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JD SPORTS FASHION PLC PRELIMINARY RESULTS FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED 29 JANUARY 2011

JD Sports Fashion Plc (the 'Group'), the leading retailer and distributor of sport and athletic inspired fashion apparel and footwear, today announces its Preliminary Results for the 52 weeks ended 29 January 2011.

	2011 £000	2010 £000	% Change
Revenue	883,669	769,785	+15%
Gross profit %	49.5%	49.3%	:
Operating profit (before exceptional items)	79,927	67,294	+19%
Share of results of joint venture before exceptional items (net of income tax)	1,475	539	
Net financial income / (expenses)	163	(442)	
Profit before tax and exceptional items	81,565	67,391	+21%
Exceptional items (see note 3)	(4,284)	(4,986)	
Share of exceptional items of joint venture (net of income tax) (a)	1,348	(1,012)	
Profit before tax	78,629	61,393	+28%
Basic earnings per ordinary share	114.84p	88.16p	+30%
Adjusted basic earnings per ordinary share (see note 5)	116.86p	93.64p	+25%
Total dividend payable per ordinary share	23.00p	18.00p	+28%
Net cash at end of period (b)	86,140	60,465	

a) The exceptional items in the current year relate to unrealised gains on foreign exchange contracts and the reversal of the impairment of the investment held by Focus Brands Limited in Focus Group Holdings Limited, following repayment of original purchase consideration by the vendors of Focus Group Holdings Limited. The exceptional items in the prior year relate entirely to unrealised losses on foreign exchange contracts

Highlights

• Total revenue increased by 14.8% to £883.7 million (2010: £769.8 million) with like for like revenue increased by 3.1% (Sports Fascias 3.8%; Fashion Fascias -0.7%)

b) Net cash consists of cash and cash equivalents together with interest-bearing loans and borrowings.

- Gross margin improved to 49.5% (2010: 49.3%) with increased margin in all reporting segments although the increase is diluted by greater participation in Group performance from lower margin distribution businesses which now represent 9.5% of Group revenue (2010: 5.4%)
- Group profit before tax and exceptional items up 21% to £81.6 million (2010: £67.4 million)
- Profit before tax up 28% to £78.6 million (2010: £61.4 million)
- Net cash position at the period end increased to £86.1 million (2010: £60.5 million)
- Acquisition of Sonneti, Chilli Pepper and Nanny State brands
- Capital expenditure increased by £10.1m to £33.0m (2010: £22.9m) which included the first three JD stores in France
- The new leased warehouse building shell in Rochdale (866,250 sq ft including mezzanines) has now been handed over by the developers and the fit out process has started. Total anticipated fit out costs are approximately £20.0m of which £3.9m was incurred in the year. The move to full operational use will be phased through the early months of 2012
- Final dividend payable increased by 31% to 19.2p (2010: 14.7p) bringing the total dividends payable for the year up to 23.0p (2010: 18.0p), an increase of 28% with a cumulative rise of 92% over the last two years
- · Acquisition of Champion completed post year end, enhancing presence in the Republic of Ireland

Peter Cowgill, Executive Chairman, said:

"The year ended 29 January 2011 has been the seventh successive year of good progress in revenue and profitability for the Group. Profit before tax and exceptional items improved by 21% to £81.6 million (2010: £67.4 million). Such sustained performance continues to reflect the strength and uniqueness of our brand and fascia offers as well as the strength of our management teams. Our very strong cash position has also allowed us to continue to invest in brands, our store portfolios and new businesses during the year and since the year end.

"Confidence arising from the sustained period of results improvement and the strength of our balance sheet has enabled the Board to propose another significant increase in the level of dividends with a final proposed dividend increase of 31% to 19.2p (2010: 14.7p) bringing the total dividends payable for the year to 23.0p (2010: 18.0p), an increase of 28% following on from the rises of 50% and 41% in the last two years.

"Following successive years of record results for the Group, the retail environment has recently been significantly impacted by adverse fiscal changes in addition to the multiple current economic pressures. Our core business already possesses very strong sales densities and margins, being the result of continual growth in both measures for several years. Against that background, therefore, it is inevitable that the Board is extremely cautious in its outlook, particularly when the profits achieved for the year to 29 January 2011 are effectively rebased purely as a result of the impact of increased VAT.

"Management remain highly focused on all avenues of revenue growth, margin protection and cost control available to us to endeavour to deliver the optimum outturn, minimise the impact of the factors above, and with a strong balance sheet and dominant market position in our core business, we expect to be able to deliver operational and financial progress for the Group over the long term."

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Executive Chairman's Statement

Introduction

The year ended 29 January 2011 has been the seventh successive year of good progress in revenue and profitability for the Group. Profit before tax and exceptional items improved by 21% to £81.6 million (2010: £67.4 million). Such sustained performance continues to reflect the strength and uniqueness of our brand and fascia offers as well as the strength of our management teams. Our very strong cash position has also allowed us to continue to invest in brands, our store portfolios and new businesses during the year and since the year end.

Group profit before tax increased by 28% in the year to £78.6 million (2010: £61.4 million) and Group profit after tax has increased by 31% to £55.9 million (2010: £42.7 million).

Group operating profit (before exceptional items) for the year was up 19% to £79.9 million (2010: £67.3 million) and comprises a Sports Fascias profit of £73.3 million (2010: £64.1 million), a Fashion Fascias profit of £6.4 million (2010: £3.3 million) and a Distribution segment profit of £0.2 million (2010: loss of £0.1 million).

The year end net cash position has risen to £86.1 million (2010: £60.5 million). The Group has recently negotiated terms on new committed rolling

credit and working capital facilities totalling £75 million. These new facilities expire in October 2015 and when combined with our cash resources give the Group the funding capability to continue to develop operationally and by acquisition both in the United Kingdom and overseas. Confidence arising from the sustained period of results improvement and the strength of our balance sheet has enabled the Board to propose another significant increase in the level of dividends with a final proposed dividend increase of 31% to 19.2p (2010: 14.7p) bringing the total dividends payable for the year to 23.0p (2010: 18.0p), an increase of 28% following on from the rises of 50% and 41% in the last two years.

Acquisitions

The Sports and Fashion retail offers continue to provide consumers with a unique mix of sports and fashion brands in both apparel and footwear including a substantial range of exclusive products as well as exclusive licensed and own brands such as McKenzie and Carbrini. We have continued to invest in increasing the own brand offers through the acquisition of the Sonneti, Chilli Pepper, and Nanny State brands for a total consideration of £2.1 million. Since the year end we have continued this strategy by acquiring the Fenchurch brand for £1.1 million.

The strength of the JD offering gives potential for further replication internationally, albeit in Europe initially. We see this as a key opportunity wherever brands recognise our strength in developing brands and maintaining their prestige. We started to exploit this opportunity when we acquired the French retailer Chausport in May 2009. The first full year since the acquisition contributed £36.4 million of revenue and £0.5 million of operating profit. Like for like sales grew by 12.5% in the year and gross margin improved by 2.7% but overheads increased to support the opening of three JD stores in France which opened late in the year. These latter stores are performing to expectations so far.

We are looking at potential acquisitions and joint ventures in other territories on a regular basis and we have no doubt that the Chausport acquisition has enhanced our visibility and credibility as an overseas investor. Since the year end we have acquired a further Sports Fascia chain in the Republic of Ireland, Champion Sports (Holdings) ('Champion'), for a nominal amount and have also advanced €17.1 million to allow it to settle all of its indebtedness save for €2.5 million of leasing finance. This has added 22 stores to the 8 already operated in the Republic of Ireland and gives us a significant market position throughout the whole of Ireland. It also gives us more local knowledge and a strong management team on the ground.

After the year end we also acquired 80% of Kukri Sports Limited which provides a bespoke teamwear offering across a wide range of sports in a number of countries.

Sports Fascias

The Sports Fascias' total revenue increased by 8% during the period to £667.2 million (2010: £615.5 million) with like for like sales for the year up by a further 3.8% (2010: 2.3%).

Gross margin achieved in the Sports Fascias increased from 50.6% to 51.0% which we attribute to the continued improvement in the terminal stock position in JD plus the impact from the extension of enhanced Group supplier terms into the Chausport business.

As a result of this improved margin and continuing enhancement of the store portfolio and its efficiencies, the operating profit (before exceptional items) of the Sports Fascias rose to £73.3 million (2010: £64.1 million) in the year, including a contribution of £0.5 million from Chausport (2010: £0.7 million). The contribution from Chausport is lower than the previous year due to the seasonal losses incurred in the early part of the year which were pre-acquisition in the prior year.

The programme of store development has continued with 28 store openings and 24 refurbishments or conversions. These include the opening of our first 3 JD stores in France (of which 1 was a conversion of a former Chausport store in Lille), 5 new Chausport stores, 2 new Size? stores and 3 new JD stores in airport locations. We have also opened a JD store at one of the UK's busiest train stations (Liverpool Street) which is our first store in this type of location and, if successful, could be replicated in other major stations. 21 Sports Fascias stores were closed in the period including 6 smaller Chausport stores.

Fashion Fascias

The Fashion Fascias are Bank and Scotts.

The Bank Fascia stores sell largely branded fashion to both males and females, predominantly for the teenage to mid twenties sector. In the year the store portfolio grew from 65 stores to 74 stores, still based predominantly in the North and the Midlands. Total revenue in the year was £102.4 million (2010: £82.8 million). This represents an organic decrease of 0.9% (2010: +4.7%) although this decrease came from trading in the first half of the year when the organic performance was measured against heavy clearance from the prior year. This reduction in clearance activity is reflected in the fact that gross margin achieved improved by a further 0.5% to 48.9% (2010: 48.4%) after an increase of 2.3% in the prior year. Operatingprofit (before exceptional items) was £5.2 million (2010: £3.0 million). The Board remains confident that there is a significant opportunity to grow operating margin in this Fascia through better stock management, own brand development and disciplined store rollout although this will be challenging in 2011 as a result of VAT, cotton and other fibre price increases and changes in brand distribution policy.

The Scotts Fascia stores sell branded fashion to older more affluent males and there were 37 stores at the year end, largely in the North and the Midlands. Total revenue in the year was £31.7 million (2010: £31.8 million) which was flat organically. However, the balance of trading towards full price full margin improved significantly driving an increase in the gross margin achieved to 49.5% (2010: 47.4%). This has led to an improved operating result with operating profit (before exceptional items) of £1.2 million (2010: £0.3 million).

Distribution

The Distribution businesses delivered a small operating profit of £0.2 million (2010: loss of £0.1 million) with a profit from Canterbury offset by ongoing investment to build Getthelabel.com within Topgrade, and by losses incurred in Kooga's quietest trading period of the year, much of which fell prior to its acquisition last year.

Canterbury delivered an operating profit of £1.1 million (2010: £0.1 million) on total revenues of £48.3 million (2010: £15.4 million) with a strong performance in both Australia and New Zealand where the brand was more sheltered from the events that led to the administration of the former UK based Canterbury business in 2009. The brand is still rebuilding its global network and it is hoped that longer term gains will come from the new licences in South Africa and Argentina, and the launch of a UK based business (in which we are the 75% majority shareholder) focusing on developing a more fashion based product offer to leverage the brand's image and credibility. Canterbury will be providing the kit for 4 teams at the forthcoming Rugby World Cup and the Board are confident that this global exposure will enhance the reputation and penetration of the Brand.

The Getthelabel.com online and catalogue business within Topgrade has now been trading for over a year. Its sales progress is encouraging and on schedule but the marketing and other investment required to achieve this means that we believe it could take a further two years before it has sufficient critical mass to deliver profits to the Group. This is not unusual in such businesses and we remain optimistic about the long term profitability of this venture. As a consequence of this, sales rose to £26.6 million (2010: £19.7 million) but losses rose to £0.8 million (2010: £0.4 million) in the year. This was in line with our expectations and we subsequently increased our stake in Topgrade from 51% to 80% during the year at a cost of £1.2 million

Kooga Rugby went through a difficult period under its previous ownership and a lot of effort has been focused on improving control over the commerciality of the sponsorship properties and the profitability of product ranges and accounts. An operating loss of £0.3 million was recorded for the year (2010: profit of £0.2 million for the post-acquisition period) on sales of £6.5 million (2010: £5.0 million). We have strengthened the management team which we believe will lead to improvements in operating performance in due course.

Nicholas Deakins recorded a profit of £0.2 million (2010: £0.0 million) on turnover of £3.4 million (2010: £2.5 million) in the year.

Joint Venture

Focus Brands Limited, is involved in the design, sourcing and distribution of footwear and apparel both for own brand and under license brands for both group and external customers. Our share of operating results for the year was an operating profit before exceptional items and after tax of £1.5 million (2010: £0.5 million).

The exceptional items in the current year relate to unrealised gains on foreign exchange contracts and the reversal of the impairment of the investment held by Focus Brands Limited in Focus Group Holdings Limited, following repayment of original purchase consideration by the vendors of Focus Group Holdings Limited. The exceptional items in the prior year relate entirely to unrealised losses on foreign exchange contracts.

After the year end we increased our holding in this business to 80% at an initial cost of £1.0 million with potential further deferred consideration of £250,000 depending on performance. The performance of this business will be included in the Distribution segment in future.

Group Performance

Revenue

Total revenue increased by 14.8% in the year to £883.7 million (2010: £769.8 million) principally as a result of three factors: the Group's positive like for like sales performance of 3.1%, a net increase of 15 stores and £41.5 million of sales from the pre acquisition period of the Chausport, Canterbury and Kooga businesses.

Gross margin

Gross margin achieved increased in all segments. However, an increase in the participation of the lower margin distribution businesses within the Group's overall performance from 5.4% to 9.5% means that the growth in overall Group gross margin was limited to 0.2%.

Operating profits

Operating profit (before exceptional items) increased by £12.6 million to £79.9 million (2010: £67.3 million), a 19% increase on last year which follows a 24% rise in the previous year. Group operating margin (before exceptional items) has therefore increased by a further 0.3% to 9.0% (2010: 8.7%).

Following a decrease in the exceptional items to £4.3 million (2010: £5.0 million), Group operating profit rose from £62.3 million to £75.6 million.

The exceptional items (excluding share of exceptional items in joint venture) comprise:

	£m
Impairment of investment property Loss on disposal of fixed assets Onerous lease provision	1.0 1.5 1.8
Total exceptional charge	4.3

The impairment of investment property relates to a writedown in the valuation of the St Albans warehouse occupied by Focus.

The loss on disposal includes both closed stores and assets written off in refurbished stores.

The charge for onerous lease provisions includes £1.1 million for non-trading stores and £0.7 million for trading stores.

Working capital and financing

As a consequence of having net cash throughout the year, the Group has net financing income of £0.2 million compared to net financing costs in the prior year of £0.4 million.

Year end net cash of £86.1 million represented a £25.6 million improvement on the position at January 2010 (£60.5 million).

Net capital expenditure including disposal costs and premia received increased in the year to £32.4 million (2010: £23.0 million) with capital expenditure excluding disposal costs increasing by £10.1 million to £33.0 million (2010: £22.9 million). This increase was focused on the core Sports Fascias where the spend increased by £10.7 million to £25.6 million which included an additional £3.9 million in the French business combined with £3.9 million of spend connected with the new 866,250 sq ft warehouse (616,250 sq ft footprint) at Kingsway, Rochdale. The Board anticipate that approximately £15 million will be incurred in the year to 28 January 2012 on fitting out of the warehouse. The demonstrable success of investing in the store portfolio means that we anticipate maintaining spend on the stores at the current level.

Spend in the Fashion fascias decreased slightly by £0.7 million to £6.7 million. This decrease does not mean that the Group is reducing its investment in the Fashion fascias and is more a function of availability of appropriate property and the timing of the projects.

Working capital remains well controlled with suppliers continuing to be paid to agreed terms and settlement discounts taken whenever due.

Store Portfolio

We have made a further significant investment in the store portfolio during the year with expenditure on both new stores and refurbishments of existing space. We have also continued to rationalise our store portfolio wherever possible but, with the current economic climate impacting heavily on retail property occupancy levels, it remains very difficult to dispose of underperforming and/or duplicate stores.

There was a net increase of 6 stores in the UK & Ireland JD & Size? portfolios with 21 new stores offset by 15 closures. Our overall presence has increased in France by 1 store with 7 new stores (including 2 JD stores in Paris and Lyon) offset by the closure of 6 smaller Chausport stores. In addition, one Chausport store has been converted to the JD 'King of Trainers' format in Lille and the success of that trial means that we will convert a further 2 Chausport stores (in Angers and Amiens) to this format in the current period.

There was a net addition of 9 stores in the Bank fascia with 13 store openings offset by the closure of 4 stores. A loss making duplicate Scotts store in Chester was also closed in the period.

We have refurbished a total of 29 stores in the year (including 3 stores where space has been transferred between fascias). This means that over the last four years we have opened a total of 108 stores and refurbished a further 123 stores.

During the year, store numbers (excluding trading websites) moved as follows:

Sports Fascias

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	Units	000 sq ft	Units	000 sq ft	Units	000 sq ft	Units	000 sq ft
Start of year	345	1,100	-	-	75	78	420	1,178
New stores	21	65	2	4	5	10	28	79
Transfers (1)	-	(1)	1	1	(1)	(1)	-	(1)
Closures	(15)	(35)	-	-	(6)	(6)	(21)	(41)
Remeasures		2				(2)		-
Close of year	351	1,131	3	5	73	79	427	1,215

(1) One JD store (Cardiff) was transferred to Bank in the period offset by the transfer of one store from Bank to JD (Sutton Coldfield). One former Chausport store (Lille) was converted into a JD store.

Fashion Fascias

	Bank		Scotts		Total		
	Units	000 sq ft	Units	000 sq ft	Units	000 sq ft	
Start of year	65	176	38	85	103	261	
New stores	13	42	-	-	13	42	
Transfers	-	1	-	-	-	1	
Closures	(4)	(9)	(1)	(6)	(5)	(15)	
Remeasures		<u> </u>		(3)		(3)	
Close of year	74	210	37	76	111	286	

Dividends and Earnings per Share

The Board proposes paying a final dividend of 19.20p (2010: 14.70p) bringing the total dividend payable for the year to 23.00p (2010: 18.00p) per ordinary share. The proposed final dividend will be paid on 1 August 2011 to all shareholders on the register at 6 May 2011. The final dividend has been increased by 31% with total dividends payable for the year increased by 28%. This follows a 50% increase in the full year dividend in the prior year.

The adjusted earnings per ordinary share before exceptional items were 116.86p (2010: 93.64p).

The basic earnings per ordinary share were 114.84p (2010: 88.16p).

Employees

As ever, after another record year, it is right to give credit and thanks to all our employees around the world for delivering such exceptional results. We remain committed to continuing to develop their skills and prospects through our success, training and quality of operation.

Current Trading and Outlook

Following successive years of record results for the Group, the retail environment has recently been significantly impacted by adverse fiscal changes in addition to the multiple current economic pressures. Specifically, the increase in VAT for the year to 28 January 2012 means that the same level of gross takings will produce a contribution of approximately £16 million less than the previous year. Simultaneously, but quite separately, we anticipate a reduction of real expenditure levels by consumers at a time when product costs, particularly imported goods, are increasing at a material rate.

Trading for the early part of the current financial year has been difficult to gauge when Easter falls three weeks later than last year. For the 8 weeks to 26 March 2011 gross like for like sales (including e-commerce) were +0.4% whilst net sales have declined 1.2% (Sports Fascias -1.4%, Fashion Fascias +0.0%). The decline in net sales and the resulting reduced margin are directly as a result of the fiscal changes referred to above.

Our core business already possesses very strong sales densities and margins, being the result of continual growth in both measures for several years. Against that background, therefore, it is inevitable that the Board is extremely cautious in its outlook, particularly when the profits achieved for the year to 29 January 2011 are effectively rebased purely as a result of the impact of increased VAT.

On the positive side the business delivers strong operating ratios and high levels of free cash generation. It has a robust balance sheet with £86.1 million net cash balances at the year end which leaves the Group well positioned to extend the retail opportunities which may arise and to continue to pursue a progressive dividend policy.

Management remain highly focused on all avenues of revenue growth, margin protection and cost control available to us to endeavour to deliver the optimum outturn, minimise the impact of the factors above and, with a strong balance sheet and dominant market position in our core business, we expect to be able to deliver operational and financial progress for the Group over the long term. Opportunities for profit growth overseas and development of our differentiated and own brand proposition, combined with prospects for growth in our Distribution business, all help to reduce the current threats to long term Group profitability and give us the opportunity to maintain positive long term momentum in our business.

A further update will be made in our Interim Management Statement no later than 17 June 2011.

Peter Cowgill Executive Chairman 13 April 2011

Consolidated Income Statement For the 52 weeks ended 29 January 2011

	Note	52 weeks to 29 January 2011 Continuing Operations £000	52 weeks to 30 January 2010 Continuing Operations £000
Revenue		883,669	769,785
Cost of sales		(446,657)	(390,248)
Gross profit Selling and distribution expenses - normal		437,012 (326,296)	379,537 (288,462)
Selling and distribution expenses - exceptional		(3,277)	(6,458)
Administrative expenses - normal Administrative expenses - exceptional		(32,966)	(26,051)
Other operating income		(1,007) 2,177	1,472 2,270
Operating profit		75,643	62,308
Before exceptional items		79,927	67,294
Exceptional items	3	(4,284)	(4,986)
Operating profit		75,643	62,308
Share of results of joint venture before exceptional			
items (net of income tax)	4	1,475	539
Share of exceptional items (net of income tax)	4	1,348	(1,012)
Share of results of joint venture	4	2,823	(473)
Financial income		618	385
Financial expenses		(455)	(827)

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Profit before tax		78,629	61,393
Income tax expense		(22,762)	(18,647)
Profit for the period		55,867	42,746
Attributable to equity holders of the parent		55,884	42,900
Attributable to non-controlling interest		(17)	(154)
Basic earnings per ordinary share	5	114.84p	88.16p
Diluted earnings per ordinary share	5	114.84p	88.16p

Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income For the 52 weeks ended 29 January 2011

	52 weeks to 29 January 2011	52 weeks to 30 January 2010
	£000	£000
Profit for the period	55,867	42,746
Other comprehensive income:		
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	95	(248)
Total other comprehensive income for the period	95	(248)
Total comprehensive income and expense for the period		
(net of income tax)	55,962	42,498
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Attributable to equity holders of the parent	55,979	42,652
Attributable to non-controlling interest	(17)	(154)

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position As at 29 January 2011

Total current liabilities	(146,280)	(132,163)
Income tax liabilities	(12,370)	(10,789)
Provisions	(2,591)	(2,920)
Trade and other payables	(128,445)	(115,742)
Interest-bearing loans and borrowings	(2,874)	(2,712)
Liabilities		
Total assets	367,791	306,225
Total current assets	211,726	170,656
Cash and cash equivalents	90,131	64,524
Trade and other receivables	37,105	31,657
Inventories	84,490	74,475
Total Hon-current assets	100,000	100,000
Total non-current assets	156,065	135,569
Deferred tax assets	125	-
Equity accounted investment in joint venture	3,458	635
Other assets	13,047	13,232
Property, plant and equipment Investment property	78,120 3,000	67,434 4,053
Intangible assets	58,315	50,215
Assets		
	£000	£000
	29 January 2011	see note 1)
	As at	(restated -
		30 January 2010
		As at

Interest-bearing loans and borrowings	(1,117)	(1,347)
Other payables	(28,782)	(24,050)
Provisions	(6,437)	(7,395)
Deferred tax liabilities	-	(748)
Total non-current liabilities	(36,336)	(33,540)
Total liabilities	(182,616)	(165,703)
Total assets less total liabilities	185,175	140,522
Capital and reserves		
Issued ordinary share capital	2,433	2,433
Share premium	11,659	11,659
Retained earnings	171,916	125,341
Other reserves	(1,918)	(244)
Total equity attributable to equity holders of the parent	184,090	139,189
Non-controlling interest	1,085	1,333
Total equity	185,175	140,522

Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity For the 52 weeks ended 29 January 2011

	Ordinary Share Capital £000	Share Premium £000	Retained Earnings £000	Other Equity £000	Foreign Currency Translation Reserve £000	Total Equity Attributable To Equity Holders Of The Parent £000
Balance at 31 January 2009	2,433	11,659	88,378	-	4	102,474
Profit for the period	-	-	42,900	-	-	42,900
Other comprehensive income: Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	-	-	-	-	(248)	(248)
Total other comprehensive income					(248)	(248)
Total comprehensive income for	-	-	42,900	-	(248)	42,652
the period Dividends to equity holders Acquisition of non-controlling interest	-	- -	(5,937)	- -	-	(5,937) -
Balance at 30 January 2010	2,433	11,659	125,341	-	(244)	139,189
Profit for the period	-	-	55,884	-	-	55,884
Other comprehensive income: Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	-	-	-	-	95	95
Total other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	95	95
Total comprehensive income for the period Dividends to equity holders Put options held by non-	- -	- -	55,884 (9,002)	- -	95 -	55,979 (9,002)
controlling interests Acquisition of non-controlling	-	-	-	(1,769)	-	(1,769)
interest Disposal of non-controlling	=	=	(627)	-	-	(627)
interest		-	320	- (4.700)	-	320
Balance at 29 January 2011	2,433	11,659	171,916	(1,769)	(149)	184,090

Put options are held by the 49% non-controlling interest in Canterbury of New Zealand Limited and 25% non-controlling interest in Canterbury International (Australia) Pty Limited.

Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity (continued) For the 52 weeks ended 29 January 2011

	Total Equity Attributable To Equity Holders Of The Parent £000	Non- Controlling Interest £000	Total Equity £000
Balance at 31 January 2009	102,474	1,295	103,769
Profit for the period	42,900	(154)	42,746
Other comprehensive income: Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	(248)	<u>-</u>	(248)
Total other comprehensive income	(248)	-	(248)
Total comprehensive income for	42,652	(154)	42,498
the period Dividends to equity holders	(5,937)	-	(5,937)
Acquisition of non-controlling interest	-	192	192
Balance at 30 January 2010	139,189	1,333	140,522
Profit for the period	55,884	(17)	55,867
Other comprehensive income: Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	95		95
Total other comprehensive income	95	-	95
Total comprehensive income for the period Dividends to equity holders Put options held by non-	55,979 (9,002)	(17) -	55,962 (9,002)
controlling interests Acquisition of non-controlling	(1,769)	-	(1,769)
interest Disposal of non-controlling	(627)	(573)	(1,200)
interest	320	342	662
Balance at 29 January 2011	184,090	1,085	185,175

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows For the 52 weeks ended 29 January 2011

For the 52 weeks ended 29 January 2011		
	52 weeks to	52 weeks to
	29 January 2011	30 January 2010
	£000	£000
Cash flows from operating activities		
Profit for the period	55,867	42,746
Share of results of joint venture	(2,823)	473
Income tax expense	22,762	18,647
Financial expenses	455	827
Financial income	(618)	(385)
Depreciation and amortisation of non-current assets	20,375	17,863
Exchange differences on translation	(158)	(49)
Impairment of intangible assets	-	2,617
Impairment of non-current assets	-	408
Impairment of investment property	1,007	=

Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	87,545	62,097
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period	62,097	23,538
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Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	25,448	38,559
Net cash used in financing activities	(9,850)	(7,773)
Dividends paid	(9,002)	(5,937)
Sale of subsidiary shares to non-controlling interest	662	- /F.CC=\
Acquisition of non-controlling interest	(1,200)	-
Repayment of interest-bearing loans and borrowings	(310)	(1,836)
Cash flows from financing activities	(0.40)	(4.000)
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Net cash used in investing activities	(40,397)	(29,284)
Third party loan repayments Loan repayments received from joint venture	- 923	80 1,750
Proceeds from disposal of available for sale investment	-	16,132
Acquisition of available for sale investment	-	(9,990)
Overdrafts acquired with acquisitions	-	(1,129)
Cash acquired with acquisitions	-	2,273
Cash consideration of acquisitions	-	(9,100)
Acquisition of non-current other assets	(2,114)	(1,429)
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	(30,855)	(21,472)
Acquisition of intangible assets	(9,560)	(6,672)
Disposal costs of non-current assets	(491)	(644)
Proceeds from sale of non-current assets	1.082	532
Interest received	618	385
Cash flows from investing activities		
Net cash from operating activities	75,695	75,616
Income taxes paid	(22,002)	(15,848)
Interest paid	(455)	(827)
Increase in trade and other payables	14,676	25,326
Increase in trade and other receivables	(5,209)	(8,179)
Increase in inventories	(9,622)	(6,062)
Loss on disposal of non-current assets	1,440	2,148
Profit on disposal of available for sale investments	-	(4,089)
Doeff on discount of available for all investments		(4.000)

Analysis of Net Cash As at 29 January 2011

	At 30 January 2010 £000	Cash flow £000	At 29 January 2011 £000
Cash at bank and in hand	64,524	25,607	90,131
Overdrafts	(2,427)	(159)	(2,586)
Cash and cash equivalents	62,097	25,448	87,545
Interest-bearing loans and borrowings:			
Bank loans	(885)	310	(575)
Other loans	(747)	(83)	(830)
	60,465	25,675	86,140

1. Prior period restatement

The comparative Group Consolidated Statement of Financial Position as at 30 January 2010 has been restated to reflect the completion in the period to 29 January 2011 of initial accounting in respect of the acquisition of Kooga Rugby Limited made in the period to 30 January 2010. Adjustments made to the provisional calculation of the fair value of assets and liabilities acquired, as reported at 30 January 2010, in the period to 29 January 2011, resulted in an increase to goodwill of £94,000. The impact of this adjustment on the net liabilities is shown in note 6. As the acquisition of Kooga Rugby Limited occurred in the year to 30 January 2010 this adjustment has no impact on the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position as at 31 January 2009 and so it has not been presented.

2. Segmental analysis

IFRS 8 'Operating Segments' requires the Group's segments to be identified on the basis of internal reports about components of the Group that are regularly reviewed by the Chief Operating Decision Maker to allocate resources to the segments and to assess their performance. The Chief Operating Decision Maker is considered to be the Executive Chairman of JD Sports Fashion Plc.

Information reported to the Chief Operating Decision Maker is focused on the nature of the businesses within the Group. The Group's reportable segments under IFRS 8 are therefore as follows:

- Sport retail includes the results of the sport retail trading companies JD Sports Fashion Plc, John David Sports Fashion (Ireland) Limited,
 Chausport SA and Duffer of St George Limited
- Fashion retail includes the results of the fashion retail trading companies Bank Fashion Limited and RD Scott Limited
- Distribution businesses includes the results of the distribution companies Topgrade Sportswear Limited, Nicholas Deakins Limited, Canterbury Limited (including global subsidiary companies), Kooga Rugby Limited and Nanny State Limited

The Chief Operating Decision Maker receives and reviews segmental operating profit. Certain central administrative costs including Group Directors' salaries are included within the Group's core 'Sport retail' result. This is consistent with the results as reported to the Chief Operating Decision Maker

IFRS 8 requires disclosure of information regarding revenue from major products and customers. The majority of the Group's revenue is derived from the retail of a wide range of apparel, footwear and accessories to the general public. As such, the disclosure of revenues from major products and customers is not appropriate.

Intersegment transactions are undertaken in the ordinary course of business on arms length terms.

The Board consider that certain items are cross divisional in nature and cannot be allocated between the segments on a meaningful basis. The share of results of joint venture is presented as unallocated in the following tables, as this entity has trading relationships with companies in all of the three segments. An asset of £3,458,000 (2010: £635,000) for the equity accounted investment in joint venture is included within the unallocated segment. Net funding costs and taxation are treated as unallocated reflecting the nature of the Group's syndicated borrowing facilities and its tax group. A deferred tax asset of £125,000 (2010: liability of £748,000) and an income tax liability of £12,370,000 (2010: £10,789,000) are included within the unallocated segment.

Each segment is shown net of intercompany transactions and balances within that segment. The eliminations remove intercompany transactions and balances between different segments which primarily relate to the net down of long term loans and short term working capital funding provided by JD Sports Fashion Plc (within Sport retail) to other companies in the Group, and intercompany trading between companies in different segments.

Business Segments

Information regarding the Group's reportable operating segments for the 52 weeks to 29 January 2011 is shown below:

Income st	tatement					
			Sport Retail £000	Fashion Retail £000	Distribution £000	Total £000
Gross reve	enue		667,224	134,110	85,498	886,832
Intersegme	ent revenue		(1,290)	(162)	(1,711)	(3,163)
Revenue			665,934	133,948	83,787	883,669
Operating items	profit before ex	cceptional	73,340	6,399	188	79,927
Exception	al items		(2,687)	(1,573)	(24)	(4,284)
Operating Share of re	esults of joint v	enture	70,653	4,826	164	75,643 2,823 618
Financial e	expenses					(455)
Profit before tax						78,629 (22,762)
Profit for th	ne period					55,867
Total asse	ets and liabilit					
	Sport Retail £000	Fashion Retail £000	Distribution £000	Unallocated £000	Eliminations £000	Total £000
Total assets	310,244	56,182	50,822	3,583	(53,040)	367,791
Total liabilities	(120,727)	(51,546)	(51,013)	(12,370)	53,040	(182,616)

	Sport Retail £000	Fashion Retail £000	Distribution £000	Total £000
Capital expenditure:				
Brand licence purchased	7,500	-	-	7,500
Brand names purchased	1,710	-	350	2,060
Property, plant and equipment	23,553	6,656	646	30,855
Non-current other assets	2,092	22	-	2,114
Depreciation, amortisation and impairments:				
Depreciation and amortisation of non-				
current assets	15,679	3,454	1,242	20,375
Impairment of investment property	1,007	=	-	1,007

The comparative segmental results for the 52 weeks to 30 January 2010 are as follows:

Income st	tatement					
			Sport Retail £000	Fashion Retail £000	Distribution £000	Total £000
Gross reve	enue		615,507	114,640	42,551	772,698
Intersegme	ent revenue		(1,225)	(394)	(1,294)	(2,913)
Revenue			614,282	114,246	41,257	769,785
Operating exception		fore	64,125 (642)	3,333 (4,355)	(164) 11	67,294 (4,986)
		renture	63,483	(1,022)	(153)	62,308 (473) 385 (827)
Profit before						61,393 (18,647)
Profit for th	ne period					42,746
Total asse	ets and liabili	ties				
	Sport Retail £000	Fashion Retail £000	Distribution £000	Unallocated £000	Eliminations £000	Total £000
Total assets	264,394	51,180	40,572	635	(50,556)	306,225
Total liabilities	(112,618)	(51,561)	(40,543)	(11,537)	50,556	(165,703)
041		-4!				
-	ment informa	ation	Sport Retail £000	Fashion Retail £000	Distribution £000	Total £000
-	kpenditure: on acquisition					
(restated -	see note 1) nes on acquisi	tion	- 2,042	- -	1,537 453	1,537 2,495
	nes purchased		-	-	6,672	6,672
	olant and equip		13,517	7,383	572	21,472
Non-curre	nt other assets	5	1,424	5	-	1,429
Available f	or sale investn	nent	9,990	-	-	9,990
impairme Depreciation current as	on and amortis	sation of non-	14,067	3,279 2,617	517 -	17,863 2,617
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Geographical Information

The Group's operations are located in the UK, Republic of Ireland, France, Australia, New Zealand, United States of America and Hong Kong.

The following table provides analysis of the Group's revenue by geographical market, irrespective of the origin of the goods/services:

	52 weeks to 29 January 2011 £000	52 weeks to 30 January 2010 £000
UK	801,728	722,221
Europe	55,027	45,094
Rest of world	26,914	2,470
	883,669	769,785

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The revenue from any individual country, with the exception of the UK, is not more than 10% of the Group's total revenue.

The following is an analysis of the carrying amount of segmental non-current assets, excluding the investment in joint venture of £3,458,000 (2010: £635,000), deferred tax assets of £125,000 (2010: £nil) and other financial assets of £nil (2010: £922,000), by the geographical area in which the assets are located:

	2011 £000	2010 (restated - see note 1) £000
UK	135,852	120,416
Europe	16,362	13,311
Rest of world	268	285
	152,482	134,012

3. Exceptional items

	52 weeks to 29 January		52 weeks to 30 January	
	2011 £000	2010	£000	
Loss on disposal of non-current assets (1)	1,440		2,148	
Impairment of non-current assets (2)	-		408	
Onerous lease provision (3)	1,837		3,902	
Selling and distribution expenses - exceptional	3,277		6,458	
Impairment of intangible assets (4)	-		2,617	
Impairment of investment property (5)	1,007		-	
Profit on disposal of available for sale investments (6)	-		(4,089)	
Administrative expenses - exceptional	1,007		(1,472)	
	4,284		4,986	

- (1) Relates to the excess of net book value of property, plant and equipment and non-current other assets disposed over proceeds received
- (2) Relates to property, plant and equipment and non-current other assets in cash-generating units which are loss making, where it is considered that this position cannot be recovered
- (3) Relates to the net movement in the provision for onerous property leases on trading and non-trading stores
- (4) Relates to the impairment in the period to 30 January 2010 of the residual goodwill on the acquisition of the entire issued share capital of RD Scott
- (5) Relates to the impairment in the period to 29 January 2011 of investment property
- (6) The Group held a non-strategic investment in JJB Sports Plc until 9 December 2009 when it disposed of 65,018,098 ordinary shares for 25p per share, giving a realised loss on disposal of £1,988,000. After recognising an impairment of £6,077,000 in the year ended 31 January 2009 this resulted in an exceptional gain in the period to 30 January 2010 of £4,089,000

4. Interest in joint venture

The Group's share of the revenue generated by the joint venture in the period was £15,418,000(2010: £11,774,000). The amount included in the Consolidated Income Statement in relation to the joint venture is as follows:

	Before exceptionals £000	Exceptionals £000	After exceptionals £000
Share of result before tax	2,102	1,549	3,651
Tax	(627)	(201)	(828)
Share of result after tax	1,475	1,348	2,823

The comparative amount included in the Consolidated Income Statement for the period ended 30 January 2010 in relation to the joint venture is as follows:

	Before exceptionals £000	Exceptionals £000	After exceptionals £000
Share of result before tax	740	(1,406)	(666)
Tax	(201)	394	193
Share of result after tax	539	(1,012)	(473)

The exceptional items in the current year relate to unrealised gains on foreign exchange contracts and the reversal of the impairment of the investment held by Focus Brands Limited in Focus Group Holdings Limited, following repayment of original purchase consideration by the vendors of Focus Group Holdings Limited. The exceptional items in the prior year relate entirely to unrealised losses on foreign exchange contracts.

5. Earnings per ordinary share

Basic and diluted earnings per ordinary share

The calculation of basic and diluted earnings per ordinary share at 29 January 2011 is based on the profit for the period attributable to equity holders of the parent of £55,884,000 (2010: £42,900,000) and a weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the 52 weeks ended 29 January 2011 of 48,661,658 (2010: 48,661,658).

	52 weeks to 29 January 2011	52 weeks to 30 January 2010
Issued ordinary shares at beginning and end of period	48,661,658	48,661,658

Adjusted basic and diluted earnings per ordinary share

Adjusted basic and diluted earnings per ordinary share have been based on the profit for the period attributable to equity holders of the parent for each financial period but excluding the post-tax effect of certain exceptional items. The Directors consider that this gives a more meaningful measure of the underlying performance of the Group.

	52 weeks to 29 January		52 weeks to 30 January	
		2011	2010	
	Note	£000	£000	
Profit for the period attributable to equity holders				
of the parent		55,884	42,900	
Exceptional items excluding loss on disposal of non-current				
assets	3	2,844	2,838	
Tax relating to exceptional items		(514)	(1,184)	
Share of exceptional items of joint venture (net of income tax)	4	(1,348)	1,012	
Profit for the period attributable to equity holders of the parent				
excluding exceptional items		56,866	45,566	
Adjusted basic and diluted earnings per ordinary share			93.64p	
Aujusted basic and diluted earnings per ordinary share		116.86p	93.04p	

6. Acquisitions

Current period acquisitions

Acquisition of non-controlling interest in Topgrade Sportswear Limited

On 21 June 2010, the Group acquired a further 29% of the issued share capital of Hallco 1521 Limited (the intermediate holding company of Topgrade Sportswear Limited) for a cash consideration of £1,200,000. This takes the Group's holding to 80%. The Group's original share of 51% was acquired on 7 November 2007. Topgrade Sportswear Limited is a distributor and multichannel retailer of sports and fashion clothing and footwear. As the Group already had control of Hallco 1521 Limited, the increase in Group ownership has been accounted for as an equity transaction.

Nanny State Limited

On 4 August 2010, the Group (via its new subsidiary Nanny State Limited) acquired the global rights to the fashion footwear and apparel brand, 'Nanny State', from D.R.I.P Brands Limited (in administration) and D.R. Shoes Limited (in administration) for a cash consideration of £350,000. Inventory with a value of £141,000 and other debtors with a value of £86,000 were also acquired. The book value of the assets acquired is considered to be the fair value.

Included in the result for the 52 week period to 29 January 2011 is revenue of £771,000 and a loss before tax of £15,000 in respect of Nanny State Limited.

Prior period acquisitions

Acquisition of Kooga Rugby Limited

On 3 July 2009, the Group acquired 100% of the issued share capital of Kooga Rugby Limited for a consideration of £1 together with associated fees of £30,000. Kooga Rugby Limited is involved in the design, sourcing and wholesale of rugby apparel, footwear and accessories and is sole kit supplier to a number of professional rugby union and rugby league clubs.

During the 12 month period following acquisition, certain measurement adjustments have been made to the provisional fair values of the net liabilities of Kooga Rugby Limited as at the acquisition date in accordance with IFRS 3 'Business Combinations'. The adjustments from 1 August 2009 to 30 January 2010 are shown in the Annual Report and Accounts 2010. The adjustments from 31 January 2010 to determine the final fair value of liabilities acquired are shown below:

	Provisional		
	fair value at		Fair value at
	30 January	Fair value	29 January
	2010	adjustments	2011
	£000	£000	£000
Acquiree's net liabilities at the acquisition date:			
Intangible assets	453	-	453
Property, plant and equipment	102	-	102
Inventories	1,082	(94)	988
Trade and other receivables	1,018	· -	1,018
Interest-bearing loans and borrowings	(1,449)	-	(1,449)
Trade and other payables	(2,035)	-	(2,035)
Provisions	(584)	-	(584)
Net identifiable liabilities	(1,413)	(94)	(1,507)
Goodwill on acquisition	1,443	94	1,537
Consideration paid - satisfied in cash	30	-	30

Acquisition of Chausport SA

On 19 May 2009, the Group (via its new subsidiary JD Sports Fashion (France) SAS) acquired 100% of the issued share capital of Chausport SA for a cash consideration of £7,211,000 (ϵ 8,000,000) together with associated fees of £696,000. Chausport SA is a French retailer, which at the time of acquisition had 78 stores in premium locations in town centres and shopping centres across France.

During the 12 month period following acquisition, no measurement adjustments were made to the provisional fair values of the net assets of Chausport SA as at the acquisition date.

	Provisional fair value at 30 January 2010 £000	Fair value adjustments £000	Fair value at 29 January 2011 £000
Acquiree's net assets at the acquisition date:			
Property, plant and equipment	1,558	-	1,558
Non-current other assets	9,278	=	9,278
Inventories	5,770	=	5,770
Trade and other receivables	1,350	-	1,350
Cash and cash equivalents	639	-	639
Interest-bearing loans and borrowings	(2,318)	-	(2,318)
Trade and other payables	(8,370)	-	(8,370)
Net identifiable assets	7,907	-	7,907
Goodwill on acquisition	-	-	<u>-</u>

Canterbury Limited

On 4 August 2009, the Group (via its new subsidiary Canterbury Limited) acquired the global rights to the rugby brands 'Canterbury' and 'Canterbury of New Zealand' from Canterbury Europe Limited (in administration) for a cash consideration of £6,672,000. Inventory with a fair value of £4,289,000 was also acquired. The book value of the assets acquired was considered to be the fair value and no goodwill arose on the acquisition.

The final fair value of the net assets acquired was £10,961,000. During the 12 month period following acquisition, no measurement adjustments have been made to the provisional fair values of the net assets of Canterbury Limited as at the acquisition date.

Canterbury International (Far East) Limited

On 4 August 2009, Canterbury Limited acquired 100% of the issued share capital of Canterbury International (Far East) Limited for a cash consideration of £1. The provisional fair value of the assets and liabilities acquired was £1. No goodwill arose on this acquisition.

The final fair value of the net assets acquired was £1. During the 12 month period following acquisition, no measurement adjustments have been made to the provisional fair values of the net assets of Canterbury International (Far East) Limited as at the acquisition date.

Canterbury (North America) LLC

On 24 November 2009, Canterbury Limited (via its new subsidiary Canterbury (North America) LLC) acquired the key trading assets from Sail City Apparel Limited (in liquidation). The total cash consideration paid was £442,000 which included inventory with a value of £392,000 with associated fees of £50,000. The book value of the assets acquired was considered to be the fair value and no goodwill arose on the acquisition.

The final fair value of the net assets acquired was £442,000. During the 12 month period following acquisition, no measurement adjustments have been made to the provisional fair values of the net assets of Canterbury (North America) LLC as at the acquisition date.

Acquisition of Canterbury International (Australia) Pty Limited

On 23 December 2009, Canterbury Limited acquired 100% of the issued share capital of Canterbury International (Australia) Pty Limited for a cash consideration of £2 together with associated fees of £100,000. Canterbury International (Australia) Pty Limited operates the Canterbury brand in Australia.

During the 12 month period following acquisition, no measurement adjustments have been made to the provisional fair values of the net assets of Canterbury International (Australia) Pty Limited as at the acquisition date.

	Provisional		
	fair value at		Fair value at
	30 January	Fair value	29 January
	2010	adjustments	2011
	£000	£000	£000
Acquiree's net assets at the acquisition date:			
Property, plant and equipment	144	-	144
Inventories	1,866	-	1,866
Trade and other receivables	1,175	-	1,175
Cash and cash equivalents	918	-	918
Trade and other payables	(3,386)	-	(3,386)
Intercompany loan	(617)	-	(617)
Net identifiable assets	100	-	100
Goodwill on acquisition	_	-	-
Consideration paid - satisfied in cash	100	-	100

Acquisition of Canterbury of New Zealand Limited

On 23 December 2009, Canterbury Limited acquired 51% of the issued share capital of Canterbury of New Zealand Limited for a cash consideration of £1 together with associated fees of £200,000. Canterbury of New Zealand Limited operates the Canterbury brand in New Zealand.

During the 12 month period following acquisition, no measurement adjustments have been made to the provisional fair values of the net assets of Canterbury of New Zealand Limited as at the acquisition date.

	Provisional		
	fair value at		Fair value at
	30 January	Fair value	29 January
	2010	adjustments	2011
	£000	£000	£000
Acquiree's net assets at the acquisition date:			
Property, plant and equipment	123	-	123
Inventories	1,501	-	1,501
Trade and other receivables	1,256	-	1,256
Cash and cash equivalents	504	-	504
Trade and other payables	(1,450)	-	(1,450)
Income tax liabilities	(8)	-	(8)
Intercompany loan	(771)	-	(771)
Shareholder loan	(763)	=	(763)

Net identifiable assets	392	<u> </u>	392
Non-controlling interest (49%) Goodwill on acquisition	(192) -	- -	(192) -
Consideration paid - satisfied in cash	200	-	200

Acquisition of Duffer of St George Limited

On 24 November 2009, the Group acquired 100% of the issued share capital of Duffer of St George Limited for a cash consideration of £863,000. Duffer of St George Limited owns the global rights to the brand name 'The Duffer of St George'.

During the 12 month period following acquisition, no measurement adjustments have been made to the provisional fair values of the net assets of Duffer of St George Limited as at the acquisition date.

	Provisional fair value at 30 January 2010 £000	Fair value adjustments £000	Fair value at 29 January 2011 £000
Acquiree's net assets at the acquisition date:			
Intangible assets	2,042	-	2,042
Trade and other receivables	220	-	220
Cash and cash equivalents	212	-	212
Interest-bearing loans and borrowings	(1,616)	-	(1,616)
Deferred tax asset	5		5
Net identifiable assets	863	-	863
Goodwill on acquisition	-		<u>-</u>
Consideration paid - satisfied in cash	863	-	863

7. Disposals

Disposal of 25% of issued ordinary share capital of Canterbury International (Australia) Pty Limited

On 28 January 2011, Canterbury Limited disposed of 25% of the issued ordinary share capital of Canterbury International (Australia) Pty Limited to the local management team by issuing new shares in exchange for a cash consideration of AUD \$1,100,000. This takes the Group's shareholding to 75%. As the Group has maintained control of Canterbury International (Australia) Pty Limited, the decrease in Group ownership has been accounted for as an equity transaction.

8. Subsequent events

Acquisition of Kukri Sports Limited

On 7 February 2011, the Group acquired 80% of the issued share capital of Kukri Sports Limited for a cash consideration of £1. Kukri Sports Limited has a number of subsidiaries around the world, which source and provide bespoke sports teamwear to schools, universities and sports clubs. In addition, Kukri Sports Limited is sole kit supplier to a number of professional sports teams. For the year ended 30 April 2010, Kukri Sports Limited had a turnover of £12.9 million, an operating loss of £0.3 million, a loss before tax of £0.2 million and gross assets of £2.5 million. The fair value of the assets and liabilities acquired is currently being determined.

Acquisition of additional shares in Focus Brands Limited

On 16 February 2011, the Group acquired a further 31% of the issued share capital of Focus Brands Limited for a cash consideration of £1,000,000, with potential further deferred consideration of £250,000 depending on performance. The Group's original share of 49% was acquired on 3 December 2007. Focus Brands Limited was originally incorporated in order to acquire Focus Group Holdings Limited and its subsidiary companies and was an entity jointly controlled by the Group and the former shareholders of Focus Group Holdings Limited. The additional shares purchased since the reporting date take the Group's holding in Focus Brands Limited to 80%, thereby giving the Group control. Focus Brands Limited is now a subsidiary of the Group rather than a jointly-controlled entity.

Acquisition of Champion Sports (Holdings)

On 4 April 2011, the Group acquired 100% of the issued share capital of Champion Sports (Holdings) for a cash consideration of €7 and have also advanced €17.1 million to allow it to settle all of its indebtedness save for €2.5 million of leasing finance. Champion was founded in 1992 and is one of the leading retailers of sports apparel and footwear in the Republic of Ireland with 22 stores in premium locations in town centres and shopping centres. In addition, Champion has one store in Northern Ireland. For the year ended 31 December 2009, Champion had a turnover of €54.0 million, an operating loss of €1.8 million, a loss before tax of €4.9 million and gross assets of €36.2 million. The fair value of the assets and liabilities acquired is currently being determined.

New committed bank facility

On 12 April 2011, the Group agreed a new syndicated committed £75,000,000 bank facility for 54 months to 11 October 2015. The principal terms of this facility are:

- Current margin 1.25%
- Arrangement fee 0.60%
- Commitment fee 45% of applicable margin

The new facility encompasses cross guarantees between the Company, Bank Fashion Limited, RD Scott Limited, Topgrade Sportswear Limited, Nicholas Deakins Limited, Canterbury Limited, Canterbury of New Zealand Limited and Focus International Limited.

9. Accounts

The financial information set out above does not constitute the Group's statutory accounts for the 52 weeks ended 29 January 2011 or 30 January 2010 but is derived from those accounts. Statutory accounts for the 52 weeks ended 30 January 2010 have been delivered to the Registrar of Companies, and those for the 52 weeks to 29 January 2011 will be delivered in due course. The auditor has reported on those accounts; their reports were (i) unqualified, (ii) did not include a reference to any matters to which the auditors drew attention by way of emphasis without qualifying their report and (iii) did not contain a statement under section 498 (2) or (3) of the Companies Act 2006.

Copies of full accounts will be sent to shareholders in due course. Additional copies will be available from JD Sports Fashion Plc, Hollinsbrook Way, Pilsworth, Bury, Lancashire, BL9 8RR or online at www.jdplc.com.

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