# THE BRITISH-GERMAN ASSOCIATION (LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 31 DECEMBER 2002

Company Registration Number 601207 Charity Number 206062

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#### FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2002

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#### MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS

The board of trustees

Sir N. Broomfield KCMG

Lord Watson of Richmond CBE

Maj-Gen. P. G. Brooking CB CMG MBE DL

J. Š. Faulder P. J. Singer

Dr. B. Atenstaedt

G. Coltman (retired on 10/1/02)

A. Dreydel OBE R. Kappler F. Norman

D. J. G. Paterson FCA

Dr. M. Smith (retired on 10/1/02)

Prof. D. B. Southern

G. Storch Dr. J. Thum M-A Von Simson

Lady Watson of Richmond

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Company secretary

P. J. Singer

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Steele, Robertson & Co. Chartered Accountants & Registered Auditors

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#### TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

#### YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2002

The trustees, who are also Directors for the purposes of the Companies Act, present their report and the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2002.

#### INTRODUCTION

The British German Association is a company limited by guarantee (number 601207) and a registered charity (number 206062) governed by its Memorandum and Articles of association.

The financial statements comply with current statutory requirements, the Memorandum and Articles of Association and the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2000).

#### **OBJECTIVES**

The objectives (in essence, the promotion of cultural and educational links between the United Kingdom and the Federal Republic of Germany) and powers of the Association are laid down by its Memorandum and Articles of Association, which are available for inspection upon application to the Honorary Treasurer. The Association aims to sustain and increase its membership in order to support existing, and develop new, activities furthering relations between the UK and Germany and to maintain adequate resources for these purposes.

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

The membership consists of individual and affiliated members paying by annual subscription, a smaller numbers of corporate members paying a higher annual subscription and a limited number of sustaining corporate members who currently pay annual subscriptions of £1,000 each, together with affiliated societies.

#### ORGANISATION

The Trustees, as directors, are responsible for overall policy but whilst the Executive Committee of the trustees meets on a regular basis, much of the day to day activity of the Association is conducted by individuals to whom it delegates authority:

Chairman: Maj-Gen P. G. Brooking CB CMG MBE DL Vice Chairmen: D. J. G. Paterson FCA and G. Storch

Honorary Treasurer: J. S. Faulder MA

Company Secretarial Matters (Honorary Secretary): P. J. Singer

All of the above provide their time and services to the Association without charge. In addition, Ms. E. Ulmer Kracht is responsible for organising the Annual Fundraising Ball and a number of individuals provide administrative support on a part time basis. Mrs. Ute Wegener is the executive secretary responsible for administration and is also remunerated on a part-time basis.

#### **REVIEW OF THE PAST YEAR**

Membership: Individual membership increased slightly compared with the previous year. The Trustees continue to seek an increase in the Association's membership and are particularly seeking to recruit younger members.

Social and educational activities: A summary of these activities can be found at note 2 to the financial statements. During the year the Association organised a farewell to the outgoing Ambassador and a welcome to the incoming Ambassador.

Fundraising activities: A summary of the fundraising activities can be found at note 3 to the accounts. As in previous years the main event was the annual Nutcracker Ball held at the London Hilton.

#### TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (continued)

#### YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2002

The Youthbridge Project: This was an exchange scheme between young people in the United Kingdom, and the area formally encompassed by East Germany, and is being replaced by an incentive scheme for the learning of German.

#### Review of the financial statements

Matters disclosed by virtue of the requirements of the Companies Act 1985 in the financial statements are not necessarily further referred to hereunder. A Statement of Financial Operations can be found on page 7 and from this it can be seen that the overall deficit for the year is £6,560, consisting of a deficit of £5,465 on the restricted fund, a surplus of £257 on the endowment funds and a deficit of £1,352 on the unrestricted funds

Of the total funds available to the Association at 31 December 2002 (£97,518), £18,347 is available to further the general objectives of the Association and the balance of £84,379 is earmarked for restricted activities. Further details of these restricted funds can be found in notes 13 and 14 in the financial statements.

#### RESERVES POLICY AND RISK MANAGEMENT

The Trustees monitor the risk management objectives, set out in a detailed review in 2001, at each Executive Committee Meeting.

The trustees have forecast the level of free reserves the charity will require to sustain its operations over the next twelve months. The Trustees consider that the most appropriate level of free reserves at 31 December 2003 would be £5,000. The actual free reserves at 31 December 2002 were £8,198.

#### RESULTS

The results for the year, and the charity's financial position at the end of the year are shown in the attached financial statements.

#### THE TRUSTEES

The trustees who served the charity during the period are shown on page 1.

In accordance with Article 24 of the Articles of Association, F. Norman, Mrs. M-A von Simson and Dr. J. Thum retire by rotation.

#### TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity at the end of the year and of the incoming and outgoing resources for the year then ended.

In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently, making judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent. The trustees must also prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue its activities.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

#### TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (continued)

#### YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2002

#### **AUDITORS**

Kernon & Co. having ceased operations during the year, the trustees approved Steele, Robertson & Co. and Marfell Smith & Co. to fill the statutory audit vacancy and a resolution to re-appoint Steele, Robertson & Co. and Marfell Smith & Co. as auditors for the ensuing year will be proposed at the annual general meeting in accordance with section 385 of the Companies Act 1985.

Registered office: 34 Belgrave Square London SWIX 8QB Signed on behalf of the trustees

J. S. Faulder Honorary Treasurer

Approved by the trustees on 26th June 2003

# THE BRITISH-GERMAN ASSOCIATION INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2002

We have audited the financial statements on pages 7 to 15, which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on pages 9 to 10.

This report is made solely to the charity's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

#### RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES AND THE AUDITORS

The Trustees' (who also act as Directors of the company) responsibilities for preparing the Trustees Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards are set out in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities on page 3.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and United Kingdom Auditing Standards.

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the Trustees Annual Report is not consistent with the financial statements, if the charity has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding trustees' remuneration and transactions with the charity is not disclosed.

We read the Trustees Annual Report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it. Our responsibilities do not extend to any other information.

#### BASIS OF AUDIT OPINION

We conducted our audit in accordance with United Kingdom Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disciosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charity's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS (continued)

#### YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2002

#### **OPINION**

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the charity's state of affairs as at 31 December 2002 and of its incoming resources and application of resources in the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Steele, Robertson & Co. Chartered Accountants & Registered Auditors 39 Cloth Fair London EC1A 7NR Marfell Smith & Co. Chartered Accountants & Registered Auditors Market House 124 Middlesex Street London E1 7HY

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Date 26 JAL 2005

### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES AND INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

#### YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2002

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2002 £	Total Funds 2001
Incoming resources			-	~	••	~
Subscriptions Social and educational		20,501	_	_	20,501	21,004
activities Fundraising (including	2	17,234	-	-	17,234	38,221
annual ball)  Journal and ties, pins	3	76,385	5,150	_	81,535	101,767
and badges		2,135	_	_	2,135	3,901
Investment income	4	914	1,440	257		3,057
Donations	•	25		<b>20</b>	25	89,275
Total Incoming resou	ırces	117,194	6,590	257	124,041	257,225
Less: costs of genera Fundraising (including	_	unds:				
annual ball)	3	60,110	12,055	_	72,165	82,819
Net incoming resources available for charitable application		57,084	(5,465)	257	51,876	174,406
Charitable expenditu Social and education activities	al	2 19,147	_	_	19,147	95,597
Journal and cost of t	ties					
etc. Management and		4,820			4,820	7,544
administration		5 34,469		<del>-</del>	34,469	48,514
Total charitable expenditure		58,436		<del>-</del>	58,436	151,655
Total Resources expended		6 118,546	12,055		130,601	234,474
Net depletion of reso for the year and exce						
expenses over incom		(1,352)	(5,465)	) 25	7 (6,560	) 22,751
Balances brought for	ward	19,699	70,359	14,02	0 104,078	81,327
Balances carried for	ward	18,347	64,894	14,27	7 97,518	104,078

The charity has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the year as set out above.

All of the activities of the charity are classed as continuing.

The notes on pages 9 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

#### **BALANCE SHEET**

#### **31 DECEMBER 2002**

	2002			2001	
	Note	£	£	£	
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	7		1,658	2,616	
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CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks	8	1,749		1,108	
Debtors	9	7,458		22,380	
Cash at bank	10	112,771		95,378	
		121,978		118,866	
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one					
year	11	(26,118)		(17,404)	
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NOT CURRENT ACCETO			0.8 6.66	. (1.3. 4.7.)	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			95,860	101,462	
NEW ACCIONO			05.510	104.070	
NET ASSETS			97,518	104,078	
FUNDS					
Unrestricted:					
Designated funds	12		6,506	10,000	
Other charitable funds			11,847	9,699	
Restricted	13		64,894	70,359	
Endowment	14		14,277	14,020	
TOTAL FUNDS	15		97,518	104,078	
I GATE A UTIBU			77,510	104,070	

These financial statements were approved by the members of the committee on the 26th June 2003 and arc signed on their behalf by.

D. F. E. Paterson

Vice Chairman and Truste

J. S. Faulder

Honorary Treasurer and Trustee

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2002

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (SORP 2000) and the Companies Act 1985.

#### Cash flow statement

The trustees have taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No 1 (revised) from including a cash flow statement in the financial statements on the grounds that the charity is small.

#### **Incoming resources**

- i. Donations are recognised in the financial statements when receivable, unless the conditions attaching to a donation specify its use in a future period. Subscriptions are recognised when receivable subject to provision for amounts received in advance. However, no recognition is given to unpaid ordinary subscriptions as membership is deemed to cease until arrears are paid.
- ii. Receipts in respect of Functions and Fundraising activities and Investments are accounted for when receivable.
- in Income tax recoverable from subscriptions and donations is recognised upon agreement with the Inland Revenue.
- iv. Intangible services are only recognised if there is a material financial cost to the donor of the services.

#### Expenditure

The annual cost of administrative expenditure estimated to be attributable to restricted activities includes a proportion of the salary of the sole full time employee. Expenditure is recognised when incurred, inclusive of Value Added Tax, as the Association is not registered for VAT.

#### Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Telephone equipment
Computers and typewriters

12.5% per annum of cost

33.3% per annum of cost

Presentation medals are depreciated by writing off costs of unengraved medals proportionally to the awards of engraved medals in the year.

#### **Stocks**

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2002

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### Operating lease agreements

Rentals applicable to operating leases where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor are charged against profits on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

#### **Funds accounting**

Funds held by the charity are either:

Unrestricted funds - these are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the Trustees, of which some are designated for specific purposes, but not irrevocably.

Restricted funds - these are funds that can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor. These funds are either endowments (capital base maintained) or restricted income (the entire fund may be used for the restricted purpose).

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

#### 2. NET EXPENDITURE ON SOCIAL AND EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

	2002	2001
Income from ticket sales, sponsorship etc.	£	£
- Unrestricted funds	17,234	35,783
- Endowment funds - Sir Frank Roberts Memorial Lecture		2,438
	17,234	38,221
Expenditure – Unrestricted funds	19,147	35,431
Restricted income fund - Youthbridge	-	3,140
Restricted income fund - New Age - New Skills	-	49,357
Endowment fund - Sir Frank Roberts Memorial Lecture		4,669
	19,147	92,597
	(1,913)	(54,376)

#### 3. NET FUNDRAISING INCOME

Income from Ball and other activities from ticket sales,	2002 £	2001 £
sponsorship etc.		
- Unrestricted funds	76,385	93,359
- Restricted funds · Youthbridge	5,150	8,988
	81,535	102,347
Expenditure – Unrestricted funds	60,110	82,819
Restricted income fund - Youthbridge	12,055	-
	72,165	82,819
<del>-</del>	9,370	19,528

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2002

#### 4. BANK INTEREST AND OTHER SIMILAR INCOME

Deposit account interest	2,463	2,850
National Savings Bank Investment Account	148	207
	2,611	3,057

#### 5. MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2002 £	Total Funds 2001
Salaries	11,426	_	_	11,426	11,165
Establishment costs	5,562	-	_	5,562	12,623
Professional fees	3,000		_	3,000	3,551
Other expenses	11,106	-	-	11,106	18,579
Fixed asset costs	3,375	-	-	3,375	2,596
	34,469	-	-	34,469	48,514

The overhead and other administrative costs of the Association have been incurred in order to fulfil its charitable objectives. £4,312 (2001: £1,687) was reimbursed to trustees for out of pocket expenses

#### 6. TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED

				Total Funds	Total Funds
	Staff costs	Depreciation	Other costs	2002	2001
	£	£	£	£	£
Fundraising and					
publicity	_	-	96,132	96,132	185,960
Management and					
administration	11,426	2,247	20,796	34,469	48,514
	11,426	2,247	116,928	130,601	234,474
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The aggregate payro	ll costs were:				
				2002	2001
				£	£
Wages and salaries				11,426	11,165
Social security costs				_	_
				11,426	11,165
			,	11,426	11,105

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2002

#### 6. TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED (continued)

#### Particulars of employees:

The average number of staff employed by the charity during the financial year was one (2001: one).

	2002	2001
	£	£
Other costs:		
Premises	5,562	12,623
Audit fee	1,500	1,500
Legal and professional	1,500	2,051
Other	108,366	204,539
	116,928	220,713
of which includes:	-	
Depreciation and consumption of medals	2,247	1,468
Operating lease rentals - land and buildings (net of rent free period)	5,000	10,980

#### 7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Computers & typewriters £	Equipment £	Fixtures & fittings	Medals £	Total £
COST					
At 1 January 2002	4,326	1,868	2,326	1,717	10,237
Additions	1,289				1,289
At 31 December 2002	5,615	1,868	2,326	<u>1,717</u>	11,526
DEPRECIATION					
At 1 January 2002	2,695	1,422	2,326	1,178	7,621
Charge for the year	1,672	236		339	2,247
At 31 December 2002	4,367	1,658	2,326	1,517	9,868
NET BOOK VALUE					
At 31 December 2002	1,248	210	_	200	1,658
At 31 December 2001	1,631	446	_	539	<u>2,616</u>

#### 8. STOCKS

	2002	2001
	£	£
Goods for resale (ties, tiepins and nutcrackers)	1,749	1,108
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#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2002

9.	DEBTOR	S

•		2002	2001
	10.5 ( / d   d   / 1) ( )	£	£
	Debtors (other than trade)	7,458	22,310
	Prepayments and accrued income		<del>7</del> 0
		7,458	22,380
10.	CASH AT BANK	<del></del>	
		2002	2001
		£	£
	Lloyds TSB bank current accounts	3,385	672
	Lloyds TSB bank deposit account	51,022	25,825
	Cash in hand	303	132
	Lloyds TSB bank business investment account	12,059	23,293
	New Age – New Skills Fund Account	40,380	39,899
	National Savings Bank Investment Account	5,469	5,269
	Lloyds TSB bank Youthbridge account	(288)	288
	Lloyds TSB Bank Euro account	441	
		112,771	95,378
11.	CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year		
		2002	2001
		£	£
	Young Koenigswinter creditor	2,674	543
	Accruals	12,493	13,316
	Prepaid incoming resources	10,951	3,545
		26,118	17,404
12	. DESIGNATED FUNDS		

		Movement in resources:	
	Balance at 1 January 2002	Utilised/ Released 3	Balance at 31 December 2002
	£	£	£
Millennium Concerts - Review Fund	1,000	(500)	500
Millennium Concerts – Brochure Fund	3,000	(3,000)	-
Millennium Concerts - General Purpose Fund	6,000	- · ·	6,000
	10,000	(3,500)	6,500

The Review Fund is for updating the charity's quarterly publication. The Brochure Fund is to update the charity's promotional literature and the General Purpose Fund is intended to assist with unusually heavy or unforeseen expenses.

The three funds established with the donations received as a result of the Millennium Concerts may be re-designated as considered necessary.

Included in Undesignated Funds is the Westman Bequest (£10,000 was originally bequeathed, without restrictions as to its use).

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2002

#### 13. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	Moveme	nt in resources:	
Balance at		Outgoing &	Balance at
1 Jan 2002	Incoming	Transfers	31 Dec 2002
£	£	£	£
22,461	5,550	(11,496)	16,515
8,000	559	(559)	8,000
39,898	481	-	40,379
70,359	6,590	(12,055)	64,894
	1 Jan 2002 £ 22,461 8,000 39,898	Balance at 1 Jan 2002 Incoming £ 22,461 5,550 8,000 559 39,898 481	1 Jan 2002 Incoming Transfers  £ £ £  22,461 5,550 (11,496)  8,000 559 (559)  39,898 481 -  70,359 6,590 (12,055)

The Youthbridge Fund is to support the charity's yearly exchange programme. Its future role is currently under review. The Krone Fund was donated to assist with any future project of the British German Association, as specifically approved by its Chairman. The New Age-New Skills Fund was donated by a number of German companies through the auspices of His Excellency the German Ambassador and is intended to make grants to persons or bodies engaged in promoting the learning of languages and/or cross cultural communication skills.

#### 14. ENDOWMENT FUNDS

	Movement in resources:			
Permanent endowments	Balance at 1 Jan 2002 £	Incoming £	Balance at 31 Dec 2002	
Sir Frank Roberts Memorial Fund Prince Friedrich Lecture Fund	12,020 2,000	257 -	12,277 2,000	
	14,020	257	14,277	

The finds were endowed to provide income for the funding of annual memorial lectures.

#### 15. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS (between restricted, endowment and unrestricted funds)

	Tangible		
	fixed assets Other net assets		Total
	£	£	£
Restricted funds			
Youthbridge funds		16,515	16,515
Krone fund	<b></b>	8,000	8,000
New age - new skills	-	40,379	40,379
	<del></del>	64,894	64,894
Endowment funds			
Sir Frank Roberts Memorial Fund		12,277	12,277
Prince Friedrich Lecture Fund	-	2,000	2,000
		14,277	14,277
Unrestricted funds	1,658	16,689	18,347
	1,658	95,860	97,518
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#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2002

#### 16. EVENTS SINCE THE BALANCE SHEET DATE

The British-German Officers Association (UK Branch) (BGOA) resolved at their 2003 AGM that their members could become full members of the British-German Association (BGA) but that the BGOA as such would remain as an entity affiliated to the BGA which will provide administrative services to it. The accumulated funds of the BGOA will be donated to the BGA as a restricted fund.