ARM Holdings plc Fourth Quarter and Annual Results – US GAAP

| | Quarter ended 31 December 2005 Unaudited | Quarter ended 31 December 2004 Unaudited | Year ended 31 December 2005 Unaudited | Year ended 31 December 2004 Audited | Year ended 31 December 2005 ⁽¹⁾ Unaudited |
|---|--|--|---|---|--|
| | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | \$'000 |
| Revenues | | | | | |
| Product revenues | 58,828 | 38,150 | 217,711 | 138,732 | 373,766 |
| Service revenues Total revenues | 4,065 62,893 | 3,385 | 14,728 232,439 | 14,165 152,897 | 25,285 399,051 |
| Total revenues | 02,893 | 41,535 | 232,439 | 132,897 | 399,031 |
| Cost of revenues | | | | | |
| Product costs | (4,313) | (2,558) | (19,265) | (6,735) | (33,074) |
| Service costs | (1,579) | (1,168) | (6,093) | (5,064) | (10,460) |
| Total cost of revenues | (5,892) | (3,726) | (25,358) | (11,799) | (43,534) |
| Gross profit | 57,001 | 37,809 | 207,081 | 141,098 | 355,517 |
| December of deceleration | (15 (12) | (12.020) | (60,051) | (50.122) | (102.006) |
| Research and development Sales and marketing | (15,613) (9,061) | (13,030) (6,342) | (34,102) | (50,133) (23,935) | (103,096) (58,546) |
| General and administrative | (10,959) | (10,743) | (37,558) | (30,371) | (64,480) |
| Deferred stock-based compensation | (2,465) | (565) | (9,727) | (960) | (16,699) |
| Amortisation of intangibles | (2,403) | (303) | (9,727) | (900) | (10,099) |
| purchased through business | | | | | |
| combination | (4,809) | (3,712) | (17,726) | (4,188) | (30,432) |
| Total operating expenses | (42,907) | (34,392) | (159,164) | (109,587) | (273,253) |
| Income from enoughions | 14.004 | 2 417 | 47.017 | 21 511 | 92 264 |
| Income from operations Interest, net | 14,094 1,684 | 3,417 1,917 | 47,917 5,317 | 31,511 6,944 | 82,264 9,128 |
| interest, net | 1,064 | 1,917 | 3,317 | 0,544 | 9,120 |
| Income before income tax | 15,778 | 5,334 | 53,234 | 38,455 | 91,392 |
| Provision for income taxes | (2,801) | (825) | (11,354) | (10,478) | (19,492) |
| Net income | 12,977 | 4,509 | 41,880 | 27,977 | 71,900 |
| Net income | 12,977 | 4,509 | 41,880 | 27,977 | 71,900 |
| Other comprehensive income: Foreign currency adjustments Unrealised holding gain/(loss) on available-for-sale securities, net of tax of £236,000 (Q4 2004: | 16,538 | (183) | 58,561 | (421) | 100,537 |
| £837,000; FY 2005: £981,000; FY 2004: £1,631,000) | 452 | 1,954 | (2,316) | 4,196 | (3,976) |
| Total comprehensive income | 29,967 | 6,280 | 98,125 | 31,752 | 168,461 |
| Earnings per share (assuming dilution) Shares outstanding ('000) Earnings per share – pence Earnings per ADS (assuming dilution) ADSs outstanding ('000) Earnings per ADS – cents | 1,431,084 0.9 477,028 4.7 | 1,071,645 0.4 357,215 2.4 | 1,427,013 2.9 475,671 15.1 | 1,049,768 2.7 349,923 15.4 | |
| Lamings per ADS – cents | 4./ | ∠.4 | 13.1 | 13.4 | |

⁽¹⁾ US dollar amounts have been translated from sterling at the 31 December 2005 closing rate of \$1.7168=£1 (see note 1)

ARM Holdings plc Consolidated balance sheet - US GAAP

| | 31 December | 31 December | 31 December |
|---|-------------|-------------|----------------------------|
| | 2005 | 2004 | 2005 ⁽¹⁾ |
| | Unaudited | Audited | Unaudited |
| | £'000 | £'000 | \$'000 |
| Assets | | | · |
| Current assets: | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 128,077 | 110,561 | 219,883 |
| Short-term investments | 23,990 | 5,307 | 41,186 |
| Marketable securities | 8,835 | 21,511 | 15,168 |
| Accounts receivable, net of allowance of | | | |
| £2,173,000 in 2005 and £1,451,000 in 2004 | 55,518 | 34,347 | 95,313 |
| Inventory: finished goods | 1,490 | 897 | 2,558 |
| Prepaid expenses and other assets | 12,567 | 16,001 | 21,575 |
| Total current assets | 230,477 | 188,624 | 395,683 |
| Long-term marketable securities | _ | 5,438 | _ |
| Deferred income taxes | 4,422 | 2,529 | 7,591 |
| Prepaid expenses and other assets | 1,674 | -, | 2,874 |
| Property and equipment, net | 12,803 | 14,117 | 21,980 |
| Goodwill | 385,572 | 340,416 | 661,950 |
| Other intangible assets | 72,345 | 74,578 | 124,202 |
| Investments | 8,800 | 12,235 | 15,108 |
| Total assets | 716,093 | 637,937 | 1,229,388 |
| Liabilities and shareholders' equity | | | |
| Accounts payable | 2,221 | 4,110 | 3,813 |
| Income taxes payable | 10,826 | 6,345 | 18,586 |
| Personnel taxes | 1,329 | 1,123 | 2,282 |
| Accrued liabilities (see note 2) | 25,024 | 38,600 | 42,961 |
| Deferred revenue | 20,354 | 21,355 | 34,944 |
| Total current liabilities | 59,754 | 71,533 | 102,586 |
| Accrued liabilities | - | 1,732 | - |
| Deferred income taxes | 7,289 | 12,345 | 12,513 |
| Total liabilities | 67,043 | 85,610 | 115,099 |
| Shareholders' equity | | | |
| Ordinary shares | 693 | 675 | 1,190 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 425,252 | 414,133 | 730,073 |
| Deferred compensation | (4,404) | (12,083) | (7,561) |
| Treasury stock, at cost | (16,315) | (7,485) | (28,010) |
| Retained earnings | 183,913 | 153,421 | 315,742 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income: | 100,510 | 100,.21 | 010,7.2 |
| Unrealised holding gain on available-for-sale securities, net of tax of £1,096,000 (2004: | | | |
| £2,077,000) | 3,859 | 6,175 | 6,625 |
| Cumulative translation adjustment | 56,052 | (2,509) | 96,230 |
| Total shareholders' equity | 649,050 | 552,327 | 1,114,289 |
| Total liabilities and shareholders' equity | 716,093 | 637,937 | 1,229,388 |

 $^{(1) \}qquad \textit{US dollar amounts have been translated from sterling at the 31 December 2005 closing rate of \$1.7168 = \pounds1 \, (see \ note \ 1)$

ARM Holdings plc Consolidated income statement - IFRS

| | Year ended 31 December 2005 Unaudited £'000 | Year ended 31 December 2004 Unaudited £'000 |
|--|---|--|
| Revenues | | |
| Product revenues | 217,711 | 138,732 |
| Service revenues | 14,728 | 14,165 |
| Total revenues | 232,439 | 152,897 |
| | | |
| Cost of revenues | (10.265) | ((725) |
| Product costs Service costs (see note 4) | (19,265) (7,345) | (6,735) |
| Service costs (see note 4) Total cost of revenues | (26,610) | (5,505) (12,240) |
| Total cost of revenues | (20,010) | (12,240) |
| Gross profit | 205,829 | 140,657 |
| | | |
| Operating expenses | | |
| Research and development (see note 4) | (80,273) | (54,674) |
| Sales and marketing (see note 4) | (47,389) | (25,546) |
| General and administrative (see note 4) | (43,010) (170,672) | (32,108) (112,328) |
| Total operating expenses | (170,072) | (112,326) |
| Profit from operations | 35,157 | 28,329 |
| Investment income | 5,317 | 6,944 |
| Profit before tax | 40,474 | 35,273 |
| Tax | (10,827) | (9,398) |
| | (-,, | (|
| Profit for the year | 29,647 | 25,875 |
| District de | | |
| Dividends - final 2003 paid at 0.6 pence per share | _ | 6,118 |
| - interim 2004 paid at 0.28 pence per share | - - | 2,857 |
| - final 2004 paid at 0.42 pence per share | 5,759 | -,557 |
| - interim 2005 paid at 0.34 pence per share | 4,677 | - |
| Earnings per share | | |
| Basic and diluted earnings | 29,647 | 25,875 |
| Number of shares ('000) | | |
| Basic weighted average number of shares | 1,369,335 | 1,026,890 |
| Effect of dilutive securities: | 1,507,555 | 1,020,070 |
| Share options | 55,027 | 22,179 |
| Diluted weighted average number of shares | 1,424,362 | 1,049,069 |
| Basic EPS | 2 25 | 250 |
| Diluted EPS | 2.2p 2.1p | 2.5p 2.5p |
| Diumu Li U | 2.1p | 2.5p |

All activities relate to continuing operations.

All of the profit for the period is attributable to the equity shareholders of the parent.

ARM Holdings plc Consolidated balance sheet - IFRS

| | 31 December 2005 | 31 December 2004 |
|--|------------------|---------------------|
| | Unaudited | Unaudited |
| | £'000 | £'000 |
| Assets | | |
| Current assets: | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 128,077 | 110,561 |
| Short-term investments | 23,990 | 5,307 |
| Marketable securities | 8,835 | 21,511 |
| Financial assets - fair value of currency contracts | = | 1,674 |
| Accounts receivable | 55,518 | 34,347 |
| Prepaid expenses and other assets | 12,567 | 14,327 |
| Inventories: finished goods | 1,490 | 897 |
| Total current assets | 230,477 | 188,624 |
| Non-current assets: | | |
| Financial assets | | |
| - Long-term marketable securities | - | 5,438 |
| - Available-for-sale investments | 8,800 | 12,235 |
| Prepaid expenses and other assets | 1,674 | - |
| Property, plant and equipment | 8,990 | 9,096 |
| Goodwill | 474,430 | 419,174 |
| Other intangible assets | 79,743 | 84,037 |
| Deferred tax assets | 13,633 | 2,396 |
| Total non-current assets | 587,270 | 532,376 |
| Total assets | 817,747 | 721,000 |
| Total assets | 017,747 | 721,000 |
| Liabilities and shareholders' equity | | |
| Current liabilities: | | |
| Accounts payable | 2,221 | 4,110 |
| Current tax liabilities | 10,826 | 7,081 |
| Accrued and other liabilities | 26,598 | 42,049 |
| Financial liabilities – fair value of currency contracts | 1,708 | - |
| Deferred revenue | 20,354 | 21,355 |
| Total current liabilities | 61,707 | 74,595 |
| Not assument agests | 160 770 | 114 020 |
| Net current assets | 168,770 | 114,029 |
| Non-current liabilities: | | |
| Deferred tax liabilities | 9,193 | 2,135 |
| Other non-current liabilities | | 1,732 |
| Total liabilities | 70,900 | 78,462 |
| Net assets | 746,847 | 642,538 |
| | | |
| Shareholders' equity | | |
| Share capital | 693 | 675 |
| Share premium account | 447,091 | 434,026 |
| Share option reserve | 61,474 | 61,474 |
| Retained earnings | 166,656 | 140,291 |
| Revaluation reserve | 2,921 | 5,237 |
| Cumulative translation adjustment | 68,012 | 835 |
| Total equity | 746,847 | 642,538 |

ARM Holdings plc Consolidated cash flow statement - IFRS

| | Year ended 31 December 2005 Unaudited £'000 | Year ended 31 December 2004 Unaudited £'000 |
|--|--|--|
| Operating activities | | |
| Profit from operations | 35,157 | 28,329 |
| Depreciation and amortisation of tangible and intangible | 33,137 | 20,327 |
| assets | 28,608 | 13,059 |
| Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment | 16 | 20 |
| Impairment of available-for sale investments | 337 | - |
| Compensation charge in respect of share-based payments | 20,863 | 7,855 |
| Provision for doubtful debts | 722 | (321) |
| Accounts receivable converted to available-for-sale | | |
| investments | = | (112) |
| Changes in working capital: | (01.045) | (1.250) |
| Accounts receivable | (21,247) | (1,358) |
| Inventories Prepaid expenses and other assets | (497) 1,613 | (3.650) |
| Accounts payable | (1,931) | (3,659) 1,176 |
| Deferred revenue | (2,043) | 3,013 |
| Accrued liabilities and other creditors | (5,491) | 2,811 |
| recrued numinion and other electrons | (3,171) | 2,011 |
| Cash generated by operations before tax | 56,107 | 50,847 |
| Income taxes paid | (14,447) | (11,601) |
| · | | |
| Net cash from operating activities | 41,660 | 39,246 |
| Investing activities | | |
| Interest received | 5,444 | 7,233 |
| Purchases of property, plant and equipment | (5,492) | (2,723) |
| Proceeds on disposal of property, plant and equipment | 37 | 23 |
| Purchases of other intangible assets | (572) | (2,672) |
| Purchases of available-for-sale investments | (274) | (50) |
| Proceeds on disposal of available-for-sale investments | 96 | - |
| (Purchase) / maturity of short-term investments | (599) | 24,677 |
| Purchases of subsidiaries, net of cash acquired | (20,304) | (77,899) |
| Net cash used in investing activities | (21,664) | (51,411) |
| Financing activities | | |
| Financing activities Issue of shares | 13,921 | 1,313 |
| Expenses of issuing share capital | 13,921 | (360) |
| Purchase of own shares | (16,211) | (300) |
| Dividends paid to shareholders | (10,436) | (8,975) |
| | (-0,100) | (0,5.0) |
| Net cash used in financing activities | (12,726) | (8,022) |
| Net increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | 7,270 | (20,187) |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year | 110,561 | 130,722 |
| Effect of foreign exchange rate changes | 10,246 | 26 |
| | 10,2.0 | 20 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of year | 128,077 | 110,561 |

Notes to the Financial Statements

(1) Basis of preparation – reporting currency

The Group prepares and reports its financial statements in UK sterling. Purely for the convenience of the reader, the US GAAP income statement and balance sheet have been translated from sterling at the closing rate on 31 December 2005 of \$1.7168=£1. Such translations should not be construed as representations that the sterling amounts represent, or have been or could be so converted into US dollars at that or at any other rate.

(2) Accrued liabilities

Accrued liabilities under US GAAP of £25.0 million (2004: £38.6 million) includes: £nil million (2004: £14.3 million) for acquisition-related expenses, £0.7 million (2004: £4.4 million) for staff costs and £0.7 million (2004: £2.8 million) representing the fair value of embedded derivatives.

(3) Consolidated statement of changes in shareholders' equity (US GAAP)

| ` / | A | Additional | Deferred | , | , | Unrealised | Cumulative | |
|--|---------|------------|----------|----------|----------|------------|-------------|----------|
| | Share | paid-in | compen- | Treasury | Retained | holding | translation | |
| | capital | capital | -sation | stock | earnings | gain | adjustment | Total |
| | £,000 | £,000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| At 1 January 2005 | 675 | 414,133 | (12,083) | (7,485) | 153,421 | 6,175 | (2,509) | 552,327 |
| Shares issued on exercise of options | 18 | 13,065 | - | - | - | - | - | 13,083 |
| Net income | - | - | - | - | 41,880 | - | - | 41,880 |
| Dividends | - | - | - | - | (10,436) |) - | - | (10,436) |
| Unrealised holding losses on | | | | | | | | |
| available-for-sale securities | - | - | - | - | - | (2,316) | - | (2,316) |
| Deferred compensation arising on | | | | | | | | |
| share schemes | - | 3,290 | (3,290) | - | - | - | - | - |
| Tax benefits on exercise of options issued | | | | | | | | |
| as part consideration for a business | | | | | | | | |
| combination | _ | 1,227 | - | - | - | - | - | 1,227 |
| Tax effect of disqualifying dispositions | _ | 370 | - | - | - | - | - | 370 |
| Amortisation of deferred compensation | - | - | 9,727 | - | - | - | - | 9,727 |
| Reversal of deferred compensation | - | (1,242) | 1,242 | - | - | - | - | - |
| Issuance of shares | _ | (5,591) | - | 7,381 | (952) |) - | - | 838 |
| Purchase of own shares | - | - | - | (16,211) | - | _ | - | (16,211) |
| Currency translation adjustment | - | - | - | - | - | - | 58,561 | 58,561 |
| At 31 December 2005 | 693 | 425,252 | (4,404) | (16,315) | 183,913 | 3,859 | 56,052 | 649,050 |

(4) IFRS operating expenses

Included within the IFRS income statement for the year ended 31 December 2005 are total share-based payment costs of £20.9 million (2004: £7.9 million), allocated £1.3 million (2004: £0.4 million) in cost of revenues, £12.1 million (2004: £4.3 million) in research and development costs, £4.2 million (2004: £1.5 million) in sales and marketing costs and £3.3 million (2004: £1.7 million) in general and administrative costs.

Also included within operating costs is amortisation of intangibles of £17.9 million (2004: £0.6 million), allocated £8.1 million (2004 £0.3 million) in research and development costs, £9.1 million (2004 £0.2 million) in sales and marketing costs and £0.7 million (2004 £0.1 million) in general and administrative costs.

(5) Consolidated statement of changes in shareholders' equity (IFRS)

| | | Share | Share | | Reval- | Cumulative | |
|--------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|----------|---------|-------------|----------|
| | Share | premium | option | Retained | -uation | translation | |
| | capital | account | reserve | earnings | reserve | reserve | Total |
| | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £,000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 |
| At 1 January 2005 | 675 | 434,026 | 61,474 | 140,291 | 5,237 | 835 | 642,538 |
| Shares issued on exercise of options | 18 | 13,065 | - | - | - | - | 13,083 |
| Profit for the period | - | - | - | 29,647 | - | - | 29,647 |
| Dividends | - | - | - | (10,436) | - | - | (10,436) |
| Credit in respect of employee share | | | | | | | |
| schemes | - | - | - | 20,863 | - | - | 20,863 |
| Movement on deferred tax arising on | | | | | | | |
| outstanding share options | - | - | - | (4,408) | - | - | (4,408) |

| Tax benefits on exercise of options issued | | | | | | | |
|--|-----|---------|--------|----------|---------|--------|----------|
| as part consideration for a business | | | | | | | |
| combination | - | - | - | 6,072 | - | - | 6,072 |
| Purchase of own shares | - | - | - | (16,211) | - | - | (16,211) |
| Proceeds from sale of own shares | - | - | - | 838 | - | - | 838 |
| Unrealised holding losses on | | | | | | | |
| available-for-sale investments (net | | | | | | | |
| of deferred tax of £981,000) | - | - | - | - | (2,316) | - | (2,316) |
| Currency translation adjustment | - | - | - | - | - | 67,177 | 67,177 |
| At 31 December 2005 | 693 | 447,091 | 61,474 | 166,656 | 2,921 | 68,012 | 746,847 |

(6) Summary of significant differences between US GAAP and IFRS

Goodwill Under both IFRS and US GAAP, goodwill is not subject to amortisation, but is tested annually for impairment. As permitted by IFRS 1, the Company's goodwill under IFRS has been frozen at the amount recorded under UK GAAP as at 1 January 2004. Under US GAAP, following the provisions of SFAS 142, "Goodwill and other intangible assets", the carrying value of goodwill was frozen at the amount recorded under previous US GAAP as at 1 January 2002. Under both previous US GAAP and UK GAAP, goodwill was amortised over its useful economic life. Thus, while ongoing accounting policies in respect of goodwill are similar under US GAAP and IFRS, the difference in the dates of transition means that different amounts of goodwill are recorded.

Under US GAAP, certain costs to be incurred on restructuring on business combination are treated as a fair value adjustment in the balance sheet acquired. Under IFRS, these costs are expensed post-acquisition. Additionally, under US GAAP, tax benefits arising from the exercise of options issued as part of the consideration for a business combination become a deduction to goodwill, only to the extent that those benefits do not exceed the fair value of the consideration relating to those options at the appropriate tax rate. Any excess tax benefits are a deduction to equity. Under IFRS, the full tax benefit is a deduction to equity.

The 2004 annual report included a provisional assessment of the fair values of assets and liabilities acquired on the acquisition of Artisan Components Inc. on 23 December 2004. Where these provisional values have been amended as estimates have been refined in 2005, adjustments to fair values have been recorded as prior year adjustments to goodwill for IFRS purposes. Under US GAAP, these are recorded as amendments to goodwill in the current period.

Recognition and amortisation of intangibles The Company has taken advantage of the exemption under IFRS 1 not to apply IFRS retrospectively to business combinations occurring before 1 January 2004. This means that for business combinations occurring before this date, the previously reported UK GAAP treatment has continued to be followed. Under previous UK GAAP, intangible assets were recognised separately from goodwill only where they could be sold separately without disposing of a business of the entity. This separability criterion does not apply under either IFRS or US GAAP. Thus, a number of intangible assets which are required to be recognised separately from goodwill under both IFRS 3 and SFAS 142, were subsumed within goodwill under UK GAAP. Under both US GAAP and IFRS, such intangible assets are amortised over their useful economic lives. Except in relation to in-process research and development (see below), there is no difference in accounting policy for intangible assets recognised as a result of business combinations entered into after 1 January 2004.

In-process research and development Under IFRS, in-process research and development projects purchased as part of a business combination may meet the criteria set out in IAS 38, "Intangible assets", for recognition as intangible assets other than goodwill and are amortised over their useful economic lives commencing when the asset is brought into use. Under US GAAP, in-process research and development is immediately written-off to the income statement. This accounting policy difference gives rise to an associated difference in deferred taxation.

Valuation of consideration on business combination Under both IFRS and US GAAP, the fair value of consideration in a business combination includes the fair value of both equity issued and any share options granted as part of that combination. Under IFRS, any equity issued is valued at the fair value as of the date of completion, whilst under US GAAP, the equity is valued at the date the terms of the combination were agreed to and announced. For options, under US GAAP, the fair value is based upon the total number of options granted, both vested and unvested, whilst under IFRS the fair value only includes those that have vested, together with a pro-rata value for partially vested options. Furthermore, where there is contingent consideration for an acquisition, under IFRS this is recognised as part of the purchase consideration if the contingent conditions are expected to be satisfied, whilst under US GAAP it is only recognised if the conditions have actually been met.

Deferred compensation Under US GAAP, the intrinsic value of unvested stock options issued by an acquirer as part of a business combination in exchange for unvested share options of the acquiree is recorded as a debit balance within shareholders' funds. This amount is charged to the profit and loss account over the vesting period of the share options in accordance with FIN 28. Under IFRS, no such adjustment to shareholders' funds is made on acquisition.

Compensation charge in respect of share-based payments The Company issues equity-settled share-based payments to certain employees. In accordance with IFRS 2, equity-settled share-based payments are measured at fair value at the date of grant, using the Black-Scholes pricing model. The fair value determined at the grant date of the equity-settled share-based payments is expensed on a straight-line basis over the vesting period, based on the Company's estimate of the number of shares that will eventually vest. Under US GAAP, the Company accounts for share option compensation expense under APB 25, and thus no compensation expense is recorded where the exercise price of the option is equal to the share price on the date of grant.

Under US GAAP, the Company recognises a compensation charge in respect of UK SAYE plans. The compensation charge is calculated as the difference between the market price of the shares at the date of grant and the exercise price of the option and is recorded on a straight-line

basis over the savings period. In addition, certain options attract a charge under variable plan accounting under US GAAP. Under IFRS, this charge is calculated in the same manner as other share-based payments, as detailed above.

Under US GAAP, the Company follows variable plan accounting for LTIP grants, measuring compensation expense as the difference between the exercise price and the fair market value of the shares at each period end over the vesting period of the options. Increases in fair market value of the shares result in a charge and decreases in fair market value of the shares result in a credit, subject to the cumulative amount previously expensed. Under IFRS, this charge is calculated in the same manner as other share-based payments, as detailed above.

Deferred tax on UK and US share options In the US and the UK, the Company is entitled to a tax deduction for the amount treated as employee compensation under US and UK tax rules on exercise of certain employee share options. The compensation is equivalent to the difference between the option exercise price and the fair market value of the shares at the date of exercise.

Under IFRS, deferred tax assets are recognised and are calculated by comparing the estimated amount of tax deduction to be obtained in the future (based on the Company's share price at the balance sheet date) with the cumulative amount of the compensation expense recorded in the income statement. If the amount of estimated future tax deduction exceeds the cumulative amount of the remuneration expense at the statutory tax rate, the excess is recorded directly in equity, against the profit and loss reserve. In accordance with the transitional provisions of IFRS 2, no compensation charge is recorded in respect of options granted before 7 November 2002 or in respect of those options which have been exercised or have lapsed before 1 January 2005. Nevertheless, tax deductions have arisen and will continue to arise on these options. The tax effects arising in relation to these options are recorded directly in equity, against retained earnings.

Under US GAAP, deferred tax assets are recognised by multiplying the compensation expense recorded by the prevailing tax rate in the relevant tax jurisdiction. Where, on exercise of the relevant option, the tax benefit obtained exceeds the deferred tax asset in relation to the relevant options, the excess is recorded in additional paid-in capital. Where the tax benefit is less than the deferred tax asset, the write-down of the deferred tax asset is recorded against additional paid-in capital to the extent of previous excess tax benefits recorded in this account, with any remainder recorded in the income statement.

Employer's taxes on share options Under IFRS, employer's taxes that are payable on the exercise of share options are provided for over the vesting period of the options. Under US GAAP, such taxes are accounted for when the options are exercised.

| Reconciliation of IFRS profit to US GAAP net income | Year ended 31 December 2005 Unaudited £'000 | Year ended 31 December 2004 <u>Unaudited</u> £'000 |
|--|--|---|
| Profit for financial period as reported under IFRS | 29,647 | 25,875 |
| Adjustments for: | , | , |
| Amortisation of intangibles | 548 | (65) |
| Write-off of in-process research and development | (335) | (3,612) |
| US GAAP compensation charge in respect of LTIP | (3,814) | (619) |
| US GAAP compensation charge in respect of SAYE schemes | (417) | (341) |
| US GAAP deferred stock-based compensation re acquisition | (5,496) | - |
| IFRS compensation charge in respect of all share-based | | |
| payments | 20,863 | 7,855 |
| Employer's taxes on share options | 3 | (36) |
| Utilisation of restructuring provision | 1,368 | - |
| Foreign exchange on contingent consideration | 40 | - |
| Tax on UK and US share options | (370) | (515) |
| Tax difference on amortisation of intangibles | (248) | (14) |
| Tax difference on share-based payments | 91 | (551) |
| Net income as reported under US GAAP | 41,880 | 27,977 |
| Reconciliation of shareholders' equity from IFRS to US GAAP | 31 December 2005 Unaudited £'000 | 31 December 2004 Unaudited £'000 |
| | * 000 | 2 000 |
| Shareholders' equity as reported under IFRS Adjustments for: | 746,847 | 642,538 |
| Employer's taxes on share options | 30 | 27 |
| Utilisation of restructuring provision | 1,368 | - |
| Cumulative difference on amortisation of goodwill | 2,713 | 2,713 |

| Cumulative difference on amortisation of intangibles Cumulative write-off of in-process research and development Cumulative difference on deferred tax Valuation of equity consideration on acquisition | 441 (4,097) (263) (82,435) | (107) (3,762) (14) (82,435) |
|---|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Valuation of option consideration on acquisition | 17,476 | 17,476 |
| Deferred compensation on acquisition Deferred tax on share-based payments | (9,579) (8,775) | (9,579) (13,274) |
| Portion of tax benefit arising on exercise of options issued on | , | (13,274) |
| acquisition taken to goodwill under US GAAP Foreign exchange on valuation of intangible assets and | (4,844) | - |
| deferred tax | (9,872) | (1,256) |
| Foreign exchange on valuation of contingent consideration | 40 | (1,230) |
| 1 oroign exchange on variation of contingent consideration | 10 | |
| Shareholders' equity as reported under US GAAP | 649,050 | 552,327 |
| Reconciliation of goodwill from IFRS to US GAAP | 31 December 2005 | 31 December 2004 |
| | Unaudited | Unaudited |
| | £'000 | £'000 |
| Goodwill as reported under IFRS | 474,430 | 419,174 |
| Adjustments for: | 1 225 | (2.021) |
| Amendments to provisional fair values | 1,235 | (2,831) |
| Cumulative difference on amortisation of goodwill | 2,713 | 2,713 (150) |
| Cumulative write-off of in-process research and development Amendment following revised intangible valuation on | (150) | (130) |
| acquisition, net of deferred tax | _ | 500 |
| Separately identifiable intangible assets | (302) | (302) |
| Deferred tax on capitalised in-process research and | (802) | (802) |
| development | (1,570) | (1,318) |
| Portion of tax benefit arising on exercise of options issued on | | |
| acquisition taken to goodwill under US GAAP Valuation of equity consideration on acquisition | (4,248) (82,435) | (82,435) |
| Valuation of option consideration on acquisition | 17,476 | 17,476 |
| Deferred compensation on acquisition | (9,579) | (9,579) |
| Contingent consideration | (1,864) | (1,665) |
| Foreign exchange on revaluation of goodwill | (10,134) | (1,167) |
| | · . | |
| Goodwill as reported under US GAAP | 385,572 | 340,416 |

(7) Non-GAAP measures

The following non-GAAP measures, including reconciliations to the US GAAP measures, have been used in this earnings release. These measures have been presented as they allow a clearer comparison of operating results that exclude one-off non-recurring charges and acquisition-related charges. All figures in £'000 unless otherwise stated.

| | (7.1) Q4 2005 | (7.2) Q3 2005 | (7.3) Q4 2004 | (7.4) FY 2005 | (7.5) FY 2004 |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Income from operations | 14,094 | 10,638 | 3,417 | 47,917 | 31,511 |
| Non-recurring charge – technology license agreement Acquisition-related charge – amortisation of intangibles | 4,809 | 4,342 | 4,510 3,712 | 17,726 | 4,510 4,188 |
| Acquisition-related charge – deferred stock-based compensation Other deferred stock-based compensation and related payroll taxes | 479 2,628 | 1,311 1,449 | - 565 | 5,496 4,873 | 960 |
| Pro forma income from operations | 22,010 | 17,740 | 12,204 | 76,012 | 41,169 |
| As % of revenue | 35.0% | 31.3% | 29.4% | 32.7% | 26.9% |
| | (7.6) Q4 2005 | (7.7) Q3 2005 | (7.8) Q4 2004 | (7.9) FY 2005 | (7.10) FY 2004 |

| Income before income tax | 15,778 | 12,032 | 5,334 | 53,234 | 38,455 |
|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Non-recurring charge – technology license agreement | - | - | 4,510 | - | 4,510 |
| Acquisition-related charge – amortisation of intangibles | 4,809 | 4,342 | 3,712 | 17,726 | 4,188 |
| Acquisition-related charge – deferred stock-based compensation | 479 | 1,311 | - | 5,496 | - |
| Other deferred stock-based compensation and related payroll taxes | 2,628 | 1,449 | 565 | 4,873 | 960 |
| Pro forma income before income tax | 23,694 | 19,134 | 14,121 | 81,329 | 48,113 |

| | | | (7.11) | (7.12) | (7.13) |
|---|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| | | | 31 December | 30 September | ' ' |
| | | | 2005 | 2005 | 2004 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | | | 128,077 | 137,856 | 110,561 |
| Short-term investments | | | 23,990 | 5,000 | 5,307 |
| Short-term marketable securities | | | 8,835 | 21,881 | 21,511 |
| Long-term marketable securities | | | - | | 5,438 |
| Pro forma cash | | | 160,902 | 164,737 | 142,817 |
| | | | (7.14) | (7.15) | (7.16) |
| | | | (7.14) Q4 2005 | (7.15) Q3 2005 | (7.16) FY 2005 |
| | | | Q4 2005 | Q3 2005 | F Y 2005 |
| Pro forma cash at end of period (as above) | | | 160,902 | 164,737 | 160,902 |
| Less: Pro forma cash at beginning of period (as above) | | | (164,737) | | (142,817) |
| Add back: Cash outflow from acquisitions (net of cash acquired) | | | 4,264 | | 20,304 |
| Add back: Cash outflow from payment of dividends | | | 4,677 | , | 10,436 |
| Add back: Cash outflow from purchase of own shares | | | 10,773 | 5,438 | 16,211 |
| Pro forma cash generation | | | 15,879 | 17,229 | 65,036 |
| | (7.17) Q4 2005 | (7.18) Q3 2005 | (7.19) Q4 2004 | (7.20) FY 2005 | (7.21) FY 2004 |
| Net income (US GAAP) | 12,977 | 9,784 | 4.509 | 41,880 | 27.977 |
| Non-recurring charge – technology license agreement | - | - | 4,510 | | 4,510 |
| Acquisition-related charge – amortisation of intangibles | 4,809 | 4,342 | 3,712 | 17,726 | 4,188 |
| Acquisition-related charge – deferred stock-based compensation | 479 | 1,311 | - | 5,496 | - |
| Other deferred stock-based compensation | 2,628 | 1,449 | 565 | 4,873 | 960 |
| Estimated tax impact of above charges | (3,346) | (1,860) | (1,525) | (8,912) | |
| Pro forma net income | 17,547 | 15,026 | 11,771 | 61,063 | 36,092 |
| Dilutive shares ('000) | 1,431,084 | 1,437,448 | 1,071,645 | | 1,049,768 |
| Pro forma diluted EPS | 1.23p | 1.05p | 1.10p | 4.28p | 3.44p |
| | | | (7.22) | (7.23) | |
| | | | Q4 2004 | FY 2004 | |
| | | | \$'000 | \$'000 | |
| Artisan actual reported dollar revenues | | | 14,609 | 83,090 | |
| Artisan pro forma dollar revenue adjustment | | | 11,500 | | |
| Pro forma Artisan dollar revenues | | | 26,109 | 94,590 | |

Note

The results shown for Q4 2005, Q4 2004, FY 2005 and IFRS FY 2004 are unaudited. The US GAAP results shown for FY 2004 are audited.

The results for ARM for Q4 2005 and previous quarters as shown reflect the accounting policies as stated in Note 1 to the US GAAP financial statements in the Annual Report and Accounts filed with Companies House in the UK for the fiscal year ended 31 December 2004 and in the Annual Report on Form

20-F for the fiscal year ended 31 December 2004. The IFRS results have been prepared using the accounting policies detailed in the 2005 Interim Report. These IFRS policies have not been formally agreed as audited but no significant changes are expected to those in the audited financial statements for the year.

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