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Notes to 2005 Financial Statements.

Accounting principles

As a public corporation Switzerland Tourism maintains and presents its accounts in accordance with §957 ff. of the Swiss Code of Obligations (OR) and the applicable provisions of Swiss stock corporation law (§662 a ff. OR). Switzerland Tourism is liable for its liabilities to the extent of its assets in accordance with §21 of the organizational charter.

	2005 CHF	2004 CHF
Pension fund liabilities		
Short-term liabilities towards domestic and foreign pension funds	165 100	157 200

Fire insurance, tangible property

Furniture	2 200 000	2 200 000
IT equipment	1 498 400	1 521 000
Property (Paris property) pro Memoria		

Assets pledged for own liabilities

Pledged assets:

Liquid funds	0	3 620 868
pawned for:		
Fixed-term loan ZKB (2005 repaid)	0	3 000 000
Fixed-term loan UBS (new 2005 long-term)	2 000 000	0
UBS – Credit line (current account)	5 000 000	0
CS – Credit line (current account)	500 000	500 000
ZKB – Credit line (current account)	2 000 000	2 000 000

Depreciation on tangible assets

Depreciation for infrastructure appearances (trade show stand), web and mailing-house servers is included under “Expenses arising from marketing”	587 400	476 072
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Investments

STC Switzerland Travel Centre AG Zurich/London, central management, distribution and sale of CH tourism products, share capital	5 250 000	5 250 000
ST holding	33%	33,33%

Accounts receivable/payable vis-à-vis STC Switzerland Travel Centre AG

The balance sheet contains the following credit/liability items:

1.2.1 Debtors	4 087	9 538
2.1.2 Creditors	51 302	150 644

Paris property account

Income	964 649	1 360 475
Expenditure	1 063 358	1 343 519
Profit	-98 709	16 956

Leasing liabilities

Total leasing liabilities	6 394	29 382
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Guarantees

Paris apartment rental guarantee EUR 6 860	10 691	36 624
House rental guarantee staff		
Los Angeles USD 30 000 / 30 000	39 477	33 960
New York USD 0 / 1 550	0	1 755

Income and expenditure arising from marketing

The marketing account plan has been adapted to the new requirements. The income and expenditure from the previous year, however, could not be allocated to the new accounts and is therefore shown as a single amount.

Income arising from operating costs charged to third parties

This was shown as a separate item under “Income” last year. The amounts are now listed in “Expenses” as a reduction in expenses under “Personnel expenses charged to third parties” and “Operating expenses charged to third parties”.

Financial income/expenses

Exchange rate gains and losses were netted against each other for the first time this year and shown as a single amount under income or expenses accordingly.