

**RANDOM HOUSE UK VENTURES LTD****BALANCE SHEET  
As at 31st December 2005**

	2005	2004
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Amounts owed by Group undertaking	<u>£1,865</u>	<u>£1,865</u>
<b>CAPITAL AND RESERVES</b>		
Called up share capital (note 1)	<u>£1,865</u>	<u>£1,865</u>

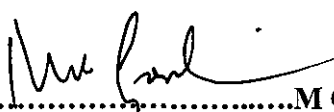
For the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2005 the company was entitled to exemption under section 249AA(1) of the Companies Act 1985.

Members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts in accordance with section 249B(2) of the Companies Act 1985.

The directors acknowledge their responsibility for:

- i) ensuring the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 221; and
- ii) preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of its financial year, and of its profit or loss for the financial year in accordance with section 226, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act relating to accounts, so far as applicable to the company.

Approved by the board of directors on .....<sup>28</sup>February 2006 and signed on their behalf

by..........M Gardiner (Director).

**Notes:****1. SHARE CAPITAL**

At 31st December 2004 and 2005:

Authorised:

2,000 ordinary shares of £1 each £2,000

Allotted, called up and fully paid:

1,865 ordinary shares of £1 each £1,865

**2. PARENT UNDERTAKING**

The company's immediate parent company is The Random House Group Limited.

The company's ultimate parent company is Bertelsmann AG, which is incorporated in Germany.

