayable within 5 years	£	£
	Bank overdraft Parent undertaking	602,588	759,635 _49,818
		602,588	809,453
			
6	Directors and employees		
	Staff costs including directors' emoluments		
	Wages and salaries Social security costs Pension costs	1,658,704 196,274 <u>24,812</u>	1,481,956 170,008
		1,879,790	1,672,921
	Average number of persons employed including executive directors	Number	Number:
	Sales and distribution Administration	31 122	28 115
	·	153	143
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	Directors' emoluments	£	£
	For management	394,153	254,418
	Emoluments excluding pension contributions are analysed as follows		Merrillicandensitutions
	Chairman		
	- to 10 May 1993	Nil	Niï
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	- from 1 Aug - 1993	Nil	Nil
		-	-
	Highest paid director	92,519	74,200
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NOTES ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 December 1993 (continued)

6	Directors and employees (continued)		1993	1992
	Number of other directors whose emoluments were within the ranges		Number	Number
	£0 - £5,000 £10,001 - £15,000 £55,001 - £55,000 £60,001 - £65,000 £70,001 - £75,000 £75,001 - £80,000	`****)	3	1 1 2 1
7	Taxation	K E	£	£
	The taxation charge comprises			
	U.K. corporation tax et 33% (1902 33%) Deferred tax Prior year's adjustment - corporation tax	,	933,000 (22,000) ——————————————————————————————————	143,000 22,000 (4,224) 160,776
8	Dividends		£	£
	Final dividend 1992 £1,090.91 per share		*	600,000

NOTES ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 December 1993 (continued)

9	Tangible fixed assets		Plant, machinery, equipment and motor vehicles £	
	Cost or valuation		L	
	1 January 1993	1 /	431,865	
	Additions	1,-	58,135	
	Disposals		(1,100)	
	2 to positio			
	31 December 1993	1,4	488,900	
	Depreciation			
,	1 January 1993		345,377	
	Charge for the year		161,053	
Disposals			<u>(330</u>)	
	31 December 1993 1,006,1		006,100	

	Net book amount .			
	31 December 1993	•	482,800	
		•		
	31 December 1992	:	586,488	
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		****	1000	
10	Debtors	1993 £	1992 £	
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	Trade debtors	1,423,336	1,846,629	
	Amount owed by parent undertaking	3,238,478	494,901	
	Amounts owed by fellow subsidiaries	14,172,362	12,685,028	
	Group taxation relief	-	384,403	
	Taxes recoverable	•	200,000	
	Prepayments and accrue! income	4,853,143	<u>5,433,564</u>	
		23,687,319	21,044,527	

NOTES ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 December 1993 (continued)

11	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	1993 £	1992 £
	Bank overdrafts	4,451,978	3,872,266
	Trade creditors	5,881,515	6,307,394
	Amounts owed to fellow subsidiaries	1,438,488	674,141
	Cerporation tax	1,370,730	837,730
	Other taxes and social security	382,746	886,785
	Accruals	<u>6,343,343</u>	6.254,461
		19,868,800	18,832,777

12 Deferred tax

The deferred tax liability at 31 December 1993 arising on timing differences, calculated on the liability method at 33% (1992 33%) is as follows:

			1993		1	992
		Potential liability £	Amoun provide £	_	Potential liability	Amount provided £
	Accelerated capital allowances Other timing differences	26,000 (<u>117,000</u>)	*****	- -	36,000 (3,000)	22,000
		(91,000)		-	33,000	22,000
			-			****
13	Called up share capital		Autho	rised		ied and ly paid
			1993 £	1992 £	1993 £	1992 £
	Ordinary shares of £1 each	1	,000,000	1,000	1,000,000	550
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On 1 July 1993 the authorised share capital of the company was increased from £1,000 to £1,000,000 by the creation of 999,000 new shares of £1 each ranking pari passu with the 1,000 existing shares of £1 each.

On the same date 999,450 ordinary shares of £1 each were issued by the capitalisation of existing reserves.

NOTES ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 December 1993 (continued)

14 Profit and loss account

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Balance at 1 January 1993 Retained profit for the year Capitalisation of reserves (see note 13)	2,778,198 1,525,513 (999,450)
Balance at 31 December 1993	3,304,261

15 Transactions involving directors

Directors' interest in contracts

No director has had any beneficial interest in any material contract to which the company was a party.

16 Capital commitments

Capital expenditure authorised up to 31 December 1993 but not provided in these financial statements amounted to £Nil (1992 £Nil).

17 Contingent liabilities

The company has given a joint and several guarantee in respect of the parent undertaking's indebtedness to the Royal Bank of Scotland.

The company has given an unlimit 'inter-company composite guarantee in respect of the indebtedness of the parent undertaking and a fellow subsidiary undertaking to the Royal Back of Scotland PLC.

At 31 December 1993 the company was contractually bound to pay future rentals to finance companies in connection with vehicle leasing agreements arranged for customers. The sums payable are secured by various charges over agreements made between the company and its customers which in the ordinary course of business provide the means by which future rental liabilities can be met.

NOTES ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 December 1993 (continued)

18 Pensions

Pension costs have been assessed in accordance with advice received from the actuary to the schemes on the basis of reviews carried out for the purpose of Statement of Standard Accounting Practice No.24. Pension costs were assessed using the projected unit actuarial costing method based on assumptions including a long term rate of investment return on assets of 9% per annum, a general rate of increase in members' earnings 2% less than this figure, pension increases in accordance with the scheme rules and appropriate allowances for mortality, members leaving service and early retirements.

Actuarial valuations of all schemes are carried out triennially and full details of the valuation at 31 March 1992 appear in the published financial statements of the parent undertaking.

19 Ultimate parent undertaking

The company is a direct subsidiary of B.S.G. International plc, a company incorporated in England.

The parent undertaking is a publicly quoted company and as such copies of its published accounts are available from Burgess House, 1270 Coventry Road, Birmingham B25 8BB.