TELECOM AUCKLAND LIMITED

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS—continued

									30 September 1990 \$000's	31 March 1990 \$000's
14 FIXED ASSETS					w					
Telecommunication equipment	:									
-Cost		••	••	••	••	••	••	••	988,036	899,984
-Accumulated depreciation	• •	••	• •	••	• •	••	••	• •	(297,773)	(267,841)
									690,263	632,143
Capital work in progress		• •		••			••	••	113,365	189,452
Land				••	••	••	• •	••	58,054	58,219
Buildings:										
-Cost			••						125,167	71,596
-Accumulated depreciation	• •	••	••	• •	••	••	• •		(8,812)	(6,764)
									116,355	64,832
Other fixed assets:										
-Cost									94,308	81,532
-Accumulated depreciation							• •		(36,461)	(32,764)
									57,847	48,768
Total cost									1,378,930	1,300,783
Total accumulated depreciation	on							••	(343,046)	(307,369)
Total net book value	•••	•••	••		•••		••	••	1,035,884	993,414

Other fixed assets include tools and plant, vehicles, office equipment, furniture and fittings and computer equipment. Included in telecommunication equipment at 30 September 1990 and 31 March 1990 respectively, is equipment leased to customers under operating leases with a cost of \$189.9 million and \$184.2 million, together with accumulated depreciation of \$94.6 million and \$92.2 million.

REGISTRATION OF TITLE TO LAND

Certificates of title for freehold interests in land included in the assets purchased from the Crown are being progressively raised by the Crown and transferred to Group companies. Titles for more than half the freehold interests have been issued and, for the remainder, equitable ownership rests with the Group.

LAND CLAIMS

Under the Treaty of Waitangi Act 1975 all land or interest in land included in the assets purchased from the Crown is subject to claims to the Waitangi Tribunal which has the power to recommend in appropriate circumstances that the land be resumed by the Crown in order that it be returned to Maori claimants. In the event that land is resumed by the Crown, compensation will be paid to Telecom under the provisions of the Public Works Act 1981. If this is insufficient to cover the loss certain additional compensation is payable under the provisions of the Sale and Purchase Agreement between Telecom and the Crown.

Under the State Owned Enterprises Act 1986 the Governor General may if satisfied that any land or interest in land held by Telecom is Wahi Tapu (being land of special spiritual, cultural or historical tribal significance) declare by order in Council that the land be resumed by the Crown, with compensation payable to Telecom under the provisions of the Public Works Act 1981.

15 COMMITMENTS

(A) OPERATING LEASES

Operating lease commitments are mainly in respect of leases of land and buildings. Minimum rental commitments as at 30 September 1990 for all non-cancellable operating leases for the years ended 30 September are:

-1991	12.0	
-1992	12.6	
-1993	12.4	
-1994	12.2	
-1995	11.4	
-Thereafter	38.7	
	\$99.3	million

(B) CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

As at 30 September 1990 capital expenditure amounting to \$60.9 million has been committed under contractual arrangements.