

29th November, 2000

COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENT

QUOTE

The Board of Directors of Maltacom p.l.c. duly convened during Meeting No. 44 of the Company, held yesterday the 28th of November 2000, met, discussed and approved the Financial Statements for the period ended 30th September 2000.

An extract from the above mentioned statements, are hereby being attached.

Furthermore, the Board also approved that the Top Management Structure of the Maltacom Group be composed as follows:

Mr. Stephen Muscat	-	Group Chief Executive Officer
Mr. Joe Azzopardi	-	Group Chief Operations Officer
Mr. Edgar Borg	-	Group Finance Director
Eng. Joe Bugeja	-	Group Technical Director
Mr. John C. Saliba	-	Group Director(Human Resources and Administration)
Mrs. Ingrid Azzopardi	-	Group Director (Internal Audit)

UNQUOTE



Raymond Fava
Company Secretary

Maltacom p.l.c.

Statement of Results

For the period ended 30 September 2000

	9 Months 30.09.00	9 Months 30.09.99	Year 31.12.99
	Lm000	Lm000	Lm000
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS			
Turnover	35,237	32,749	44,032
Profit before Interest, Taxation, Depreciation and Amortisation	16,134	14,232	19,585
Profit before Taxation	11,288	9,544	13,079
Profit after Taxation	7,758	6,704	8,508
Total Assets	98,425	82,571	82,914
Shareholders' Funds	45,628	38,709	40,513
PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT			
Turnover	35,237	32,749	44,032
Cost of Sales	(18,947)	(17,056)	(22,547)
Gross Margin	16,290	15,693	21,485
Administrative and Distribution Expenses	(5,783)	(6,579)	(9,055)
Other Operating Income	640	841	919
Other Operating Charges	(690)	(811)	(1,140)
	(50)	30	(221)
Operating Profit before Exceptional Item	10,457	9,144	12,209
Exceptional Item	83	179	195
Operating Profit	10,540	9,323	12,404
Investment and Similar Income	250	836	1,228
Interest and Similar Charges	(834)	(917)	(1,185)
Equity Share of Associated Companies' Results	1,334	354	702
Goodwill on Consolidation	(2)	(52)	(70)
	748	221	675
Profit before Taxation	11,288	9,544	13,079
Taxation	(3,530)	(2,840)	(4,571)
Profit after Taxation	7,758	6,704	8,508
Earnings per Share	<u>Lm0.877</u>	<u>Lm0.066</u>	<u>Lm0.083</u>

Balance Sheet

For the period ended 30 September 2000

	9 Months 30.09.00	9 Months 30.09.99	Year 31.12.99
	Lm000	Lm000	Lm000
Fixed Assets			
Intangible Assets	698	902	749
Tangible Assets	55,655	47,334	49,379
Financial Assets	5,102	3,981	4,195
	<u>61,455</u>	<u>52,217</u>	<u>54,323</u>
Other Long-Term Assets			
Deferred Taxation	2,109	1,912	1,544
Debtors	341	432	359
	<u>63,905</u>	<u>54,561</u>	<u>56,226</u>
Current Assets			
Stocks	477	361	408
Debtors	29,067	25,649	24,796
Cash in Hand and at Bank	4,976	2,000	1,484
	<u>34,520</u>	<u>28,010</u>	<u>26,688</u>
Creditors: Amounts falling due within One Year			
Loans	2,394	2,394	2,383
Bank Overdrafts	319	1,425	406
Creditors	27,505	19,430	19,757
Taxation	5,225	2,524	3,068
	<u>35,443</u>	<u>25,773</u>	<u>25,614</u>
Net Current (Liabilities)/Assets	<u>(923)</u>	<u>2,237</u>	<u>1,074</u>
Total Assets less Current Liabilities	<u>62,982</u>	<u>56,798</u>	<u>57,300</u>
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than One Year			
Loans	(13,514)	(13,499)	(13,067)
Provisions for Liabilities and Charges			
Provision for Restructuring	(3,840)	(4,590)	(3,720)
	<u>45,628</u>	<u>38,709</u>	<u>40,513</u>
Capital and Reserves			
Called Up Issued Share Capital	25,328	25,328	25,328
Profit and Loss Account	18,191	11,464	11,008
Other Reserves	2,109	1,917	4,177
	<u>45,628</u>	<u>38,709</u>	<u>40,513</u>

This report has been extracted from the unaudited interim financial statements of the company which were approved by the Board of Directors on 28 November 2000. Comparative information for the year ended 31 December 1999 has been extracted from the audited financial statements for the year ended as at that date.

Statement of Changes in Equity

For the period ended 30 September 2000

	Total	Called Up Issued Share Capital	Profit and Loss Account	Special Reserve	Other Reserve	Dividend Payment Reserve
	Lm000	Lm000	Lm000	Lm000	Lm000	Lm000
At 1 January 1999	32,005	25,328	5,065	108	1,504	-
Profit for the Period	6,704	-	6,704	-	-	-
Transfers from Profit and Loss Account:						
■ unrealised excesses on termination benefits provision	-	-	102	(102)	-	-
■ unrealised gains recognised in connection with deferred taxation	-	-	(407)	-	407	-
At 30 September 1999	<u>38,709</u>	<u>25,328</u>	<u>11,464</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>1,911</u>	<u>-</u>
At 1 January 2000	40,513	25,328	11,008	9	1,635	2,533
Profit for the Period	7,758	-	7,758	-	-	-
Transfers from Profit and Loss Account:						
■ unrealised excess on termination benefits provision	-	-	9	(9)	-	-
■ unrealised gains recognised in connection with deferred taxation	-	-	(474)	-	474	-
■ losses of subsidiary assumed upon acquisition of minority interest	(110)	-	(110)	-	-	-
■ dividends declared and paid	(2,533)	-	-	-	-	(2,533)
At 30 September 2000	<u>45,628</u>	<u>25,328</u>	<u>18,191</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,109</u>	<u>-</u>

Cash Flow Statement

For the period ended 30 September 2000

	9 Months 30.09.00	9 Months 30.09.99	Year 31.12.99
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Cash Flows from Operating Activities			
Profit before Taxation	11,288	9,544	13,079
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation and Write Downs	4,176	3,706	5,147
Amortisation	34	134	272
Goodwill on Consolidation	2	52	70
Provision for Doubtful Debts	(21)	409	671
Interest Expense	629	796	1,017
Profit on Decommissioning or Disposal of Tangible Fixed Assets	(325)	(242)	(70)
Investment Income and Interest Receivable	(223)	(833)	(1,220)
Provision for Restructuring	(83)	(179)	(195)
Share of Subsidiary and Associated Companies' Results	(1,334)	(354)	(702)
Provision for Exchange Fluctuations	82	17	24
Provision for Obsolescence of Stocks	15	17	16
Provision for Tangible Fixed Assets Awaiting Repair	1	125	5
Operating Profit before Working Capital Changes	14,241	13,192	18,114
(Increase)/Decrease in Stocks	(778)	101	40
(Increase)/Decrease in Debtors	(2,267)	2,724	3,665
Increase/(Decrease) in Creditors	4,506	315	(1,891)
Settlement of Restructuring Costs	(680)	(1,578)	(1,723)
Movement in Group Companies' Balances	(516)	54	228
Cash Generated from Operations	14,506	14,808	18,433
Interest Received	113	61	90
Interest Paid on Bank Overdrafts	(14)	(25)	(33)
Tax Paid	(1,310)	(3,557)	(4,167)
Net Cash from Operating Activities	13,295	11,287	14,323
Cash Flows from Investing Activities			
Payments to Acquire Intangible Fixed Assets	(284)	(47)	(41)
Payments to Acquire Tangible Fixed Assets	(6,798)	(6,066)	(8,004)
Payments to Acquire Financial Fixed Assets	(91)	(93)	(220)
Receipts from Disposal of Tangible Fixed Assets	2	4	15
Amounts Advanced to Group Companies	-	(37)	(7)
Repayment of Amounts Advanced to Group Undertakings	-	11	-
Income from Investments	323	585	655
Net Cash used in Investing Activities	(6,848)	(5,643)	(7,602)
carried forward	6,447	5,644	6,721

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