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ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the fiscal year ended: 30 June 2002

Commission file number: 1-10691

DIAGEO plc

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

England

(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organisation)

8 Henrietta Place, London, W1G 0NB, England

(Address of principal executive offices)

Securities registered or to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class

Name of each exchange on which registered

American Depositary Shares

New York Stock Exchange

Ordinary shares of 28 101/108 pence each

New York Stock Exchange*

9.42% Cumulative guaranteed preferred securities, series A**

New York Stock Exchange

Securities registered or to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

None

Securities for which there is a reporting obligation pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Act:

None

Indicate the number of outstanding shares of each of the issuer s classes of capital or common stock as of the close of the period covered by the Annual Report: 3,214,904,744 ordinary shares of 28 101/108 pence each

^{*} Not for trading, but only in connection with the registration of American Depositary Shares representing such ordinary shares, pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

^{**} Issued by Grand Metropolitan Delaware, LP, of which the Registrant is the sole general partner, and guaranteed as to certain payments by the Registrant.

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the Registrant was required to file such reports) and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Indicate by check mark which financial statement item the Registrant has elected to follow.

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INTRODUCTION

Diageo plc is a public limited company incorporated under the laws of England and Wales. As used herein, except as the context otherwise requires, the term company refers to Diageo plc and the terms group and Diageo refer to the company and its consolidated subsidiaries. Diageo was formed by a merger (the Merger) of Guinness PLC and Grand Metropolitan Public Limited Company, which became effective on 17 December 1997. As used herein, except as the context otherwise requires, the term the Guinness Group refers to the former Guinness PLC and its consolidated subsidiaries, the term GrandMet PLC refers to Grand Metropolitan Public Limited Company, and the term GrandMet refers to GrandMet PLC and its consolidated subsidiaries. References used herein to shares and ordinary shares are, except where otherwise specified, to Diageo plc s ordinary shares.

Presentation of financial information

Diageo plc s fiscal year ends on 30 June. GrandMet PLC s fiscal year ended on 30 September of any particular year up until 1997. The company publishes its consolidated financial statements in pounds sterling. In this Annual Report, references to pounds sterling, sterling, \pounds , pence or p to UK currency and references to US dollars, US\$ or \$ or ¢ are to US currency. For the convenience of the reader, this Annual Report contains translations of certain pounds sterling amounts into US dollars at specified rates, or, if not so specified, the noon buying rate in New York City for cable transfers in pounds sterling as certified for customs purposes by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York (the noon buying rate) on 28 June 2002 of £1.00 = \$1.52. No representation is made that the pounds sterling amounts have been, could have been or could be converted into US dollars at the rates indicated or at any other rates. See Item 3. Key Information Selected Consolidated Financial Data Exchange rates for information regarding the noon buying rates from 1 October 1997 to the present.

Diageo s consolidated financial statements included in this Annual Report have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United Kingdom (UK GAAP), which is the group s primary reporting framework. Unless otherwise indicated all other financial information contained in this document has been prepared in accordance with UK GAAP. Under UK GAAP, the Merger has been accounted for using merger accounting principles and the results of operations and financial position of Diageo reflect the historical UK GAAP results and financial position of the Guinness Group and GrandMet on a combined basis as though the group had always been one. Under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (US GAAP), the Merger has been accounted for as an acquisition of the Guinness Group by GrandMet in a purchase transaction on 17 December 1997. The principal differences between UK and US GAAP are summarised in this Annual Report under Item 5. Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Reconciliation to US generally accepted accounting principles , and in note 33 to the consolidated financial statements of Diageo.

In this Annual Report on Form 20-F, reference is made to information regarding the premium distilled spirits market segments from Impact International, an international drinks magazine that is independent from industry participants. Impact International collects information on the premium distilled spirits market from a variety of sources, including brand owners, import and export enterprises, trade associations and government agencies such as the US Commerce Department. Impact International is aware of, and has consented to, being named in this registration statement. Diageo believes that all of the information in this registration statement that is based on statements from Impact International is reliable.

This Report includes names of Diageo s products, which constitute trademarks or trade names which Diageo owns or which others own and licence to Diageo for their use.

The principal executive office of the company is located at 8 Henrietta Place, London, W1G 0NB, England and its telephone number is + 44 (0) 20 7927 5200.

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PART I

ITEM 1. IDENTITY OF DIRECTORS, SENIOR MANAGEMENT AND ADVISERS

Not applicable.

ITEM 2. OFFER STATISTICS AND EXPECTED TIMETABLE

Not applicable.

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ITEM 3. KEY INFORMATION

SELECTED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL DATA

Selected Consolidated Financial Data Under UK GAAP

The following table presents selected consolidated financial data for Diageo in accordance with UK GAAP for the five years ended 30 June 2002 and as at the appropriate year ends. The selected consolidated financial data for the four years ended 30 June 2002 and as at the appropriate year ends has been derived from Diageo s consolidated financial statements, which have been audited by Diageo s independent auditor. The selected consolidated financial data in accordance with UK GAAP for the year ended 30 June 1998 is derived from unaudited information. The unaudited consolidated financial information, in the opinion of Diageo management, includes all adjustments necessary to present fairly the information contained therein.

| Year | ended | 30 | June |
|------|-------|----|------|
| | | | |

| | 2002(1) | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 | 1999 | 1998 |
|--|---------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------|-------------|
| | ф. | | (restated) | (restated) | (restated) | (unaudited) |
| Profit and loss account data under UK GAAP (6) | \$ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| G/III (0) | | (in million | ns, except dividend | and per ordinary s | hare data) | |
| Turnover | | | • | | | |
| Premium drinks | 13,230 | 8,704 | 7,580 | 7,117 | 7,163 | 7,503 |
| Quick service restaurants | 1,707 | 1,123 | 1,042 | 941 | 875 | 869 |
| Continuing operations | 14,937 | 9,827 | 8,622 | 8,058 | 8,038 | 8,372 |
| Discontinued operations (2) | 2,212 | 1,455 | 4,199 | 3,812 | 3,757 | 3,657 |
| Total turnover | 17,149 | 11,282 | 12,821 | 11,870 | 11,795 | 12,029 |
| Operating profit before goodwill | | | | | | |
| amortisation and exceptional items | 2 < 0. | 4.70 | | 1.00 | 4.040 | |
| Premium drinks | 2,687 | 1,768 | 1,432 | 1,286 | 1,240 | 1,317 |
| Quick service restaurants | 244 | 160 | 177 | 202 | 185 | 179 |
| Continuing operations | 2,931 | 1,928 | 1,609 | 1,488 | 1,425 | 1,496 |
| Discontinued operations (2) | 288 | 190 | 518 | 492 | 478 | 446 |
| Total operating profit before goodwill amortisation and | | | | | | |
| exceptional items | 3,219 | 2,118 | 2,127 | 1,980 | 1,903 | 1,942 |
| Goodwill amortisation and exceptional items charged to | | | | | | |
| operating profit (3) | (707) | (465) | (254) | (198) | (386) | (572) |
| Operating profit | 2,512 | 1,653 | 1,873 | 1,782 | 1,517 | 1,370 |
| Other exceptional items (3) | 1,152 | 758 | (4) | (166) | 86 | 405 |
| Profit for the period (4) | 2,458 | 1,617 | 1,207 | 990 | 937 | 879 |
| Dividend per share (5) | \$0.36 | 23.8p | 22.3p | 21.0p | 19.5p | 23.3p |
| Earnings per share (4) | | - | • | • | - | - |
| basic | \$0.74 | 48.8p | 35.7p | 29.2p | 26.5p | 23.0p |
| diluted | \$0.74 | 48.7p | 35.7p | 29.1p | 26.4p | 22.8p |
| Earnings before goodwill | | | | | | |
| amortisation and exceptional items per ordinary share (4) | | | | | | |

| basic | \$0.66 | 43.6p | 42.4p | 37.8p | 33.6p | 33.0p |
|---------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| diluted | \$0.66 | 43.5p | 42.4p | 37.7p | 33.4p | 32.7p |
| | | | | | | |

| As | at | 30 | 1 | 111 | ne |
|----|----|----|---|-----|----|
| | | | | | |

| | 2002(1) | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 | 1999 | 1998 |
|--|---------|--------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Balance sheet data under UK GAAP | \$ | £ | (restated) | (restated) | (restated) | (restated) |
| | | | , | illions) | | |
| Net current (liabilities)/assets (4) (7) | (49) | (32) | 226 | (115) | (941) | (26) |
| Total assets (4) | 28,109 | 18,493 | 17,644 | 16,089 | 16,216 | 17,199 |
| Net borrowings (8) | 8,354 | 5,496 | 5,479 | 5,545 | 6,056 | 4,508 |
| Shareholders equity (4) | 9,122 | 6,001 | 5,123 | 4,664 | 3,964 | 4,574 |
| Called up share capital (9) | 1,414 | 930 | 987 | 990 | 992 | 1,139 |
| | No. | No. | No. | No. | No. | No. |
| Number of ordinary shares (9) | 3,215 | 3,215 | 3,411 | 3,422 | 3,428 | 3,594 |

This information should be read in conjunction with the notes on pages 8 and 9.

Selected Consolidated Financial Data Under US GAAP

The following table presents selected consolidated financial data for Diageo in accordance with US GAAP for each of the four years ended 30 June 2002, the nine months ended 30 June 1998 and as at the appropriate period ends. The selected consolidated financial data for the years ended 30 June 2002 and 30 June 2001 has been based on information contained in Diageo s UK GAAP consolidated financial statements. The selected consolidated financial data for the years ended 30 June 2000 and 30 June 1999 and for the 9 months ended 30 June 1998 has been extracted from Diageo s US GAAP audited consolidated financial statements.

| | | Year ended 30 June | | | | | |
|---|---------|--------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-------------|-----------------|--|
| | 2002(1) | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 | 1999 | 30 June 1998 | |
| | • | £ | £ | | £ | £ | |
| Income statement data under US GAAP (2) (6) (13) | \$ | (in millions | s, except per ord | £ inary share and | d ADS data) | | |
| Sales (11) | 16,355 | 10,760 | 11,868 | 11,015 | 11,579 | 7,399 | |
| Operating income (10) (11) | 2,750 | 1,809 | 1,335 | 1,221 | 898 | 355 | |
| Gains/(losses) on disposals of businesses | 2,801 | 1,843 | (8) | 75 | (35) | 559 | |
| Net income (11) | 3,882 | 2,554 | 758 | 798 | 392 | 430 | |
| Basic earnings per ordinary share (11) | \$1.17 | 77.0p | 22.4p | 23.5p | 11.1p | 14.0p | |
| Diluted earnings per ordinary share (11) | \$1.17 | 77.0p | 22.4p | 23.5p | 11.0p | 13.9p | |
| Basic earnings per ADS (11) | \$4.68 | 308.0p | 89.6p | 94.0p | 44.4p | 56.0p | |

| | | As at 30 June | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|---------|---------------|--------|---------|--------|--------|--|
| | 2002(1) | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 | 1999 | 1998 | |
| Balance sheet data under US GAAP | \$ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | |
| | | | (in mi | llions) | | | |
| Total assets | 39,753 | 26,153 | 25,955 | 24,868 | 25,586 | 27,726 | |
| Long term obligations (12) | 5,916 | 3,892 | 4,029 | 3,753 | 3,431 | 2,931 | |
| Shareholders equity | 17,200 | 11,316 | 11,880 | 11,802 | 11,690 | 13,084 | |

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This information should be read in conjunction with the notes on pages 8 and 9.

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Notes to the selected consolidated financial data

- (1) For the convenience of the reader, pounds sterling amounts for UK GAAP information for the year ended 30 June 2002 and as at 30 June 2002 have been translated into US dollars at the noon buying rate on 28 June 2002 of £1 = \$1.52.
- (2) Under UK GAAP, discontinued operations comprise the packaged food businesses (Pillsbury). The packaged food businesses have been included in continuing operations under US GAAP. Under US GAAP there are no discontinued operations.
- (3) An analysis of goodwill amortisation and exceptional items before taxation under UK GAAP is as follows:

| | Year ended 30 June | | | | | |
|--|--------------------|-------|-----------------|-------|-------|--|
| | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 | 1999 | 1998 | |
| | £ | £ | £ (in millions) | £ | £ | |
| Charged to operating profit | | | , | | | |
| Goodwill amortisation | (12) | (26) | (17) | (4) | | |
| Premium drinks integration costs | (48) | (74) | | | | |
| GrandMet/ Guinness merger integration costs | | | (83) | (262) | (302) | |
| Seagram integration costs | (164) | | | | | |
| Other restructuring and reorganisation costs | | (89) | (43) | (77) | | |
| José Cuervo settlement | (220) | | | | | |
| Quick service restaurants | (21) | (65) | (55) | | | |
| Share option funding costs | | | | (43) | | |
| Agreement with LVMH and employee incentive schemes | | | | | (270) | |
| | | | | | | |
| | (465) | (254) | (198) | (386) | (572) | |
| | | _ | | | | |
| Other exceptional items | | | | | | |
| Charged to associates | (41) | | (3) | (8) | (15) | |
| Charged to interest | , , | | , , | ` ' | (58) | |
| (Losses)/gains on disposal of tangible fixed assets | (22) | 19 | 5 | (10) | 5 | |
| Gains/(losses) on disposal and termination of businesses | 821 | (23) | (168) | 104 | 558 | |
| Merger transaction costs | | | | | (85) | |
| | | | | | | |
| | 758 | (4) | (166) | 86 | 405 | |
| | | | | | | |

- (4) The UK GAAP selected consolidated financial information for the three years ended 30 June 2001 and as at the appropriate year ends has been restated following the adoption of Financial Reporting Standard 19 Deferred tax. Compliance with the standard resulted in the taxation charge for the year ended 30 June 2001 increasing by £19 million (2000 decrease of £14 million; 1999 increase of £5 million), with a corresponding adjustment to net assets. The year ended 30 June 1998 has not been restated as the information necessary to restate is not readily available.
- (5) Diageo plc was formed from the merger of GrandMet PLC and Guinness PLC on 17 December 1997. The dividend per share figure for the year ended 30 June 1998 is the amount per share paid to shareholders in the nine months to June 1998. All amounts for the year ended 30 June 1998 were paid subsequent to 17 December 1997.
- (6) The results for the year ended 30 June 2002 have been affected by the acquisition of the Seagram spirits and wine businesses. See Item 5. Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Operating Results Year ended 30 June 2002 compared with year ended 30 June 2001.
- (7) Net current (liabilities)/ assets is defined as current assets less current liabilities.

(8) Net borrowings is defined as total borrowings (i.e. short term borrowings and long term borrowings plus finance lease obligations) less cash at bank and in hand, interest rate and foreign currency swaps and current asset investments.

(9) The called up share capital represents the number of ordinary shares in issue. On the merger of GrandMet and Guinness on 17 December 1997 an additional 560 million B shares were issued which the group repurchased and cancelled during calendar year ended 31 December 1998. During the year ended 30 June 2002 the group repurchased for cancellation 198 million of its ordinary shares at a cost of £1,658 million (2001 18 million ordinary shares, cost of £108 million; 2000 10 million ordinary shares, cost of £54 million; 1999 175 million shares, cost of £1,211 million (including £15 million for B shares); 9 months to 30 June 1998 540 million B shares, cost of £2,775 million).

(10) An analysis of unusual (charges)/income included in, and affecting the comparability of operating income, under US GAAP is as follows:

| | | Year ended 30 June | | | |
|--|-------|--------------------|----------------|-------|-----------------|
| | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 | 1999 | 30 June 1998 |
| | £ | £ | £ (in milli | £ | £ |
| Merger integration costs | (48) | (74) | (81) | (232) | (180) |
| Seagram integration costs | (82) | | | | |
| Restructuring costs | | (95) | (34) | | (6) |
| José Cuervo settlement | (194) | | | | |
| Contingent value right on General Mills shares | 166 | | | | |
| Impairment charge | | | | (74) | |
| Plant closure costs | | | | (40) | |
| Accelerated vesting of share option plans | | | | | (90) |
| | | | | | |
| | (158) | (169) | (115) | (346) | (276) |
| | | | | | |

(11) The US GAAP sales information for the three years ended 30 June 2002 has been restated following the adoption of EITF 01-09 which resulted in certain marketing expenditure being reclassified as a deduction against sales. Compliance with this pronouncement resulted in each of sales and marketing expense for the year ended 30 June 2002 decreasing by £89 million for the premium drinks business and £217 million for The Pillsbury Company (2001 £82 million and £619 million, respectively; 2000 £76 million and £523 million, respectively). The year ended 30 June 1999 and the nine months ended 30 June 1998 have not been restated as the information necessary to restate is not readily available. In addition, Diageo adopted the provisions of SFAS No. 142 for its US GAAP financial information on 1 July 2001. Compliance with this standard resulted in a reduction of the intangible amortisation charge in the year ended June 2002 of £400 million. No restatement of prior periods was required. The year ended 30 June 2002 includes an impairment in the carrying value of goodwill of £135 million, attributable to the group s quick service restaurant business.

(12) Long term obligations is defined as long term borrowings and capital lease obligations which fall due after more than one year.

(13) The results of the Guinness Group have been included in the US GAAP consolidated financial statements from 31 December 1997, the deemed acquisition date.

Exchange rates

A substantial portion of the group sassets, liabilities, revenues and expenses is denominated in currencies other than pounds sterling, principally US dollars. For a discussion of the impact of exchange rate fluctuations on the company s financial condition and results of operations, see Item 11. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk Currency risk.

Fluctuations in the exchange rate between the pound sterling and the US dollar will also affect the US dollar equivalent of the pound sterling price of the ordinary shares on the London Stock Exchange and, as a result, will affect the market price of the ADSs on the NYSE. In addition, such fluctuations will affect the US dollar amounts received by holders of ADSs on conversion of cash dividends paid in pounds sterling on the underlying ordinary shares.

The following table shows, for the periods indicated, information regarding the US dollar/pound sterling exchange rate, based on the noon buying rate, expressed in US dollars per £1.

| | Period end | Average rate(1) |
|-----------------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Year ended 30 September | | |
| 1997 | 1.61 | 1.64 |
| 9 months ended 30 June 1998 | 1.67 | 1.66 |
| Year ended 30 June | | |
| 1999 | 1.58 | 1.64 |
| 2000 | 1.51 | 1.59 |
| 2001 | 1.41 | 1.45 |
| 2002 | 1.52 | 1.45 |

Note

The following table shows high and low US dollar/ pound sterling noon buying rates exchange rates by month, for the period to 7 November 2002, expressed in US dollars per £1.

| | Period high | Period low |
|------------------------------------|----------------|---------------|
| Month ended | | |
| May 2002 | 1.47 | 1.45 |
| June 2002 | 1.53 | 1.46 |
| July 2002 | 1.58 | 1.52 |
| August 2002 | 1.57 | 1.52 |
| September 2002 | 1.57 | 1.53 |
| October 2002 | 1.57 | 1.54 |
| November (through 7 November 2002) | 1.58 | 1.56 |

The noon buying rate was \$1.58 per £1 on 7 November 2002.

⁽¹⁾ The average of the noon buying rates on the last business day of each month during the year. These rates have been provided for your convenience. They are not necessarily the rates that have been used in this document for currency translations or in the preparation of the financial statements. See note 2 (d) to the consolidated financial statements for the actual rates used.

RISK FACTORS

Diageo faces competition that may reduce its market share and margins.

Diageo faces competition from several international companies as well as local and regional companies in the countries in which it operates. Diageo competes with drinks companies across a wide range of consumer drinking occasions. Within a number of categories, consolidation or realignment is taking place. Consolidation is also taking place amongst Diageo s customers in many countries. Increased competition and unanticipated actions by competitors or customers could lead to downward pressure on prices and/or a decline in Diageo s market share in any of these categories, which would adversely affect Diageo s results and hinder its growth potential.

Diageo may not be able to derive the expected benefits from its restructuring programme.

On 17 July 2000, Diageo announced the integration of its spirits, wine and beer businesses to create a premium drinks business as part of an integrated strategy to be a focused premium drinks company. In line with this strategy, Diageo acquired on 21 December 2001 certain of the Seagram spirits and wine businesses. However, there can be no assurance that Diageo will be able to derive all anticipated operating synergy and cost savings from the integration of a portion of Seagram spirits and wine businesses into Diageo s.

Following the acquisition of the Seagram spirits and wine businesses, Diageo is consolidating the Diageo and Seagram brands acquired by Diageo into a single distributor in each US state. This consolidation has given rise and is likely to continue to give rise to legal actions by some distributors and regulatory bodies at the state level, and could lead to disruption to distribution. See Item 4. Information on the Company Business Overview Premium drinks Marketing and distribution North America .

There can also be no assurance that Diageo s strategic focus on premium drinks will result in better opportunities for growth and improved margins.

Regulatory decisions and changes in the legal and regulatory environment could increase Diageo s costs and liabilities or limit its business activities.

Diageo s operations are subject to extensive regulatory requirements regarding production, product liability, distribution, marketing, labelling, advertising and labour and environmental issues. Changes in laws, regulations or governmental policy, could cause Diageo to incur material additional costs or liabilities that could adversely affect its business. In particular, governmental bodies in countries where Diageo operates may impose new labelling or production requirements, limitations on the advertising activities used to market beverage alcohol, restrictions on retail outlets or other restrictions on marketing and distribution. Regulatory authorities under whose laws Diageo operates may also have enforcement power that can subject the group to actions such as product recall, seizure of products or other sanctions, which could have an adverse effect on its sales or damage its reputation.

In addition, alcoholic beverages are the subject of national import and excise duties in many countries around the world. An increase in import or excise duties could have a significant adverse effect on Diageo s sales revenue or margin, both through reducing overall consumption and by encouraging consumers to switch to lower-taxed categories of beverage alcohol.

Companies in the beverage alcohol industry may also be exposed to class action or other litigation relating to alcohol abuse problems or health consequences from the misuse of alcohol. If the industry were to be involved in such litigation, Diageo s business could be materially adversely affected.

US regulatory authorities are considering possible changes to the regulation of flavored malt beverages. Discussions are taking place in respect of possible rule changes related to the alcohol content in flavored malt beverages. Revised rules could result in changes in the methods by which Diageo currently produces flavored malt beverages and therefore increase the costs of production and/or distribution of these products. In addition, possible regulatory changes could impose adverse federal tax consequences on the import and sale of flavored malt beverages. Flavored malt beverages form a component of Diageo s growth strategy within the United States

and it is possible that the implementation of any regulatory changes by the US authorities could have an adverse effect on Diageo s future profitability.

Diageo s reported after tax income is calculated based on extensive tax and accounting requirements in each of its relevant jurisdictions of operation. Changes in tax law (including tax rates), accounting policies and accounting standards could materially reduce Diageo s reported after tax income.

Demand for Diageo s products may be adversely affected by changes in consumer preferences and tastes.

Diageo s portfolio includes certain of the world s leading beverage alcohol brands as well as brands of local prominence. Maintaining Diageo s competitive position depends on its continued ability to offer products that have a strong appeal to consumers. Consumer preferences may shift due to a variety of factors, including changes in demographic and social trends, changes in travel, vacation or leisure activity patterns and a downturn in economic conditions, which may reduce consumers—willingness to purchase premium branded products. In addition, concerns about health effects due to negative publicity regarding alcohol consumption, regulatory action or any litigation or customer complaints against companies in the industry may have an adverse effect on Diageo—s profitability. In addition, the launch of new products is inherently uncertain especially as to their appeal to consumers; the failure to launch a new product successfully can give rise to inventory write offs and other costs and can affect consumer perception of an existing brand. Any significant changes in consumer preferences and failure to anticipate and react to such changes could result in reduced demand for Diageo—s products and erosion of its competitive and financial position.

If the social acceptability of Diageo s products declines, or if litigation is directed at the beverage alcohol industry, Diageo s sales volume could decrease and the business could be materially adversely affected.

In recent years, there has been increased social and political attention directed to the beverage alcohol industry. Diageo believes that this attention is the result of public concern over problems related to alcohol abuse, including drink driving, underage drinking and health consequences from the misuse of alcohol. If the social acceptability of beverage alcohol were to decline significantly, sales of Diageo s products could materially decrease. Similarly, recent litigation against the tobacco industry has directed increased attention to other industries, including the beverage alcohol industry. If the drinks industry were to become involved in litigation of the type brought against other industries, such as tobacco, Diageo s business could be materially adversely affected. See Item 8. Financial Information Legal proceedings for further detail.

Diageo s operating results may be adversely affected by increased costs, shortages of raw materials, or labour or disruption to production facilities.

The raw materials which Diageo uses for the production of its food and beverage products are largely commodities that are subject to price volatility caused by changes in global supply and demand, weather conditions, agricultural uncertainty or governmental controls. If commodity price changes result in unexpected increases in raw materials cost or the cost of packaging materials, Diageo may not be able to increase its prices to offset these increased costs without suffering reduced volume, revenue and operating income. Diageo may be adversely affected by shortages of such raw materials or packaging materials. For example, in recent years, volume for Cuervo tequila was adversely affected by the shortage of agave, a key ingredient in the production of tequila.

Similarly, Diageo s operating results could be adversely affected by labour or skill shortages or increased labour costs due to increased competition for employees, higher employee turnover or increased employee benefit costs.

Diageo would be affected if there were a catastrophic failure of its major production facilities. See Item 4. Information on the Company Business Overview Premium drinks Production for a listing of Diageo s principal production sites. In addition, the maintenance and development of information systems may result in systems failures which may adversely affect business operations.

Diageo has a substantial inventory of aged product categories, principally Scotch whisky and Canadian whiskey, which mature over periods of up to 30 years. As at 30 June 2002, the historical cost of Diageo s maturing inventory amounted to £1,474 million. The maturing inventory is stored primarily in Scotland, and the loss through contamination, fire or other natural disaster of all or a portion of the stock of any one of those aged product categories could result in a significant reduction in supply of those products, and consequently, Diageo would not be able to meet consumer demand for these products as it arises. In addition, there can be no assurance that insurance proceeds would cover the full replacement value of Diageo s maturing inventory or other assets were the entirety of such assets to be lost due to contamination, fire or natural disasters or destruction resulting from negligence or the acts of third parties.

Diageo s business may be adversely impacted by unfavourable economic conditions or other developments and risks in the countries in which it operates.

Diageo s business is dependent on general economic conditions in the United States, Great Britain and other important markets. A significant deterioration in these conditions, including a reduction in consumer spending levels, could have a material adverse effect on Diageo s business and results of operations. In addition, Diageo may be adversely affected by political and economic developments in any of the countries where Diageo has distribution networks, production facilities or marketing companies. Diageo s operations are also subject to a variety of other risks and uncertainties related to trading in numerous foreign countries, including political or economic upheaval and the imposition of any import or investment restrictions, including tariffs and import quotas or any restrictions on the repatriation of earnings and capital. Diageo may also be adversely affected by movements in the valuation of, and returns from, the investments held by its pension funds.

Diageo may be adversely affected by fluctuations in exchange rates. The results of operations of Diageo are accounted for in pounds sterling. Approximately 37% of sales in the year ended 30 June 2002 were in US dollars, approximately 21% were in sterling and approximately 20% were in euros. Movements in exchange rates used to translate foreign currencies into pounds sterling may have a significant impact on Diageo s reported results of operations from year to year.

Diageo may also be adversely impacted by fluctuations in interest rates, mainly through an increased interest expense. To partly delay any adverse impact from interest rate movements, Diageo maintains approximately 50% of its debt at fixed interest rates. See Item 11. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk Interest rate risk.

Diageo s premium drinks operations may be adversely affected by failure to renegotiate distribution and manufacturing rights on favourable terms.

Diageo s premium drinks business has a number of distribution agreements for brands owned by it or by other companies. These agreements vary depending on the particular brand, but tend to be for a fixed number of years. There can be no assurance that Diageo will be able to renegotiate distribution rights on favourable terms when they expire or that agreements will not be terminated. Failure to renew distribution agreements on favourable terms could have an adverse impact on its revenues and operating income. See Item 4. Information on the Company Business Overview Premium drinks Acquisitions and disposals of businesses and acquisitions and terminations of distribution rights for information about the renegotiation of distribution rights of the Cuervo tequila brands in the United States, termination of Brown-Forman rights in the United Kingdom and termination of Bass Ale distribution rights in the United States. In addition, Diageo s sales may be adversely affected by any disputes with distributors or Burger King franchisees.

Diageo may not be able to protect its intellectual property rights.

Given the importance of brand recognition to its business, Diageo has invested considerable effort in protecting its intellectual property rights, including trademark registration and domain names. Diageo s patents cover some of its process technology, including some aspects of its bottle marking technology. Diageo also uses security measures and agreements to protect its confidential information. However, Diageo cannot be certain that the steps it has taken will be sufficient or that third parties will not infringe on or misappropriate its intellectual property

rights. Moreover, some of the countries in which Diageo operates offer less intellectual property protection than Europe or North America. If Diageo is unable to protect its intellectual property rights against infringement or misappropriation, this could materially harm its future financial results and ability to develop its business.

Diageo remains exposed to factors affecting the US food industry.

While Diageo s strategy is to focus on premium drinks, it remains exposed to factors affecting the US food industry through Burger King and its equity interest in General Mills. Following the disposal of Pillsbury to General Mills and the exercise of its option to sell back to General Mills 55 million General Mills shares, Diageo holds approximately 22% of General Mills outstanding share capital. The market valuation of this interest may be affected adversely by a variety of factors, including the performance of General Mills and the extent to which that performance meets investors expectations, economic conditions in the United States, including the US financial markets, and factors affecting the food industry generally, including increased competition and changes in consumer preferences. Any of these factors could also affect Diageo s ability over time to reduce its equity interest in, or affect the price it receives for, General Mills shares. In addition, Diageo s ability to complete the disposal of Burger King is subject to a number of conditions. See Item 5. Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Trend Information and Item 10. Additional Information Material Contracts Agreement for the sale of Burger King Corporation .

It may be difficult to effect service of process and enforce legal process against the directors of Diageo outside of the United States.

Diageo is a public limited company incorporated under the laws of England and Wales. Substantially all of Diageo s directors and officers, and some of the experts named in this document, reside outside of the United States, principally in the United Kingdom. A substantial portion of Diageo s assets, and the assets of such persons are located outside of the United States. Therefore, it may not be possible to effect service of process within the United States upon Diageo or these persons in order to enforce judgements of US courts against Diageo or these persons based on the civil liability provisions of the US Federal Securities laws. There is doubt as to the enforceability in England and Wales, in original actions or in actions for enforcement of judgements of US courts, of civil liabilities solely based on the US Federal Securities laws.

Forward-looking statements

This report contains statements with respect to the financial condition, results of operations and business of Diageo and certain of the plans and objectives of Diageo with respect to these items. These forward-looking statements are made pursuant to the Safe Harbor provisions of the US Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. In particular, all statements that express forecasts, expectations and projections with respect to future matters, including trends in results of operations, margins, growth rates, overall market trends, the impact of interest or exchange rates, the availability of financing to Diageo and parties or consortia seeking to buy its assets, actions of parties or consortia planning to buy Diageo s assets, anticipated cost savings or synergy and the completion of Diageo s strategic transactions, are forward-looking statements. By their nature, forward-looking statements involve risk and uncertainty because they relate to events and depend on circumstances that will occur in the future. There are a number of factors that could cause actual results and developments to differ materially from those expressed or implied by these forward-looking statements, including factors that are outside Diageo s control.

These factors include, but are not limited to:

Increased competitive product and pricing pressures and unanticipated actions by competitors that could impact Diageo s market share, increase expenses and hinder growth potential;

The effects of future business combinations, acquisitions or disposals and the ability to realise expected synergy and/or costs savings;

Diageo s ability to complete future acquisitions and disposals;

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Legal and regulatory developments, including changes in regulations regarding consumption of, or advertising for, beverage alcohol, changes in accounting standards, taxation requirements, such as the impact of excise tax increases with respect to the premium drinks business, and environmental laws:

Changes in consumer preferences and tastes, demographic trends or perception about health related issues;

Changes in the cost of raw materials and labour costs;

Changes in economic conditions in countries in which Diageo operates, including changes in levels of consumer spending;

Levels of marketing and promotional expenditure by Diageo and its competitors;

Renewal of distribution rights on favourable terms when they expire;

Termination of existing distribution rights on agency brands;

Technological developments that may affect the distribution of products or impede Diageo s ability to protect its intellectual property rights; and

Changes in financial and equity markets, including significant interest rate and foreign currency rate fluctuations which may affect Diageo s access to or increase the cost of financing.

Past performance cannot be relied upon as a guide to future performance.

ITEM 4. INFORMATION ON THE COMPANY

HISTORY AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE COMPANY

Diageo is one of the world s leading beverage alcohol businesses with a portfolio of international brands. Diageo was the eleventh largest publicly quoted company in the United Kingdom in terms of market capitalisation on 8 November 2002, with a market capitalisation of approximately £22.6 billion.

Diageo was formed by the Merger of GrandMet PLC and Guinness PLC that became effective on 17 December 1997. As a result of the Merger, GrandMet PLC became a wholly owned subsidiary of Guinness PLC, and Guinness PLC was renamed Diageo plc.

Diageo is incorporated as a public limited company in England and Wales. Diageo s principal executive office is located at 8 Henrietta Place, London W1G 0NB and its telephone number is +44 (0) 20 7927 5200.

Diageo is a major participant in the branded beverage alcohol industry and operates on an international scale. It brings together world-class drinks brands and a management team committed to the maximisation of shareholder value. The management team expects to invest in global brands, expand internationally and launch innovative new products and brands.

Diageo s principal business activities are as follows:

Premium drinks. Diageo s premium drinks business is the world s leading branded premium spirits business by volume, sales revenue and operating profit. Diageo also brews and markets beer and produces and sells wine. It produces and distributes a wide range of premium brands, including Smirnoff vodka, Johnnie Walker Scotch whiskies, Guinness stout, Baileys Original Irish Cream liqueur, J&B Scotch whisky, Captain Morgan rum and Tanqueray gin.

Diageo also has exclusive distribution rights for the Cuervo tequila brand in the United States until 2013 and, in addition, Diageo owns 34% of Moët Hennessy SA (Moët Hennessy). Moët Hennessy is based in France and is a leading producer and exporter of champagne and cognac. Diageo and Moët Hennessy have established a number of joint distribution arrangements in the United States, Asia and France.

On 17 July 2000, Diageo announced the integration of its spirits, wine and beer businesses to create premium drinks. It is anticipated that the integration will cost approximately £170 million of which £122 million has been charged as an exceptional operating cost in the two years ended 30 June 2002.

On 21 December 2001, Diageo and Pernod Ricard S.A. (Pernod Ricard) completed the acquisition of the spirits and wine businesses of The Seagram Company Ltd. (Seagram) for \$8.15 billion (£5.62 billion) in cash subject to certain debt, working capital and other adjustments. Diageo s share of the purchase price after adjustment was £3,657 million. Completion of the acquisition followed the approval by the United States Federal Trade Commission (FTC) of a consent order that addressed certain competition related concerns of the FTC. Among other things, the consent order required Diageo to divest the assets relating to the Malibu rum brand within six months after the closing of the Seagram acquisition. This disposal was completed on 22 May 2002 to Allied Domecq for £554 million. As a result of the Seagram acquisition, a number of brands became part of the Diageo group. These brands include Captain Morgan rum, Crown Royal Canadian whiskey, Seagram s 7 American whiskey, Seagram s VO Canadian whiskey, Cacique rum, Windsor Premier whisky, Myers s rum and Sterling Vineyards wine.

Quick service restaurants. The Burger King Corporation (Burger King) is a leading fast food hamburger restaurant chain with approximately 11,500 outlets worldwide, of which over 8,100 are in the United States. Of the total number of outlets, 91% are franchised and 9% are company operated.

On 25 July 2002, Diageo entered into an agreement to dispose of Burger King to a newly formed company owned by Texas Pacific Group, Bain Capital and Goldman Sachs Capital Partners. Under the terms of the agreement, Diageo would receive a consideration of \$2.26 billion (£1.49 billion), subject to various adjustments. The transaction is subject to various closing conditions, including performance related conditions, that take account of periods extending from the end of Burger King s year ended 30 June 2002 until shortly before the closing, the purchasers obtaining adequate financing, and receipt of required regulatory approvals. Notice of early termination of the Hart-Scott-Rodino waiting period was received on 20 August 2002 and European Union regulatory approval was received on 11 October 2002. See Item 5. Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Trend Information and Item 10. Additional Information Material Contracts Agreement for the sale of Burger King Corporation for further information.

General Mills. Diageo owns an equity investment of 22% in General Mills, Inc (General Mills) comprising 79 million shares of common stock, following the disposal on 31 October 2001 of its worldwide packaged food businesses to General Mills. General Mills is a leading food manufacturer and distributor of food products operating primarily in the United States.

Consistent with Diageo s objective of maximising its medium term returns from its associate holding in General Mills with an ultimate exit from this investment, Diageo has sold an option giving General Mills the option to purchase from Diageo 29.1 million shares in General Mills for \$51.56 per share in return for a premium of \$89 million. The terms of this option are substantially similar to those in the convertible bond issued by General Mills on 28 October 2002. General Mills will therefore be able to meet all of any conversion obligations arising from these bonds through shares purchased from Diageo. The premium, net of the 22% associate elimination, has been deferred and will be reported in other creditors. The net premium will be recognised as an exceptional item on lapse or exercise of the option.

Acquisitions and disposals. Diageo has completed a number of other acquisitions and disposals consistent with its strategy of focusing on its premium drinks business. Between the Merger in December 1997 and 30 June 2002 the group has received approximately £7.6 billion from disposals (including £4.2 billion from the sale of Pillsbury) and spent approximately £4.3 billion (including £3.7 billion on the acquisition of certain of Seagram s spirits and wine businesses) on acquisitions. In May 2002, Diageo sold the Malibu rum brand and associated ready to drink products to Allied Domecq for £554 million. In addition, in the year ended 30 June 2002 Diageo disposed of Glen Ellen wines in the United States, Croft and Delaforce port and sherry brands in Europe and Guinness World Records Limited in the United Kingdom. In the year ended 30 June 2001, Diageo disposed of UDV Indústria e Comércio Ltda in Brazil and in the year ended 30 June 2000, disposals included Grupo Cruzcampo SA in Spain for £0.4 billion and four European spirits brands for £0.2 billion. In the year ended 30 June 2001, Diageo acquired 50% of the outstanding share capital in Bundaberg Distilling Investments Pty Limited in Australia. In order to gain regulatory approval for the Merger, the group disposed of its worldwide interests in the Dewar s Scotch whisky brand and the Bombay gin brands in 1998 for £1,150 million and its 49.6% equity stake in Cantrell & Cochrane Group Limited, an associate of Guinness Brewing in Ireland.

BUSINESS OVERVIEW

The following table shows turnover and operating profit before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items under UK GAAP, by activity and geographic area and the percentage contributions of each activity and geographic area to Diageo s turnover and operating profit before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items for the three years ended 30 June 2002.

| | Year ended 30 June 2002 | | Year ended 30 June 2001 | | Year ended 30 June 2000 | |
|---|----------------------------|-----|----------------------------|-----|----------------------------|-----|
| | £ million | % | £ million | % | £ million | % |
| Segmental analysis | | | | | | |
| Turnover | | | | | | |
| Premium drinks | 8,704 | 77 | 7,580 | 59 | 7,117 | 60 |
| Quick service restaurants | 1,123 | 10 | 1,042 | 8 | 941 | 8 |
| Continuing operations | 9,827 | 87 | 8,622 | 67 | 8,058 | 68 |
| Discontinued operations | 1,455 | 13 | 4,199 | 33 | 3,812 | 32 |
| | 11,282 | 100 | 12,821 | 100 | 11,870 | 100 |
| Operating profit(1) | | | | | | |
| Premium drinks | 1,768 | 83 | 1,432 | 68 | 1,286 | 65 |
| Quick service restaurants | 160 | 8 | 177 | 8 | 202 | 10 |
| Continuing operations | 1,928 | 91 | 1,609 | 76 | 1,488 | 75 |
| Discontinued operations | 190 | 9 | 518 | 24 | 492 | 25 |
| | 2,118 | 100 | 2,127 | 100 | 1,980 | 100 |
| Geographical analysis(2) | | | | | | |
| Turnover from continuing operations | | | | | | |
| North America | 3,475 | 35 | 2,839 | 33 | 2,394 | 30 |
| Europe | 4,107 | 42 | 3,800 | 44 | 3,937 | 49 |
| Asia Pacific | 948 | 10 | 833 | 10 | 745 | 9 |
| Latin America | 581 | 6 | 598 | 7 | 558 | 7 |
| Rest of World | 716 | 7 | 552 | 6 | 424 | 5 |
| | 9,827 | 100 | 8,622 | 100 | 8,058 | 100 |
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| Operating profit from continuing operations | | | | | | |
| North America | 687 | 35 | 520 | 32 | 507 | 34 |
| Europe | 673 | 35 | 602 | 37 | 571 | 38 |
| Asia Pacific | 227 | 12 | 200 | 13 | 156 | 11 |
| Latin America | 192 | 10 | 171 | 11 | 151 | 10 |
| Rest of World | 149 | 8 | 116 | 7 | 103 | 7 |
| | 1,928 | 100 | 1,609 | 100 | 1,488 | 100 |
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Notes

⁽¹⁾ The total group operating profit for the year ended 30 June 2002 is before goodwill amortisation of £12 million (2001 £26 million; 2000 £17 million), exceptional Seagram integration costs of £164 million (2001 and 2000 £nil), exceptional merger related costs of £48 million (2001 £74 million; 2000 £83 million), other integration and restructuring costs of £nil (2001 £89 million; 2000 £43 million); the José Cuervo

settlement of £220 million (2001 and 2000 £nil) and net charges in respect of quick service restaurants of £21 million (2001 £65 million; 2000 £55 million).

(2) The geographical analysis is based on the location of the third party customers.

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Diageo s strategy

Diageo exists to maximise value for its shareholders, and to do so in a way which respects the needs and wishes of each of its key stakeholders. Diageo measures shareholder value using Total Shareholder Return (TSR), which is a combination of money returned to shareholders in the form of dividends or share repurchases, and the movement in the market value of Diageo s shares.

In the summer of 2000, Diageo announced its strategic realignment behind the premium drinks business and the integration of its spirits, wine and beer businesses. This is where the board of directors believe that Diageo has the strongest competitive position and can derive the greatest value for shareholders. Milestones in the execution of this strategy have been the disposal of the packaged food businesses, the planned divestment of Burger King, and the acquisition of the Seagram spirits and wine businesses.

Premium drinks strategy. In the future, most of the growth in premium drinks is likely to be organic. That means profitably increasing the brands share of high value drinking occasions and developing the business offerings, so that in time every adult adores at least one of the brands.

Diageo intends to grow its business and brands organically by focusing on the priority brands in their most important markets. This focus includes:

- (i) *Marketing*. The premium drinks business spent £1,153 million on marketing in the year ended 30 June 2002. The intention is that the growth in marketing spend should continue to be ahead of the growth in net sales in future years. Nearly 70% of marketing was spent on the global priority brands since these are considered to be the brands that are the most profitable and have the most potential for growth.
- (ii) Innovation. Consumer preferences and tastes are continually changing and the business has to keep up with these changes and provide products which meet all consumers needs. Diageo places great emphasis on innovative long term brand development. Some of its leading brands, including Baileys, are the result of this creativity. The group continues to develop and introduce new brands and has also introduced extensions of existing successful brands, such as Guinness Extra Cold, Smirnoff Twist, Tanqueray No. TEN, and ready to drink (RTD) formats. There has been particular recent growth in demand for RTD products and the business has enjoyed great success with new offerings such as Smirnoff Ice and Archers Aqua. RTD net sales were approximately 12% of total premium drinks net sales in the year ended 30 June 2002 compared with 8% in 2001. Innovation in this area involves not just creating new products but also designing new packaging that meets both the stylistic and practical needs of the consumer. An example of this is the new Smirnoff Ice PET product which is sold in a plastic bottle so it can be taken into venues where glass is not allowed. Developments around new formats such as Smirnoff Ice on draught and Guinness Draught in a Bottle are intended to make the brands more accessible to consumers.
- (iii) Route to market. The business recognises the importance of its distribution networks in ensuring that consumers can purchase Diageo brands whenever and wherever they choose and premium drinks is committed to improving the efficiency of these networks. An example of this commitment is the recently developed Next Generation Growth (NGG) strategy in the United States. See North America below for more information on NGG.

In addition to growing the business organically, Diageo may, from time to time, supplement this growth through strategic acquisition or alliances. Consistent with its Managing for Value principles, Diageo would only do so where the acquired brand or business would create value for shareholders. An example of this is the former Seagram brands that were acquired in December 2001. These brands include some of the most profitable brands in the industry, notably Captain Morgan and Crown Royal, and the Seagram acquisition has allowed Diageo to enhance its position in its most important market, North America.

Premium drinks

Diageo is engaged in a broad range of activities within the beverage alcohol business. Its operations include producing, distilling, brewing, bottling, packaging, distributing, developing and marketing a range of brands in approximately 200 countries around the world. Premium drinks markets a portfolio of widely recognised

alcoholic beverage brands including a number of the world s leading spirits and beer brands. The brand ranking information below, when comparing volume information with competitors, has been sourced from data published during 2002 by Impact International, a publication which compiles volume statistics for the international drinks industry. Eighteen of premium drinks owned brands were among the top 100 premium distilled spirits brands worldwide in calendar year 2001. Impact International defines premium as brands generally with a retail price of greater than US\$10 per 750ml bottle (in the United States greater than US\$12 per 750ml bottle).

References to ready to drink or RTD products below include flavored malt beverages. RTDs are sold throughout the world, but flavored malt beverages are currently only sold in the United States.

In the year ended 30 June 2002, premium drinks sold 90 million equivalent cases of spirits (including RTD), 2 million equivalent cases of wine and 22 million equivalent cases of beer. In the year ended 30 June 2002, RTD products contributed 6.5 million equivalent cases of total premium drinks volume of which Smirnoff Ice accounted for 4.7 million equivalent cases. Volume is measured on an equivalent servings basis to nine litre cases of spirits. Equivalent cases are measured as follows wine in nine litre cases is divided by 5, RTD products in nine litre cases are divided by 10, beer in hectolitres is divided by 0.9. An equivalent case represents approximately 272 servings. A serving comprises 35ml of spirits; 165ml of wine; or 330ml of ready to drink or beer.

Turnover of premium drinks for the year ended 30 June 2002 was £8,704 million and total operating profit before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items was £1,768 million.

The premium drinks portfolio comprises brands owned by the company as a principal, and brands the company holds under agency agreements. The portfolio includes:

Global priority brands Smirnoff vodka and Smirnoff Ice ready to drink products Johnnie Walker Scotch whiskies Guinness stout Baileys Original Irish Cream liqueur J&B Scotch whisky Captain Morgan rum Cuervo tequila (agency brand in North America, many European and international markets)

Tanqueray gin

Other spirits brands include: Crown Royal Canadian whiskey Buchanan s De Luxe whisky Gordon s gin and vodka Windsor Premier whisky Bell s Extra Special whisky Dimple/ Pinch whisky Seagram s 7 American whiskey Old Parr whisky Seagram s VO Canadian whiskey Bundaberg rum

Wine brands include: Beaulieu Vineyard wine Sterling Vineyards wine Blossom Hill wine Piat D Or wine

Other beer brands include: Harp Irish lager Smithwick sale Malta non-alcoholic stout Red Stripe lager

Diageo s agency agreements vary depending on the particular brand, but tend to be for a fixed number of years. There can be no assurances that Diageo will be able to prevent termination of or renegotiate distribution rights on favourable terms when they expire. See Acquisitions and disposals of businesses and acquisitions and terminations of distribution rights for information in respect of Cuervo and Bass Ale in the United States and Brown-Forman brands in the United Kingdom. Diageo s principal agency brands are Cuervo in North America, many European and international markets and Grand Marnier liqueur in the United States.

Diageo also brews and sells other companies beer brands under licence, including principally Budweiser and Carlsberg lagers in Ireland, Heineken lager in Jamaica and Tiger beer in Malaysia. In addition, Diageo currently

holds distribution rights to Bass Ale in the United States but these rights will be relinquished effective 30 June 2003.

Global priority brands. Diageo has eight global priority brands that it markets worldwide. Diageo considers these brands to have the greatest current and future earnings potential. Each global priority brand is marketed consistently around the world, and therefore can achieve scale benefits such as global media campaigns. The group manages and invests in these brands on a global basis. In the year ended 30 June 2002, global priority brands (including Malibu rum, but excluding Captain Morgan rum) contributed over 56% of premium drinks total volume and achieved turnover of £4.913 million.

All figures for global priority brands include RTD products.

Smirnoff is Diageo s highest volume brand and achieved sales of 21.8 million equivalent cases in the year ended 30 June 2002. Smirnoff is ranked, by volume, as the number one premium vodka and the number two premium spirit brand in the world.

Johnnie Walker Scotch whiskies comprise Johnnie Walker Red Label, Johnnie Walker Black Label and several other brand variants competing in the SuperDeluxe category. During the year ended 30 June 2002, Johnnie Walker Red Label sold 6.7 million equivalent cases and was ranked, by volume, as the number one Scotch whisky and the number four premium spirit brand in the world. Johnnie Walker Black Label sold 3.6 million equivalent cases and the remaining variants sold 0.3 million equivalent cases in the year ended 30 June 2002.

Guinness is the company s only global priority beer brand, and for the year ended 30 June 2002 achieved volume of 11.2 million equivalent cases. Guinness was ranked, by volume, as the number one stout and the sixteenth largest beer brand in the world.

Captain Morgan was acquired as part of the Seagram acquisition on 21 December 2001. Captain Morgan is ranked as the number two premium rum brand in the world and contributed 2.3 million equivalent cases in the six months ended 30 June 2002.

Other global priority brands were also ranked, by volume, among the leading premium distilled spirits brands by Impact International. These include J&B Scotch whisky (comprising J&B Rare, J&B Select, J&B Reserve and J&B Jet), ranked the number two Scotch whisky in the world; Cuervo, ranked the number one tequila in the world; Baileys, ranked the number one liqueur in the world; and Tanqueray, ranked the number six premium gin brand in the world. During the year ended 30 June 2002, Baileys, J&B, Cuervo and Tanqueray sold 5.7 million, 6.3 million, 4.2 million and 1.9 million equivalent cases, respectively.

Other brands. Diageo manages its other brands by category, analysing them between local priority brands and other wines, beers and spirits brands.

Local priority brands represent the brands, apart from the global priority brands, that make the greatest contribution to operating profit in an individual country, rather than worldwide. Diageo has identified 30 local priority brands. Diageo manages and invests in these brands on a market by market basis and, unlike the global priority brands, may not have a common marketing strategy around the world for such brands. For the year ended 30 June 2002, local priority brands contributed 12% of premium drinks total volume (in nine litre equivalent cases) and turnover of £1,276 million. Examples of local priority brands include Bell s Extra Special whisky in Great Britain, Dimple/ Pinch whiskies in Korea, Beaulieu Vineyard wines in the United States, Smithwick s ale in Ireland, Budweiser and Carlsberg lagers in Ireland, and Gordon s gin in Great Britain and the United States. For the year ending 30 June 2003, Diageo has replaced seven local priority brands from the original list with seven brands acquired in the Seagram spirits and wine businesses. Some of the Seagram brands have been included as local priority brands for the year ending 30 June 2003, namely Crown Royal Canadian whiskey in the United States and Windsor Premier whisky in Korea, Seagram s VO Canadian whiskey and Seagram s 7 American whiskey in the United States.

The remaining spirit brands are grouped under other spirits. Other spirits achieved volume of 27.7 million equivalent cases and contributed £1,584 million to Diageo s turnover in the year ended 30 June 2002. Examples of other spirit brands are Gordon s gin (all markets except Great Britain and North America in which it is reported as a local priority brand), Gordon s vodka, The Classic Malt whiskies and White Horse whisky.

In the year ended 30 June 2002, Diageo sold 6.3 million equivalent cases of other beers, achieving turnover of £623 million. Approximately 32% of other beer volume was attributable to owned brands, such as Harp Irish lager (all markets except Ireland), Kilkenny Irish beer, Malta non alcoholic stout (all markets except Nigeria and Ghana) and Smithwick s ale (all markets except Ireland). The remainder was attributable to beers brewed and/or sold under licence, including Bass Ale in the United States (distribution rights expire in June 2003), Tiger beer in Malaysia and Heineken lager in Jamaica.

In addition, Diageo produces and markets a wide selection of other wines. These include well known labels such as Blossom Hill in the United States, and Barton & Guestier and Piat D Or in Europe. For the year ended 30 June 2002, other wine volume was 2.0 million equivalent cases, contributing turnover of £308 million.

Production. Diageo owns production facilities including distilleries, breweries, packaging plants, maturation warehouses, cooperages, vineyards and distribution warehouses. Production also occurs at plants owned and operated by third parties and joint ventures at a number of locations internationally.

Approximately 75% of total production (including third party production) is undertaken in five Diageo production centres, namely the United Kingdom, Baileys, Guinness, European RTD and North America. The majority of these production centres have several production facilities. The locations, principal activities, products, products, production capacity and production volume in 2002 of these principal production centres owned throughout 2002 are set out in the following table:

| Production centre | Location | Principal products | Production capacity* million | Production volume in 2002* million |
|-------------------|----------------------------|--|------------------------------|---|
| United Kingdom | United Kingdom | Scotch whisky, gin, vodka | 55 | 36 |
| Baileys | Ireland | Irish cream liqueur, vodka | 8 | 7 |
| Guinness | Ireland, United Kingdom | Beers, RTDs | 13 | 10 |
| European RTD | Italy | Vodka, RTDs | 8 | 5 |
| North America | United States, Canada | Vodka, gin, tequila, flavored malt beverages, RTDs | 39 | 22 |

^{*} In 9 litre equivalent cases.

The acquisition of a portion of the former Seagram businesses on 21 December 2001 provided Diageo with additional production facilities, not included in the table above, which are predominantly in North America. The main facilities acquired are Relay in Maryland, Amherstburg in Ontario and LaSalle in Quebec (planned to close in the year ending 30 June 2004). On a full year basis these facilities in North America will produce around 13 million equivalent cases and have a production capacity of 37 million equivalent cases. The principal products made at these facilities are Canadian whiskey, American whiskey and rum.

Diageo has met demand for flavored malt beverages in the United States by purchasing a brewery in Lehigh Valley in Pennsylvania in December 2001 (capacity of 3 million equivalent cases).

Diageo is currently investing in additional capacity for Baileys and other cream liqueurs by building a new facility in Northern Ireland (capacity of 8 million equivalent cases) costing £40 million in order to support future growth of this product category.

Spirits are produced in distilleries located worldwide. The principal owned distilleries are 29 whisky distilleries in Scotland, a whiskey distillery in Canada and gin distilleries in the United Kingdom and the United States. Diageo produces Smirnoff vodka internationally, Popov vodka and Gordon s vodka in the United States and Baileys in the Republic of Ireland. Rum is blended and bottled in the United States and Canada and is distilled, blended and bottled in Australia. All of Diageo s maturing Scotch whisky is located in warehouses in Scotland.

Diageo s principal wineries are in the United States, France and Argentina. Wines are sold both in their local markets and overseas.

Diageo produces a range of RTD products mainly in the United Kingdom, Italy, South Africa, Australia and Canada and flavored malt beverages in the United States.

Diageo s principal brewing facilities are at the St James s Gate brewery in Dublin and in Kilkenny, Waterford and Dundalk in the Republic of Ireland, Park Royal in London, England and in Nigeria, Kenya, Malaysia, Jamaica and Cameroon. Ireland is the main export centre for the Guinness brand. In other countries, Guinness is brewed under licensed arrangements. Guinness Draught in cans and bottles, which uses an in-container system to replicate the taste of Guinness Draught, is packaged at Runcorn in the United Kingdom.

Raw materials. The group has a number of contracts for the forward purchasing of its raw material requirements in order to minimise the effect of raw material price fluctuations. Long term contracts are in place for the purchase of significant raw materials including glass, other packaging, neutral spirits, cream, rum and grapes. In addition, forward contracts are in place for the purchase of other raw materials including sugar and cereals to minimise the effects of short term price fluctuations.

Cream is the principal raw material used in the production of Irish cream liqueur and is sourced from Ireland. Grapes are used in the production of wine and are sourced from suppliers in the United States, France and Argentina. Other raw materials purchased in significant quantities for the production of spirits and beer are neutral spirits, molasses, rum, cereals, sugar and a number of flavours (such as juniper berries, agave, chocolate and herbs). These are sourced from suppliers around the world.

The majority of products are supplied to customers in glass bottles. Glass is purchased from suppliers located around the world, the principal supplier being the Owens Illinois group.

On 22 May 2002, Diageo entered into a supply agreement with Destiléria Serrallés, Inc (Serrallés), a Puerto Rico corporation for the supply of rum that will be used to make the Captain Morgan line of rums and rum drinks in the United States. The supply agreement will last for ten years from the time of its signing, with a three year notice requirement coming into effect once the original ten year term has expired.

Marketing and distribution. Premium drinks is committed to investing in its brands and spent £1,153 million worldwide on marketing in the year ended 30 June 2002. Marketing was focused on the eight global priority brands (including Malibu rum, but excluding Captain Morgan rum), which accounted for approximately 67% of total marketing expenditure on premium drinks products.

Diageo has four major markets North America, Great Britain, Ireland and Spain. In the year ended 30 June 2002, these markets contributed over 56% of premium drinks operating profit before exceptional items. In addition, there are 15 key markets which are considered to be individually important, and these contributed 30% of premium drinks operating profit before exceptional items. The remaining geographic markets are reported as venture markets and these accounted for 14% of premium drinks operating profit before exceptional items in the year ended 30 June 2002.

North America. North America is the largest market for Diageo, and the largest premium drinks market in the world. Currently, in North America, Diageo markets its products through nine in-market companies (IMCs) comprising five spirits IMCs, Diageo Chateau & Estates Wines (DC&E), the Guinness Bass Import Company (GBIC), a Canadian IMC and a 50% distribution joint venture with Moët Hennessy Schieffelin & Somerset (S&S).

The five spirits IMCs, split geographically, market the majority of Diageo s spirits across the United States. Diageo s portfolio includes brands such as Smirnoff vodka, Baileys Irish Cream liqueur, Cuervo tequila, Captain Morgan rum, Crown Royal Canadian whiskey, Seagram s 7 American whiskey and Seagram s VO Canadian whiskey. GBIC distributes Diageo s North American beer portfolio (Guinness stout, Harp lager, Kaliber non-alcoholic lager, Red Stripe lager and Bass Ale on an agency basis), as well as the group s flavored malt beverages (Smirnoff Ice). DC&E markets all Diageo s wine brands (such as Beaulieu Vineyard and Sterling Vineyards) across the United States. The Canada IMC distributes the group s spirits, wine and beer portfolio across all Canadian territories. In the United States, S&S markets Diageo s Scotch whisky brands, along with Tanqueray gin and Tanqueray Sterling vodka, and Moët Hennessy s brands such as Moët & Chandon and Dom Pérignon champagne and Hennessy cognac. S&S has an agreement with Marnier-Lapostolle, Inc, which grants S&S the

exclusive rights to market, distribute, and sell Grand Marnier and certain Chilean wines, including Casa Lapostolle, in the United States.

Within the United States, there are two types of regulatory environments, open states and control states. In open states, Diageo and spirits companies in general, are allowed to sell beer, spirits and wines directly to independent distributors. In most of the open states within the United States, Diageo trades through a three tier distribution system, where the product is initially sold to distributors, who then market it to on and off premise retailers. In some states, such as Texas, Diageo sells its products through a four tier system, whereby the group markets to large distributors, who then sell to smaller distributors, who channel the products to on and off premise retailers. In control states, Diageo markets its spirits products to state control liquor boards through the bailment warehousing system, and from there to state liquor stores. There are some states that are exceptions to this system. Generally, wines are treated in the same way as spirits, although some states which are control states for spirits are open states for wines. Beer distribution follows open states regulation across the entire United States. In Canada, spirits distribution laws are similar to those of control states in the United States. In Canada, beer distribution laws are generally similar to those for spirits. Diageo, however, has some licences to direct-deliver beer to licensed accounts, which account for approximately 52% of Diageo s beer business in Canada.

The completion of the Seagram acquisition provided Diageo with the scale to pursue consolidation of its distributors in a strategy called Next Generation Growth (NGG). Building on the Seagram integration, the strategy focuses on consolidating the Diageo and Seagram brands acquired by Diageo, into a single distributor wherever possible. A dedicated sales team in each distributor will allow the North American business to create efficiencies and improvements around the sales and distribution process in the United States. Phase I, involving 19 states, began in February and negotiations have now been completed in 15 states (Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, Hawaii, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Texas, Washington DC and West Virginia). During the year, a major programme of IT investment was begun in order to support the integration of the Seagram businesses and the NGG initiative. The implementation of the NGG strategy is expected to be completed in calendar year 2003. As part of the NGG strategy, risk mitigation plans have been developed for each market. These plans identify the financial, sales, marketing and operations activities that must be implemented to move Diageo s business to a new distributor without significant loss of business. While sales disruptions may occur during the distributor move process, the risk mitigation plans are expected to minimise the sales risk. Although these plans are expected to minimise the risks of our planned consolidation, that consolidation has given rise and is likely to continue to give rise to legal actions by some distributors and regulatory bodies at the state level, none of which is currently expected to be material to the group, and some settlements will be negotiated.

Great Britain. In the Great Britain market, Diageo has the largest brand, by volume, in a number of spirit categories including vodka with Smirnoff, whisky with Bell s and gin with Gordon s. Smirnoff and Bell s are also the top two distilled spirit brands, by volume, in the United Kingdom. Products are distributed both via wholesalers and directly to the major grocers, convenience and specialist stores. In the on trade (for example, licensed bars and restaurants), products are sold through the major brewers, multiple retail groups and smaller regional independent brewers and wholesalers.

Ireland. Ireland comprises the Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland, which together is an important market for Diageo. In both countries, Diageo is the market leader and Diageo s management estimates that Diageo has almost 50% share of the total beverage alcohol market. The Guinness, Smirnoff and Baileys brands are market leaders in their respective categories of long alcoholic drinks, vodka and cream liqueurs, respectively. Budweiser and Carlsberg lagers, also major products in the Diageo portfolio, are brewed and sold under licence in addition to the other local priority brands of Smithwick s ale and Harp lager. In both countries, Diageo distributes directly to both the on trade and the off trade (for example, retail shops and wholesalers). Diageo also brews and packages a range of beers in Ireland for export to the United Kingdom, the United States and other international markets.

Spain. Spain is the second largest Scotch whisky market in the world, and Diageo owns two of the top five Scotch whisky brands by volume in Spain, with J&B at number one and Johnnie Walker Red Label at number five. This is Diageo s most important J&B market, with Spain contributing 46% of Diageo s J&B total volume. Diageo also leads the premium whisky category with Cardhu, Johnnie Walker Black Label, J&B Reserve and

Knockando. With the addition of Cacique, a former Seagram brand, to its existing brand Pampero, Diageo Spain is leading the dark rum category, which is the fastest growing category in Spain. Distribution in Spain is primarily through Diageo s own distribution company.

Key markets. There are 15 key markets. These are markets which make a significant contribution in their own right, but still rely on Diageo s global functions to support their businesses. Key markets are: Africa (excluding North Africa), Australia/ New Zealand, Brazil/ Paraguay, Colombia, France, Greece/ Turkey, Japan, Korea, Mexico, Portugal, Taiwan, Thailand, Uruguay, Venezuela and Global Duty Free.

In Latin America, distribution is achieved through a mixture of Diageo companies and third party distributors.

Africa (excluding North Africa) is one of the longest established and largest markets for the Guinness brand, with the brewing of Guinness Foreign Extra Stout in a number of African countries either through subsidiaries or under licence. Diageo has a wholly owned subsidiary in South Africa and in Cameroon and also has majority owned subsidiaries in Nigeria, Ghana, Kenya, Uganda, Réunion and the Seychelles.

Global Duty Free is Diageo s sales and marketing organisation which targets the international duty free consumer in duty free outlets such as airport shops, airlines and ferries around the world. The global nature of this organisation allows a co-ordinated approach to brand building initiatives and builds on shopper insights in this trade channel where consumer behaviour tends to be different from domestic markets.

In European key markets, Diageo distributes its spirits brands primarily through its own distribution companies. However, in France, Diageo sells its spirits and wine products through a joint arrangement with Moët Hennessy, and its beer products through Interbrew.

In Thailand, Diageo distributes its spirits and wine brands through joint arrangements with Moët Hennessy, and in Japan and Taiwan it distributes through a joint arrangement with Moët Hennessy and Jardine Matheson. In Australia, Diageo has its own distribution company and also has licensed brewing arrangements with Carlton-United Breweries, while in New Zealand it operates through third party distributors and has licensed brewing arrangements with Lion Nathan. In Korea, Diageo s own distribution company distributes the majority of Diageo s brands. The remaining brands are distributed through third party distributors. The distribution rights to Dimple in Korea, currently held by a third party distributor, will be transferred to Diageo effective 1 January 2003.

Generally the remaining markets are served by third party distribution networks controlled by regional offices.

Venture markets. This grouping comprises all other markets, with the largest being North Africa, the Middle East, Jamaica, Central America, the Caribbean, the Canary Islands, Malaysia, Italy, Germany, Belgium, Netherlands and the Nordics. In these markets there is a focus on fewer brands and lean but flexible organisation structures are deployed whilst global best practices in areas such as consumer marketing, customer management and people development are applied.

In the European venture markets, Diageo distributes its brands primarily through its own distribution companies. In Asia Pacific, Diageo works with a number of joint venture partners. For Diageo s spirits and wine brands, the most significant of these is Moët Hennessy with operations in Malaysia, Singapore, China and Hong Kong. In Malaysia and Singapore, Diageo s own and third party beers are brewed and distributed through Diageo s business with APB. In addition, Diageo owns a controlling interest in Desnoes & Geddes Limited, the Jamaican local brewer of Red Stripe lager. In general, the remaining markets are served by third party distribution networks controlled by regional offices.

Seasonal impacts. Christmas provides the peak period for premium drinks sales. Historically, approximately 30% of premium drinks sales volume occurs in the last three months of each calendar year.

Competition. Diageo competes on the basis of consumer loyalty, quality and price. Its goal is to increase its share of high value adult drinking occasions.

In spirits and wine, Diageo s major global competitors are Allied Domecq, Bacardi-Martini Inc, Pernod Ricard and Brown-Forman, each of which has several brands that compete directly with Diageo. Diageo believes, based on its analysis of data compiled by Impact International, that Diageo and these four other major international

companies account for approximately 64% of the volume of the top 100 premium distilled spirits in the worldwide market. In addition, Diageo faces competition from local and regional companies in the countries in which it operates.

In beer, the Guinness brand competes in the overall beer market with its key competitors varying by market. These include Heineken in Ireland and several markets in Africa, Coors Brewing (Carling) in the United Kingdom and Carlsberg in Malaysia.

Diageo aims to maintain and improve its market position by enhancing the consumer appeal of its brands through consistent high investment in marketing support focused around the eight global priority brands. Diageo makes extensive use of magazine, newspaper, point of sale and poster and billboard advertising, and uses radio, cinema and television advertising where appropriate and permitted by law. Diageo also runs consumer promotional programs in the on trade (for example, licensed bars and restaurants).

Regulations and taxes. In the United States, the beverage alcohol industry is subject to strict federal and state government regulations covering virtually every aspect of its operations, including production, marketing, pricing, labelling, packaging and advertising.

Spirits, wine and beer are subject to national import and excise duties in many markets around the world. Most countries impose excise duties on distilled spirits, although the form of such taxation varies significantly from a simple application to units of alcohol by volume, to advanced systems based on imported or wholesale value of the product. Several countries impose additional import duty on distilled spirits, often discriminating between categories (such as Scotch whisky or bourbon) in the rate of such tariffs. Within the European Union, such products are subject to different rates of excise duty in each country, but within an overall European Union framework, there are minimum rates of excise duties that can be applied.

Import and excise duties can have a significant impact on the final pricing of Diageo s products to consumers. These duties have an impact on the competitive position versus other brands. The group devotes resources to encouraging the equitable taxation treatment of all alcoholic drink categories and to reducing government-imposed barriers to fair trading.

Advertising, marketing and sales of alcohol are subject to various restrictions in markets around the world. These range from a complete prohibition of alcohol in certain countries (for example, Islamic societies) through the prohibition of the import of spirits and beer, to restrictions on the advertising style, media and messages used. In a number of countries, television is a prohibited medium for spirits brands, either through regulation or a voluntary code of practice, and in other countries, television advertising, while permitted, is carefully regulated. Premium drinks business in Norway has had its wholesale licence to import alcoholic beverages suspended for a period of six months from 13 August 2002. This was as a result of breaches of advertising legislation in Norway limited to the launch of Smirnoff Ice in Norway. Alternative distribution arrangements have been put in place for the duration of the suspension period with a third party logistics company. Such interim arrangements have been notified to and approved by the authorities in Norway. As a result, Diageo does not believe that this suspension will have a material adverse effect on its results of operations.

Spirits, wine and beer are also regulated in distribution. In many countries, alcohol may only be sold through licensed outlets, both on and off premise, varying from government or state operated monopoly outlets (for example, Canada and Norway) to the common system of licensed on premise outlets (for example, bars and restaurants) which prevails in much of the western world (for example, the United States and the European Union). In some states in the United States, price changes must be filed or published three months before they become effective.

Labelling of alcoholic drinks is also regulated in many markets, varying from health warning labels to importer identification, alcoholic strength and other consumer information. Warning statements related to the risks of drinking alcoholic beverages are required to be included on all alcoholic beverages sold in the United States. Following the end of the voluntary restrictions on television advertising of spirits in the United States, Diageo and other spirits companies have been testing products on the air on local cable television stations. Expressions of political concern signify the uncertain future of spirits advertising on television in the United States. Further

requirements for warning statements and any prohibitions on advertising and marketing could have an adverse impact on sales of the group.

In addition, indications that regulatory bodies in the United States may change standards regarding the alcohol content and proper categorisation of flavored malt beverages such as Smirnoff Ice could have an adverse impact on the sales of the group. Regulatory decisions and changes in the legal and regulatory environment could increase Diageo s costs and liabilities or impact its business activities.

E-commerce and new business ventures. Diageo continues to explore opportunities to apply new technologies that will deliver new revenue streams while at the same time building on the assets and capabilities of its core business. In the year ended 30 June 2002, £32 million has been expended by Diageo on new business ventures compared with £30 million in the prior year. In e-marketing, Diageo has invested in the development of a number of businesses including Translucis, which has developed a market leading product to provide media advertising on plasma screens to the on trade, Nightfly, which is a mobile phone marketing service business that offers venues and lifestyle brands the opportunity to communicate through a highly profiled consumer database, and Three Deep, which is in the process of developing a hand held inventory tool for the on trade in North America. In addition, Diageo is developing a trademark licensing business for the Diageo brands.

Diageo has also invested in ways to apply existing technologies to enhance its business. These include e-marketing initiatives with core brands, the development of interactive web sites for consumers and collaborative initiatives which develop communication internally and better trading relationships with customers and suppliers. Projects underway include development of customer collaboration in Amsterdam and the Guinness Bass Import Company, web order capture in North America and Greece, elements of supplier collaboration in Italy and Great Britain, as well as new consumer web sites for Guinness, Johnnie Walker and malt whisky in Great Britain. In addition, Diageo has implemented a range of internal e-learning modules to deliver staff training online.

Business services. Diageo has committed to re-engineer its key business activities with customers, consumers, suppliers and the processes that summarise and report financial performance. In that regard, global processes are being designed, built and implemented in Great Britain, Ireland, segments of global supply and its North American markets. The same activities will be implemented in additional markets during the next three to four years.

A new business service centre in Budapest, Hungary opened in April 2002 and now performs various process tasks for Great Britain, Ireland and global supply. Additional processes currently located in Great Britain and other European companies are scheduled to transfer to Budapest during the next two years.

Associates. Diageo s principal associate in the premium drinks segment is Moët Hennessy. It also owns shares in a number of other associates. In the year ended 30 June 2002, premium drinks share of profit of associates before interest and exceptional items was £168 million, of which Moët Hennessy accounted for £150 million.

Moët Hennessy. Diageo owns 34% of Moët Hennessy, the spirits and wine subsidiary of LVMH Moët Hennessy Louis Vuitton SA (LVMH). LVMH is based in France and listed on the Paris and New York Stock Exchanges. Moët Hennessy is also based in France and is a producer and exporter of a number of brands in its main business areas of champagne and cognac. Its principal products include champagne brands, Moët & Chandon (including Dom Pérignon), Veuve Clicquot and Mercier, all of which are included in the top ten champagne brands worldwide by volume, and two brands of cognac, Hennessy and Hine. Hennessy is the top cognac brand worldwide by volume.

Since 1987, a number of joint distribution arrangements have been established with LVMH, principally covering distribution of Diageo s premium brands of Scotch whisky and gin and Moët Hennessy s premium champagne and cognac brands in the Asia Pacific region, the United States, and France. Schieffelin & Somerset was established as a joint venture in the United States and distributes Johnnie Walker Red Label and Johnnie Walker Black Label, J&B, Tanqueray, Moët & Chandon and Hennessy brands. Diageo and LVMH have each undertaken not to engage in any champagne or cognac activities competing with those of Moët Hennessy. The arrangements also contain certain provisions for the protection of Diageo as a minority shareholder in Moët Hennessy.

Acquisitions and disposals of businesses and acquisitions and terminations of distribution rights. Diageo has made a number of strategic acquisitions and disposals of brands, equity interests in premium drinks businesses and distribution rights.

On 21 December 2001, Diageo and Pernod Ricard SA (Pernod Ricard) completed the acquisition of the Seagram spirits and wine businesses from Vivendi Universal SA (Vivendi) for \$8.15 billion (£5.62 billion) in cash, subject to certain debt, working capital and other adjustments. Diageo s share of the purchase price after adjustments was £3,657 million.

The transaction was structured such that each of Diageo and Pernod Ricard would acquire certain brands and related assets for integration into their respective global premium drinks businesses, with other brands and related assets being acquired and held jointly pending their disposal. The spirits and wine businesses comprised a number of separate legal entities and assets which were acquired by either Diageo, Pernod Ricard, or both parties jointly, but the effect was that the purchase consideration was funded in the overall proportions of 60.9% and 39.1% between Diageo and Pernod Ricard, respectively.

Diageo has accounted for the transaction as an acquisition, reflecting profits and losses arising from those brands and related assets acquired for its own use, consolidated from the acquisition date. For those brands and assets acquired and/or held jointly pending their disposal, Diageo and Pernod Ricard will share the net proceeds of disposal in the proportion 60.9% and 39.1% respectively. Accordingly the results of these brands have been excluded from the group consolidation. Diageo has accounted for its share of the estimated net disposal proceeds as businesses held for resale. It is expected that the disposals of these businesses will be completed within 12 months of the original acquisition.

The sales of the largest disposal assets were achieved in the year ended 30 June 2002, and these included the UK based off-licence chain Oddbins to the Castel Frères Group of France; the Four Roses bourbon business to Kirin Brewery Co, Ltd of Japan; the Mumm Sekt sparkling wine business to Rotkäppchen Sektkellerei GmbH & Co KG of Germany; the Seagram s Mixers business to The Coca-Cola Company; the Sandeman port and sherry business to Sograp Holding SGPS SA of Portugal; and the Mumm Cuvée Napa sparkling wine business to Allied Domecq. Diageo s share of net cash proceeds received totalled £203 million. Since 30 June 2002, agreements have been reached on a number of smaller disposal assets including Gibson s Finest Canadian Whiskey, Maschio sparkling wines and OVD, Woods and VAT 19 rums.

In September 2002, Diageo announced that it will relinquish its 1998 US Importation and Distribution Agreement rights for Bass Ale to Bass parent company, Interbrew, effective 30 June 2003 for a consideration of \$105 million (£69 million). Under the 1998 agreement, Diageo had the right to continue selling and marketing the brand in the United States until July 2016.

Diageo s distribution rights for Brown-Forman brands in the United Kingdom, which included Jack Daniels and Southern Comfort, terminated on 1 August 2002. In the year ended 30 June 2002, these brands contributed £14 million to operating profit.

In May 2002, Diageo completed the disposal of the Malibu brand to Allied Domecq for a consideration of £554 million. The disposal of Malibu was a condition for obtaining regulatory clearance for the acquisition of the Seagram spirits and wine businesses.

On 14 May 2002 East African Breweries Limited (EABL), a Diageo subsidiary, agreed with South African Breweries International (Africa) BV (a SABMiller subsidiary) to acquire the SAB Kenyan brewery in return for a 20% stake in EABL s brewing subsidiary. Kenya Breweries Limited. At the same time, and conditional on completion of the Kenyan transaction, EABL agreed with Tanzania Breweries Limited (TBL), also a SABMiller subsidiary, to sell its Tanzanian brewery in return for a 20% stake in TBL. The transaction is likely to complete in November 2002.

In May 2002, Diageo disposed of the Glen Ellen and MG Vallejo wines to a company managed by The Wine Group, Inc. for a consideration of \$83 million.

On 5 February 2002, Diageo and José Cuervo SA (Cuervo) agreed to terminate their litigation in respect of a change of control issue which arose as a result of the merger of GrandMet and Guinness, and new arrangements

were formalised for the distribution rights for the Cuervo brand in the United States. These arrangements now extend to 2013. The settlement in favour of Cuervo included the return of Diageo s 45% equity stake it held in Cuervo and a net cash payment of £85 million. Diageo and Cuervo also agreed to terminate Cuervo s distribution of certain Diageo brands in Mexico and for Cuervo to transfer to Diageo its 49% interest in the Smirnoff trademark in Mexico. The settlement resulted in a charge before taxes of £220 million to exceptional items in the profit and loss account for the year ended 30 June 2002, and a reduction in operating profit of £8 million in the period ended 30 June 2002. Further, effective 1 October 2002, the distribution rights to Cuervo 1800 were transferred to a third party. Cuervo 1800 contributed £13 million to operating profit in the year ended 30 June 2002.

In September 2001, Diageo disposed of its Croft and Delaforce port and sherry businesses to a consortium of Gonzalez Byass S.A. and Taylor Fonseca S.A. for a consideration of 82 million (£50 million).

In July 2001, Diageo disposed of its Guinness World Records business to Gullane Entertainment plc for £50 million.

In January 2001, Diageo acquired additional shares in East African Breweries Limited which as a result became a subsidiary. In October 2000, Diageo acquired the remaining 50% share of Bundaberg rum, Australia s second largest spirit brand. The annualised turnover of these two acquisitions is approximately £320 million and their annualised contribution to operating profit is approximately £40 million.

In January 2001, Diageo disposed of UDV Indústria E Comércio Ltda, the Brazilian entity that produces and markets local brands Dreher, Old Eight and Drurys to Campari.

During the year ended 30 June 2001, the distribution rights for Stolichnaya vodka in the United States ended. In the year ended 30 June 2001, Stolichnaya in the United States contributed approximately £32 million to operating profit.

In January 2000, Diageo disposed of its 88% equity interest in the Grupo Cruzcampo SA beer business in Spain to Heineken NV for a consideration of £450 million. This resulted in an exceptional gain of £82 million, after charging £224 million in respect of goodwill previously written off.

In December 1999, Diageo disposed of its Jamaican soft drinks business (owned by Desnoes & Geddes Limited, a 58% owned subsidiary of Diageo) to PepsiCo, Inc.

In October and November 1999, Diageo disposed of four European spirits and wine brands (Cinzano, Metaxa, Asbach and Vecchia Romagna) for a total consideration of £250 million. The disposals resulted in an exceptional charge of £247 million, of which £214 million was in respect of goodwill previously written off.

In March and April 1999, Diageo sold eight Canadian whiskey brands, including Black Velvet, to Canandaigua Brands Inc, and six US brands, including Christian Brothers to a number of purchasers. Ouzo brands were sold to Campari in June 1999. In July 1998, Diageo disposed of its investment in Champagne Laurent-Perrier and its 49.6% equity interest in Cantrell & Cochrane. In March 1999, Diageo acquired the remaining 69% of United Beverages Holdings Limited, an Irish based distributor of drinks.

Sale of the worldwide interests in the Dewar s Scotch whisky and the Bombay gin brands was a condition of the US Federal Trade Commission s clearance of the Merger. Diageo sold these interests to Bacardi on 16 June 1998.

Quick service restaurants

Burger King is a leading company in the worldwide quick service restaurant industry. In the year ended 30 June 2002, Burger King had turnover of £1,123 million and operating profit before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items of £160 million. US dollar system sales were \$11.3 billion in the year ended 30 June 2002. Burger King has approximately 11,500 outlets, of which over 8,100 are in the United States. Of these 11,500 outlets, 91% are franchised and 9% are company operated.

On 25 July 2002, Diageo entered into an agreement to dispose of Burger King Corporation to a newly formed company owned by Texas Pacific Group, Bain Capital and Goldman Sachs Capital Partners. Under the terms of the agreement, Diageo would receive a consideration of \$2.26 billion (£1.49 billion), subject to various

adjustments. The transaction is subject to various closing conditions, including performance related conditions that take account of periods extending from the end of Burger King s year ended 30 June 2002 until shortly before the closing, the purchaser obtaining adequate financing, and receipt of required regulatory approvals. Notice of early termination of the Hart-Scott-Rodino waiting period was received on 20 August 2002 and European Union regulatory approval was received on 11 October 2002. See Item 10. Additional Information Material Contracts Agreement for the sale of Burger King Corporation for further information and Item 5. Operating and Financial Review and Prospects Trend Information Recent Developments for a recent description of the transaction status.

Franchise agreements. Franchise agreements between Burger King and franchisees govern restaurant format, building location, building standards and operating procedures. A monthly royalty fee and advertising contribution, based on a percentage of sales, are required from franchisees. Operating profit is also generated from outlets directly operated by Burger King. These outlets may have been internally developed or have been previously purchased from franchisees. In approximately 12% of franchised outlets, Burger King either owns or holds the lease on the restaurant property from which the franchisee operates and may realise net rental income from the leased properties.

Products. Burger King sells a range of hamburgers, chicken and associated products. Its hamburgers are flame-broiled, which differentiates it from the majority of its competitors, who fry their hamburgers. Burger King s marketing strategy is to position its products as having the best taste and quality combined with quick and friendly service at an attractive value to the consumer at superior locations. The strategy is executed by providing customers bigger and tastier flame broiled burgers than the competition and a wide variety of value meals, which consist of a sandwich, french fries or onion rings, and a soft drink. Additionally, Burger King continues to develop innovative new burgers, sandwiches, and other menu items on both a permanent and promotional basis. During the year ended 30 June 2002, Burger King introduced: the Chicken Whopper and the Chicken Whopper Jr., the BK Veggie Burger, the King Supreme Burger, Old Fashioned Ice Cream Shakes, and various other products. Subsequent to 30 June 2002, Burger King introduced the 99¢ BK Value Menu, which offers 11 menu items at the 99¢ price point. The BK Value Menu includes the Grilled Sourdough Burger, Chili, a Side Garden Salad, and a Baked Potato, among other items.

Marketing. Burger King has strategic marketing alliances with global promotional partners. To support its market position, Burger King advertises on a local and national basis around the world. During the year ended 30 June 2002, Burger King spent over £320 million on marketing activities promoting the Burger King brand around the world.

Development. Burger King continues to implement various restaurant upgrade initiatives, previously bundled together as a restaurant transformation plan consisting of new logo and signage, enhanced drive-through equipment, and new restaurant image, as well as a new kitchen design. The new kitchen design is focused on improving the taste and consistency of all products. A new flexible broiler that has multiple cooking chambers so restaurants can cook a variety of products simultaneously, even if they require different cooking temperatures, will be required to be installed in restaurants within the United States at a date not yet determined. The drive-thru upgrade that consists of a new preview menu board, a drive-through main menu board, an order confirmation unit and a full duplex sound system remains a top priority. The deadline for implementation of the drive thru upgrade in the United States is 31 December 2002. The drive-thru upgrade, new logo signage, kitchen design, flexible broiler and new restaurant image are now mandatory elements for all new restaurants. Implementation of the new restaurant image will take place over a longer period of time in the United States. The logo and signage elements are also being rolled out internationally. Burger King offered eligible franchisees in the United States a new successor franchise agreement and financial incentives if they agreed to remodel their restaurants within a given timeframe. The financial incentives included a reduced royalty rate for a period of three to five years depending on the year of enrolment in the programme.

Acquisitions and disposals. Burger King continues its growth strategy both through restaurant development and acquisitions. The Burger King system has grown worldwide by over 2,000 restaurants over the last five years. During the year ended 30 June 2002 Burger King opened 126 new restaurants inside the United States and 329 new restaurants throughout the rest of the world. During the same period, there were 372 closures of under

performing restaurants, of which 286 were located in the United States. Burger King continues to expand into non-traditional sites, such as highway locations, college and university campuses and airports, to accommodate the increasing demand from customers for convenience. In addition to the standard building design, Burger King now offers a variety of building facilities, which enable the brand to be distributed where people work, shop and play.

Distribution. In fiscal 1992, Burger King, in conjunction with its United States franchisees, formed Restaurant Services, Inc. (RSI) as a not-for-profit, independent, corporate purchasing co-operative. RSI s purpose is to act as a purchasing agent for the Burger King system in the United States thereby taking advantage of the purchasing power of the whole Burger King system, with respect to food and paper purchases from approved suppliers and distribution services from approved distributors. Following a consolidation by three quick service restaurant distributors in the United States, one distributor in the United States, AmeriServe Food Distribution, Inc (AmeriServe) supplied over 5,900 Burger King restaurants. On 31 January 2000, AmeriServe filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code. The Burger King restaurants serviced by AmeriServe were transitioned to a combination of existing distributors plus seven new distributors by the end of June 2000. At 30 June 2002, 15 distributors serviced Burger King s restaurants in the United States.

Competition. The quick service restaurant business in the United States is highly competitive, with six major competing companies. Burger King competes directly with McDonald s, Pizza Hut, KFC, Taco Bell, Wendy s and Subway national quick service restaurants. Burger King, McDonald s, Wendy s, Sonic and Jack-In-The-Box share the majority of the hamburger segment. In addition, there are a number of regional hamburger chains and independent operators that compete directly with Burger King. Burger King competes on the basis of superior quality products and attention to the consumer s continuing need for price value and service.

Discontinued operations (The Pillsbury Company)

Diageo completed the disposal of The Pillsbury Company (Pillsbury) to General Mills on 31 October 2001. Pillsbury had turnover of £1,455 million (2001 £4,199 million) and operating profit before exceptional items and goodwill amortisation of £190 million (2001 £518 million) in the year ended 30 June 2002.

As a division of Diageo, Pillsbury produced and distributed leading food brands including Pillsbury s refrigerated dough and other dough based goods, Old El Paso Mexican foods, Progresso soups, Green Giant vegetables and Häagen-Dazs ice cream, and, in addition, operated a foodservice business.

Historically, Pillsbury operated in one segment through three divisions: Pillsbury North America, Pillsbury Bakeries and Foodservice, and Pillsbury International. Pillsbury North America produced, marketed and distributed a wide range of consumer food packaged goods in the United States and Canada. Pillsbury Bakeries and Foodservice manufactured and marketed products to in-store/retail bakery and foodservice businesses in the United States and Canada, and to wholesale bakery businesses in the United States. Pillsbury International produced, marketed, and distributed consumer food products principally in Europe, Asia Pacific, Latin America and South Africa.

General Mills, Inc

Following the disposal of Pillsbury and the subsequent sale of shares in General Mills on 31 October 2001, the group acquired an equity stake of 22% in General Mills. The following business description is based on publically available information about General Mills filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. General Mills is a global consumer foods company based in the United States. General Mills owns a number of brand names and its primary objective is to build the equity of these brands with strong consumer directed advertising and innovative merchandising. The principal businesses owned by General Mills are Big G ready-to-eat cereals, Betty Crocker dessert, baking, dinner mix and snack products, Yoplait and Colombo yogurt and former Pillsbury brands such as Pillsbury s refrigerated dough and other dough based goods, Old El Paso Mexican foods, Progresso soup, Green Giant vegetables and a foodservice business. During the eight months ended 30 June 2002, the equity stake contributed £143 million to operating profit, £59 million to interest expense and £19 million to tax expense. The group s share of General Mills exceptional items before taxation amounted

to a charge of £31 million. During the eight month period to 30 June 2002 the group received dividends of £30 million from General Mills.

Trademarks

Diageo produces and distributes branded goods and is therefore substantially dependent on the maintenance and protection of its trademarks. All brand names mentioned in this Report are trademarks. The Group also holds numerous licenses and trade secrets, as well as having substantial trade knowledge related to its products. The group believes that its significant trademarks are registered and/or otherwise protected (insofar as legal protections are available) in all material respects in its most important markets.

ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE

Principal group companies

The companies listed on page F-69 include those that principally affect the profits and assets of the group.

PROPERTIES, PLANTS AND EQUIPMENT

Diageo owns or leases land and buildings throughout the world. The business description for premium drinks on the preceding pages provide details of the facilities. As at 30 June 2002, Diageo s properties were included in the group s consolidated balance sheet under UK GAAP at a net book value of £1,250 million. Diageo s largest individual facility, in terms of net book value of property, is St James s Gate brewery in Dublin. Approximately 90% by value of the group s properties were owned and approximately 4% are held under leases running for 50 years or longer. Diageo s properties primarily consist of Burger King retail outlets and a variety of manufacturing, distilling, brewing, bottling and administration facilities spread across the group s worldwide operations, as well as vineyards in the United States. Approximately 41% and 32% of the book value comprises properties located in the United States and the United Kingdom, respectively.

ITEM 5. OPERATING AND FINANCIAL REVIEW AND PROSPECTS

OPERATING RESULTS

Except where stated, the following discussion is based on Diageo s UK GAAP results for the year ended 30 June 2002 compared with the year ended 30 June 2001 and the year ended 30 June 2001 compared with the year ended 30 June 2000.

There are a number of accounting differences between UK and US GAAP. A reconciliation of net income from UK to US GAAP and an explanation of the differences between UK and US GAAP is set out in note 33 of the consolidated financial statements contained in this Annual Report on Form 20-F and on pages 63 to 64.

Unless otherwise stated, percentage movements given for volume, turnover, net sales, marketing expenditure and operating profit throughout the discussion below represent organic growth (at level exchange rates and after adjusting for acquisitions and disposals) for continuing operations. They are before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items. Comparisons are with the equivalent period last year. Organic growth is reported to help a reader more readily understand operating performance from period to period since the percentage movements reflect only operating performance that is comparable. The organic growth calculation is explained in more detail below.

Where a business, brand distribution right or agency agreement was disposed of in the current year, the group would, under organic growth calculations, adjust the results for the prior year to remove the amount the group earned in that period that it could not have earned in the current period (i.e. the period between the date in the prior period, equivalent to the date of the disposal in the current period, and the end of the prior period). As a result, the organic growth numbers reflect only comparable performance. Similarly, if a business was disposed of part way through the equivalent period last year then its results would also be completely excluded from that prior period s performance in an organic calculation, since the group enjoyed no contribution from that business in the current year.

For acquisitions, a similar adjustment is made to exclude from the current period s results any profits generated by the acquired business that would not have been enjoyed in the prior comparable period. Again, if a business was acquired part way through the prior period then that period in which the group owned the business in the current year (usually the entire year), but did not in the comparable prior period, would be excluded from an organic growth calculation.

A further adjustment in organic calculations is to exclude the effect of exchange by restating the prior period s results as if they had been generated at the current period s exchange rates.

In the analysis below, volume has been measured on an equivalent servings basis to 9 litre cases of spirits. Equivalent cases are calculated as follows: beer in hectolitres divide by 0.9, wine in nine litre cases divide by 5, ready to drink in nine litre cases divide by 10. An equivalent case represents approximately 272 servings. A serving comprises 35ml of spirits; 165ml of wine; or 330ml of ready to drink or beer.

Operating profit before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items for continuing operations for the year ending 30 June 2003, will be affected by disposals made both in that year and the year ended 30 June 2002. These disposals include Malibu rum, which contributed approximately £41 million to operating profit in the eleven months ended 25 May 2002 and Glen Ellen wines, which contributed approximately £5 million to operating profit up to its disposal in May 2002. In addition, the termination of the Brown-Forman distribution rights in Great Britain on 1 August 2002 is estimated to reduce operating profit by approximately £13 million for the year ending 30 June 2003 compared with the year ended 30 June 2002. On 1 October 2002 the distribution rights to Cuervo 1800 were transferred to a third party. Cuervo 1800 contributed £13 million to operating profit in the year ended 30 June 2002.

Year ended 30 June 2002 compared with year ended 30 June 2001

The organic growth calculations for turnover, net sales (turnover less excise duty) and operating profit before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items for the year ended 30 June 2002 were as follows:

Turnover

| | 2001 | Exchange | Disposals | 2001 restated | Acqui- sitions | Organic growth | 2002 | Organic growth |
|------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| | £ million | £ million | £ million | £ million | £ million | £ million | £ million | % |
| Premium drinks | | | | | | | | |
| Major markets | | | | | | | | |
| North America | 2,092 | 38 | (134) | 1,996 | 431 | 242 | 2,669 | 12 |
| Great Britain | 1,304 | | (22) | 1,282 | 8 | 177 | 1,467 | 14 |
| Ireland | 942 | 8 | (1) | 949 | 1 | (13) | 937 | (1) |
| Spain | 335 | 3 | (1) | 337 | 18 | 25 | 380 | 7 |
| | 4,673 | 49 | (158) | 4,564 | 458 | 431 | 5,453 | 9 |
| Key markets | 1,807 | (37) | (30) | 1,740 | 227 | 111 | 2,078 | 6 |
| Venture markets | 1,100 | 1 | (8) | 1,093 | 8 | 72 | 1,173 | 7 |
| | | | | <u> </u> | — | | <u> </u> | |
| Total premium drinks | 7,580 | 13 | (196) | 7,397 | 693 | 614 | 8,704 | 8 |
| Quick service restaurants | 1,042 | 1 | | 1,043 | 12 | 68 | 1,123 | 7 |
| | | | | | | — | | |
| Continuing operations | 8,622 | 14 | (196) | 8,440 | 705 | 682 | 9,827 | 8 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Discontinued operations | 4,199 | | | | | | 1,455 | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | 12,821 | | | | | | 11,282 | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |

Net sales

| | 2001 | Exchange | Disposals | 2001 restated | Acqui- sitions | Organic growth | 2002 | Organic growth |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| | £ million | £ million | £ million | £ million | £ million | £ million | £ million | % |
| Premium drinks | | | | | | | | |
| Major markets | | | | | | | | |
| North America | 1,741 | 35 | (119) | 1,657 | 362 | 211 | 2,230 | 13 |
| Great Britain | 797 | | (18) | 779 | 5 | 112 | 896 | 14 |
| Ireland | 627 | 5 | (1) | 631 | 1 | (7) | 625 | (1) |
| Spain | | 2 | (1) | 263 | 13 | | 298 | 8 |
| | 3,427 | 42 | (139) | 3,330 | 381 | 338 | 4,049 | 10 |
| Key markets | 1,450 | (27) | (22) | 1,401 | 136 | 94 | 1,631 | 7 |
| Venture markets | 845 | | (7) | 838 | 6 | 61 | 905 | 7 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Total premium drinks | 5,722 | 15 | (168) | 5,569 | 523 | 493 | 6,585 | 9 |
| Quick service restaurants | 1,042 | 1 | | 1,043 | 12 | 68 | 1,123 | 7 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Continuing operations | 6,764 | 16 | (168) | 6,612 | 535 | 561 | 7,708 | 8 |
| Discontinued operations | 4,199 | | | | | | 1,455 | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | 10,963 | | | | | | 9,163 | |
| | | | | | | | | |

Operating profit before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items

| | 2001 | Exchange | Disposals | 2001 restated | Acqui- itions | Organic growth | 2002 | Organic growth |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| | £ million | £ million | £ million | £ million | £ million | £ million | £ million | % |
| Premium drinks | | | | | | | | |
| Major markets | | | | | | | | |
| North America | 363 | 65 | (39) | 389 | 95 | 66 | 550 | 17 |
| Great Britain | 162 | | (7) | 155 | 3 | 46 | 204 | 30 |
| Ireland | 156 | (8) | | 148 | | 4 | 152 | 3 |
| Spain | 85 | (2) | | 83 | 7 | 4 | 94 | 5 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | 766 | 55 | (46) | 775 | 105 | 120 | 1,000 | 15 |
| Key markets | 447 | 2 | (10) | 439 | 41 | 44 | 524 | 10 |
| Venture markets | 219 | | (2) | 217 | 2 | 25 | 244 | 12 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Total premium drinks | 1,432 | 57 | (58) | 1,431 | 148 | 189 | 1,768 | 13 |
| Quick service restaurants | 177 | 18 | | 195 | 1 | (36) | 160 | (18) |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Continuing operations | 1,609 | 75 | (58) | 1,626 | 149 | 153 | 1,928 | 9 |
| | | _ | _ | | | _ | | |
| Discontinued operations | 518 | | | | | | 190 | |

2,127 2,118

Notes

(1) Organic growth is calculated for continuing operations only. Consequently, there are no organic figures presented for the packaged food businesses which were sold in October 2001.

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- (2) The exchange adjustments for turnover, net sales and operating profit before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items are principally in respect of the US dollar.
- (3) Disposal adjustments for turnover, net sales and operating profit before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items were in relation to the termination of the distribution rights for Stolichnaya vodka in the United States (£94 million, £81 million and £32 million, respectively); the sale of Croft and Delaforce port and sherry brands (£18 million, £14 million and £7 million, respectively); the disposal of Malibu rum (£12 million, £11 million and £6 million, respectively); the sale of Glen Ellen wines (£15 million, £14 million and £2 million, respectively); the disposal of Guinness World Records (£22 million, £22 million and £4 million, respectively); the sale of Dreher brands in Brazil (£24 million, £16 million and £6 million, respectively); and other disposals (£11 million, £10 million and £1 million, respectively).
- (4) Acquisition adjustments for turnover, net sales and operating profit before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items were in relation to the purchase of the Seagram spirits and wine businesses (£573 million, £451 million and £130 million, respectively); the acquisition of further equity interests in former associated companies (£120 million, £72 million and £18 million, respectively); and the purchase of quick service restaurants in the Netherlands (£12 million, £12 million and £1 million, respectively).
- (5) Organic growth percentages are calculated as the organic growth amount in £ million, expressed as a percentage of the 2001 restated figures.

Diageo group

The results of the group for the two years ended 30 June 2002 are summarised below.

| | Year ended 30 June | |
|---|-----------------------|-----------|
| | 2002 | 2001 |
| | £ million | £ million |
| Operating profit before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items | 2,118 | 2,127 |
| Goodwill amortisation | (12) | (26) |
| Operating exceptional items | (453) | (228) |
| | | |
| Operating profit | 1,653 | 1,873 |
| Share of profits of associates | 324 | 203 |
| Other exceptional items | 758 | (4) |
| Interest payable (net) | (399) | (350) |
| | | |
| Profit before taxation | 2,336 | 1,722 |
| Taxation | (632) | (435) |
| Minority interests | (87) | (80) |
| | | |
| Profit for the year | 1,617 | 1,207 |
| | | |

The group uses a weighted average exchange rate to translate the results of its US subsidiaries in its consolidated financial statements. For the year ended 30 June 2002, this rate was £1 = \$1.44 (2001 £1 = \$1.45).

On a reported basis, turnover decreased by £1,539 million (12%) from £12,821 million in the year ended 30 June 2001 to £11,282 million in the year ended 30 June 2002, following the disposal of Pillsbury in October 2001. For continuing operations, turnover increased by £1,205 million (14%) from £8,622 million in the year ended 30 June 2001 to £9,827 million in the year ended 30 June 2002. On an organic basis, turnover grew 8%. The Seagram acquisition contributed £573 million to turnover during the year.

Reported operating profit, before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items, decreased £9 million from £2,127 million to £2,118 million. Reported operating profit, before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items, for continuing operations increased by £319 million (20%) from £1,609 million to £1,928 million. Excluding the favourable effects of currency, operating profit before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items for continuing operations increased 14% and on an organic basis increased 9%. The results of Pillsbury, the packaged food business, are

included for the four months to its disposal on 31 October 2001. The Seagram spirits and wine

businesses, which were acquired on 21 December 2001, contributed £130 million to operating profit before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items.

Operating profit before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items, expressed as a percentage of turnover, was 18.8% in the year ended 30 June 2002 (2001 16.6%).

On a reported basis, marketing expenditure for continuing operations increased 16% from £1,031 million to £1,193 million. Organically, marketing expenditure increased by 10%.

Reported profit before goodwill amortisation, exceptional items, taxation and minority interests increased by £63 million (3%) from £1,980 million in the year ended 30 June 2001 to £2,043 million in the year ended 30 June 2002. In local currency terms this was a decrease of 1%. The net interest charge increased by £49 million (14%) from £350 million to £399 million in the year ended 30 June 2002.

Exceptional items before taxation were a gain of £305 million in the year ended 30 June 2002. After exceptional items, profit before taxation and minority interests increased by £614 million from £1,722 million to £2,336 million in the year ended 30 June 2002, and profit for the year increased by £410 million from £1,207 million to £1,617 million.

Premium drinks

Strong organic top line growth was achieved with turnover up 8%.

Reported turnover increased by £1,124 million (15%) from £7,580 million in the year ended 30 June 2001 to £8,704 million in the year ended 30 June 2002. Reported operating profit before exceptional items increased by £336 million (23%) from £1,432 million to £1,768 million. On an organic basis, turnover increased 8% and operating profit increased 13%.

Reported volume increased by 8% as a result of organic volume growth of 8% in global priority brands, 2% in local priority brands, a decline of 4% in category management brands (all brands other than global priority brands and local priority brands) and the addition of the Seagram brands, which had volume of 7.5 million equivalent cases. Volume growth of the global priority brands excluding RTD was 4%, in line with first half growth. Net sales of the global priority brands excluding RTD increased by 6% year on year against 5% growth in the first half.

Reported net sales increased by 15% to £6,585 million, driven by the 8% increase in volume and a combination of price increases, mix improvement and the continued growth of the RTD portfolio where net sales increased from £470 million to £814 million.

Reported marketing investment increased by 16% to £1,153 million. Marketing spend on the global priority brands grew by 10% to £774 million, particularly behind Smirnoff Ice in North America, the Keep Walking campaign for Johnnie Walker, and continued investment behind the successful Let Your Senses Guide You campaign for Baileys. Marketing investment as a percentage of net sales increased by 0.1 percentage points.

The acquisition of the Seagram brands, which include Captain Morgan, Crown Royal, Seagram s 7, Seagram s VO, Cacique, Windsor Premier, Myers s Rum and Sterling Vineyards, completed on 21 December 2001. The results for the year ended 30 June 2002 include the trading performance of that business for the six months ended 30 June 2002. During the period, volume of these businesses was 7.5 million equivalent cases, net sales were £451 million and operating profit was £130 million. Sales of Captain Morgan Gold have not met original expectations and therefore the total Seagram operating profit of £130 million earned in the period is after a provision of £24 million to follow up for the potential diminution in the value of product stock. Captain Morgan Gold was launched in May 2002 and in the period volume was 245,000 equivalent cases, net sales were £27 million and marketing costs were £16 million. See Trend Information below for an update.

Volume and net sales growth by brand classification

| | Equivalent cases | Volume growth | Net sales growth |
|------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | millions | | |
| Johnnie Walker | 10.6 | 1 | 4 |
| Guinness | 11.1 | | 5 |
| Smirnoff | 21.8 | 21 | 42 |
| J&B | 6.3 | 2 | 3 |
| Baileys | 5.7 | 10 | 9 |
| Cuervo | 4.2 | (2) | 2 |
| Tanqueray | 1.9 | | 1 |
| Malibu* | 2.2 | 7 | 6 |
| | | | |
| Total global priority brands | 63.8 | 8 | 13 |
| Local priority brands | 13.8 | 2 | 10 |
| Category management brands | 26.6 | (4) | (1) |
| | | | |
| | 104.2 | 4 | 9 |
| Acquisitions | | | |
| Seagram brands | 7.5 | | |
| Other | 2.0 | | |
| | | | |
| Total | 113.7 | | |
| | | | |

^{*} Sold 22 May 2002

| | Global priority brands | Local priority brands | Category management brands | Total |
|----------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|-------|
| | % | % | % | % |
| Volume growth by market | | | | |
| Major markets | | | | |
| North America | 14 | | (5) | 7 |
| Great Britain | 9 | 14 | 12 | 11 |
| Ireland | (1) | | 7 | |
| Spain | 6 | 6 | (6) | 4 |
| Total major markets | 10 | 5 | (3) | 7 |
| Key markets | 4 | (1) | (5) | |
| Venture markets | 5 | (16) | (5) | |
| Total | 8 | 2 | (4) | 4 |
| Net sales growth by market | | | | |
| Major markets | | | | |
| North America | 22 | (3) | (7) | 13 |
| Great Britain | 9 | 28 | 18 | 14 |
| Ireland | | 5 | (10) | (1) |
| Spain | 9 | 10 | 1 | 8 |
| Total major markets | 15 | 9 | (3) | 10 |
| Key markets | 10 | 10 | 1 | 7 |
| Venture markets | 10 | 16 | | 7 |
| Total | 13 | 10 | (1) | 9 |

Review by market

North America

Volume up 7%

Turnover up 12% Net sales up 13% Marketing up 15% Operating profit up 17%

Key drivers:

Volume of global priority brands up 14%

Growth of new products and improvements in product mix

The North American market continued its strong momentum. Reported turnover was up 28% from £2,092 million to £2,669 million in the year ended 30 June 2002. On an organic basis, this represented growth of 12%. Volume was up 7% and net sales grew 13%. During the year, organic operating profit growth was 17% and the Seagram spirits and wine businesses contributed £95 million to the total reported operating profit of £550 million.

Global priority brands posted strong growth, with volume up 14% over last year. The growth principally comprised strong performances by Smirnoff, Baileys and Johnnie Walker Black Label. Volume of J&B, Tanqueray, Johnnie Walker Red Label and Guinness declined.

Marketing spend increased over the prior year, by 15%, driven by investment in Smirnoff Ice as well as increases in Johnnie Walker Black Label, Malibu and Tanqueray.

Smirnoff continued to lead the global priority brand growth with strong performance in the core brand, where volume was up 9%, and strong growth in Smirnoff Flavours and Smirnoff Ice. Total net sales growth was therefore 68%. Smirnoff Ice has continued to show strong growth since its launch in January 2001 and volume grew from 1.1 million equivalent cases last year to 2.8 million equivalent cases.

Guinness net sales grew 9% despite a 1% volume decline, due to price increases and a favourable product mix. In its first nine months in the market, Guinness Draught in Bottles represented more than 10% of total Guinness volume in the North American market.

Johnnie Walker total volume grew 1%, whilst net sales grew 6% during the year due to a favourable mix between Johnnie Walker Black Label, which grew net sales 11%, and Johnnie Walker Red Label, where net sales declined 1%.

Baileys volume grew by 7% during the year, however net sales growth was impacted by the introduction of trial packaging formats and grew 4%.

Volume of J&B declined 10% in the year and net sales were down 7% as a result of price increases. Contribution after marketing improved, mainly as a result of reduction in marketing spend.

Tanqueray volume declined by 2% while net sales declined only 1% as a result of a change in product mix to more profitable product sizes and growing on-premise sales.

Cuervo volume was level for the year with net sales up 3% following last year s price increases to cover the rising agave prices. Towards the end of the year, volume performance improved, following selective price reductions.

Volume of Captain Morgan, a former Seagram brand, was level in the six months ended 30 June 2002 versus the six months ended 30 June 2001, as a result of substantial de-stocking of the brand. On a depletions basis, against the six months ended 30 June 2001, volume was up 9%. Captain Morgan gained 0.4 market share percentage points in the growing US rum category. The brand is responding well to renewed distributor focus and increased marketing exposure from the Captain Morgan Gold launch.

Volume of Crown Royal, another former Seagram brand, declined 2% in the six months ended 30 June 2002, again as a result of de-stocking and depletions were up 1%.

Some of the local priority brands showed weak performance with volume declines in Gordon s gin and Goldschlager. Overall, volume was level and net sales declined 3% during the year. Category management brands such as Popov and Gordon s vodka also declined during the year, with volume down 5% and net sales down 7%.

Innovation continued to impact the North American performance positively. During the year, Smirnoff Ice volume showed strong growth, with the brand achieving a market share of approximately 1% of the US beer market and maintaining its number one position in the RTD market. Smirnoff Ice now represents nearly one third of the sector after just 18 months in the market. New product formats such as the 24-ounce format performed very well, as did the 16-ounce PET format that can be sold in sites where glass bottles are forbidden, such as sports arenas. The Smirnoff Ice six-pack is now number one in terms of dollar sales in the premium beer category of the grocery channel. Launched in September 2001, Guinness Draught in Bottles has exceeded initial targets for the brand with volume of over 100,000 equivalent cases. Smirnoff Twist volume more than doubled to over 700,000 equivalent cases.

The former Seagram wines business was transitioned into a new business, Diageo Chateau & Estates Wines, combining the Seagram and existing Diageo wine businesses in North America.

Diageo s North American business has achieved substantial progress on its strategic agenda over the year. Most notably, the Next Generation Growth (NGG) strategy was launched in the year. See Item 4. Information on the Company Business Overview Marketing and distribution North America for further information.

Great Britain

Volume up 11%

Turnover up 14% Net sales up 14% Marketing up 12% Operating profit up 30%

Key drivers:

Growth of global priority brands with volume up 9%

14% volume growth of the local priority brands

Favourable product mix

Great Britain showed a very strong performance in the year ended 30 June 2002. Organic turnover growth was 14%. On a reported basis, turnover was up 13% from £1,304 million to £1,467 million in the year ended 30 June 2002. Operating profit was up 30% to £204 million. Key growth drivers were an increase in marketing spend, up 12% during the year and successful innovation. Three global priority brands, Smirnoff Red, Baileys and Johnnie Walker, continued to improve on the prior year s strong performance.

Smirnoff Red is the number one spirit in the GB market and volume was up 15% with net sales up 15%. Market share in the vodka category increased to 34%.

Baileys showed net sales growth of 18%, increasing its leading share of the creams category and suggesting that the brand is beginning to benefit from marketing aimed at reducing the seasonality of the product.

Johnnie Walker, which now sells over 50,000 equivalent cases in Great Britain, had net sales growth of 16% during the year following an increase in marketing spend.

Other brands also performed well. While Guinness volume was level due to weakness in the overall beer category, market share increased in the on-trade beer sector. Bell s volume grew 4% and Gordon s grew 7%. Pimm s, another local priority brand, showed strong growth, with volume up 18%, as innovation such as Pimm s Draught broadened the reach of the brand. In addition, the Diageo wine portfolio had an excellent year, with Blossom Hill volume growing 45%.

Innovation was an important element of the overall growth. There were new Smirnoff Ice offerings, including new pack formats such as multi-packs and a larger 70cl bottle. Gordon s Edge and Archers Aqua Raspberry were

also launched in the year. Great Britain has shown great success in the RTD category. Smirnoff Ice volume was up 19% year on year, significantly outpacing the growing RTD category and market share grew to 28%. Archers Aqua volume grew 179,000 equivalent cases, up from 41,000 last year. In April 2002, the duty rate for RTDs was increased and was passed through into an increase in retail prices. Subsequent market data suggests a negative impact on rate of sale in the on-trade across the category as a consequence. Diageo has already responded to this new challenge with the launch in August of Smirnoff Black Ice, a new vodka-based RTD designed to appeal to male consumers, and increased marketing support behind Archers Aqua and Smirnoff Ice.

Ireland

Volume level

Turnover down 1% Net sales down 1% Marketing up 3% Operating profit up 3%

Key drivers:

Guinness volume down 3% however performance improved in the second half

Market share increases for priority brands

In Ireland, Diageo s overall share of the beverage alcohol market has been maintained, with market share increases for most priority brands in their respective categories. Turnover was down 1% on both an organic and reported basis, from £942 million in the year ended 30 June 2001 to £937 million this year. However, as a result of margin improvements, operating profit was up 3% to £152 million.

The declining beer market and a continuing trend away from stout impacted Guinness sales, which account for 37% of Diageo s volume in the market. Although Guinness volume decreased during the year, increased advertising and marketing slowed the decline, from 4% in the first half of the year to 2% in the second half. For the year, the brand had a 3% volume decline and net sales were level.

Volume of Smirnoff increased by 3% overall and gained share. Smirnoff Red delivered strong performance with volume up 6% while volume of Smirnoff Ice declined by 14% against a decline in the first half of 17%. Smirnoff Ice achieved virtually full distribution at launch and after the high initial level of consumer trial, sales have settled to more normal levels. The rate of consumption in the on-trade was also impacted by aggressive trade price increases behind the brand s number one market share and brand strength. Smirnoff Ice has a market share of over 40% and from this base a trial of Smirnoff Ice on Draught began in over 400 outlets which has been met with a very positive response.

Baileys strong growth continued with volume up 7% with success in both the on and off-trade.

Budweiser and Carlsberg, which are agency brands, and which are, respectively, the number one and number three lagers in Ireland, each grew volume by 2% and made further market share gains in the sector.

Spain

Volume up 4%

Turnover up 7% Net sales up 8% Marketing up 7% Operating profit up 5%

Key drivers:

Volume and profit growth of priority brands

Marketing spend on J&B up over 25%

Spain reported turnover of £380 million in the year ended 30 June 2002, up 13% against the £335 million reported in the prior year. On an organic basis, this was growth of 7%. Volume was up 4% and net sales up 8% as

a result of improved brand performance, substantial price increases and increased marketing spend. Operating profit was up 5% to £94 million despite higher marketing on J&B, the costs associated with preparation for the launch in June 2002 of J&B Twist and a year on year change in the basis of recharge of J&B production costs to Spain.

Global priority brands showed strong performance with net sales growth of 9% and with many of the brands achieving market share gains. Performance in the six months ended 30 June 2002 was somewhat softer than that achieved in the first half as a result of the retailer buy-in during December in anticipation of an 8% duty increase in January.

J&B, which represents nearly half of Diageo s volume in Spain, has been the only exception to the aggressive pricing policy pursued in Spain. The brand continues to build on its number one market position. Marketing spend increased 27%. As a result, volume grew by 5%, net sales grew by 6% and market share increased slightly to 26%.

Johnnie Walker Black Label continued its positive trend with a 32% volume increase and a similar net sales increase. However, Johnnie Walker Red Label declined by 8% in volume and by 3% in net sales during the year after a price increase.

Following a 10% price increase, Smirnoff Red volume was down 3% although net sales increased by 6%.

Baileys volume grew 11% and net sales grew by 13%, supported by the Let Your Senses Guide You campaign and off-premise marketing.

Guinness, though still a relatively small proportion of Diageo s business in Spain, showed a 33% increase in volume over the year. Similarly, Cuervo, another relatively small brand in Spain, had very strong growth, with volume up 37% and net sales up 44%.

Cardhu, a local priority brand, increased volume 6% and net sales 10%. In addition, volume of Cacique, a former Seagram brand, which will be a local priority brand, increased 13% in the six months ended 30 June 2002 in the growing rum category. Cacique is the leader in this category by a clear margin and is making further share gains. Pampero showed continued strong growth, with volume up 22% and net sales up 34%.

Diageo launched its first RTD products across Spain in the year. J&B Twist was test marketed during the year and launched in June 2002. Smirnoff Ice, targeted to tourist locations, delivered a very strong performance in the year contributing to a 14% increase in net sales of the Smirnoff brand overall.

Key markets

Volume level

Turnover up 6% Net sales up 7% Marketing up 4% Operating profit up 10%

Key drivers:

Global priority brand volume up 4%

Strong volume and profit growth in Africa, Australia and Taiwan

Volume weakness in Latin America

Reported turnover in the year ended 30 June 2002 was £2,078 million, up 15% on the prior year figure of £1,807 million. Organically, this was growth of 6%. Overall growth in key markets, with operating profit up 10% to £524 million, was the result of very strong performance by several markets, most notably Africa, Australia, Greece and Taiwan. The performance of individual markets varied in the face of a challenging global economy and turbulent political situations particularly in Latin America. During the year, Seagram brands purchased by Diageo contributed £107 million to turnover and £23 million to operating profit.

Volume was level whilst net sales grew 7% over last year. This is a result of price and mix improvement. Marketing investment increased by 4%

Global priority brands accounted for more than half of key market volume and showed volume growth of 4% and net sales growth of 10% during the year. All of the global priority brands, with the exception of Cuervo, grew net sales with Guinness, Smirnoff, Baileys and Johnnie Walker Black Label performing particularly well as a result of both volume growth and price increases. RTDs, including, but not limited to, Smirnoff Ice, also showed strong performance.

Africa, representing nearly 40% of the key market volume, grew 7% in volume and 19% in net sales over last year. Guinness, which accounts for approximately a quarter of African volume, continued to perform well with volume up 6% and net sales up 23% due to price increases implemented to counter capacity constraints. Smirnoff, which accounts for 14% of the volume, grew 6% in volume terms and 25% in net sales. RTDs showed strong growth, with volume up 71%. Cameroon and Nigeria were impacted by capacity constraints and production was directed away from category management brands, towards the supply of higher margin Guinness. These capacity constraints have been addressed with the commissioning of two new production lines.

In Australia, volume grew 7% as a result of robust priority brand performance. Volume of priority brands increased with Johnnie Walker volume up 11% and Baileys volume up 20%. Baileys market share grew by 4 percentage points as a result of successful marketing programmes such as consumer sampling and Baileys Perfect Pour . Bundaberg Rum, a local priority brand, increased its volume by more than 10% and net sales by more than 25%. Smirnoff Red volume was up 29% in the year. Innovation, particularly around RTDs, is still a major factor in Australia s growth. Diageo s RTD products grew volume 40%. Volume of Johnnie Walker Red Label & Cola and Bundaberg & Cola was up significantly. Volume of Smirnoff Baltik, however, was down 37% in the year as a result of reduction in marketing spend. Volume of Stoli Ruski was up 12%, with the launch of a new flavour range. New products such as Archers Aqua and UDL Fusion were launched towards the end of the year.

Despite volatile economic and political conditions in Latin America, including economic crises in Brazil and Venezuela, operating profit increased year on year primarily as a result of growth in the first half. While overall volume declined across the region, Buchanan s volume grew 31% during the year, driven by a focus on effective marketing spend and a new advertising campaign. In Venezuela, Johnnie Walker volume was up 17% and Buchanan s was up 58% despite the challenging conditions. However, Johnnie Walker volume was down 12% across the region. One of the major factors in the volume decline was the performance of VAT 69 in Venezuela, with volume down 37%. During the year the price of VAT 69 was increased. In certain Latin American markets, Diageo mitigated risk by reducing stock levels and tightening credit terms. These actions, which substantially reduced exposure to debt risk and the possibility of stock write-offs, did impact volume performance. Additionally, Diageo reduced promotional spending in certain Latin American countries while maintaining media spend.

Korea is now Diageo s most profitable Asian market. Windsor Premier, previously owned by Seagram, continued to grow strongly with volume up 13% in the six months ended June 2002. However, Dimple, a local priority brand that is currently distributed by a third party, declined by 22%. From January 2003, Dimple will be distributed through Diageo s own in-market company.

In Taiwan, the continued success of the Keep Walking campaign, together with the innovations in route to market, resulted in 40% volume growth in Johnnie Walker. Overall volume growth in the market was 33% and contribution after marketing was also up 33%.

In Thailand, continued weakness in the economy led to volume decline of 8% although net sales were up 2%. Johnnie Walker, which represents nearly half of Diageo s volume in Thailand, and other global priority brands, continued to perform well, whilst Spey Royal, a local priority brand, suffered, with volume down 24%. Following test marketing during the year, Johnnie Walker One, a new RTD, was launched and supported by an advertising campaign that was implemented in July 2002.

In Greece, volume grew 8%. Johnnie Walker volume increased with both Johnnie Walker Red Label and Johnnie Walker Black Label showing strong off-trade performance. Smirnoff delivered 15% volume growth due to

increased marketing effectiveness, with marketing spend up 7%, and overall category growth. Baileys also showed a marked increase, driven by on-trade sales. Smirnoff Ice volume nearly trebled, moving to the number two position in the Greek RTD market, behind Diageo s Gordon s Space, to bring Diageo s total share of the RTD market to 64%.

The Global Duty Free market, which accounts for 8% of key market volume, was heavily impacted by the decrease in international travel following the September 11 attacks. Against this background, however, volume was down only 5% for the year which represents a strong relative performance, and contribution after marketing was in line with last year as a result of price and mix improvements.

Venture markets

Volume level

Turnover up 7% Net sales up 7% Marketing up 9% Operating profit up 12%

Key drivers:

Volume of global priority brands up 5%

Strong growth in the Caribbean markets

Latin American markets negatively impacted by poor economic conditions

In Diageo s venture markets, turnover growth was 7% on both a reported and organic basis. Reported turnover was £1,173 million in the year ended 30 June 2002, and £1,100 million in the previous year. Operating profit was up 12% to £244 million, led by top line growth in Asia, the Caribbean, the Middle East and across much of Europe. A reduction in travel retail business and tough economic conditions in Latin America and Germany partially offset this growth.

Volume was level during the year, though net sales increased by 7% as a result of higher value growth in global priority brands, price increases in Germany and other European markets, as well as price re-alignment across the Caribbean markets.

Across the venture markets, Diageo s global priority brands, which account for more than half of the volume, performed well, with volume growth of 5% and net sales growth of 10%. Johnnie Walker Black Label volume increased 5% with strong performances in Asia and the Caribbean as a result of sharper focus on marketing and improved route to market. Baileys also continued its growth, with volume up 7% and net sales up 9% across the venture markets despite a decline in Germany. During the year, local priority brands showed a decline of 16% in volume but an increase of 16% in net sales. There were only two local priority brands in the venture markets, Red Stripe in Jamaica and Gilbey s whiskey in India. While Red Stripe volume was up 6% and net sales up 8%, Gilbey s volume was down 28%. Category management brands showed a decline in volume of 5%, largely driven by declines in Gilbey s Gin in the Philippines and secondary whisky brands in Latin America. However, as a result of strong performance by Pampero in Italy, Buchanan s Deluxe in the Caribbean and Tiger in Malaysia, net sales was level for category management brands.

Marketing expenditure increased by 9% over last year, driven by heavy investment behind Smirnoff Ice in Switzerland, the Netherlands and Germany. Increases also occurred in Italy for Baileys and in the Caribbean market for Johnnie Walker Black Label.

In Latin America, especially in Argentina in the face of the economic crisis there, prices were increased on early signs of currency devaluation, and overall volume declined over 25%.

In Germany, volume of Johnnie Walker Red Label, Baileys and Cuervo were all adversely impacted by price increases, resulting in an overall volume decline of 5% in that market. Smirnoff Ice was launched in the second half of the year and has performed well.

In India, the global priority brands performed very well, with volume up 21%. Diageo is in the process of selling Gilbey s Green Label and White Label whiskies, a local priority brand.

The Philippines market showed weakness, with overall volume down approximately 20%, led by the 22% volume decline in Gilbey s gin.

Quick service restaurants

System sales up 1%

Total restaurants up 83 compared with 30 June 2001 to 11,455 Worldwide comparable restaurant sales flat North America comparable restaurant sales up 0.1% Operating profit down 18% to £160 million Reported operating margin down 2.8 percentage points to 14.2%

System sales were up 1% against a decline last year. Turnover was up 7% driven primarily by revenue generated by the increase in the number of Burger King owned restaurants.

The improvement in operational performance in Burger King, which began in the six months ended 31 December 2001, continued in the second half. In the second half, operating profit was down 5% compared with the six months ended 30 June 2001. Worldwide comparable restaurant sales were flat for the year against a 4% decline in the prior year. Net restaurant numbers have increased by 83 against an increase of 211 in the prior year.

In North America, system sales grew 0.6% partly as a result of a 0.1% growth in comparable restaurant sales. In the six months ended 30 June 2002 operating profit margins improved. The new management team continued to impose high standards for site quality. There was a net reduction of 135 in restaurant numbers compared with 30 June 2001.

Performance outside North America also improved in the second half. Full year comparable restaurant sales were level in Europe, down 4% in Asia Pacific and were level in Latin America. Operating profit improved in the second half and, in the full year, operating profit from the international operations was up.

On 25 July 2002, Diageo entered into an agreement to dispose of quick service restaurants.

Packaged food

The disposal of Diageo s worldwide packaged food business to General Mills was completed on 31 October 2001. Diageo now has a 22% equity interest in General Mills, which has been accounted for as an associated company. In the four months ended 31 October 2001, the Pillsbury company contributed turnover of £1,455 million and operating profit before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items of £190 million, compared with £4,199 million and £518 million respectively, in the year ended 30 June 2001.

Associates

The group s share of profits of associates before interest and exceptional items was £324 million for the year ended 30 June 2002 compared with £203 million for the year ended 30 June 2001. The group s 22% equity interest in General Mills is estimated to have contributed £143 million to operating profit before exceptional items in the eight months ended 30 June 2002.

Exchange

Exchange rate movements for the year ended 30 June 2002, including the effect of the currency option cylinders, favourably impacted profit before goodwill, exceptional items and tax by £84 million. The beneficial impact of exchange rate movements on the translation of overseas group trading profit was £92 million, £90 million at operating profit level and £2 million on the share of profits from associates. This added to a favourable impact on transactions in the year of £27 million, giving a net favourable impact on trading profit of £119 million. The favourable impact on premium drinks operating profit before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items was

£57 million, £26 million on translation of overseas profits and £31 million on transactions. Exchange rate related movements adversely affected the interest charge by £35 million.

Based on current exchange rates, it is estimated that the incremental impact from exchange rate movements on profit before exceptional items and tax for the year ending 30 June 2003 will not be material when compared to the year ended 30 June 2002.

For a discussion of Diageo s strategies for hedging against currency fluctuations see Item 11. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk Currency risk .

Post employment plans

Operating profit includes income of £29 million (2001 £31 million) arising from actuarial assessments of the UK and Irish pension plans. This income is unlikely to recur in the year ending 30 June 2003 following changes to the actuarial demographic assumptions underlying the plans and the effect of recent market conditions.

Diageo expects to continue to comply with the current UK accounting standard on pensions, SSAP 24, in its primary financial statements, subject to any requirement to fully comply with its replacement FRS 17. In the notes to the financial statements Diageo discloses that compliance with FRS 17, in the year ended 30 June 2002, would have resulted in a charge to operating profit before exceptional items of £99 million and a reduction in the interest charge of £110 million.

The consolidated balance sheet at 30 June 2002 includes a net asset before deferred tax for all post employment plans of £551 million. FRS 17 will require that this be replaced using market values at the period end. Diageo s net deficit before deferred tax under FRS 17, applying equity values and discounting the liabilities at bond rates as at 30 June 2002, for all significant defined benefit plans, would, prior to a surplus restriction of £16 million, have been £366 million.

Goodwill

Goodwill amortisation in the year was £12 million compared with £26 million in the previous year. Goodwill amortisation in respect of discontinued businesses accounted for £6 million (2001 £19 million) of this charge.

Exceptional items

Exceptional items are those that need to be disclosed by virtue of their size or incidence. Such items are included within the profit and loss account caption to which they relate, and are separately disclosed either in the notes to the consolidated financial statements or on the face of the profit and loss account.

Exceptional items before taxation in the year ended 30 June 2002 amounted to a gain of £305 million (2001 charge of £232 million) comprising £453 million (2001 £228 million) charged to operating profit, £41 million (2001 £nil) charged to share of profits of associates, a £22 million charge (2001 profit of £19 million) arising on the disposal of fixed assets and a gain of £821 million (2001 loss of £23 million) on the disposal and termination of businesses. Exceptional items charged to operating profit comprised integration costs of £212 million (2001 £74 million); the José Cuervo settlement of £220 million; and quick service restaurants net operating exceptional costs of £21 million (2001 £65 million). In addition, for the year ended 30 June 2001 exceptional costs were incurred in respect of production reorganisation costs in premium drinks of £54 million; business ownership restructuring of £25 million and restructuring costs in packaged food of £10 million.

The restructuring cost for the year ended 30 June 2002 included £48 million (2001 £74 million) in respect of the integration of the UDV (spirits and wine) and the Guinness (beer) businesses to create premium drinks. Approximately £18 million (2001 £32 million) of the costs were employee related, principally redundancy, £9 million (2001 £9 million) were legal and professional costs, £nil (2001 £7 million) were asset write downs, and the balance included consultancy and systems costs. The £48 million (2001 £74 million) integration cost comprised £15 million (2001 £32 million) in respect of global corporate functions, £5 million (2001 £15 million) on the integration of the spirits, wine and beer businesses in Great Britain, £12 million (2001 £12 million) on business services and £16 million (2001 £15 million) in other countries around the

world. Incremental synergy achieved in the year, as a result of the integration of the spirits and wine and beer businesses amounted to £43 million. As a result of the amount charged to the profit and loss account in the two years ended 30 June 2002, it is expected that 680 jobs will be lost of which 340 had been terminated by 30 June 2002. It is expected that the total costs of this integration will be approximately £170 million and that the remaining charge will be incurred next year. It is anticipated that approximately 750 jobs (including 680 jobs resulting from the charges in the two years ended 30 June 2002) will have been terminated, on the completion of the integration of the spirits and wine and beer businesses and that integration synergy will reduce Diageo s annual cost base by approximately £100 million in the year ending 30 June 2005. The above merger synergy represents the latest management estimate and, as a forward-looking statement, involves risk and uncertainty. The expected level of synergy is based on a number of assumptions, including certain expectations concerning: the integration of back offices and sales forces in subsidiary regional offices resulting in headcount reductions and rationalisation of facilities; headcount reductions in central and regional offices; and procurement savings through improvement of supplier terms.

The restructuring cost for the year ended 30 June 2002 included £164 million in respect of the integration of the Seagram spirits and wine businesses. Approximately £72 million of the costs were employee related, principally redundancies, £10 million were legal and professional costs, £36 million were asset write downs, and the balance included consultancy and systems costs. Of the £164 million integration cost, £20 million were in respect of global corporate functions, £114 million on the integration of the Seagram businesses in North America, and £30 million in other countries around the world. As a result of the amount charged to the profit and loss account in the year ended 30 June 2002, it is expected that approximately 1,200 jobs will be lost of which some 1,050 had been terminated by 30 June 2002. It is expected that the total costs of this integration will be approximately \$700 million (£460 million) and that the remaining charge will be incurred in the next two years. On completion of the program it is anticipated that 1,630 jobs will have been terminated and that integration synergy will reduce Diageo s annual cost base by approximately £115 million in the year ending 30 June 2005. The above merger synergy represents the latest management estimate and, as a forward-looking statement, involves risk and uncertainty. The expected level of synergy is based on a number of assumptions, including certain expectations concerning: the integration of back offices and sales forces in subsidiary regional offices resulting in headcount reductions and rationalisation of facilities; headcount reductions in central and regional offices; and procurement savings through improvement of supplier terms.

In the year ended 30 June 2001, £79 million costs were incurred in the reorganisation of beer production facilities in England and Ireland and the restructuring of ownership and management within premium drinks. Included in the costs were £35 million of employee related costs, principally redundancy, and £26 million of tangible fixed asset write downs. The reorganisation included the closure of the Dundalk packaging plant in Ireland, the restructuring of the Dundalk brewery and Belfast packaging plant both in Ireland and the restructuring of the packaging plant in Runcorn in England. Jobs lost were approximately 550 of which 410 had been terminated by 30 June 2002.

In addition, in the year ended 30 June 2001, packaged food incurred restructuring costs of £10 million in respect of production facilities in Pillsbury s Bakeries and Foodservice division.

On 5 February 2002, it was announced that Diageo and José Cuervo SA (Cuervo) had agreed to terminate their litigation in respect of a change of control issue which arose as a result of the merger of GrandMet and Guinness, and new arrangements were formalised for the distribution rights for the Cuervo brands in the United States which now extend to 2013. The settlement in favour of Cuervo involved the return of the group s 45% interest in Cuervo and a net cash payment of £85 million. The exceptional charge of £220 million (before tax) comprises the group s investment in Cuervo of £115 million, related goodwill previously written off to reserves of £20 million and the net cash payment to Cuervo.

During 2002, in anticipation of the disposal of the Burger King business, its franchisee loan financing arrangements have been restructured. This has resulted in an exceptional charge for credit enhancement, performance and service fees of £21 million. In 2001, the exceptional items in respect of Burger King comprised provisions of £49 million made against certain fixed assets, costs associated with litigation of £21 million, less £5 million of successor franchise fee income.

Exceptional items in respect of the disposal of fixed assets in the year ended 30 June 2002, included losses of £23 million relating to the disposal of tangible fixed assets in quick service restaurants.

Exceptional items in respect of associates represent Diageo s share of General Mills exceptional costs, totalling £31 million, in respect of its restructuring of the acquired Pillsbury business and of its cereal manufacturing operations. In addition, there is a £10 million exceptional loss in respect of Moët Hennessy.

The disposal of the Malibu brand, which was a condition of the acquisition of a portion of the Seagram spirits and wine businesses, resulted in a gain before taxes of £532 million. Pillsbury was sold on 31 October 2001 and generated a gain before taxes of £322 million, after writing back goodwill previously written off to reserves of £1,671 million. Other disposals in the year ended 30 June 2002 comprised Glen Ellen wines in North America resulting in a loss before tax of £52 million, Guinness World Records Ltd a gain before tax of £35 million and others a loss before tax of £16 million.

In the year ended 30 June 2001, the disposals of premium drinks brands in Latin America resulted in a profit of £28 million. Professional fees, retention bonuses and other costs totalling £51 million were incurred in the year relating to the Pillsbury/ General Mills transaction.

Interest

The interest charge in the year increased to £399 million from £350 million in the prior year. The net benefits of £45 million in respect of the disposal and acquisition of businesses and of £34 million from the reduction in interest rates were offset by other factors. These factors included the effect of exchange rate related movements of £35 million, the share of General Mills interest charge of £59 million (for the eight months ended 30 June 2002) and the funding of the share repurchases made during the year, which increased the interest charge by £20 million. For a discussion of Diageo s strategy for hedging against interest fluctuations see Item 11. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk Interest rate risk .

Income taxes

The group complied with FRS 19 Deferred tax for the first time during the year and the comparatives have been restated. The effective rate of taxation on profit before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items for the year ended 30 June 2002 was 25.0%, compared with 23.6% (restated) for the year ended 30 June 2001. The 2001 tax charge benefited from a two percentage point reduction, reflecting a low effective rate of taxation in respect of associated companies, which did not recur in 2002.

The effective rate of taxation on profit after goodwill and exceptional items for the year ended 30 June 2002 was 27.1% compared with 25.3% for the year ended 30 June 2001.

Year ended 30 June 2001 compared with year ended 30 June 2000

The organic growth calculations for turnover, net sales (turnover less excise duties) and operating profit before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items for the year ended 30 June 2001 were as follows:

Turnover

| | 2000 | Exchange | Disposals | 2000 restated | Acquisitions | Organic growth | 2001 | Organic growth |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------------|--------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| | £ million | £ million | £ million | £ million | £ million | £ million | £ million | % |
| Premium drinks | | | | | | | | |
| Major markets | | | | | | | | |
| North America | 1,717 | 174 | (3) | 1,888 | | 204 | 2,092 | 11 |
| Great Britain | 1,218 | | (4) | 1,214 | | 90 | 1,304 | 7 |
| Ireland | 927 | (15) | | 912 | | 30 | 942 | 3 |
| Spain | 494 | (15) | (170) | 309 | | 26 | 335 | 8 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | 4,356 | 144 | (177) | 4,323 | | 350 | 4,673 | 8 |
| Key markets | 1,615 | (7) | (33) | 1,575 | 127 | 105 | 1,807 | 7 |
| Venture markets | 1,146 | 12 | (113) | 1,045 | | 55 | 1,100 | 5 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Total premium | | | | | | | | |
| drinks | 7,117 | 149 | (323) | 6,943 | 127 | 510 | 7,580 | 7 |
| Quick service | | | | | | | | |
| restaurants | 941 | 70 | | 1,011 | 5 | 26 | 1,042 | 3 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Continuing | | | | | | | | |
| operations | 8,058 | 219 | (323) | 7,954 | 132 | 536 | 8,622 | 7 |
| Discontinued | 2,022 | | (==) | .,, | | | -, | |
| operations | 3,812 | 335 | (81) | 4,066 | 60 | 73 | 4,199 | 2 |
| - | | | | | | | | |
| | 11,870 | 554 | (404) | 12,020 | 192 | 609 | 12,821 | 5 |
| | | | | | | | | |

Net sales

| | 2000 | Exchange | Disposals | 2000 restated | Acquisitions | Organic growth | 2001 | Organic growth |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------------|--------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| | £ million | £ million | £ million | £ million | £ million | £ million | £ million | % |
| Premium drinks | | | | | | | | |
| Major markets | | | | | | | | |
| North America | 1,389 | 140 | (3) | 1,526 | | 215 | 1,741 | 14 |
| Great Britain | 731 | | (3) | 728 | | 69 | 797 | 9 |
| Ireland | 605 | (9) | | 596 | | 31 | 627 | 5 |
| Spain | 405 | (12) | (152) | 241 | | 21 | 262 | 9 |
| • | | | | | | | | |
| | 3,130 | 119 | (158) | 3,091 | | 336 | 3,427 | 11 |
| Key markets | 1,330 | (1) | (23) | 1,306 | 80 | 64 | 1,450 | 5 |
| Venture markets | 869 | 8 | (85) | 792 | | 53 | 845 | 7 |
| | | | <u> </u> | | | | | |
| Total premium | | | | | | | | |
| drinks | 5,329 | 126 | (266) | 5,189 | 80 | 453 | 5,722 | 9 |

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| Quick service restaurants | 941 | 70 | | 1,011 | 5 | 26 | 1,042 | 3 |
|------------------------------------|--------|-----|-------|--------|-----|-----|--------|---|
| Continuing operations Discontinued | 6,270 | 196 | (266) | 6,200 | 85 | 479 | 6,764 | 8 |
| operations | 3,812 | 335 | (81) | 4,066 | 60 | 73 | 4,199 | 2 |
| | 10,082 | 531 | (347) | 10,266 | 145 | 552 | 10,963 | 5 |
| | | | 47 | 7 | | | | |

Operating profit before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items

| | 2000 | Exchange | Disposals | 2000 restated | Acquisitions | Organic growth | 2001 | Organic growth |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------------|--------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| | £ million | £ million | £ million | £ million | £ million | £ million | £ million | % |
| Premium drinks | | | | | | | | |
| Major markets | | | | | | | | |
| North America | 317 | (15) | | 302 | | 61 | 363 | 20 |
| Great Britain | 150 | | (1) | 149 | | 13 | 162 | 9 |
| Ireland | 135 | 5 | | 140 | | 16 | 156 | 11 |
| Spain | 96 | 3 | (28) | 71 | | 14 | 85 | 20 |
| - | | | | | | | | |
| | 698 | (7) | (29) | 662 | | 104 | 766 | 16 |
| Key markets | 392 | 12 | (9) | 395 | 23 | 29 | 447 | 7 |
| Venture markets | 196 | 1 | (15) | 182 | | 37 | 219 | 20 |
| | | | — | | | | | |
| Total premium drinks | 1,286 | 6 | (53) | 1,239 | 23 | 170 | 1,432 | 14 |
| Quick service restaurants | 202 | | | 202 | | (25) | 177 | (12) |
| | | | _ | | | | | |
| Continuing operations | 1,488 | 6 | (53) | 1,441 | 23 | 145 | 1,609 | 10 |
| Discontinued operations | 492 | | (5) | 487 | 7 | 24 | 518 | 5 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | 1,980 | 6 | (58) | 1,928 | 30 | 169 | 2,127 | 9 |
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Notes

- (1) The exchange adjustments for turnover, net sales and operating profit before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items are principally in respect of the US dollar.
- (2) Disposal adjustments for turnover, net sales and operating profit were in relation to the sale of four European spirits brands (£105 million, £75 million and £18 million, respectively); the disposal of Cruzcampo beer business (£170 million, £151 million and £29 million, respectively); other premium drinks disposals (£48 million, £40 million and £6 million, respectively); and the sale of certain packaged food businesses (£81 million, £81 million and £5 million, respectively).
- (3) Acquisition adjustments for turnover, net sales and operating profit before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items were in relation to the acquisition of further equity interests in former associated companies (£127 million, £80 million and £23 million, respectively); the purchase of quick service restaurants in the Netherlands (£5 million, £5 million and £nil, respectively); and the purchase of certain packaged food businesses (£60 million, £60 million and £7 million, respectively).
- (4) Organic growth percentages are calculated as the organic growth amount in £ million, expressed as a percentage of the 2000 restated figures.
- (5) Global duty free operations are now reported in key markets and therefore the North American operating profit reported for the year ended 30 June 2000 has been adjusted, from that reported in 2000, by £10 million from £327 million to £317 million.

Diageo group

The results of the group for the two years ended 30 June 2001 are summarised below:

| | Year ended 30 June | |
|---|--------------------|-----------|
| | 2001 | 2000 |
| | £ million | £ million |
| Operating profit before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items | 2,127 | 1,980 |
| Goodwill amortisation | (26) | (17) |
| Operating exceptional items | (228) | (181) |
| | | |
| Operating profit | 1,873 | 1,782 |
| Share of profits of associates | 203 | 198 |
| Other exceptional items | (4) | (166) |
| Interest payable (net) | (350) | (363) |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Profit before taxation | 1,722 | 1,451 |
| Taxation | (435) | (387) |
| Minority interests | (80) | (74) |
| · | | |
| Profit for the year | 1,207 | 990 |
| | | |

The group uses a weighted average exchange rate to translate the results of its US subsidiaries in its consolidated financial statements. For the year ended 30 June 2001, this rate was £1 = $$1.45 (2000 \quad £1 = $1.60)$.

On a reported basis, turnover increased by £951 million (8%) from £11,870 million in the year ended 30 June 2000 to £12,821 million in the year ended 30 June 2001. For continuing operations, turnover increased by £564 million (7%) from £8,058 million in the year ended 30 June 2000 to £8,622 million in the year ended 30 June 2001. On an organic basis, turnover for continuing operations grew 7%.

Reported operating profit, before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items, increased £147 million (7%) from £1,980 million to £2,127 million in the year ended 30 June 2001. Reported operating profit before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items, for continuing operations, increased by £121 million (8%) from £1,488 million to £1,609 million. Excluding the favourable effects of currency, operating profit before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items for continuing operations increased 8% and on an organic basis increased 10%.

On a reported basis, marketing expenditure for continuing operations increased 11% from £932 million to £1,031 million. Organically, marketing expenditure for continuing operations increased 10%.

Reported profit before goodwill amortisation, exceptional items, taxation and minority interests increased by £165 million (9%) from £1,815 million in the year ended 30 June 2000 to £1,980 million in the year ended 30 June 2001. In local currency terms this was an increase of 8%. The net interest charge decreased by £13 million (4%) from £363 million to £350 million in the year ended 30 June 2001.

Exceptional items before taxation were a loss of £232 million in the year ended 30 June 2001. After exceptional items, profit before taxation and minority interests increased by £271 million from £1,451 million to £1,722 million in the year ended 30 June 2001, and profit for the year increased by £217 million from £990 million to £1,207 million.

Operating profit before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items, expressed as a percentage of turnover, was 16.6% in the year ended 30 June 2001 (2000 16.7%).

Premium drinks

Reported turnover increased by £463 million (7%) from £7,117 million in the year ended 30 June 2000 to £7,580 million in the year ended 30 June 2001. Reported operating profit before exceptional items increased by £146 million (11%) from £1,286 million to £1,432 million. On an

organic basis, turnover increased 7% and operating profit increased 14%.

Volume increased by 4% as a result of volume growth of 6% in global priority brands and 4% in local priority brands. Volume in other categories, which account for 30% of total volume and 28% of total net sales, declined 1% mainly due to continued weakness in other spirits, which were down 1%, and other wines, where volume was down 5% compared to last year.

Net sales increased by 9% to £5,722 million, driven by a combination of price increases, mix improvement and the continued growth of the ready to drink portfolio.

Volume and net sales growth by brand classification

| | Equivalent cases | Volume growth | Net sales growth |
|------------------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| | millions | % | % |
| Johnnie Walker | 10.6 | 3 | 7 |
| Guinness | 11.0 | 3 | 6 |
| Smirnoff | 18.4 | 12 | 52 |
| J&B | 6.2 | 2 | 4 |
| Baileys | 5.1 | 10 | 11 |
| Cuervo | 4.3 | (6) | 9 |
| Tanqueray | 1.9 | 4 | 7 |
| Malibu | 2.3 | 20 | 21 |
| | | | |
| Total global priority brands | 59.8 | 6 | 15 |
| Local priority brands | 14.2 | 4 | 8 |
| Other | 32.5 | (1) | (2) |
| | | | |
| | 106.5 | 4 | 9 |
| Acquisitions | 2.1 | | |
| | | | |
| Total | 108.6 | | |
| | | | |

Marketing investment increased 10% to £995 million. Marketing spend on the global priority brands grew by 15% to £708 million, particularly behind the launch of Smirnoff Ice in North America, the Keep Walking campaign for Johnnie Walker, and on Baileys. Marketing investment as a percentage of net sales increased by 0.2 percentage points.

| | Global priority brands | Local priority brands | Other brands | Total |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-------|
| | % | % | % | % |
| Volume growth by market | | | | |
| Major markets | | | | |
| North America | 6 | 4 | | 4 |
| Great Britain | 8 | 3 | | 6 |
| Ireland | 1 | (1) | (2) | |
| Spain | 7 | 23 | (10) | 4 |
| | 6 | 2 | (1) | 4 |
| Key markets | 4 | 4 | 1 | 3 |
| Venture markets | 10 | 8 | (5) | 4 |
| Total | 6 | 4 | (1) | 4 |
| Net sales growth by market | | | | |
| Major markets | | | | |
| North America | 21 | 13 | 1 | 14 |
| Great Britain | 16 | 3 | (3) | 9 |
| Ireland | 7 | 5 | 4 | 5 |
| Spain | 12 | 29 | (10) | 9 |
| | 17 | 7 | | 11 |
| Key markets | 10 | 12 | (4) | 5 |
| Venture markets | 15 | 8 | (6) | 7 |
| Total | 15 | 8 | (2) | 9 |

Review by market

North America

Volume up 4%

Turnover up 11% Net sales up 14% Marketing up 10% Operating profit up 20%

The North American market continued its strong growth. Reported turnover was up 22% from £1,717 million to £2,092 million in the year ended 30 June 2001. On an organic basis this represented growth of 11%. Volume was up 4%, net sales up 14% and operating profit up 20%. Johnnie Walker volume grew 3% and net sales rose 9%. This was the result of strong growth from Johnnie Walker Black Label, which increased market share by 3 percentage points. The Keep Walking campaign launched in February 2001 was a key driver of this growth. The standard Scotch category remains soft. J&B volume declined by 3%, against a decline of 15% last year, and this decline was offset by price increases resulting in net sales growth of 2%.

Smirnoff volume grew by 11% with the successful launch of Smirnoff Ice, which achieved a volume of 1.1 million equivalent cases, representing 14% of total Smirnoff volume. Excluding Smirnoff Ice, volume declined by 4%, as the price increases implemented last year to reposition the brand continued to impact volume, though net sales increased by 4%.

Baileys volume continued to grow and was up 5% in the year. Malibu volume grew by 29%. Cuervo volume continues to be affected by the shortage of agave, a key ingredient in tequila, and while volume was down 6%, net sales grew 8%.

Volume of local priority brands grew by 4% to 2.6 million equivalent cases. Buchanan s volume grew by 22% and net sales grew by 24%, following a 3% price increase. Beaulieu Vineyard continued to perform strongly with volume up 15% and net sales up 23%.

Marketing increased by 10% to £302 million mainly due to increases in spend behind flavoured Smirnoff line extensions and the introduction of Smirnoff Ice. Marketing investment behind Baileys was up 19% with the launch of the Celebrate campaign.

Great Britain

Volume up 6%

Turnover up 7%
Net sales up 9%
Marketing up 6%
Operating profit up 9%

In Great Britain, led by the continued growth of Smirnoff Ice, organic turnover growth was 7%. On a reported basis, turnover was up 7% from £1,218 million to £1,304 million in the year ended 30 June 2001. Volume increased by 6%, net sales grew by 9% and operating profit grew by 9%. Smirnoff volume grew 18% driven by strong performances by both Smirnoff Ice and Smirnoff Red. Smirnoff, excluding Smirnoff Ice, grew 4% driven by increased promotional activity and the brand sassociation with dance music events. Smirnoff Ice volume doubled to 0.8 million equivalent cases in its second full year following launch, reflecting trade distribution increases in both the off and on trade. In the on trade, distribution doubled to nearly 50%.

Baileys volume grew 14%, with continued growth in its share of both liqueurs and total spirits categories. Net sales grew 11%. Marketing investment increased by 30% over the prior year. Malibu volume declined by 2% as ready to drink products took some share from the specialities category; however, the second half performance showed signs of improvement driven by a successful advertising campaign.

Guinness volume increased 1% compared to a strong performance in the previous year, despite a decline of approximately 4% in the beer category. Growth has been driven by Guinness Draught Extra Cold and the rollout of the new Guinness fount. Marketing overall fell by 10%, reflecting the high level of investment in the Rugby World Cup in 1999.

Local priority brands volume grew by 3%. Bells volume grew by 3%, helped by marketing investment up 10% behind promotional activity at Christmas and a new advertising campaign. Archers Aqua, a new ready to drink product designed to leverage the female franchise of Archers, was launched in May 2001. The launch has been very successful with initial sales of 40,000 equivalent cases.

Ireland

Volume flat

Turnover up 3% Net sales up 5% Marketing investment up 9% Operating profit up 11%.

Turnover was up 3% on an organic basis and 2% on a reported basis, increasing from £927 million in the year ended 30 June 2000 to £942 million this year. The decline in Guinness volume in Ireland slowed from 4% in the year ended 30 June 2000 to 3% in the year ended 30 June 2001. In the Republic of Ireland, the long term decline in Guinness share of the long alcoholic drinks market has halted, and market share has remained constant at about 34% over the past year. Net sales grew by 1%. Marketing investment, which was 4% lower, was refocused around the Witness programme.

Smirnoff volume grew by 9% and net sales grew by 36%. Smirnoff Ice volume doubled to 118,000 equivalent cases. Smirnoff Ice is the market leader in premium packaged spirits in the Republic of Ireland with 50% market share. Smirnoff volume, excluding Smirnoff Ice, grew by 1% and net sales grew by 3%. Marketing investment grew by over 50% behind a new advertising campaign launched in December 2000.

Baileys volume and net sales both grew by 21%. Baileys has increased its market share in the year ended 30 June 2001 by 3 percentage points to 42%. Marketing spend increased with a year round media presence and sponsorship of television programmes.

Spain

Volume up 4%

Turnover up 8%
Net sales up 9%
Marketing up 14%
Operating profit up 20%

Spain reported turnover of £335 million in the year ended 30 June 2001, down 32% against the £494 million reported in the prior year. On an organic basis, this represented growth of 8%. As a result of continued strong growth in all key brands, volume increased by 4%, net sales grew by 9%, and operating profit grew by 20%. Reported movements were affected by the disposal last year of Grupo Cruzcampo SA. J&B volume grew by 7% while maintaining share. Price increases of 2% were implemented in October 2000. Marketing was up 1%. Johnnie Walker volume grew 1%, with a 24% growth in Johnnie Walker Black Label in response to the introduction of the Keep Walking campaign. Cardhu volume also grew strongly, up 23% to 169,000 cases, and net sales grew 29%. The premium malts category has been growing at about 20% per annum and Diageo s market share increased from 50% to 53%.

Smirnoff volume grew by 2%. This volume growth together with a significant price increase led to net sales growth of 27%. Marketing investment grew by 26%. Baileys volume grew by 6%, supported by the introduction of a year round advertising campaign, and marketing investment grew by 10%. Baileys net sales grew by 12% driven by price increases.

Malibu volume grew by 37% to 195,000 equivalent cases. Marketing investment grew by 38% behind the introduction of a new advertising campaign.

Pampero dark rum volume grew 60% to 100,000 cases and it is the fastest growing brand in the fastest growing premium drinks category of the Spanish market.

Key markets

Volume up 3%

Turnover up 7% Net sales up 5% Marketing up 10% Operating profit up 7%

Key markets operating profit and turnover grew by 7%, reflecting varied performance across a number of markets. Reported operating profit for key markets grew by 14% to £447 million, as East African Breweries and Bundaberg are now accounted for as subsidiaries following the acquisition of further shares. Reported turnover increased £192 million (12%) to £1,807 million in the year ended 30 June 2001 compared with £1,615 million in the prior year. This was despite the disposal in Brazil of certain non-core brands including Dreher.

In the African key markets, Guinness volume was up 8%, with strong growth in Nigeria and Cameroon driven by the Michael Power advertising campaign. Spirits volume was up by 8% driven by the performance of Smirnoff Ice in South Africa and Johnnie Walker in West Africa.

In Venezuela, where the economy has benefited from an increase in oil prices, the business has performed well and volume was up 77%. Johnnie Walker Black Label and Johnnie Walker Deluxe grew 30% and VAT69 volume tripled to 0.9 million cases. Overall the other Latin American markets designated as key (Brazil, Paraguay, Colombia and Mexico) reported results down compared with last year, as volume declined due to duty increases and distributor de-stocking.

In Thailand, economic conditions and an excise duty increase in April 2001 impacted the business performance. Volume declined by 2% and net sales declined by 1%. Marketing expenditure was up 66%, due to the impact of staging the Johnnie Walker Classic golf tournament.

In Taiwan, the successful introduction of the Keep Walking campaign for Johnnie Walker and a distribution drive for Johnnie Walker Black Label and Johnnie Walker Red Label into independent off trade retail led to a strong year. Johnnie Walker volume growth in total was 26% with Johnnie Walker Black Label up 69%.

Volume in Korea was up by 30%, with a 25% increase in Dimple volume to over 700,000 cases. Approximately 50% of the volume growth could be attributed to an increase in distributor stocks before the introduction of a new liquor purchase card in the market.

In Greece, there was strong volume growth across global priority brands. Gordon s Space volume was up 30% and it is the number one ready to drink brand in the market.

Venture markets

Volume up 4%

Turnover up 5% Net sales up 7% Marketing up 16% Operating profit up 20%

Reported turnover in venture markets was down 4% to £1,100 million in the year ended 30 June 2001, compared with £1,146 million in the prior year. Reported figures were impacted significantly by the disposal of four European spirits brands during the year ended 30 June 2002. Organic turnover growth was 5%. Operating profit increased by 20% to £219 million with strong performances in most markets. Volume grew by 4%, with global and local priority brands growing 10% and 8%, respectively. Net sales increased by 7% and marketing investment grew by 16%, reflecting increased investment behind Johnnie Walker Black Label and Baileys, as well as the launch of Smirnoff Ice in a number of markets. The European venture businesses performed well and although the Asian venture businesses had a challenging year, being impacted by economic down turn in Asia, overall they delivered both volume and profit growth compared with the year ended 30 June 2000.

Quick service restaurants

System sales down 1%

Total restaurants up 211 compared with 30 June 2000 to 11,372 Worldwide comparable restaurant sales down 4% North America comparable restaurant sales down 4% Operating profit down 12% to £177 million Reported operating margin down 2.9 percentage points to 17.0%

In the year ended 30 June 2001, reported system sales (sales by franchisee and owned restaurants to external customers) increased 9% from £7,117 million in the year ended 30 June 2000 to £7,722 million. This increase was attributable to exchange gains and on an organic basis system sales were down 1%. Total restaurants worldwide at 30 June 2001 were 11,372 up 2% compared with 30 June 2000.

In the year ended 30 June 2001, there were fewer restaurant openings and more closures in the year compared to the year ended 30 June 2000. In the year ended 30 June 2001, 550 new restaurants were opened against 796 new openings in the prior year. In addition, restaurant closures were 339 in the year, compared with 161 last year. These adverse movements were due to a weaker financial position of some parts of the franchisee system and a tightened lending environment. Reported operating profit fell by £25 million from £202 million to £177 million. Organically operating profit declined by 12% and operating margin was down 2.9 percentage points to 17.0%.

Worldwide comparable restaurant sales (sales by the same portfolio of restaurants for both periods) declined by 4%, with 4% decline in the United States. The decline in operating profit reflects the decline in worldwide comparable restaurant sales and the lower level of increases in restaurant numbers.

In North America, system sales were down 2%, which led to an 18% decline in operating profit. The North American business declined 24% in the second half of the year compared to a 12% decline in the first half. The reduction in the number of new restaurant openings and the closure of an increased number of poor performing restaurants has reduced profits.

The International business experienced a decline in comparable restaurant sales of 4%. The International business suffered significant decline in comparable restaurant sales in the second half, driven primarily by the slowdown in Europe, where comparable restaurant sales were down 9%. In addition, new restaurant openings were lower than in the prior year and 23 restaurants were closed in Poland and 45 in Japan as a result of the decision to exit this market.

Packaged food

Volume flat

Turnover up 2% to £4,199 million Marketing expenditure up 6% to £886 million Operating profit up 5% to £518 million Operating margin up 0.3 percentage points to 12.3%

Improved performance in Pillsbury North America was offset by the impact of softness in the Foodservice category. In the year ended 30 June 2001, reported volume was down 1% against the year ended 30 June 2000. Organically volume was flat. Pillsbury s turnover increased 2% to £4,199 million in the year ended 30 June 2001 as a result of higher pricing and improved mix of value added products in Pillsbury North America and volume growth in Pillsbury International. Overall top line growth was limited by Pillsbury Bakeries and Foodservice where turnover declined due to category softness and aggressive competitor activity. Investment in marketing activities, mainly in Pillsbury North America, increased 6% during the year to £886 million in support of new products and other growth initiatives. Growth in turnover, coupled with lower overheads, due in part to the restructuring actions taken last year, improved operating profit by 5% to £518 million in the year ended 30 June 2001 and operating margin by 0.3 percentage points.

Pillsbury s largest business, Pillsbury North America, achieved turnover growth of 4%. Operating margin growth was achieved as a result of pricing actions across the portfolio and volume increases in value added products. An increase of 7% in marketing investment provided the foundation for continuing growth.

Turnover increases were led by Progresso up 21%, Totino s up 9% and Old El Paso up 7%. Progresso continued to gain market share behind a 30% increase in marketing investment and the successful introduction of new products. Strong category performance and successful merchandising programmes drove Totino s growth during the year. Old El Paso returned to growth on the strength of Meal Dinner Kit products. Refrigerated Baked Goods achieved double digit operating profit growth driven by improved pricing, operational efficiencies and more efficient marketing investment. Frozen Breakfast turnover and profit declined during the year as competitive activities increased in the waffles segment and as expenditure increased in support of new product introductions.

Turnover for Pillsbury Bakeries and Foodservice declined 6% as the foodservice and in-store retail channels experienced softness due to weaker demand and increased competitor activity. These trends have impacted Pillsbury Bakeries and Foodservice sales to a number of quick serve and midsize restaurants and also volume sold through distributors. The reduction in turnover, combined with margin pressures from a more intense competitive environment, resulted in a 39% decline in operating profit during the year. In recent months Pillsbury Bakeries and Foodservice has made improvements which have lowered costs and streamlined manufacturing operations.

Turnover growth of 3% was achieved in Pillsbury International driven by volume increases in key markets such as the United Kingdom, Venezuela, the Middle East and Australia. The Häagen-Dazs and Old El Paso brands achieved strong volume growth. Turnover growth was limited by soft volume performance in Brazil and Argentina due to unfavourable economic conditions. Overall, increased investment in marketing and local infrastructure outweighed turnover gains during the year.

Associates

Profit from associates increased by £5 million from £198 million in the year ended 30 June 2000 to £203 million in the year ended 30 June 2001, an organic increase of 7%. Diageo s share of operating profit from Moët Hennessy increased by £20 million from £135 million to £155 million. During the year the group acquired additional ordinary shares in Bundaberg Distilling Investments Pty Limited in Australia and East African Breweries Limited which, as a result, became subsidiaries.

Exchange

Exchange rate movements during the year ended 30 June 2001, including the effect of the currency option cylinders, favourably impacted profit before goodwill, exceptional items and tax by £11 million. The adverse impact of exchange rate movements on the translation of overseas operating profit was £22 million, which was more than offset by the favourable impact on transactions in the year of £28 million, giving a net favourable impact on operating profit of £6 million. Exchange rate movements also favourably affected the share of profits of associates by £1 million and the interest charge by £4 million.

Goodwill

Goodwill amortisation in the year ended 30 June 2001 was £26 million compared with £17 million in the year ended 30 June 2000. The increase is in respect of Burger King and Pillsbury acquisitions.

Exceptional items

Exceptional items are those that need to be disclosed by virtue of their size or incidence. Such items are included within the profit and loss account caption to which they relate, and are separately disclosed either in the notes to the consolidated financial statements or on the face of the profit and loss account.

Exceptional items before taxation in the year ended 30 June 2001 amounted to £232 million (2000 £347 million) comprising £228 million (2000 £181 million) charged to operating profit, £19 million profit (2000 £5 million) arising on the disposal of fixed assets and a loss of £23 million (2000 £168 million) on the disposal and termination of businesses. Exceptional items charged to operating profit comprised integration costs of £74 million (2000 83 million); production reorganisation costs in premium drinks of £54 million (2000 £nil); business ownership restructuring of £25 million (2000 £nil); integration and restructuring costs in packaged food of £10 million (2000 £43 million); quick service restaurants net operating exceptional costs of £65 million (2000 £55 million). In addition, for the year ended 30 June 2000 exceptional charges included reorganisation costs in respect of Ice Cream Partners in the packaged food business of £3 million.

The restructuring cost for the year ended 30 June 2001 included £74 million in respect of the integration of the UDV (spirits and wine) and the Guinness (beer) businesses to create premium drinks. Approximately £32 million of the costs were employee related, principally redundancy, £7 million were asset write downs, and the balance included consultancy and systems costs. The £74 million integration cost comprised £32 million in respect of global corporate functions, £15 million on the integration of the spirits and wine businesses in Great Britain, £12 million on business services and £15 million in other countries around the world. Synergies achieved in the year, as a result of the integration of the spirits and wine and beer business during the year, amounted to £18 million. The integration and restructuring costs in the year ended 30 June 2000 comprised the final charge of £83 million in respect of the Merger of GrandMet and the Guinness Group.

In the year ended 30 June 2001, £54 million costs were incurred in the reorganisation of beer production facilities in Great Britain and Ireland. Included in the costs were £23 million of employee related costs, principally redundancy, and £26 million of tangible fixed asset write downs. The reorganisation included the closure of the Dundalk packaging plant in Ireland, the restructuring of the Dundalk brewery and Belfast packaging plant both in Ireland and the restructuring of the packaging plant in Runcorn in England.

In the year ended 30 June 2001, £25 million costs arose from the restructuring of ownership and management within premium drinks. Approximately £12 million costs were employee related and the balance included branch establishment and systems development costs.

Packaged food incurred restructuring costs of £10 million in respect of production facilities in Pillsbury s Bakeries and Foodservice division (2000 £43 million for the integration of DCA Bakery and organisational changes).

In the year ended 30 June 2001, exceptional items also included three items relating to Burger King. Following a review by management, provisions of £49 million have been made against certain fixed assets. In addition, there were costs associated with litigation amounting to £21 million. These costs have been partly offset by exceptional income of £5 million in respect of successor franchise fees. As part of its transformation programme, Burger King has incentivised franchisees with phased royalty changes for a specified time if they agree to a new successor franchise agreement and to upgrade and migrate their existing restaurants to the current image requirements within 18 months for the financial year 2000 programme and 12 months for the financial year 2001 programme. The successor franchise agreement involves the receipt of franchise renewal fees, which were reported as exceptional income in the years ended 30 June 2001 and 2000.

In the year ended 30 June 2000, exceptional items also included three exceptional items relating to Burger King amounting to a net charge of £55 million. Litigation damages of £34 million were awarded by an Australian court in a legal dispute with Burger King s Australian franchisee, Hungry Jack s Pty Ltd. In addition, £38 million was incurred to minimise the interruption of product supply to its entire system and to ensure a smooth transition to Burger King s new US regional distributors following AmeriServe s bankruptcy filing in January 2000. The successor franchise fee income for the year ended 30 June 2000 was £17 million.

In the year ended 30 June 2001, the disposals of premium drinks brands in Latin America resulted in a profit of £28 million. Professional fees, retention bonuses and other costs totalling £51 million were incurred in the year relating to the Pillsbury/ General Mills transaction.

In the year ended 30 June 2000, the disposals of spirits and wine brands, principally in Europe, resulted in a charge of £247 million, of which £214 million was in respect of goodwill previously written off. The sale of Grupo Cruzcampo SA to Heineken NV resulted in an exceptional gain of £82 million, after charging £224 million in respect of goodwill previously written off.

Exceptional items in respect of the disposal of fixed assets in the year ended 30 June 2001, included a gain of £17 million relating to the sale in premium drinks of land in Ireland.

Interest

The interest charge in the year ended 30 June 2001 decreased to £350 million from £363 million in the prior year. The benefits in respect of the disposal of businesses and cash flow were partly offset by the funding of acquisitions and share repurchases.

Income taxes

The group complied with FRS 19 Deferred tax for the first time during the year ended 30 June 2002, and the two years ended 30 June 2001 have been restated. The effective rate of taxation on profit before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items for the year ended 30 June 2001 was 23.6% (restated from 23.0%), compared with 25.2% (restated from 26.2%) for the year ended 30 June 2000. Two percentage points of the reduction in the effective rate reflects a low effective rate of taxation in respect of associated companies which is not expected to recur.

The effective rate of taxation on profit after goodwill and exceptional items for the year ended 30 June 2001 was 25.3% compared with 26.7% for the year ended 30 June 2000.

CRITICAL UK GAAP ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and judgments. Diageo s accounting policies are set out on pages F-8 to F-10 of the consolidated financial statements. Of these policies, the Board considers that policies in relation to the following areas are of greater complexity and/or particularly subject to the exercise of judgment.

Brands

Acquired brands are held on the consolidated balance sheet at cost. Where brands are regarded as having indefinite useful economic lives, they are not amortised. Assessment of the useful economic life of an asset, or that an asset has an indefinite life, requires considerable management judgment. Impairment reviews are carried out to ensure that intangible assets, including brands, are not carried at above their recoverable amounts. In particular, the group performs a discounted cash flow analysis annually to compare discounted estimated future operating cash flows to the net carrying value of each acquired brand. Any impairment write downs identified are charged to the profit and loss account. The test is dependent on management estimates and judgments, in particular in relation to the forecasting of future cash flows, and the discount rate applied to these cash flows.

Acquisitions

Diageo acquired part of the spirits and wine businesses of Seagram on 21 December 2001. The fair value of the tangible net assets of the businesses that Diageo has retained has been provisionally estimated at £0.7 billion. The excess of the £3.5 billion purchase consideration over the fair value of the net assets, (excluding businesses held for resale) provisionally estimated at £2.8 billion, is accounted for as intangible assets. The fair values of the net assets of the businesses that Diageo has retained continue to be assessed and this may result in a decrease or increase in their recorded value.

Post employment benefits

Diageo accounts for post employment benefits under accounting standard SSAP24, and provides additional disclosures in accordance with FRS17. Application of SSAP24 requires the exercise of judgment in relation to assumptions for future pay rises in excess of inflation, employee demographics and the future expected returns on assets. Diageo determines the assumptions to be adopted in discussion with its actuaries, and believes these assumptions to be in line with UK practice generally, but the application of different assumptions could have a significant effect on the amounts reflected in the profit and loss account and balance sheet in respect of post employment benefits.

Operating exceptional items

Operating exceptional items are material items that arise from events or transactions that fall within the ordinary activities of the group and by virtue of their size or incidence, should be separately disclosed if the financial statements are to properly reflect the results for the period. The determination of which items should be separately disclosed as operating exceptional items requires a significant degree of judgment.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Cash flow. A summary of the cash flow and reconciliation to movement in net borrowings for the three years ended 30 June 2002 is as follows:

| | Year ended 30 June | | |
|---|--------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 |
| | £ million | £ million | £ million |
| Operating profit before exceptional items | 2,106 | 2,101 | 1,963 |
| Goodwill amortisation | 12 | 26 | 17 |
| | 2.110 | 2.127 | 1.000 |
| Operating profit before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items | 2,118 | 2,127 | 1,980 |
| Depreciation and other amortisation | 302 | 377 | 348 |
| Working capital | (125) | (54) | (62) |
| Restructuring and integration | (148) | (144) | (198) |
| Other items | (139) | (30) | (25) |
| | | | |
| Operating cash flow | 2,008 | 2,276 | 2,043 |
| Interest less dividends from associates | (313) | (376) | (368) |
| Taxation | (311) | (230) | (285) |
| Purchase of own shares | (64) | (54) | (38) |
| Net capital expenditure | (528) | (396) | (488) |
| | | | |
| Free cash flow | 792 | 1,220 | 864 |
| Acquisitions and disposals | 1,508 | (105) | 487 |
| Equity dividends paid | (758) | (725) | (683) |
| Issue of share capital | 11 | 31 | 12 |
| Own shares purchased for cancellation | (1,658) | (108) | (54) |
| Redemption of guaranteed preferred securities | | (39) | |
| Exchange | 267 | (229) | (119) |
| Non-cash items | (179) | 21 | 4 |
| | | | |
| (Increase)/decrease in net borrowings | (17) | 66 | 511 |
| | | | |

The primary sources of the group s liquidity over the last three fiscal years have been cash generated from operations and cash received from dispositions. A portion of these funds has been used to fund acquisitions, to pay interest, dividends and taxes, and to fund capital expenditure.

Free cash inflow generated was £792 million, compared with £1,220 million in the year ended 30 June 2001 and £864 million in the year ended 30 June 2000. Cash inflow, in the year ended 30 June 2002, from operating activities was £2,008 million (2001 £2,276 million; 2000 £2,043 million). Discontinued operations contributed £156 million (2001 £564 million; 2000 £430 million) to operating cash flow and the Seagram spirits and wine businesses acquired on 21 December 2001 contributed £153 million. Operating cash flow was after £148 million of restructuring and integration costs compared with £144 million and £198 million in the years ended 30 June 2001 and 30 June 2000 respectively. The increase in the year ended 30 June 2002 largely arose because of costs incurred on the integration of the Seagram spirits and wine businesses of £69 million offset by a reduction in reorganisation costs. Operating cash flow in the year ended 30 June 2002 was after the net payment to José Cuervo of £85 million. Working capital increased by £125 million in the year ended 30 June 2002 compared to an increase of £54 million and £62 million in the comparative years. Interest payments including dividends paid to equity minority interests were £400 million compared with £477 million in the year ended 30 June 2001 and £432 million in the year ended 30 June 2000. Purchases of tangible fixed assets in the current year amounted to £585 million (2001 £439 million; 2000 £547 million) and were attributable to the following segments: premium drinks £330 million, quick service restaurants £222 million and packaged food £33 million (2001 £176 million, £150 million and £113 million, respectively; 2000 £262 million, £120 million and £165 million, respectively). There were no individually significant expenditures on tangible fixed assets during the three years ended 30 June 2002. The company spent £64 million on the purchase of its

own ordinary shares for employee option schemes compared to £54 million in the prior year and £38 million in the year ended 30 June 2000. Tax payments were higher in the year ended 30 June 2002 than the comparable years at £311 million due principally to recovery of advance corporation tax paid in the United Kingdom in previous years.

Sale of businesses generated £5,100 million (2001 £31 million; 2000 £638 million) arising principally from the disposal of Pillsbury and the subsequent sale of shares in General Mills to General Mills of £4,179 million, the disposal of the Malibu brand for £554 million and the subsequent sale of businesses acquired with Seagram of £203 million. The sale consideration received in the year ended 30 June 2001 included the net proceeds in respect of the sale of UDV Indústria e Comércio Ltda in Brazil, less costs in respect of the combination of Pillsbury with General Mills. The sale consideration received in the year ended 30 June 2000 included the net proceeds from the sale of Grupo Cruzcampo SA and the sale of four European premium drinks brands.

The consideration received in the year ended 30 June 2002 was offset by acquisitions costing £3,592 million (2001 £136 million; 2000 £151 million). The spirits and wine businesses of Seagram in the year ended 30 June 2002 cost £3,533 million. The amounts spent on acquisitions in the year ended 30 June 2001 included £56 million on the remaining 50% equity interest in the Bundaberg Distilling Investments Pty Limited in Australia.

Capital repayments. The group s management is committed to enhancing shareholder value, both by investing in the businesses and brands so as to improve the return on investment and by managing the capital structure so as to reduce the cost of capital, while maintaining prudent financial ratios. See Item 11. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk Interest rate risk.

The company acquired, and subsequently cancelled, 198 million (2001 17.8 million; 2000 9.5 million) ordinary shares during the year ended 30 June 2002 for a consideration including expenses of £1,658 million (2001 £108 million; 2000 £54 million). The group continues to review its capital structure and will continue to conduct share buy-backs when appropriate.

Borrowings. The group s policy is to maintain the proportion of borrowings maturing within one year at below 60% of total borrowings, and to maintain the level of commercial paper at below 50% of total borrowings. In addition, it is group policy to maintain backstop facility terms from relationship banks to support commercial paper obligations.

The group s net borrowings comprise the following:

| | | As at 30 June | | | |
|--|-----------|---------------|-----------|--|--|
| | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 | | |
| | £ million | £ million | £ million | | |
| Total borrowings | (7,429) | (7,595) | (6,782) | | |
| Finance leases | (28) | (41) | (39) | | |
| Offset by: | | | | | |
| Cash and bank deposits | 1,596 | 1,842 | 1,063 | | |
| Interest rate and foreign currency swaps | 365 | 315 | 213 | | |
| | | | | | |
| | (5,496) | (5,479) | (5,545) | | |
| | | | | | |

The group s net borrowings (after the impact of foreign currency swaps) were denominated in the following currencies:

| | Net borrowings | Net borrowings Total US doll | | | | |
|------|----------------|------------------------------|----|-----|----|---|
| | | £ million | % | % | % | % |
| 2002 | | (5,496) | 86 | (9) | 21 | 2 |
| 2001 | | (5,479) | 81 | (4) | 21 | 2 |
| 2000 | | (5.545) | 76 | (1) | 22 | 3 |

Cash and bank deposits were denominated in the following currencies (bank deposits represent amounts placed with financial institutions which require notice of withdrawals of more than 24 hours to avoid an interest penalty):

| Cash and bank deposits | Total | US dollar | Sterling | Euro currencies | Other |
|------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|--------------------|-------|
| | £ million | % | % | % | % |
| 2002 | 1,596 | 46 | 33 | 7 | 14 |
| 2001 | 1,842 | 43 | 29 | 11 | 17 |
| 2000 | 1,063 | 21 | 46 | 10 | 23 |

The effective interest rate for the year ended 30 June 2002, based on average net borrowings was 7.4% (2001 6.2%; 2000 6.3%).

The maturities of the borrowings due within one year for 2002 were £3,687 million (2001 £3,587 million; 2000 £3,081 million) and due after five years were £624 million (2001 £686 million; 2000 £963 million).

As at 30 June

7,059

6,429

The following table summarises the group s borrowings excluding overdrafts and net of interest rate and foreign currency swaps.

| | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 |
|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | £ million | £ million | £ million |
| lobal bonds | 657 | 707 | 656 |
| ankee bonds | 788 | 850 | 1,673 |
| ero coupon bonds | 714 | 710 | 609 |
| uaranteed notes | 263 | 497 | 460 |
| epurchase agreements | | 800 | 500 |
| referred capital securities | 493 | 532 | |
| ledium term notes | 1,067 | 832 | 716 |
| ommercial paper | 1,600 | 1,310 | 857 |
| thers | 1,215 | 821 | 958 |

6,797

During the year ended 30 June 2002 the group borrowed £0.5 billion in the form of guaranteed bonds and £0.4 billion in the form of medium term notes. The guaranteed bonds mature in 2003. The medium term notes are repayable before 2003. During the year ended 30 June 2001 the group borrowed £0.8 billion in the form of preferred capital securities and repurchase agreements and £0.5 billion in the form of medium term notes. The preferred capital securities (£0.5 billion), and the repurchase agreements (£0.3 billion) are repayable on demand (with 30 and 5 days notice, respectively). The medium term notes were repayable before 2002. During the year ended 30 June 2000, the group borrowed £1.5 billion in the form of medium term notes and Yankee bonds. The medium term notes, £0.7 billion, are repayable before 2009, and the Yankee bonds, £0.8 billion, were due one year after the date of drawdown. Also, the group entered into a £500 million five year repurchase agreement, which it guaranteed to repay on demand. These borrowings were used to refinance certain short term borrowings, which became repayable during the year.

The £17 million increase in net borrowings from 30 June 2001 to 30 June 2002 includes free cash inflow of £792 million noted above, net receipts for sales/purchases of businesses of £1,508 million and increases due to exchange movements of £267 million, less dividends paid of £758 million and own shares purchased for cancellation of £1,658 million. The £66 million decrease in net borrowings from 30 June 2000 to 30 June 2001 reflects the free cash inflow of £1,220 million noted above less net payments from sales/purchases of businesses of £105 million, dividends paid of £725 million and decrease due to exchange movements of £229 million.

At 30 June 2002, the group had available undrawn committed bank facilities of £2,105 million (2001 £2,269 million; 2000 £2,270 million). Of the facilities, £1,250 million expire in the period up to May 2003 and £855 million expire in the period up to May 2007. Commitment fees are paid on the undrawn portion of these

facilities. Borrowings under these facilities will be at prevailing LIBOR rates plus an agreed margin, which is dependent on the period of drawdown. These facilities can be used for general corporate purposes and, together with cash and cash equivalents, support the group s commercial paper programmes. The committed bank facilities are subject to a minimum interest cover ratio (defined as the ratio of UK GAAP trading profit to net interest, trading profit being the profit on ordinary activities before taking into account exceptional items charged to operating profit and profits on the sale of property and net interest) of 2 times.

Capital commitments not provided for at 30 June 2002 were estimated at £43 million (2001 £69 million; 2000 £50 million).

On 31 October 2001, Diageo completed the disposal to General Mills of the worldwide operations of Pillsbury. The group received \$3,830 million on the disposal and a further \$2,318 million on 5 November 2001 when it sold 55 million of its General Mills shares, as described under Item 10. Additional Information Material Contracts Agreement for the combination of Pillsbury and General Mills . The proceeds were used to fund the acquisition of the Seagram spirits and wine businesses, to conduct share buy backs and to reduce borrowing levels.

Diageo management believes that it has sufficient funding for its working capital requirements.

Maturity analysis of borrowings, finance and operating lease obligations

| | Less than one year | One to two years | Two to | Three to four years | Four to five years | After five years | Total |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------|---------------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------|
| | £ million | £ million | £ million | £ million | £ million | £ million | £ million |
| Borrowings (net of interest rate | | | | | | | |
| and foreign currency swaps) | 3,687 | 1,810 | 611 | 329 | 3 | 624 | 7,064 |
| Finance leases | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 47 | 76 |
| Operating leases | 138 | 119 | 111 | 97 | 88 | 564 | 1,117 |

In addition there are contractual commitments in respect of various long term purchase contracts entered into for the supply of certain raw materials, principally grapes, cans and glass bottles. These contracts are used to guarantee supply of raw materials over the long term and to enable more accurate predictions of future costs. It is expected that all contractual commitments be funded from future operating cash flows and no new borrowings will be required to meet these obligations.

In connection with the disposal of Pillsbury, Diageo has guaranteed the debt of a third party to the amount of \$200 million (£132 million). Including this guarantee, but net of the amount provided in the consolidated financial statements, the group has given performance guarantees and indemnities to third parties of £102 million (2001 £47 million).

RECONCILIATION TO US GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES (US GAAP)

Diageo plc is a public limited company incorporated under the laws of England and Wales and the group s financial statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) applicable in the United Kingdom. UK GAAP differs in certain significant respects from US GAAP. The differences in respect of net income are summarised below.

| | | Year ended 30 June | |
|---|-----------|--------------------|-----------|
| | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 |
| | £ million | £ million | £ million |
| Turnover UK GAAP | 11,282 | 12,821 | 11,870 |
| US GAAP | 10,760 | 11,868 | 11,015 |
| | | | |
| Effect on net income of major differences between UK and US GAAP: | | | |
| Net income in accordance with UK GAAP | 1,617 | 1,207 | 990 |
| Adjustments to conform with US GAAP: | | | |
| Brands, goodwill and other intangibles | (137) | (442) | (409) |
| Inventories | (58) | (74) | (94) |
| Disposals of businesses | 1,022 | | 243 |
| Contingent value rights in General Mills shares | 166 | | |
| Other items | 18 | (59) | (2) |
| Deferred taxation | (74) | 126 | 70 |
| Net income in accordance with US GAAP | 2,554 | 758 | 798 |

Turnover. UK GAAP turnover (sales in US terminology) was £522 million (2001 £953 million; 2000 £855 million) higher than turnover under US GAAP, as (i) following the adoption of EITF 01-09 certain marketing expenditure has been reclassified from selling, general and administrative expenses to a reduction in sales under US GAAP and (ii) the accounting treatment of joint arrangements (between the group and LVMH) is different. Under UK GAAP, the group includes in turnover its attributable share of turnover of joint arrangements, measured according to the terms of the arrangement. Under US GAAP joint arrangements are accounted for under the equity method of accounting and the group s share of sales of the joint arrangements is not included as part of group sales. Under UK GAAP, sales to joint arrangements by Diageo companies are eliminated on consolidation, but under US GAAP are accounted for as part of external sales. All of the joint arrangements are included in the premium drinks segment.

Net income. The accounting treatment for the merger of the former GrandMet Group and the former Guinness Group was different between UK and US GAAP. For UK GAAP, the merger of the GrandMet Group and the Guinness Group was accounted for under merger accounting principles (pooling of interests) where the results, cash flows and balance sheets of both entities, having made adjustments to achieve uniformity of accounting policies, were aggregated with no adjustment to fair value. Under US GAAP, the merger was accounted for as an acquisition of the Guinness Group by GrandMet with an effective acquisition date of 31 December 1997. Consequently, the Guinness Group assets and liabilities were recorded at fair values on 31 December 1997. Under US GAAP, the excess of the consideration over the fair value of the net assets has been allocated firstly to identifiable intangible assets based on their fair values with the remainder allocated to goodwill. Fair value adjustments to the recorded amounts of inventories, net of deferred tax, are expensed in the period in which the inventory is utilised.

Brands, goodwill and other intangibles. Under UK GAAP, all intangible assets acquired up to 30 June 1998, other than certain brands have been written off direct to retained surplus in the period acquired. Intangible assets acquired since 1 July 1998 are capitalised on the balance sheet. Where the intangible assets are regarded as having limited useful economic lives, their cost is amortised over those lives; where they are regarded as having indefinite useful economic lives, they are not amortised but are subject to impairment reviews. From 1 July 2001, Diageo applied the requirements of SFAS No. 142 (Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets) to its US GAAP results. SFAS No. 142 requires that brands, goodwill and other intangible assets with indefinite lives, should not

be amortised but be reviewed at least annually for impairment. Application of SFAS No. 142 has resulted in a nil charge under US GAAP for amortisation of brands and goodwill for the year ended 30 June 2002. For the year ended 30 June 2001, amortisation of brands and goodwill resulted in an additional charge of £442 million (2000 £409 million) under US GAAP.

As at 30 June 2002 under US GAAP, an impairment in the carrying value of goodwill attributable to the group $\,$ s quick service restaurants business of £135 million has been accounted for. Under UK GAAP the goodwill to which the impairment related to had already been written off to reserves.

Inventories. The fair value of the net assets under US GAAP of the Guinness Group was higher than the net assets under UK GAAP, primarily in respect of maturing whisky inventories. The fair value of the inventories at the date of acquisition (17 December 1997) was £601 million higher under US GAAP compared to UK GAAP. The increase in inventory value is unwinding over a number of years on the sale of the whisky to third parties. In the year ended 30 June 2002, £58 million (2001 £74 million; 2000 £94 million) of the fair value increase was realised.

Disposals of businesses. Under UK GAAP, for the year ended 30 June 2002, there was a net gain of £821 million on the disposals of businesses compared to a net gain of £1,843 million under US GAAP. The principal difference arose on the disposal of The Pillsbury Company. The gain under US GAAP was higher principally because the goodwill and brands acquired in the 1989 acquisition of The Pillsbury Company were being amortised over 40 years whereas no amortisation had been charged on the goodwill and brands under UK GAAP. By the date of disposal, US GAAP had incurred cumulative amortisation of £871 million in respect of The Pillsbury Company. In addition, under UK GAAP the cumulative exchange gains and losses arising on the unhedged net assets of The Pillsbury Company remain in reserves on the subsequent disposal of the business. Under US GAAP the exchange on the unhedged net assets of £133 million, on disposal of the business has been credited to the profit and loss account. Other differences arising between UK and US GAAP decreased the gain on disposal of The Pillsbury Company under US GAAP by £47 million principally due to a guarantee to third parties, which resulted in a deferral of part of the gain under US GAAP. For the year ended 30 June 2000, under UK GAAP, there was a net loss of £168 million on the disposals of businesses in the year compared to a net gain of £75 million under US GAAP. The principal difference arose on the disposal of the European spirits brands. Under UK GAAP, the disposals resulted in a loss before taxes of £246 million. Under US GAAP, the carrying value of these assets was lower and an impairment charge of £74 million was established in the year ended 30 June 1999 resulting in a loss of only £19 million on disposal in the year ended 30 June 2000.

Contingent value right. Under UK GAAP, the contingent value right received in connection with the disposal of The Pillsbury Company is treated as a contingent asset and is therefore not recognised until its receipt becomes virtually certain. Under US GAAP, this contingent value right represents a derivative under SFAS No. 133 and is accordingly held at its estimated fair value at the balance sheet date with the estimated gain included in the profit and loss account.

Other items. In the year ended 30 June 2002, UK GAAP net income included charges of £164 million in respect of Seagram integration costs. Under US GAAP, certain of these costs have been capitalised to goodwill on acquisition and this resulted in an £82 million credit to the profit and loss account under US GAAP. In the year ended 30 June 2001, UK GAAP included a £42 million tax credit in respect of associates as a reduction in the tax charge. This tax credit was in respect of tax charges incurred prior to the deemed acquisition of The Guinness Group on 17 December 1997 which, under US GAAP, adjusted the goodwill on the deemed acquisition of the Guinness Group.

NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

The financial information complies, to the extent detailed below, with the following Financial Reporting Standard recently issued by the UK Accounting Standards Board.

FRS 17 Retirement benefits This standard replaces the use of actuarial values for assets in a pension scheme in favour of a market-based approach. In order to cope with the volatility inherent in this measurement basis, the standard requires that the profit and loss account shows the relatively stable ongoing service cost,

interest cost and expected return on assets. Fluctuations in market values and changes in actuarial assumptions are reflected in the statement of total recognised gains and losses. The group has continued to account for pensions and other post employment benefits in accordance with SSAP 24 but has complied with the transitional disclosure requirements of FRS 17 in its consolidated financial statements.

FRS 19 Deferred taxThis standard requires full provision to be made for deferred tax assets and liabilities arising from timing differences between the recognition of gains and losses in the financial statements and their recognition in a tax computation. It only requires recognition when the resulting deferred tax can be justified as an asset or liability in its own right, thus excluding, for example, deferred tax on periodic revaluations of fixed assets and on retained profits in overseas subsidiaries and associates prior to any commitment to remit those profits. The standard allows the optional discounting of all or none of the deferred tax assets and liabilities, and the group has elected not to discount.

Compliance with this standard has increased the deferred tax provision at 30 June 2001 by £64 million and at 30 June 2000 by £47 million. The tax charge for the year ended 30 June 2001 increased by £19 million of which £13 million is in respect of profit before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items giving a restated effective tax rate, before goodwill amortisation and exceptional items, of 23.6% compared with the 23% originally reported.

The group complied with the following recently issued accounting standards in its US GAAP financial information.

SFAS No. 141 Business Combinations and SFAS No. 142 Goodwill and Other Intangible AssetShe group complied with SFAS No. 141 and SFAS No. 142 for the first time in the preparation of its US GAAP financial information on 1 July 2001. See Reconciliation to US Generally Accepted Accounting Principles Brands, goodwill and other intangibles, for a discussion of the implementation of SFAS No. 141 and SFAS No. 142.

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT, PATENTS AND LICENCES, ETC

The overall nature of the group s business does not demand substantial expenditure on research and development. However, the group has ongoing programmes for developing new drinks products. In the year ended 30 June 2002, the group s research and development expenditure amounted to £28 million (2001 £71 million; 2000 £69 million). Research and development expenditure is written off in the year in which it is incurred.

TREND INFORMATION

The following statement on current trading was issued on 29 October 2002, prior to Diageo s Annual General Meeting.

Major markets. In North America, the premium spirits category remains healthy, and Diageo s global priority brands continue to perform well. The next generation growth strategy has led to new distribution arrangements in 19 states in the United States. While there was some initial disruption to shipments as a consequence of this move, this now seems to be at an end.

The ready to drink category in the US is highly competitive. Smirnoff Ice continues to lead this category by a clear margin, and Diageo is building brand awareness and loyalty for the product and its parent brand. In order to ensure focus on the next ready to drink offerings, Diageo has decided to withdraw Captain Morgan Gold from distributors. As announced at the preliminary results, Diageo has been disappointed with the performance of this product. There will be an additional charge of approximately £18 million in the current financial year relating to stock held by the distributors.

In Great Britain, growth in the global priority brands continues to drive overall performance. Diageo s ready to drink products are also performing relatively well in a category that has been hit by an increase in excise duty. Diageo has remained competitive on price across its collection of ready to drink products, a collection that is now enhanced following the successful launch of Smirnoff Black Ice.

In Ireland, Guinness is now growing share in the ROI draught beer and cider category after a period of decline, although beer sales in this market are still weak. The successful introduction of Smirnoff Ice on Draught has resulted in volume growth and good share gains for Diageo in the ready to drink category.

The slowdown in the Spanish economy has impacted sales in that country. Volume in the scotch whisky category has declined, although J&B has made a small share gain. Overall, Diageo s relative performance in premium drinks here has benefited from the very strong growth of the dark rum category led by Diageo s brands, Cacique (ex-Seagram) and Pampero.

Key markets. As anticipated, the overall performance of the key markets has been adversely impacted by continued social and political unrest and economic difficulties in Latin America. The economic climate in Brazil and Venezuela has worsened since the beginning of the current financial year and at the end of the first quarter operating profits in Latin America key markets were down approximately £15 million against the prior period. Diageo has faced economic pressures of this nature before and is using the expertise already built to mitigate its exposure. Diageo continues to focus on long-term brand building to protect its future and to grow share for its brands.

At the preliminary results, Diageo announced that in Korea its local priority brand Dimple, currently distributed by a third party, will be distributed through its own in-market company from January 2003. Diageo has not shipped any Dimple to the current distributor in the first quarter of this year, and little volume is expected to be recorded in the first half of the current financial year. Sales to consumers have of course continued albeit with some loss of market share.

Venture markets. The overall performance of venture markets continues to be in line with expectations. Diageo s venture model is flexible and geographically wide-ranging, with weakness in one part of the world often offset by strength in another. Germany in particular is benefiting from the launch of Smirnoff Ice and a new rum product is leading to improvements in the Philippines.

Ready to drink. Total ready to drink performance on a global basis is strong, with double-digit volume growth in the first quarter of the current financial year.

Marketing investment. Diageo is in the privileged position of being able to continue to support its brands with high levels of marketing investment. This investment ensures the health of Diageo s brands and supports their premium position during this period of challenging economic circumstances.

Seagram spirits and wine acquisition. Diageo acquired several new priority brands with the acquisition of the Seagram spirits and wine business. The performance of these brands has been strong, particularly that of Captain Morgan and Cacique. Overall, the acquisition continues to exceed expectations and current year operating profit will be ahead of projections made at the time of the results despite the incremental cost relating to the withdrawal of Captain Morgan Gold. Additionally, by enhancing brand positions in the United States, the Seagram acquisition has allowed the implementation of the next generation growth strategy through which we will make the transition to a network of dedicated sales teams within the US distribution system.

Burger King. The operating environment for the quick service restaurant industry has worsened over the last three months, with aggressive price discounting. Diageo has been delivering on the commitments it made in the agreement reached to sell Burger King and is working with the buying group, led by Texas Pacific Group, towards concluding the sale of this business by the end of this calendar year.

Post employment benefits. As a result of the continued decline in the equity markets Diageo s net deficit before taxation under FRS 17 has increased from £366 million at 30 June 2002 to approximately £950 million. In the current financial year Diageo will not benefit from approximately £30 million of pension credit included in the reported results for the last financial year.

Cash flow. In the current financial year, cash flow will benefit from the receipt of \$89 million from the sale of options to General Mills over 29 million shares Diageo holds in that company and approximately \$100 million in compensation from Interbrew for the transfer back to them of the US distribution rights for the Bass brand.

Commentary. At the Annual General Meeting, Paul Walsh, Diageo s Chief Executive, made the following comments on Diageo s trading outlook:

Since our preliminary results announcement, trading conditions have become more difficult but Diageo continues to be well placed to deliver superior levels of growth in premium drinks and value for its shareholders.

As we indicated in our preliminary results announcement, we expect our performance to be better in the second half than in the first half of the current financial year because of factors such as the phasing of our marketing expenditures and the first time inclusion of the Seagram business into our organic results in the second half.

Today, given world events and the more difficult world economic environment, current year targets do look increasingly challenging. However, we believe that in Diageo we have a premium drinks model that works and we continue to grow market share around the world, thereby positioning us strongly for improved economic conditions when they occur.

Recent developments

On 7 November 2002 the following statement was issued updating the position on the disposal of Burger King.

Diageo plc announced on 25 July 2002 the proposed sale of Burger King Corporation to a buyer group composed of Texas Pacific Group (TPG), Bain Capital and Goldman Sachs Capital Partners (the buying group). As announced at the time, the conditions to completion included Burger King Corporation satisfying certain performance targets during the period of closing and the purchaser s financing.

Diageo has been informed by the buying group that, in the light of the conditions existing in Burger King s markets and the buying group s judgement of their potential effects under the agreement, including their potential effects under its financing, the buying group wants to discuss with Diageo potential revisions to the terms of the July agreement.

These discussions are taking place and will continue over the next few weeks. As with any such discussion this may result in no changes to the existing terms, changes to the existing terms, or separation of Burger King Corporation under the transaction to the buying group not proceeding.

Further announcements will be made when appropriate.

ITEM 6. DIRECTORS, SENIOR MANAGEMENT AND EMPLOYEES

DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT

| | Age | Position |
|--|-----|---|
| Directors | | |
| Lord Blyth of Rowington | 62 | Chairman, Non-executive director |
| Paul S Walsh | | Chief Executive, Executive director and Chairman of the Executive |
| | 47 | Committee |
| Nicholas C Rose | | Finance Director, Executive director and member of the Executive |
| | 45 | Committee |
| Rodney F Chase | 59 | Non-executive director |
| Lord Hollick of Notting Hill | 57 | Non-executive director |
| Maria Lilja | 58 | Non-executive director |
| John K Oates | 60 | Non-executive director |
| William S Shanahan | 62 | Non-executive director |
| Paul A Walker | 45 | Non-executive director |
| Sir Robert Wilson | 59 | Senior non-executive director |
| Other members of the Executive Committee | | |
| Paul A Clinton | 43 | President, North America |
| Stuart R Fletcher | 45 | President, Key Markets |
| James N D Grover | 44 | Strategy Director |
| Robert M Malcolm | 50 | President, Global Marketing, Sales and Innovation |
| Ian K Meakins | 46 | President, European Major Markets and Global Supply |
| Ivan M Menezes | 43 | Chief Operating Officer, North America |
| Andrew Morgan | 46 | President, Venture Markets |
| Timothy D Proctor | 52 | General Counsel |
| Gareth Williams | 49 | Human Resources Director |
| Company Secretary | | |
| Roger H Myddelton | 60 | Company Secretary |

John M J Keenan retired from the board on 31 October 2001.

Information in respect of the directors and senior management is set out below:

Lord (James) Blyth retired as Chairman of The Boots Company PLC at the end of July 2000, having joined in 1987 as Chief Executive and become Chairman in 1998. He was formerly Group Chief Executive of the Plessey Company and Head of Defence Sales at the Ministry of Defence. He was appointed a non-executive director of Diageo plc in January 1999 and Chairman on 1 July 2000. He is Chairman of the nomination committee. Lord Blyth is also a non-executive director of Anixter Inc. and, on 1 October 2002, became a partner in Greenhill & Company (having previously been Senior Advisor).

Paul Walsh joined GrandMet s brewing division in 1982 and became Finance Director in 1986. He held financial positions with Inter-Continental Hotels and the GrandMet Food Sector from 1987 to 1989 and was appointed Division Chief Executive of Pillsbury in 1990, becoming Chief Executive Officer of The Pillsbury Company in 1992. He was appointed to the GrandMet board in October 1995 and to the Diageo board in December 1997. He became Chief Operating Officer of Diageo plc on 1 January 2000 and Chief Executive of Diageo plc on 1 September 2000. He is also a non-executive director of the Federal Express Corporation and General Mills, Inc, both based in the USA.

Nicholas (Nick) Rose joined GrandMet in June 1992 initially as Group Treasurer, and became Group Controller in 1995. He was appointed Finance Director of IDV in 1996 and became Finance Director of UDV in December 1997. He was appointed to the Diageo plc board in June 1999 and became Finance Director in July 1999. He is also a non-executive director of Moët Hennessy International SA.

Rodney Chase is Deputy Group Chief Executive, BP p.l.c.. He joined BP in 1964 and subsequently held posts within both the Upstream (Exploration and Production) and the Downstream (Refining and Marketing) segments of the industry across three continents: Australasia, Europe and North America. He is also a non-executive director of Tesco PLC and of Computer Sciences Corporation, based in the USA. He was appointed a non-executive director of Diageo plc in January 1999.

Maria Lilja played a leading role in building Nyman & Schultz, a long-established Scandinavian travel management company, which was acquired by American Express in 1993. She served as Head of American Express Europe from 1996 to 2000. She is also non-executive Chairman of Cell Network AB and a non-executive director of Bilia AB, Investment AB BURE, Poolia AB and Intrum Justitia AB, all in Sweden. She was appointed as a non-executive director of Diageo plc in November 1999.

Lord (Clive) Hollick of Notting Hill is Chief Executive of United Business Media p.l.c. He joined Hambros Bank Limited in 1967 and was appointed a director in 1973. He was seconded to J H Vavasseur as Managing Director in 1974, which was renamed MAI plc in 1978 as it developed into a media and financial services group. In March 1996 MAI merged with United News and Media plc. He is a founding trustee of the Institute of Public Policy Research, Chairman of the South Bank Centre and a non-executive director of TRW Inc. based in the USA. He was appointed a non-executive director of Diageo plc in December 2001.

John (Keith) Oates was Deputy Chairman of Marks and Spencer p.l.c. until 1999 and was the founder Chairman of Marks & Spencer Financial Services. His previous experience includes being a BBC Governor, a non-executive director of British Telecommunications plc, John Laing plc and the Financial Services Authority, and Chairman of Quest. He became a non-executive director of Guinness PLC in June 1995 and was appointed as a non-executive director of Diageo plc in December 1997. He is Chairman of the audit committee.

William Shanahan is President of The Colgate-Palmolive Company. He joined Colgate-Palmolive in 1965 as a sales assistant in the international sales department and subsequently held various positions within the company in general management and marketing roles. In 1983 he was appointed an officer of the corporation, in 1989 he became Chief Operating Officer, and in 1992, was also appointed President. He was appointed a non-executive director of Diageo plc in May 1999.

Paul Walker is Chief Executive of The Sage Group plc. He joined Sage in 1984 and was appointed Finance Director in 1987, then Group Chief Executive in 1994. He is also a non-executive director of MyTravel Group plc. He was appointed a non-executive director of Diageo plc in June 2002.

Sir Robert Wilson is Chairman of Rio Tinto plc and Rio Tinto Ltd. He joined the Rio Tinto Group in 1970 and became Executive Chairman of Rio Tinto plc (previously RTZ) in January 1997 and Rio Tinto Ltd in 1998. Prior to this he had been Chief Executive of RTZ since 1991 and Chief Executive of RTZ-CRA, following the merger of the two companies in 1995. He is a non-executive director of The Economist Newspaper Ltd and BG Group plc. He was appointed as a non-executive director of Diageo plc in April 1998. He is the senior non-executive director and Chairman of the remuneration committee.

Paul Clinton was appointed President, North America on 1 September 2000. He joined IDV in 1988, and over the following decade held a series of senior management positions within its wines and spirits operations and became President and Chief Executive Officer in Canada from 1994 to 1996 and President, Wines in 1996. In 1997 he became President of UDV s in-market company in the North East United States and was appointed Chief Operating Officer for UDV North America, in June 1999.

Stuart Fletcher was appointed President, Key Markets on 1 September 2000. He joined Guinness PLC in 1986 as Deputy Controller of Guinness Brewing Worldwide and was appointed Controller in 1987. He previously held a number of financial positions with Procter & Gamble in the United Kingdom, both in consumer goods and industrial products, and with United Glass. In 1988 he became Finance and Operations Director, United Distillers Japan and in 1990 Chief Financial Officer of Schenley Inc. In 1993 he was appointed Regional Finance Director for United Distillers Asia Pacific Region and was made Acting Regional Managing Director for United Distillers Pacific Region in January 1995. In August 1995 he became Finance Director of Guinness Brewing Worldwide and then served as President of Guinness Americas and Caribbean region based in the United States

before becoming Managing Director of Developing and Seed Markets for Guinness Limited in June 1999. He is also a non-executive director of Moët Hennessy International SA.

James (Jim) Grover was appointed Strategy Director in December 1997. He joined GrandMet in 1993, initially as the Strategic Development Director of GrandMet Food Sector (encompassing GrandMet s worldwide packaged food and Burger King businesses), and subsequently, Strategic Development Director of The Pillsbury Company. He was appointed Group Strategy Director of GrandMet in March 1997. Previously he worked as a management consultant, initially with Booz-Allen & Hamilton, Inc and subsequently with OC&C Strategy Consultants. He was the partner responsible for their consumer goods practice at OC&C and advised a broad array of multi-national food companies on a wide variety of strategic issues.

Robert (Rob) Malcolm was appointed President, Global Marketing, Sales and Innovation on 1 September 2000. He joined UDV as Scotch Category Director in 1999 and was appointed Global Marketing Director later that year. Previously, he held various marketing positions with Procter & Gamble in the United States from 1975 until his appointment in 1988 as Vice President and General Manager Personal Cleansing Products, USA and in 1992 as Vice President and General Manager for the Arabian Peninsula. From 1995 to 1999 he was Vice President, General Manager Beverages, Europe Middle East Africa.

Ian Meakins was appointed President, European Major Markets and Global Supply on 1 September 2000. He joined United Distillers in 1991 as Marketing Director, White Spirits, Europe Region having worked for Procter & Gamble and Bain & Co and been a founding partner of the Kalchas Group, strategic management consultants in 1988. From 1992 he was Managing Director of United Distillers Boutari (then a joint venture between United Distillers and Boutari) in Greece. He was appointed United Distillers Marketing Director Worldwide in September 1994 before being appointed United Distillers, Managing Director Europe in July 1997. From December 1997, he was UDV, Deputy Managing Director, Europe and then UDV, Managing Director, Venture Markets. In December 1999 he became Global Operations Managing Director for UDV.

Ivan Menezes was appointed Chief Operating Officer, North America on 1 July 2002, having previously served as both Managing Director and then President, Venture Markets of Guinness United Distillers & Vintners. Before these appointments, he served as Global Marketing Director for UDV in the United Kingdom from September 1998 and as Group Integration Director for Diageo plc from May 1997. Previously he worked across a variety of sales, marketing and strategy roles with Nestlé in Asia, Booz-Allen & Hamilton, Inc in North America and Whirlpool in Europe.

Andrew Morgan was appointed President, Venture Markets on 1 July 2002. He joined United Distillers in 1987 and held various positions in Europe regions, including General Manager, Greece and Regional Director for Southern Europe. He was appointed United Distillers, Managing Director of International Region in January 1995 and UDV, Regional Managing Director, International in 1997. He was appointed Group Chief Information Officer and President New Business Ventures for Guinness United Distillers & Vintners in September 2000 having previously been Director Global Strategy and Innovation for UDV.

Timothy (Tim) Proctor was appointed General Counsel for Diageo plc in January 2000, having been Director, Worldwide Human Resources, Glaxo Wellcome since 1998. Prior to this, he was Senior Vice President, Human Resources, General Counsel and Secretary for Glaxo s US operating company. He has over twenty years international legal experience, including thirteen years with Merck and six years with Glaxo Wellcome.

Gareth Williams was appointed Human Resources Director in January 1999. He joined the GrandMet Brewing Division in 1984 and moved through a number of personnel positions to become Director of Management Development and Resourcing for the division in 1987. From 1990 to 1994 he held a series of human resources positions in IDV s North American spirits and wine division, before returning to the United Kingdom to become Group Organisation and Management Development Director of GrandMet. In 1996 he became Human Resources Director for IDV s global business and in January 1998 took the same title in UDV, following the merger of Guinness and GrandMet. Prior to joining GrandMet, he spent ten years with Ford of Britain in a number of personnel and employee relations positions.

Roger Myddelton was appointed Company Secretary of Diageo plc in December 1997. He had been Secretary and Group Legal Director of GrandMet since July 1988. Prior to that he was Group Legal Advisor at Courtaulds. He will retire as Company Secretary on 1 March 2003.

Diageo plc s Articles of Association provide that at each Annual General Meeting of Diageo one-third (or the lowest whole number nearest one-third) of the directors shall retire from office by rotation and are then eligible for re-election by the shareholders. Any new director appointed by the board must be elected at the next Annual General Meeting to continue in office.

COMPENSATION AND SHAREHOLDINGS

The total emoluments, for the year ended 30 June 2002, of the directors and senior management (members of Diageo s Executive Committee and the Company Secretary) of Diageo plc comprising basic salary, annual performance bonus, profit share and other benefits were £12,758,000. In addition, the aggregate amounts of gains made by the directors and senior management from the exercise of share options and from the vesting of awards during the year was £4,162,000 and payments under other long term incentive plans was £327,000. In addition the directors and senior management were awarded 1,967,810 options, during the year ended 30 June 2002, at a share price of 687 pence. The options are exercisable until 2012.

Other information concerning the compensation of directors is provided in the remuneration report published in the UK Annual Report and Accounts dated 4 September 2002. Extracts from the remuneration report are set out below:

The remuneration committee is responsible for making recommendations to the board on remuneration policy as applied to Diageo s senior executives (including executive directors). It consists wholly of independent non-executive directors: Sir Robert Wilson (chairman), RF Chase, Lord Hollick, M Lilja, JK Oates, WS Shanahan and PA Walker. This report sets out the policy and disclosures on directors remuneration.

Executive remuneration policy. Diageo s policy on senior executive remuneration is to provide a direct link between incentives and Managing For Value. The success of this strategy is assessed primarily by Diageo s performance, as measured by total shareholder return, against a peer group of world class companies. The executive directors participate in an annual performance bonus plan and long term incentive plans, with variable rewards based on challenging targets. Total remuneration for the executive directors is set with regard to the competitive practice for the markets in which Diageo operates. The remuneration committee annually reviews independent market data and recommends whatever adjustments to the policy as may be necessary.

Components of executive remuneration. The emoluments of executive directors are made up of the following components:

- (i) Basic salary Basic salaries are determined according to the competitive market for executive directors, taking into account their experience, contribution and performance.
- (ii) Annual performance bonus Bonus payments are based on improvement in the economic profit (EP) of Diageo and its businesses for the year in question. The targets for EP and for the level of bonus are determined by the remuneration committee at the commencement of each year. EP is calculated as net trading profit after tax, less a capital charge which takes into account returns expected by lenders and shareholders.

However, for the financial years commencing 1 July 2002, the primary performance measure for the annual performance bonus will be trading profit before exceptional items. This reflects Diageo s objectives of driving organic growth.

(iii) Long term incentive plans Executive directors are required to hold shares in Diageo to qualify for the full benefits of the long term incentive plans. This is consistent with the company s belief that the most senior managers in the group should also be shareholders. Required shareholdings are specified as a percentage of the executive director s basic salary. They are required to hold shares equivalent to 150% of their basic salary by 1 January 2003, rising to 225% by 1 January 2005.

The executive directors are also eligible to be considered for participation in long term incentive plans. These comprise the Total Shareholder Return (TSR) plan and the Senior Executive Share Option Plan (SESOP). For executive directors, the TSR plan and SESOP each comprise 50% of the expected value of their long term incentive plans for each year.

(a) TSR plan Under this plan, the executive directors are granted a conditional right to receive shares. The plan is hedged through the purchase of shares to avoid dilution of shareholders interests See Item 11. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk Employee share schemes. The rights are awarded with effect from 1 January each year, and vest after a three year period (the performance cycle) subject to achievement of a performance test and at the discretion of the trustees.

The performance test is a comparison of the annualised percentage growth in Diageo s share price (assuming all dividends and capital distributions are re-invested), known as TSR, with the TSR of a defined peer group of companies over a three year period. As previously reported, mergers and acquisitions have resulted in the peer group being reduced to 18 companies, and for all current performance cycles the peer group consists of Diageo and: Allied Domecq, Anheuser-Busch, Campbell Soup, Carlsberg, Coca-Cola, Colgate-Palmolive, Gillette, Heineken, Heinz, Kellogg, McDonald s, Nestlé, PepsiCo, Philip Morris, Procter & Gamble, Unilever and Yum! Brands (formerly Tricon). For performance cycles up to and including that commencing on 1 January 2001, the TSR calculations will continue to be made in local currencies, as previously notified to shareholders. However, for performance cycles commencing on or after 1 January 2002, the TSR calculations are converted to a common currency (US dollar) when determining the peer group rankings.

The following table shows the percentage of each award which will normally be released at the end of the relevant performance cycle, depending on the ranking achieved in the 18 company peer group:

| | Ranking in peer group | | | | | | | |
|-----|-----------------------|-----|----|----|----|----|----|-------|
| 1-2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10-18 |
| 150 | 142 | 114 | 94 | 83 | 72 | 61 | 50 | nil |

The remuneration committee will not recommend the release of awards if there has not been an underlying improvement in Diageo s financial performance.

The awards to executive directors for the 2002 cycle were for a number of shares equivalent to 150% of their basic salaries.

(b) SESOP Under SESOP an annual grant of options is made to participants. The remuneration committee decides the level of awards each year in the light of market practice. The share option awards made to executive directors in the year ended 30 June 2002 had a total face value of 375% of their basic salaries at the date of grant.

Options granted under SESOP may not normally be exercised unless a performance condition is satisfied. The performance condition applicable to the options granted to date under SESOP is linked to the increase in Diageo s basic earnings per share before exceptional items and goodwill amortisation (EPS), and is initially applied over the three year period commencing on the date the options are granted. If the increase in EPS over this period is at least 15% greater than the increase in the RPI over the same period, then all the options can be exercised. If the EPS increase is at least 12% greater than that of the RPI but less than 15%, half of the options can be exercised. If all or half of the options fail the initial performance condition, the three year assessment period will be rolled forward by a year and a retest carried out at that time. However, the performance condition can only be rolled forward a maximum of three times.

The first options under the SESOP were granted in 1999 for which the performance condition period was the three years ended 30 June 2002. Diageo s EPS growth over this period was 29.8% compared with an RPI increase over the same period of 6.4%. Consequently, Diageo s EPS increase comfortably exceeded the test (RPI plus 15%) and these options will vest in full in December 2002.

(iv) Share incentive plan For most UK employees, Diageo operates a tax favoured share plan, under which shares can be appropriated to individuals annually up to the value of 10% of salary, subject to a cap of £3,000. Shares which have been appropriated are held in trust for the individual for a minimum three year period. If the

shares are transferred to the individual after five years from the date of appropriation, no income tax is payable. This plan replaces the UK profit sharing scheme, described in previous reports, under which the final appropriation of shares was in respect of the year ended 30 June 2001.

In addition, the company provides matching shares, to a maximum annual value of £750, to UK employees who make monthly share purchases. These shares are subject to holding requirements similar to those described above.

- (v) Savings-related share option schemes The group has established savings-related share option schemes which provide a savings and investment opportunity for employees in the United Kingdom, United States and many other countries. The UK scheme options may normally be exercised after three or five years, at a price equivalent to not less than 80% of the market value of the shares at the time of grant. The US scheme options may be exercised after 12 months, at a price equivalent to 85% of the market value of the shares at the time of grant. The international scheme has eligibility and discount criteria devised in accordance with local conditions and practices but within the parameters approved by shareholders.
- (vi) Directors contracts The Chairman has a letter of appointment for an intended five year term with an initial period of two years from 1 July 2000. Thereafter it is terminable on six months notice by either party or, if terminated by the company, by payment of six months fees in lieu of notice.

The executive directors have service agreements which provide for 6 months notice by the director or 12 months by the company and contain non-compete obligations. In the event of early termination by the company without cause, the agreements provide for predetermined compensation to be paid, equivalent to 12 months basic salary for the notice period and an equal amount in respect of all benefits.

The independent non-executive directors do not have service contracts. Their fees are reviewed annually by the board.

- (vii) Pre-merger incentive plans Diageo s current incentive plans have replaced the previous incentive arrangements within GrandMet and Guinness, which were approved by their respective shareholders and were described in previous annual reports. Whilst awards and options granted under some of these plans continue to be held and exercised, no further grants will be made under them.
- (a) Executive share option schemes Options were granted at market value at the date of grant, generally exercisable between a minimum of three or five years, and a maximum of ten years, after grant. The last grants were made in 1997.
- (b) Senior executive phantom share option scheme (SEPSOS) This share price related bonus scheme was established for a small number of GrandMet senior executives including executive directors. The last grants were made in 1996 and all payments will have been made within ten years from date of grant.

Directors emoluments and other payments

| | | 2002 | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|----------|----------|
| | Basic salary | Performance bonuses | Share incentive plan | Other benefits (b) | Total | Total |
| | €000 | £000 | £000 | £000 | £000 | £000 |
| Chairman fees | | | | | | |
| Lord Blyth | 380 | | | 24 | 404 | 313 |
| Executive directors | | | | | | |
| JMJ Keenan (retired 30.10.01) | 162 | 523 | | 94 | 779 | 2,121 |
| NC Rose | 417 | 809 | 3 | 30 | 1,259 | 1,037 |
| PS Walsh | 738 | 1,496 | 3 | 41 | 2,278 | 1,749 |
| Former executive directors | | | | | | 1,554 |
| | | | | | | |
| | 1,317 | 2,828 | 6 | 165 | 4,316 | 6,461 |
| | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | | | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |
| Non-executive directors fees | | | | | | |
| RF Chase | 35 | | | 1 | 36 | 36 |
| Lord Hollick (appointed 19.12.01) | 19 | | | 1 | 20 | |
| M Lilja | 35 | | | 1 | 36 | 35 |
| JK Oates | 45 | | | 1 | 46 | 46 |
| WS Shanahan | 35 | | | 1 | 36 | 35 |
| PA Walker (appointed 1.6.02) | 3 | | | | 3 | |
| Sir Robert Wilson | 55 | | | 1 | 56 | 56 |
| | | | | | | |
| | 227 | | | 6 | 233 | 208 |
| | | | | | | |
| Total | 1,924 | 2,828 | 6 | 195 | 4,953 | 6,982 |
| | _ | | _ | _ | | |

Notes

- (a) In addition to the above emoluments, the directors received payments and made gains under longer term incentive arrangements of £2,872,000 (2001 £6,701,000). See Incentive plans below.
- (b) Other benefits include company cars, private use of chauffeur, fuel, product allowance, financial counselling, spouse travel, medical insurance and life insurance premiums. Additional payments made to or on behalf of JMJ Keenan, who was an expatriate, are treated as other benefits in the above table. They include allowances for working overseas and the provision of accommodation. As reported in the 2001 remuneration report, NC Rose s other benefits in 2001 included £175,000 in respect of his participation in an individual deferred compensation agreement entered into in 1998. PS Walsh s other benefits in 2001 included £72,000 in respect of his relocation to the United Kingdom. Lord Blyth s remuneration was increased on 1 January 2002 to £450,000. Of this amount, £150,000 must be used for monthly purchases of Diageo plc ordinary shares, which have to be retained by Lord Blyth until he retires or ceases to be a director.
- (i) The company entered into a two year consultancy agreement with a company owned by JMJ Keenan, who retired on 30 October 2001. Under the terms of the agreement, Mr Keenan s company provides advice and assistance to the board for which it received £265,039 in the period 1 November 2001 to 30 June 2002.
- (ii) NC Rose and PS Walsh are members of the Diageo Pension Scheme. They accrue pension rights at the rate of one-thirtieth of basic salary per annum subject only to Inland Revenue limits. No actuarial reduction is applied to pensions payable from the age of 57, subject to company consent. Bonus payments and other benefits are not included in pensionable pay. Their pensions are guaranteed to increase in line with inflation

up to a level of 5%, and they have guarantees that such increases will not be lower than 3% per annum and that their pensions at normal pension age of 62 will not be less than two-thirds of basic salary in the 12 months prior to retirement. On death in service, a lump sum of four times pensionable salary is paid, along with a spouse s pension of two-thirds of the member s prospective pension. When a director dies after retirement, a spouse s pension of

two-thirds of the member s pension is paid. None of the directors are required to make pension contributions and no company contributions were paid during the year.

For executives who entered service after 31 May 1989, the benefits which can be provided from the Diageo Pension Scheme are restricted by the operation of the earnings cap. Such executives, including any directors, receive total pension benefits of the same value as if the earnings cap did not apply. All benefits earned during the year in respect of earnings above the cap will be provided by the company on an unfunded basis; consequently, no contributions were payable during the year in respect of the current directors.

The accrued pension entitlements earned by the directors as at 30 June 2002 are shown in the table below. The increase over inflation reflects entitlements earned during the year ended 30 June 2002.

| | Age at 30 June 2002 | Pensionable service | Increase over inflation | Accrued pension |
|----------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| | Years | Years | £000 | £000 |
| NC Rose | 44 | 10 | 25 | 135 |
| PS Walsh | 47 | 20 | 46 | 449 |

The accrued pensions shown above represent the annual pension to which each director will be entitled at normal retirement age of 62. PS Walsh, the highest paid director, had an accrued pension as at 30 June 2001 of £396,000.

Incentive plans

Payments and gains under longer term incentive arrangements The table below shows payments and gains for the year ended 30 June 2002.

| | Awards ves TSR pl | | SEPSOS payments (b) | Share option gains (c) Total | 2001 | |
|----------------------------|----------------------|-------|------------------------|---------------------------------|-------|-------|
| | Shares | £000 | £000 | £000 | £000 | €000 |
| JMJ Keenan | 116,636 | 951 | | | 951 | 1,136 |
| NC Rose | 16,376 | 139 | 27 | 369 | 535 | 455 |
| PS Walsh | 132,442 | 1,122 | 264 | | 1,386 | 2,128 |
| Former executive directors | | | | | | 2,982 |
| | | | | | | |
| Total | 265,454 | 2,212 | 291 | 369 | 2,872 | 6,701 |
| | | | | | | |

Notes

- (a) The three year performance cycle for the 1999 TSR award ended on 31 December 2001. Diageo s TSR over the performance cycle exceeded the rise in the UK RPI, so there was an underlying improvement in financial performance which permitted release of the awards. The number of shares released was determined by the remuneration committee at 50% of the original award based on a ranking at position nine in the peer group. The values are calculated as at the date of vesting although the shares may have been retained.
- (b) SEPSOS payments are attributable not only to exercises during the year but also to amounts spread forward from previous exercises.
- (c) Share option gains are calculated as at the date of exercise although the shares may have been retained.

BOARD PRACTICES

Board of directors

Diageo s board consists of its non-executive chairman, its chief executive, finance director and seven independent non-executive directors. The non-executive directors are all experienced and influential individuals from a range of industries and geographies. Their mix of skills and business experience is a major contribution to the proper functioning of the board, ensuring matters are fully debated and no individual or group dominates the board s decision-making processes. The senior non-executive director is Sir Robert Wilson, chairman of Rio Tinto plc. The biographical details of the directors are given in Directors and Senior Management above.

Non-executive directors are appointed for a specified term (normally three years), subject to re-election, and all directors are subject to election by shareholders at the first AGM after their appointment. The number of directors, and the requirement of the company s articles in relation to rotation, result in each director standing for re-election not less frequently than every three years.

The board meets six times a year, in addition to an annual strategy conference held off-site with the full executive committee for two days at which the group s strategy is reviewed in depth. The board receives detailed financial information on the business performance, in addition to items for decision and minutes of board committees in advance of each board meeting. This enables the directors to make informed decisions on corporate and business issues under consideration. There is a formal schedule of matters reserved to the board for decision to ensure that key policy and strategic decisions are made by the full board. Otherwise, the board has delegated authority for day-to-day management of the group s affairs to the chief executive, Paul Walsh, who is supported by the executive committee. The executive committee s members are shown in Directors and Senior Management above.

The chairman, Lord Blyth, is principally responsible for the effective operation and chairing of the board. He also provides support to the chief executive, particularly in relation to external affairs. He spends between two and three days each week on the company s affairs and, solely because of the closer relationship he has with the company as chairman, he is not considered to be an independent director.

The company secretary is responsible for ensuring that board processes and procedures are appropriately followed and support effective decision-making. He is appointed by, and can only be removed by, the board. He is also responsible for ensuring that new directors receive appropriate training and induction into Diageo. All directors have access to the company secretary s advice and services and there is also a formal procedure for directors to obtain independent professional advice in the course of their duties, if necessary, at the company s expense.

Board committees

The board has established several committees, each with clearly defined terms of reference, procedures, responsibilities and powers.

Audit committee. The audit committee is chaired by JK Oates and includes all of the non-executive directors except Lord Blyth. It meets four times each year and reports its conclusions to the full board. The finance director, group business risk assurance director and external auditor normally attend all meetings. The committee also meets four times each year with the external auditor alone, with no executive or staff member present.

The audit committee is responsible for monitoring the adequacy and effectiveness of the systems of risk management and internal control, reviewing the workplans and findings of the business risk assurance function, oversight of the compliance programme, reviewing the appointment, independence and findings of the external auditor, and reviewing the preliminary and interim announcements, annual and interim financial statements and related accounting policies and key judgement areas. For several years, the committee has established the policy for deciding whether the external auditor should be engaged to undertake non-audit work, and which work they should be precluded from doing, and has reviewed the level of non-audit fees paid to them. The committee reviews its effectiveness through an annual self-assessment.

Nomination committee. Chaired by Lord Blyth, this committee comprises all the non-executive directors. The committee keeps under review the composition of the board and succession to it. It makes recommendations to the board concerning appointments to the board, whether of executive or non-executive directors, having regard to the balance and structure of the board and the required blend of skills and experience.

Remuneration committee. This committee is chaired by Sir Robert Wilson and comprises all the non-executive directors except Lord Blyth. The committee meets three times each year and the chairman, chief executive, group human resources director and director of performance and reward are generally invited to attend, except when their own performance or remuneration are being considered.

The committee is responsible for making recommendations to the board concerning remuneration policy and long term incentive plans for senior executives, for the remuneration of executive directors and members of the executive committee and for reviewing their performance. Details of the policy and of the remuneration of the directors are given in the directors remuneration report. The group s incentive plans are subject to challenging performance criteria, as required by the Combined Code.

During the year, the remuneration committee received advice from Diageo s director of performance and reward and from Towers Perrin. Towers Perrin only advise on remuneration related matters, and provide no other services to Diageo.

Executive direction and control

The executive committee, appointed and chaired by the chief executive, consists of the individuals responsible for the key components of the business: North America and the European major markets, key and venture markets, global supply and the global functions. It meets for around two days seven times a year, including the joint annual strategy conference with the board, and spends most of its time discussing strategy, people and performance (including brands). Responsibility and authority (within the financial limits set by the board) are delegated by the chief executive to individual members of the executive committee who are accountable to him for the performance of their business units.

Executive direction and control procedures include approval of annual five year rolling strategic plans submitted by each business unit executive and quarterly business reviews. These are generally attended by at least two members of the executive and are held in market. The reviews focus on business performance management and specific issues around brands, people, key business decisions and risk management.

The chief executive has created several executive working groups to which are delegated particular tasks, generally with a limited time span and specific success criteria. He has also created committees, intended to have an ongoing remit. Committees include:

Audit and risk committee. chaired by the chief executive and responsible for overseeing the approach to securing effective risk management and control in the business, reviewing and challenging the sources of assurance as to their adequacy and reporting periodically on the above to the audit committee or to the board.

Corporate citizenship committee. chaired by the chief executive and responsible for making decisions or recommendations to the executive committee or board on strategy, policy and specific issues such as business conduct, social programmes, environmental matters, community affairs and health and safety.

Finance committee. chaired by the finance director and responsible for making decisions or recommendations to the board on funding strategy, capital structure and management of financial risks and the policies and control procedures required to implement the financial strategy, including financial issues relating to treasury and taxation. Treasury activity is managed centrally within tightly defined dealing authorities and procedures proposed by the finance committee and approved by the board.

Compliance with the Combined Code. Companies whose shares are listed on the London Stock Exchange are required to disclose how they have applied the principles of Section 1 of the Combined Code on Corporate Governance which is appended to the listing rules of the Financial Services Authority, and whether they have complied with the Code s provisions throughout the accounting period. The company has complied with the requirements of the Combined Code throughout the accounting period.

EMPLOYEES

The group has entered into numerous collective bargaining agreements and believes that its employee relations are satisfactory. Diageo s average number of employees during each of the three years ended 30 June 2002 was as follows:

| | 2002 | | | 2001 | | | 2000 | | |
|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------|--------------|--------------|--------|--------------|--------------|--------|
| | Full time | Part time | Total | Full time | Part time | Total | Full time | Part time | Total |
| Premium drinks | 22,841 | 1,078 | 23,919 | 21,363 | 628 | 21,991 | 24,241 | 450 | 24,691 |
| Quick service restaurants | 19,753 | 12,165 | 31,918 | 19,396 | 10,770 | 30,166 | 18,420 | 10,012 | 28,432 |
| Continuing operations | 42,594 | 13,243 | 55,837 | 40,759 | 11,398 | 52,157 | 42,661 | 10,462 | 53,123 |
| Discontinued operations | 5,981 | 306 | 6,287 | 18,351 | 1,015 | 19,366 | 18,200 | 1,151 | 19,351 |
| | 48,575 | 13,549 | 62,124 | 59,110 | 12,413 | 71,523 | 60,861 | 11,613 | 72,474 |
| | | | | | | | | | |

In the year ended 30 June 2002, employees for discontinued operations (The Pillsbury Company) are included for four months and for the Seagram spirits and wine businesses for six months, reflecting the periods in which the group owned the relevant operations.

The increase in the average number of premium drinks employees was a result of the acquisition of the Seagram spirits and wine businesses on 21 December 2001.

SHARE OWNERSHIP

The following table sets forth certain shareholding information as at 18 October 2002 concerning the directors and senior management of Diageo.

| Title of class | Identity of person or group | Number owned | % of class | | |
|--|---|--------------|--------------|--|--|
| Ordinary shares of 28 101/108 pence each | Directors and senior management of Diageo | 979,074 | less than 1% | | |
| | 78 | | | | |

Share and other interests

The beneficial interests of the directors in office at 30 June 2002 in the ordinary shares (or equivalent for ADS awards) awarded under the Diageo TSR plan and in the ordinary shares of the company are shown in the table below.

| | | TSR plan(a) | | Ordinary shares(b) | | | | |
|-------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------|------------------------|--|--|
| | Perfor | mance cycle comme | encing: | | | 30 June | | |
| | 1 January 2000 | 1 January 2001 | 1 January 2002 | 18 October 2002 | 30 June 2002 | 2001 or appointment | | |
| Chairman | | | | | | | | |
| Lord Blyth | | | | 19,314 | 15,443 | 10,792 | | |
| Executive directors | | | | | | | | |
| NC Rose | 31,371 | 140,712 | 102,462 | 88,799 | 88,308 | 50,596 | | |
| PS Walsh | 172,978 | 259,207 | 178,712 | 444,562 | 440,071 | 341,527 | | |
| Non-executive directors | | | | | | | | |
| RF Chase | | | | 10,986 | 10,986 | 10,677 | | |
| Lord Hollick | | | | | | | | |
| M Lilja | | | | 1,507 | 1,507 | 1,507 | | |
| JK Oates | | | | 3,116 | 3,116 | 3,039 | | |
| WS Shanahan | | | | 16,000 | 8,000 | 8,000 | | |
| PA Walker | | | | | | | | |
| Sir Robert Wilson | | | | 8,263 | 8,263 | 8,263 | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Total | 204,349 | 399,919 | 281,174 | 592,547 | 575,694 | 434,401 | | |

Notes

- (a) The number of shares released under the TSR plan will normally be based on the company s position within the peer group at the end of the relevant three year performance period. For illustrative purposes, the interests shown above reflect the number of shares which would be released if the company were to continue to be ranked at its position as at 30 June 2002 (positions 4, 3 and 4 for the performance cycles commencing 1 January 2000, 2001 and 2002, respectively).
- (b) At 30 June 2002, NC Rose and PS Walsh had an interest in 28,528 shares and 447,580 shares subject to call options (18 October 2002 24,528 and 447,580; 30 June 2001 46,480 and 2,079,419) held by a trust to satisfy grants made under ex-GrandMet incentive plans; and they also had an interest in 6,038,078 shares (18 October 2002 7,377,860; 30 June 2001 9,831,421) held by trusts to satisfy grants made under Diageo incentive plans and savings-related share option schemes.
- (c) In accordance with the rules of the TSR plan, awards less than 18 months old lapse on retirement and the remainder continue to be held subject to the performance test. At 30 June 2002, using the illustrative basis set out in (a) above, JMJ Keenan retained an interest in 145,418 TSR plan shares granted on 1 January 2000.
- (d) Other than the individuals included in the table above, members of the Executive Committee and the Company Secretary had an aggregate beneficial interest at 18 October 2002 in 386,527 ordinary shares in the company. In addition, at 18 October 2002, they had beneficial interests in 1,604,272 ordinary shares awarded under the Diageo TSR plan and the Diageo Incentive Share Plan.

Executive share options and savings-related share options

The following table shows, for the directors who held office during the year, the number of options held under all executive share option schemes and savings-related schemes.

US options were granted over ADSs at dollar prices (one ADS is equivalent to four ordinary shares); the option holdings and prices in the table are stated as ordinary share equivalents in pence. The mid-market price of the ordinary shares at 30 June 2002 was 852 pence (30 June 2001 780 pence; 18 October 2002 760 pence). The

highest mid-market price during the year was 940.5 pence and the lowest mid-market price was 644 pence. Exercisable options are those that were vested and could be exercised at the period end; not exercisable are those options where the minimum holding period was not then completed. The option period starts from the earliest month any options could have been, or may be, exercised under their terms and ends with the month in which the last options lapse.

| | 30 June 2001 | Granted (a) | Exercised | Option price | Market price (b) | 30 June 2002 | | |
|-----------------|------------------|-------------|-----------|--------------|------------------------|------------------|--|-----|
| | | | | | | | Option price and period | |
| | | | | | | | | _ |
| UK options | | | | | | | | |
| NC Rose | | | (=1.10=) | 4.00 | 000 | | | |
| Exercisable | 54,195 | | (54,195) | 429 | 889 | 11.000 | 102 | 0.5 |
| NT | 36,069 | | (25,000) | 402 | 883 | 11,069 | 402 Jun 98 - Jun 0 | |
| Not exercisable | 136,548 | | | | | 136,548 | 518 Dec 02 - Dec 0 | |
| | 242,760 3,450 | | | | | 242,760 3,450 | 587 Sep 03 - Sep 1 489 Dec 04 - May 0 | |
| | 3,430 | 234,716 | | 687 | | 234,716 | 489 Dec 04 - May 0 687 Sep 04 - Sep 1 | |
| | | 234,710 | | 087 | | 234,710 | 087 Sep 04 - Sep 1 | 11 |
| | 473,022 | 234,716 | (79,195) | | | 628,543 | | |
| | 173,022 | 231,710 | (77,175) | | | 020,919 | | |
| DC W 1.1 | | | | | | | | |
| PS Walsh | 470.550 | | | | | 470.550 | 510 D 02 D 0 | 00 |
| Not exercisable | 470,559 | | | | | 470,559 | 518 Dec 02 - Dec 0 | |
| | 447,189 3,341 | | | | | 447,189 3,341 | 587 Sep 03 - Sep 1 505 Dec 05 - May 0 | |
| | 3,341 | 409,389 | | 687 | | 409,389 | 687 Sep 04 - Sep 1 | |
| | | 409,309 | | 067 | | 409,369 | 087 Зер 04 - Зер 1 | 11 |
| | 921,089 | 409,389 | | | | 1,330,478 | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| US options | | | | | | | | |
| JMJ Keenan | | | | | | | | |
| Not exercisable | 400,240 | | | | | 400,240 | 580 Dec 02 - Jun 0 | 03 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| PS Walsh | | | | | | | | |
| Exercisable | 198,232 | | | | | 198,232 | 507 Jan 99 - Jan 0 | 06 |
| | | | | | | | | |

Notes

- (a) Options granted during the year to NC Rose and PS Walsh are principally options granted under SESOP, which are subject to performance conditions. After 30 June 2002, the 1999 performance conditions were exceeded in respect of 136,548 options for NC Rose and 470,559 options for PS Walsh. The relevant options will therefore vest on 20 December 2002.
- (b) Where there has been more than one exercise made from the relevant grant during the year, the market price shown is the weighted average of the market prices at exercise.
- (c) In accordance with the rules governing normal retirement, JMJ Keenan will be able to exercise his SESOP options, subject to the rules of the plan and performance conditions, within 6 months after retirement or the third anniversary of the grant, whichever is later.
- (d) As at 18 October 2002, the directors, members of the Executive Committee and the Company Secretary had the following options over ordinary shares.

| | Options over ordinary shares | Weighted average exercise price | Period exercisable |
|--|------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| Directors | | | |
| NC Rose | 840,993 | 644 | Jun 98 - Sep 12 |
| PS Walsh | 1,899,263 | 617 | Jan 99 - Sep 12 |
| Other members of the Executive Committee and | | | |
| Company Secretary | 5,181,645 | 637 | Apr 95 - Sep 12 |
| | 7,921,901 | 633 | |
| | | | |
| | 80 | | |

SEPSOS interests

The following table shows the number of options held under SEPSOS. Payments are normally spread over the period from exercise to the tenth anniversary of the date of grant. Exercisable options are those that were vested and could be exercised at the period end; not exercisable are those options where the minimum holding period was not then completed. The option period starts from the earliest month any options could have been, or may be, exercised under their terms and ends with the month in which the last options lapse.

| | 30 June 2001 | Exercised | Option price | Market price | 30 June 2002 | | |
|-------------|-----------------|-----------|--------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----|-------------------------|
| | | | | | | | Option price and period |
| PS Walsh | | | | | | | |
| Exercisable | 127,620 | (97,620) | 459 | 904 | 30,000 | 459 | Jan 01 - Jan 06 |

As at 18 October 2002, PS Walsh and other members of the Executive Committee and the Company Secretary had the following number of options under SEPSOS.

| | Options under SEPSOS | Weighted average exercise price | Period exercisable |
|--|-------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| PS Walsh | 30,000 | 459 | Jan 01 - Jan 06 |
| Other members of the Executive Committee and the Company Secretary | 29,442 | 423 | Jan 99 - Jan 05 |

ITEM 7. MAJOR SHAREHOLDERS AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS MAJOR SHAREHOLDERS

There were no persons known to Diageo owning individually more than 3% of the company s voting securities. Diageo, so far as is known by the company, is not directly or indirectly owned or controlled by another corporation or by any government.

Diageo knows of no arrangements, the operation of which may at a subsequent date result in a change of control of the company.

As of the close of business at 18 October 2002, 198,801,928 ordinary shares, including those held through ADSs, were held by approximately 2,081 holders (including American Depositary Receipt (ADR) holders) with registered addresses in the United States, representing approximately 6% of the outstanding ordinary shares. At such date, 49,462,457 ADSs were held by 1,387 registered ADR holders. Since certain of such ordinary shares and ADSs are held by nominees or former GrandMet PLC or Guinness PLC ADR holders who have not re-registered their ADSs, the number of holders may not be representative of the number of beneficial owners in the United States or the ordinary shares held by them.

RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

There have been no material transactions during the last three years to which any director of officer, or 3% shareholder, or any relative or spouse thereof was a party. There is no significant outstanding indebtedness to the company by any directors or officer or 3% shareholder.

On 1 October 2002, Lord Blyth became a partner in Greenhill & Company (having previously been Senior Advisor). During the year ended 30 June 2002, Greenhill & Co. received fees of US\$24 million (£16 million) for its advice to Diageo in respect of the combination of Pillsbury with General Mills, Inc, and of the acquisition of the Seagram spirits and wine businesses. It will receive a fee on the completion of the proposed disposal of Burger King. Lord Blyth did not participate in the selection of advisers, nor did he advise Greenhill & Co. in relation to these transactions.

In connection with PS Walsh s relocation from the United States to the United Kingdom, Diageo has entered into three forward foreign currency transactions with him to buy an aggregate of US\$3.5 million for £2.33 million. One transaction for US\$0.5 million was outstanding at 30 June 2002. These transactions were hedged with a third party on identical terms, and involved no cost to the group.

On 30 October 2001, JMJ Keenan and PS Walsh became directors of General Mills, Inc, which is an associated company of Diageo plc.

Other than disclosed in this report, no director had any interest, beneficial or non-beneficial, in the share capital of the company. The register of directors interests (which is open to shareholders inspection) contains full details of directors share interests. Save as disclosed above, no director has or has had any interest in any transaction which is or was unusual in its nature, or which is or was significant to the business of the group and which was effected by any member of the group during the financial year, or which having been effected during an earlier financial year, remains in any respect outstanding or unperformed.

On 23 October 2002 and 28 October 2002, Diageo and General Mills entered into two call option agreements in which Diageo granted to General Mills call options over 29,092,320 of General Mills ordinary shares held by Diageo. Under the call option agreements, from a date no earlier than 1 May 2003 through 28 September 2005, General Mills may exercise the call options subject to certain limitations. If General Mills exercises any call options during the period from 29 September 2005 to 28 October 2005, General Mills will be obligated to exercise the call options in respect of all covered ordinary shares not previously purchased. The premium for the call options was an aggregate of \$89,313,422. General Mills has agreed to pay \$51.56 per share upon exercise of the call options. The call options expire on 28 October 2005.

ITEM 8. FINANCIAL INFORMATION CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INFORMATION

See Item 18. Financial Statements, included elsewhere in this Annual Report.

LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

On 5 February 2002, Diageo announced that it had formalised new arrangements in respect of its distribution rights for the Cuervo brand in the United States. Part of the agreement was that Diageo and José Cuervo agreed to terminate their litigation in respect of the Cuervo brand, which was described more fully in Diageo s 2001 Annual Report filed on Form 20-F.

Following the sale of the Malibu brand on 22 May 2002, Destileria Serrallés has terminated its litigation against Diageo in respect of the ownership of the Captain Morgan trademark.

On 1 May 2002, the Burger King Corporation was notified by counsel for the Council for Education and Research of Toxics (CERT) that it intended to file suit against Burger King alleging violations of the California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 and the California Unfair Business Practices Act for failure to warn of the presence of acrylamide in its french fries. A similar notice was delivered to the McDonald's Corporation. Although the California Attorney General's office has notified CERT that it believes the suit should not be filed on both procedural and substantive grounds, CERT filed suit against Burger King on 5 September 2002, before the Superior Court of the State of California in the County of Los Angeles. Given the early stage of the proceedings, Burger King cannot quantify the potential risks involved. Burger King will, however, vigorously defend itself against these allegations should the suit proceed. Any liability arising from these proceedings will remain with the Burger King Corporation after its disposal.

Diageo is aware of two proposed class action lawsuits alleging that Burger King, McDonald s, Kentucky Fried Chicken and Wendy s have engaged in activities which have contributed, amongst other effects, to the claimants obesity. Burger King has not been served with process relating to either of these proceedings and it cannot quantify the potential risks involved. Any proceedings of this kind which might be brought against Burger King, however, will be strenuously defended.

In August 2000, Diageo learned that the Governors of the Departments of the Republic of Colombia and the City of Bogotá (the Departments) were considering initiating legal proceedings against major spirits companies in relation to unpaid excise duties and taxes on products which are smuggled into Colombia by third parties. Such proceedings are thought to be likely to be similar to those brought against RJ Reynolds Tobacco Holdings, Inc. (RJR) in December 1999 by the Attorney General of Canada in the Northern District of New York. In the latter

proceedings, the complaint was dismissed on RJR s motion to dismiss on 30 June 2000. On 12 October 2001, the Second Circuit Court of Appeals affirmed the District Court s order of dismissal. The Attorney General of Canada filed a petition for writ of certiorari to the U.S. Supreme Court on 7 March 2002. That petition is currently pending. The directors intend that any proceedings of this kind which might be brought against Diageo will be strenuously defended. In December 2000, Diageo filed suits against the Departments challenging the legality of any claim outside the Colombian administration and judicial system and also challenging the legality of the discriminatory nature of the Colombian taxing system; several of these suits are pending.

Save as disclosed above, neither Diageo nor any member of the Diageo group is or has been engaged in, nor (so far as Diageo is aware) is there pending or threatened by or against it, any legal or arbitration proceedings which may have a significant effect on the financial position of the Diageo group.

DIVIDENDS

The Diageo plc board expects that Diageo will pay an interim dividend in April and a final dividend in November of each year. Approximately 40% of the total dividend in respect of any financial year is expected to be paid as an interim dividend and approximately 60% as a final dividend.

The table below sets forth the amounts of interim, final and total cash dividends paid by GrandMet PLC on each GrandMet PLC ordinary share in respect of the year ended 30 September 1997 and by Diageo plc on each ordinary share thereafter. For the year ended 30 September 1997 and the 9 months ended 30 June 1998, dividends were paid as a FID without an associated tax credit. ACT was abolished for dividends paid after 5 April 1999. The dividends are translated into US dollars per ADS (each ADS representing four ordinary shares) at the noon buying rate on each of the respective dividend payment dates.

The Diageo plc board has made available dividend reinvestment plans in respect of certain dividends to enable Diageo plc ordinary shareholders to invest their dividends in Diageo plc ordinary shares.

| | Pence | per ordinary sl | nare | \$ per ADS(2) | | | |
|--------------------------|----------|-----------------|-------|---------------|-------|-------|--|
| | Interim | Final | Total | Interim | Final | Total | |
| Year ended 30 September | | | | | | | |
| 1997 | 6.25 | N/A | 6.25 | 0.40 | N/A | 0.40 | |
| 9 months ended June 1998 | 12.50(1) | 10.80 | 23.30 | 0.83(1) | 0.71 | 1.54 | |
| Year ended 30 June | | | | | | | |
| 1999 | 7.80 | 11.70 | 19.50 | 0.50 | 0.76 | 1.26 | |
| 2000 | 8.40 | 12.60 | 21.00 | 0.53 | 0.72 | 1.25 | |
| 2001 | 8.90 | 13.40 | 22.30 | 0.51 | 0.78 | 1.29 | |
| 2002 | 9.30 | 14.50 | 23.80 | 0.60 | 1.00 | 1.60 | |

Notes

- (1) An interim dividend of 12.5 pence per ordinary share (50 pence per ADS) was paid in April 1998 by Diageo plc, which consisted of an amount of 7.2 pence per ordinary share (28.8 pence per ADS) paid as a normal interim dividend, and an additional amount of 5.3 pence per ordinary share (21.2 pence per ADS) paid as a one-off additional amount to reflect the change in year end and consequent change in dividend payment patterns.
- (2) For dividends paid prior to 6 April 1999, holders of ADSs who are residents of the United States for tax purposes may have been entitled to receive an amount in respect of tax credits associated with dividends paid to them. The aggregate amount of such dividends and tax credit was generally subject to UK withholding tax at the rate of 15%.

The payment of any future dividends, subject to shareholder approval, will depend upon Diageo s earnings, financial condition and such other factors as the Diageo plc board deems relevant.

ITEM 9. THE OFFER AND LISTING

TRADING MARKET FOR SHARES

The Diageo plc ordinary shares are listed on the London Stock Exchange and on the Dublin and Paris Stock Exchanges. Diageo plc American Depositary Shares (ADSs), representing four Diageo plc ordinary shares each, are listed on The New York Stock Exchange (NYSE).

The principal trading market for the ordinary shares is the London Stock Exchange. Shares are traded on the Exchange s electronic order book. Orders placed on the order book are displayed on-screen through a central electronic system and trades are automatically executed, in price and then time priority, when orders match with corresponding buy or sell orders.

Only member firms of the London Stock Exchange can enter or delete orders on behalf of clients or on their own account. All orders are anonymous. Although use of the order book is not mandatory, all trades, whether or not executed through the order book and regardless of size, are published immediately after execution.

Trades greater than eight times normal market size, may be conducted under a worked principal regime, in which a member firm acting as principal commits to carry out, at some point in the future, a transaction in a size exceeding eight times normal market size. Member firms must agree a basis price with their client and must offer the potential for improvement in price and/or size. Worked principal agreements must be notified to the London Stock Exchange when entered into, although notifications are not published until the end of the business day or until 80% of the trade has been unwound.

Diageo ordinary shares have a normal market size of 200,000. The normal market size classification for each equity security is subject to quarterly review in the light of trading volume in the previous quarter and to adjustment, as appropriate. The ordinary shares are a constituent element of the FTSE 100.

The following table shows, for the periods indicated, the reported high and low middle market quotations (which represent an average of bid