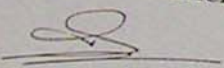


# The Features of Accomplishment

## **Current liabilities**

Trade payables	23
Provisions and other payables	24
Interest bearing liabilities repayable within one year	
Amount due to subsidiaries	
Provision for taxation	25
Interim dividend declared	
Short-term bank borrowings	22
<b>Total equity and liabilities</b>	

The accounting policies and notes on pages 78 to 104 form an integral part of these financial statements and were approved by the Board of Directors on

  
D. H. S. Jayawardena  
Chairman  
Colombo

Aitken Spence has been listed on the Colombo Stock Exchange since 1983.

The Company has always been a wise investment proposition...no more so than today. Over the last decade, the shares of the holding company, Aitken Spence PLC, have tripled in value. Market capitalization reached Rs. 24.36 billion (US \$ 210.7 million) in 2009, whilst annual revenues reached Rs. 29.3 billion (US \$ 253.2 million).

Such success has won international recognition, with the *Forbes* magazine listing Aitken Spence for three consecutive years, as one of the most successful publicly traded companies with annual sales under US \$ 1 billion, outside of the USA.

This pedigree has brought to Aitken Spence a number of highly perceptive international partners who have invested in several sectors of the business, and, who continue to enjoy growing returns on their investments.

Driving such success are 5,000 people, who constitute a vital resource pool of skills, aptitudes and professionalism...our employees.

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29th May 2006

*J.M.S. Brito*  
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