THE IMPACT OF INFLATION TOWARDS THE FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE OF LISTED MNCs IN MALAYSIA (PRODUCT INDUSTRY)

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ABSTRACT

This study was carried out to identify the impact of inflation toward the performance of the listed MNCs. The sample of 5 listed MNCs which have at least 40% foreign equity with paid-up capital of more than RM 2.5M have been selected. This study covered the period from 1986 to 1995.

Data were obtained from the Company Handbook of KLSE and companies' annual report. The methodology used were financial ratio analysis and in the process of conducting the hypothesis of the study, the researcher used the regression analysis using the computer package which is called Time Series Package (TSP).

The major conclusion drawn from this study showed that only 3 profitability ratios are effected by the inflation indicators and 2 of the inflation indicators influenced the significant profitability ratios at 95% of confident interval.

It is found that, PPI is the only inflation indicators which is insignificant.

Therefore, its can be concluded that the PPI does not effect all the profitability ratios.