Specialist Holidays Limited
Directors' report and financial statements
for the year ended 30 September 2011
Company number 1976915

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The Directors present their report and the audited financial statements of Specialist Holidays Limited ("the Company") for the year ended 30 September 2011

# Principal activity

The Company charges TUI UK Limited for the use of its freehold property, located in France TUI UK Limited is also responsible for other related upkeep costs

#### Results and dividends

The Company's profit on ordinary activities before taxation for the year ended 30 September 2011 was £721,000 (2010 £125,000) No dividends were paid during the year (2010 £nil) and the Directors do not recommend the payment of a final dividend During the year the Company sold 'Chalet Chamois' and realised proceeds of €720,000

# **Business review**

The Company is exempt, by virtue of its size, it being a small company from the requirement to include an enhanced business review

# **Funding and liquidity**

The Directors have considered the funding and liquidity position of the Company and of its intermediate parent company TUI Travel PLC. Following this review, the Directors consider it appropriate to continue to prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis.

#### **Directors**

The Directors of the Company at the date of this report are

R C Bainbridge (appointed 7 March 2012)

J Walter

Other directors who served during the year

M Haddon (appointed 27 March 2012 and resigned 14 August 2012) P R Tymms (resigned 30 March 2012)

# Independent auditors

During the year KPMG Audit Plc resigned as auditors and PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP were appointed by the Directors in their place. Pursuant to Section 487 of the Companies Act 2006, the auditors will be deemed to be re-appointed and PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP will therefore continue in office.

#### Directors' insurance

The intermediate parent company, TUI Travel PLC, maintains Directors' & Officers' Liability Insurance policies on behalf of the Directors of the Company These policies meet the 2006 Companies Act definition of a qualifying third party indemnity provision

# Statement as to disclosure of information to auditors

The Directors confirm that, so far as they are each aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditors are unaware, and each Director has taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as a Director to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditors are aware of that information

# Specialist Holidays Limited Report of the Directors for the year ended 30 September 2011

# Statement of Directors' responsibilities

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law they have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with UK Accounting Standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice). Under company law the Directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the profit or loss of the Company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Directors are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures
  disclosed and explained in the financial statements, and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue in business

The Directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

By Order of the Board

R C Bainbridge

Director

Company Number 1976915

Dated 26 September 2012

We have audited the financial statements of Specialist Holidays Limited for the year ended 30 September 2011 which comprise of the profit and loss account, the balance sheet and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

# Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement set out on page 2 the Directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the Company's members as a body in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing

# Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed, the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the Directors, and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Directors' report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

#### Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 30 September 2011 and of its profit
  for the year then ended,
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006

# Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements

#### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us, or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns, or
- certain disclosures of Directors' remuneration specified by law are not made, or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or
- the Directors' were not entitled to take advantage of the small companies exemption in preparing the Directors' report

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Rosemary Shapland (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors Gatwick

26 September 2012

# Specialist Holidays Limited Profit and loss account for the year ended 30 September 2011

Turnover	Note	Year ended 30 September 2011 £000	Year ended 30 September 2010 £000 £ 170
Gross profit		119	170
Other operating income / (expenses)	2	602	(45)
Operating profit		721	125_
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	2	721	125
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	4	(164)	(46)
Profit for the financial year	10	557	79

The results stated above are all derived from continuing operations

There are no material differences between the profit on ordinary activities before taxation and the profit for the financial year stated above and their historical cost equivalents

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than those included in the profit and loss account Accordingly, no statement of total recognised gains and losses is presented

		30 September 2011	30 September 2010
Fixed assets	Note	£000	£000
Fixed assets			
Tangible fixed assets	5	1,214	1,205
Investments	6	1,561	1,561
		2,775	2,766
Current assets			
Debtors	7	1,872	1,146
		1,872	1,146
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	(516)	(338)
Net current assets		1,356	808
Total assets less current liabilities		4,131	3,574
Net assets		4,131	3,574
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	9	1,100	1,100
Profit and loss account	10	3,031	2,474
Equity shareholder's funds	11	4,131	3,574

The notes on pages 6 to 10 form part of these financial statements

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 26 September 2012 and signed on their behalf by

R C Bainbridge

Director

#### 1. Accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been consistently applied in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the Company's financial statements

#### **Basis of preparation**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards and under the historical cost convention

The Company is exempt by virtue of Section 400 of the Companies Act 2006 from the requirement to prepare group accounts. These financial statements present information about the Company as an individual undertaking and not about its group.

#### Cash flow

Under Financial Reporting Standard 1 (revised 1996) the Company is exempt from the requirement to prepare a cash flow statement on the grounds that a parent undertaking includes the Company in its own published consolidated financial statements

#### Going concern

At 30 September 2011, the company had recorded net current assets and net assets. However, a significant amount of assets consist of amounts receivable from group undertakings.

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis on the basis that the intermediate parent company, TUI Travel Plc, has confirmed its intention to provide such financial support to the company as may be required in order that it can continue to trade and meet its liabilities as they fall due for the next 12 months

#### Turnover

Turnover attributable to the principal activity of the company, arises wholly in France where the property owned by the company is located, and is stated net of value added tax and discounts

# Tangible assets and depreciation

Tangible assets are recorded at cost and, other than land, are depreciated on a straight line basis to their residual value over their estimated useful lives

Freehold buildings

up to a maximum of 40 years

The carrying amounts of the Company's assets are reviewed at each balance sheet date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. An impairment loss is recognised whenever the carrying amount of an asset or its cash-generating unit exceeds its recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognised in the income statement.

# **Investments**

Fixed asset investments are stated at cost less provision for diminution in value. Dividends from investments are recognised when received or receivable by the company

# Taxation

UK Corporation Tax is provided on amounts expected to be paid (or recovered) using the tax rates and laws enacted, or substantively enacted, at the balance sheet date

The UK Government announced a phased reduction in the main UK corporation tax rate from 28% to 24%, with the first 1% reduction taking effect from 1 April 2011 (and substantively enacted on 20 July 2010) On 23 March 2011, the UK Government announced an additional 1% reduction in the main UK corporation tax rate to 26% taking effect from 1 April 2011 On 21 March 2012, the UK Government announced a further 1% reduction in the main UK corporation tax rate to 24% taking effect from 1 April 2012

A further two reductions of 1% will follow annually, reducing the corporation tax rate to 22% from 1 April 2014

# 2. Profit on ordinary activities before taxation

	Year ended	Year ended
Destit an and an architectual hotographs to retain a state of after	30 September	30 September
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after charging / (crediting)	2011	2010
	£000	£000
Depreciation – owned assets	(65)	40
Profit on disposal of fixed assets	(574)	

In 2011 and 2010, auditors' remuneration was borne by another group company. It has not been possible to separately identify the audit fee related to this entity.

In both the current and prior year, the Company did not employ any staff

#### 3. Directors' remuneration

In both the current and prior year, the Directors received no remuneration for their services to the Company

# 4. Tax on profit on ordinary activities

# i) Analysis of tax charge in year

	Year ended	Year ended
	30 September	30 September
	2011	2010
	£000	£000
Current tax		
Overseas tax suffered	142	-
Amounts payable to fellow subsidiaries for group relief	22	46
Total current tax	164	46

# (ii) Factors affecting the current tax charge for the year

The current tax charge for the year is lower (2010 higher) than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 27% (2010 28%) The differences are explained below

	Year ended 30 September 2011 £000	Year ended 30 September 2010 £000
Profit on ordinary activities before tax  Profit on ordinary activities at the standard rate of UK corporation tax of 27% (2010 28%)	721 195	125 35
Effects of - Income not taxable for tax purposes - Higher tax rate on overseas earnings Current tax charge for year	(67) 36 164	1146

# (iii) Factors affecting the future tax charge

The rate of taxation is expected to follow the standard rate of UK corporation tax in future periods after taking into account expenditure not deductible for taxation and any non-taxable income. The statutory rate of UK corporation tax is reduced to 24% with effect from 1 April 2012.

There are no unprovided deferred tax liabilities or unrecognised deferred tax assets at either 30 September 2011 or 30 September 2010

# 5. Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold land and buildings £000
Cost	
1 October 2010	2,121
Disposals	(153)
At 1 October 2010 and 30 September 2011	1,968
Depreciation	
1 October 2010	916
Charge for the year	(65)
Disposals	(97)
30 September 2011	754
Net book value	
30 September 2011	1,214
30 September 2010	1,205

Freehold land and buildings include land cost of £246,000, which is not depreciated

During the year an error was discovered that resulted in land having been depreciated. This has now been corrected.

# 6 Investments

Cost and net book value

Investments in subsidiary undertakings £000

1,561

# As at 1 October 2010 and 30 September 2011 Investment in principal subsidiary undertakings

The following companies are principal subsidiary undertakings of the Company and were involved in supporting the operations of the tour operator

Name	% owners of ordin sha	ary	Country of incorporation	Principal activity
Magic Connoisseurs Limited	100	%	Great Britain	Dormant
Specialist Holidays Contracting Ltd	100	%	Great Britain	Hotel Management

In the opinion of the Directors, the carrying value of the investments in the above subsidiary undertakings are supported by the performance and/or assets of the subsidiary undertaking

7.	Debtors		
		Year ended	Year ended
		30 September	30 September
		2011	2010
		£000	£000
	Amounts owed by group undertakings	1,872	1,146
	Amounts owed by group undertakings bear no interest are un	nsecured and are receivable	on demand
8.	Creditors amounts falling due within one year		
		Year ended	Year ended
		30 September	30 September
		2011	2010
		£000	£000
	Amounts owed to group undertaking	7	-
	Accruals	7	-
	Group relief payable	360	338
	Overseas tax payable	142 516	338
	Amounts owed to group undertaking bear no interest, are un	nsecured and are repayable	on demand
9	Share capital	30 September	30 September
		2011	2010
		£000	£000
	Issued and fully paid		
	1,100,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	1,100	1,100
10.	Profit and loss account		£000
	At 1 October 2010		2,474
	Profit for the financial year		557
	At 30 September 2011		3,031
11.	Equity shareholders' funds		
			Total
			£000
	Opening shareholder's funds		3,574
	Profit for the financial year		557
	Closing shareholder's funds		4,131

# 12. Related party transactions

The Company has taken advantage of the exemption contained in Financial Reporting Standard No 8 "Related Party Disclosure" as it is a wholly-owned subsidiary of TUI Travel PLC Therefore the Company has not disclosed transactions or balances with wholly-owned entities that form part of the Group headed by TUI Travel PLC

# 13 Ultimate parent company

The Company is a subsidiary undertaking of TUI AG – a company registered in Berlin and Hanover (Federal Republic of Germany) which is the ultimate parent company. The intermediate holding company is TUI Travel PLC. The immediate holding company is Crystal International Travel Group Limited.

The largest group in which the results of the Company are consolidated is that headed by TUI AG The smallest group in which the results of the Company are consolidated is that headed by TUI Travel PLC, incorporated in the United Kingdom No other group financial statements include the results of the Company.

Copies of the TUI Travel PLC financial statements are available from the Company Secretary TUI Travel House, Crawley Business Quarter, Fleming Way, Crawley, West Sussex RH10 9QL or from the website www tuitravelpic com Copies of the TUI AG financial statements are available from Investor Relations, TUI AG, Karl-Wiechert-Allee 4, D-30625, Hanover or from the website address www tui-group com