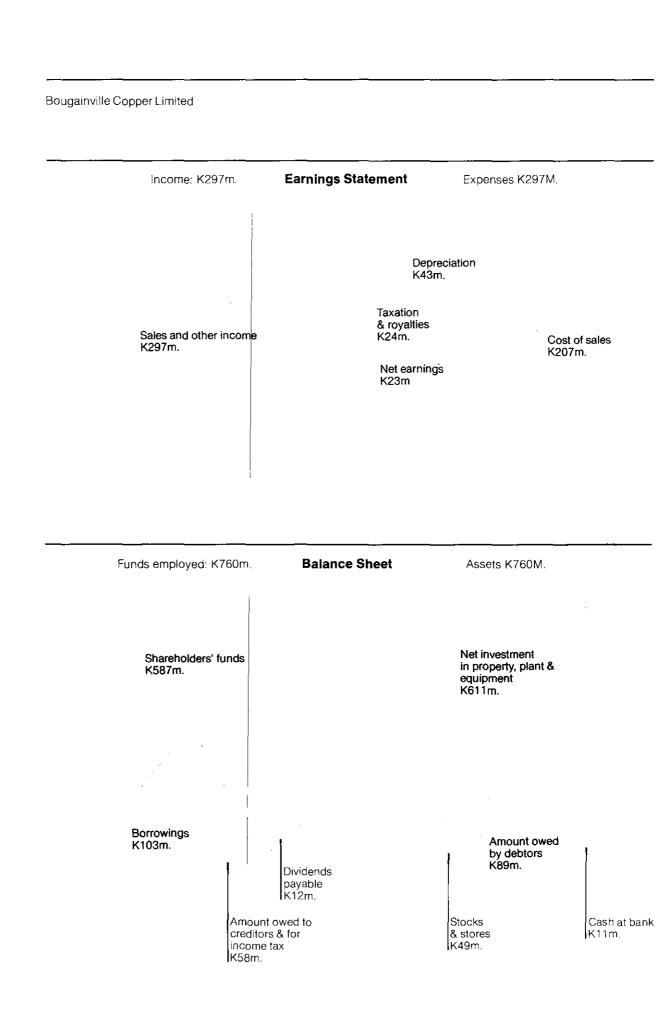
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- 3. No circumstances have arisen which render adherence to the method of valuation of assets or liabilities misleading or inappropriate.
- 4. No contingent liabilities have arisen since the balance date of the group accounts, 31 December, 1981, and the date of this report, 9 February, 1982.
- 5. No contingent liabilities have become enforceable or are likely to become enforceable within twelve months from the date of this report which will materially affect the group in its ability to meet its obligations as and when they fall due.

5. No item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature has arisen in the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this report, which in the opinion of the directors of Bougainville Copper Limited, is likely to substantially affect the results of the operations of the group in 1982.

Signed this 9th day of February, 1982 in accordance with a resolution of the directors of Bougainville Copper Limited.

Additional Information:

The directors also state that:

- 1. They took reasonable steps before the statements of earnings and balance sheets were made out to ascertain what action had been taken so far as debts owing to the holding company were concerned, in relation to the writing off of bad debts and the making of provisions for doubtful debts and are satisfied that there were no bad debts and that a provision for doubtful debts of K50 000 was adequate.
- 2. They are not aware of any circumstances which would render the amounts written off for bad debts or the amounts of the provision for doubtful debts inadequate to any substantial extent.
- 3. Since the end of the financial year, no charge on the assets of either of the companies in the group has arisen which secures the liability of any other person.
- 4. They are not aware of any circumstances not otherwise dealt with in this report or group accounts, which would render any amount stated in the group accounts misleading.

D. C. Vernon (Chairman)

P. W. Quodling (Director)

Balance Sheets at 31 December, 1981

Bougainville Copper Limited

		Cons	olidated	Bougainville Copper Limited		
	Notes	1981 K'000	1980 K'000	1981 K'000	1980 K'000	
Funds employed by the group:						
Shareholders' funds						
Paid up capital	5	401 063	401 063	401 063	401 063	
Asset revaluation reserve		31 276	31 276	31 276	31 276	
Retained earnings		<u>154 900</u>	<u>152 165</u>	154 903	152 168	
		587 239	584 504	587 242	584 507	
Exchange fluctuation	6	1 478	5 054	1 478	5 054	
Long term liabilities						
Future income tax	4	3,502	-	3,502		
Loans	7	72 525	22 421	72 525	22 421	
Provision for long service leave		<u>4 050</u> 80 077	3 300 25 721	4 050 80 077	3 300 25 721	
Current liabilities		80 077	23 721	80 077	23 121	
Loans	7	28 591	7 893	28 591	7 893	
Creditors	8	30 473	33 141	30 471	33 139	
Income tax		20 153	54 829	20 153	54 829	
Dividends payable		12 032	48 128	12 032	48 128	
		91 249	143 991	91 247	143 989	
Total funds		760 043	759 270	760 044	759 271	
These funds are represented by:						
Fixed assets Property, plant and equipment	9	611 234	610 759	611 234	610 759	
Investments	10	145	83	154	92	
	10	143	00	104	32	
Current assets Bank balances and short term deposits		10 836	16 497	10 828	16 489	
Debtors for sale of concentrate		85 968	73 738	85 968	73 738	
Other debtors	11	3 242	2 430	3 242	2 430	
Stocks and stores	12	48 618	55 763	48 618	55 763	
		148 664	148 428	148 656	148 420	
Total assets		760 043	759 270	760 044	759 271	

All amounts are expressed in Papua New Guinea kina. Rounding to the nearest thousand kina has been adopted. The notes commencing on page 26 form part of these accounts and are to be read in conjunction with them.

Declarations

Statement by Directors

In the opinion of the Directors of Bougainville Copper Limited the accompanying statements of earnings are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the results of the business of the Company and its subsidiary for the period covered by the statements and the accompanying balance sheets are drawn up so as to exhibit a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and its subsidiary at the end of that period.

Signed at Panguna this 9th day of February, 1982. On behalf of the Board D. C. VERNON, P. W. QUODLING Directors

Declaration by Secretary

I, Jillian Margaret Ferguson,
Secretary of Bougainville Copper
Limited, do solemnly and sincerely
declare that the accompanying
balance sheets and statements of
earnings of the Company and its
subsidiary are, to the best of my
knowledge and belief, correct. And
I make this solemn declaration by
virtue of the Oaths, Affirmations and
Statutory Declarations Act (Chapter
317), conscientiously believing the
statements contained herein to be
true in every particular.

Declared at Panguna this 9th day of February, 1982. J. M. FERGUSON Secretary Before me: L. G. SMITH Commissioner for Oaths

Report of the Auditors to the Members

We report on the accompanying balance sheets and statements of earnings of the Company and its subsidiary set out on pages 24 to 29 which have been prepared under the cost convention described in note 1.

In our opinion these balance sheets and statements of earnings are properly drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act (Chapter 146), and so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and its subsidiary as at 31st December, 1981, and the results for the year ended on that date.

In our opinion the accounting and other records, including registers, examined by us have been properly kept in accordance with the provisions of the Act. COOPERS & LYBRAND by A Hilton Registered under the Accountants Registration and Practice Act (Chapter 89).

Arawa. 10th February, 1982

Shareholdings

Distribution of shares

As at 9th February, 1982: The issued shares of the Company were 401 062 500 fully paid one kina shares, each carrying one voting right;

The number of shareholders was 38 083;

The distribution of holdings of the issued shares was:

1- 1 000 shares	28 165
1 001- 5 000 shares	8 120
5 001-10 000 shares	1 056
10 001 shares and over	742
Total shareholders	38 083

84.37% of the total issued shares were held by the 20 largest shareholders;

The substantial shareholders were: CRA Limited and its wholly-owned subsidiary CRA Base Metals Pty. Limited — 214 887 966 shares (53.6%). The Rio Tinto-Zinc Corporation Limited has an interest in the same shares through its wholly-owned subsidiaries', (R.T.Z. Australian Holdings Limited and C.R.A. Holdings Pty. Limited), interests in CRA Limited and CRA Base Metals Pty. Limited. The Independent State of Papua New Guinea, and The Investment Corporation of Papua New Guinea — 81 232 605 shares (20.3%).

Ten largest shareholders

The ten largest shareholders at 9th February, 1982, and the number of shares held by each were:

of shares held by eac	:h were:
Name & Registered Add	Iress: Shares
CRA Limited, Melbourne	в.
Vic.	210 788 514
The Independent State	
Papua New Guinea	76 430 809
ANZ Nominees Limited,	
Melbourne. Vic.	10 761 753
National Nominees	0.010.050
Limited, Melbourne. Vic	
The National Mutual Life	=
Association of Australas Limited, Melbourne, Vic	
The investment	. 0312334
Corporation of Papua N	ew
Guinea, Port Moresby.	
P.N.G.	4 801 796
CRA Base Metals Pty.	
Limited, Melbourne, Vic.	4 099 452
Panguna Development	
Foundation Limited,	
Panguna, P.N.G.	3 600 000
Bank of New South Wal	es
Nominees Pty. Ltd.,	2 538 329
Sydney, N.S.W.	 -
The Colonial Mutual Life Assurance Society Limit	
Melbourne, Vic.	.eu, 2 055 886

330 436 929

Directors' interests

Directors' interests in the share capital of the Company and its related companies as at the 21st January, 1982 were:

January, 1982	were:
D. C. Vernon	No interests
N. R. Agonia	No interests
Sir Roderick	
Carnegie	9 000 BCL shares
	1 000 MKU shares
	42 000 CRA shares
Sir Frank Espie	750 BCL shares
	533 CRA shares
R. H. Harding	6 709 CRA shares
•	504 BCL shares
	1 000 MKU shares
P. W. Quodling	No interests
J. T. Ralph	171 BCL shares
	587 CRA shares
J. L. Kekedo	
(Alt. Director)	180 BCL shares
Abbreviations:	
	ville Copper Limited
CRA - CRA Lin	
MKU - Mary Ka	thleen Uranium Limited
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Current Cost Accounting

The information presented in
Historical Cost Accounts (HCA) can
be misleading since full recognition
is not given to the impact of price
changes on the funds needed to
maintain the assets employed by the
Company. The need to remedy the
defects in the traditional HCA
accounts has focused attention on
various proposals, one of which,
Current Cost Accounting (CCA), is
gaining international acceptance.
The Company's earnings on an
HCA basis are overstated in times of
rising prices because of the failure
to recognise the increased cost of
replacing stocks and other assets
required to maintain the business as
a going concern. Therefore, in
CCA, adjustments are made to
measure the effect of specific price
changes on the cost of services
derived by the Company from use of
its assets. However, because these
assets have been financed partly by
borrowing, a gearing adjustment is
also necessary to arrive at the
earnings, adjusted for specific price
changes, which are attributable to
shareholders.
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experimental phase and further
tecting is required before a definitive

CCA is still largely in the experimental phase and further testing is required before a definitive system is established. However, the subjectivity that enters into the preparation of the CCA accounts is compensated for by increased realism and relevance of information presented in these financial statements. Until such time as an Australian standard is issued, the Company will prepare CCA statements in accordance with the Statement of Standard Accounting Practice No. 16, Current Cost Accounting, issued by the Accounting Standards Committee of the United Kingdom in March 1980.

Current Cost Statement of Earnings	Bougainville Co	nner Limited			
Current Cost Statement of Lannings	Bougainville Copper Limited and Subsidiary Company				
	1981	1980			
	K'000	K,000			
Income	296 368	338 662			
Costs and expenses excluding interest	244 492	214 976			
Historical cost earnings before interest Less:	51 876	123 686			
Current cost operating adjustments (refer below)	17 811	7 841			
Current cost earnings from operations	34 065	115 845			
Less: Interest on net borrowing	9 597	3 546			
•	24 468	112 299			
Add: Net exchange gains	1 069	2 573			
Current cost earnings before taxation	25 537	114 872			
Less: Income tax	20 560	. 51 179			
Current cost earnings attributable to entity	4 977	63 693			
Add: Gearing adjustment	5 476	1 854			
Current cost earnings attributable to shareholders Add:	10 453	65 547			
Current cost retained earnings brought forward	137 483	152 149			
•	147 936	217 696			
Less:	20.052	80 213			
Dividends	20 053	-			
Current cost retained earnings carried forward	127 883	137 483			
Current cost operating adjustments:					
Cost of sales	4 339	2 023			
Monetary working capital	4 686	2 255			
Working capital	9 025	4 278			
Depreciation	8 327	2 704			
Disposals of property, plant and equipment	459	859			
Property, plant and equipment	8 786	3 563			
	17 811	7 841			
Current Cost Balance Sheet					
Funds employed by the group: Shareholders' funds					
Paid up capital	401 063	401 063			
Current cost reserve	217 423	134 999			
Retained earnings	127 883	137 483			
	746 369	673 545			
Exchange fluctuation	1 478	5 054			
Long term liabilities	80 077	25 721			
Current liabilities	91 249	143 991			
Total funds	919 173	848 311			
These funds are represented by:					
Fixed assets	767 025	694 603			
Investments	145	83			
Stocks and stores Other current assets	51 957 100 046	60 960 92 665			

Total assets	919 173	848 311			

Statistical Summary

Financial			1070	1070		4070	4075	1071	1070	4070
Earnings (K million) Net sales revenue and other income Operating and other expenses	1981 296.4 210.8	1980 338.7 174.8	1979 343.1 144.1	1978 225.1 125.0	1977 205.3 126.8	1976 208.9 117.5	1975 193.1 107.2	1974 292.6 92.5	1973 252.4 81.8	1972' 95.9 53.3
Depreciation Earnings before taxation and exchange gains	43.3	43.8	40.7 158.3	40.4	36.2	31.1	29.6	28.5 171.6	24.8	14.5
Exchange gains Earnings before taxation	43.4	2.6 122.7	3.5 161.8	<u>10.3</u> 70.0	(0.1) 42.2	61.6	2.3 58.6	9.5	12.9 158.7	<u>(0.4)</u> 27.7
Taxation Net earnings	20.6 22.8	51.2 71.5	77.9 83.9	<u>22.0</u> 48.0	<u>13.7</u> 28.5	<u>20.3</u> 41.3	<u>12.4</u> 46.2	66.5 114.6	158.4	
Dividends Earnings retained	20.1	<u>64.2</u> 7.3	80.2 3.7	40.1 7.9	<u>21.4</u> 7.1	26.7 14.6	26.7 19.5	73.5	81.4 77.0	$\frac{11.0}{16.7}$
Balance sheet (K million) Property, plant and equipment Investments Current assets	611.2 0.1 148.7	610.8 0.1 148.4	325.4 0.1 201.0	340.1 0.1 125.8	352.2 0.1 137.1	350.4 0.1 136.0	346.0 0.1 129.5	352.2 0.1 205.6	371.7 0.1 130.4	378.7 - 73.9
Total assets	760.0	759.3	526.5	466.0	489.4	486.5	475.6	557.9	502.2	452.6
Shareholders' funds Exchange fluctuation Long term liabilities Current liabilities	587.2 1.5 80.1 91.2	584.5 5.1 25.7 144.0	294.5 5.4 36.2 190.4	317.5 9.0 42.1 97.4	309.7 14.6 53.3 111.8	302.5 9.0 101.7 73.3	287.9 11.5 106.8 69.4	268.4 19.1 121.1 149.3	227.4 39.5 127.5 107.8	146.7 24.2 204.0 77.7
Funds employed	760.0	759.3	526.5	466.0	489.4	486.5	475.6	557.9	502.2	452.6
Production/Sales										
Mined Ore and waste removed Ore milled Ore grade (millions of tonnes)	77.56 37.53	79.76 37.62	75.97 36.17	79.05 38.12	70.79 34.11	58.54 31.21	56.40 31.08	56.00 30.14	56.65 29.14	46.75 21.89
Copper (per cent) Gold (grams/tonne) Silver (grams/tonne)	0.51 0.59 1.55	0.46 0.50 1.47	0.55 0.75 1.70	0.60 0.82 1.80	0.61 0.90 1.86	0.64 0.87 1.96	0.64 0.80 1.87	0.70 1.02 2.12	0.73 1.03 1.99	0.76 0.77 2.06
Produced Concentrate (thousands of dry tonnes) Contained copper (thousands of dry tonnes) Concentrate grade	576.4 165.4	510.4 146.8	584.7 170.8	658.6 198.6	615.6 182.3	596.8 176.5	595.5 172.5	640.8 184.1	650.2 182.9	438.1 124.0
Copper (per cent) Gold (grams/tonne) Silver (grams/tonne)	28.7 29.2 73.5	28.8 27.5 72.2	29.2 33.7 76.3	30.2 35.5 79.8	29.6 36.3 77.1	29.6 33.9 76.1	28.9 30.5 71.0	28.7 32.0 72.0	28.1 31.6 69.0	28.3 27.3 69.3
Shipped Total concentrate (thousands of dry tonnes) Shipped to:	587.0	494.4	586.5	640.9	614.8	605.8	586.9	665.7	625.2	434.4
W. Germany Japan Spain Other	196.8 296.9 64.7 28.6	163.7 269.4 41.0 20.3	187.6 328.2 49.0 21.7	206.8 326.7 62.1 45.3	198.3 337.1 47.0 32.4	223.2 256.4 58.2 68.0	243.5 250.7 72.2 20.6	221.4 343.2 57.4 43.8	200.3 342.9 35.8 46.2	186.8 209.0 27.6 11.0
Values Net concentrate sales value (K million) (after treatment and refining charges, freight, etc.)	295.0	334.5	338.9	222.9	200.6	205.3	184.8	279.8	249.0	95.7
Contribution by: Copper (per cent) Gold (per cent) Silver (per cent)	54 44 2	51 46 3	60 37 3	64 34 2	66 32 2	74 24 2	69 29 2	74 25 1	83 16 1	83 16 1
Other										
Average metal prices L.M.E. copper (USc/lb) London gold market (US\$/oz.) London silver market (US\$/oz.) Return on shareholders' funds (%) Earnings per share (toea)***	79.0 459.9 10.5 3.9 5.7	99.2 614.7 21.0 12.2 17.8	89.8 304.7 11.0 28.5 20.9	61.9 193.5 5.4 15.1 12.0	59.3 147.8 4.6 9.2 7.1	63.6 124.8 4.4 13.7 10.3	55.9 160.9 4.4 16.0 11.5	93.3 158.7 4.7 42.7 28.6	80.9 97.3 2.5 69.7 39.5	48.6 58.2 1.7 18.9 6.9
Dividends in toea per fully paid share*** (par value, one kina)	5.0	16.0	20.0	10.0	5.3	6.7	6.7	18.3	20.0	2.7
Bonus dividend in toea per fully paid share***	_	4.0	6.7		_	_	_	_	_	_
Number of shares issued at end of year (millions) Number of shareholders at end of year Debt/equity ratio	401 38 027 0.17/1	401 38 326 0.05/1	267 38 750 0.15/1	267 40 935 0.19/1	267 43 820 0,37/1	267 50 082 0.40/1	267 54 129 0.44/1	267 55 558 0.52/1	267 45 353 0.72/1	260* 46 726 1.62/1
Work force at end of year (P.N.G.) Overseas National	801 3 377	877 3 416	851 3 314	855 3 243	853 3 063	858 2 989	942 3 094	980 3 242	929 2 915	971 2 594
Notes:										

Notes:

*Full year figures; but commercial production commenced 1 April, 1972

**1972 figure is for Bougainville Mining Limited

***1972 to 1979 figures are after adjustment for the 1980 capital reconstruction