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## Return of allotment of shares



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Class of share

"Ordinary" shares

Prescribed particulars

#### (1) Voting rights

In respect of voting rights, on a show of hands every holder who is present in person or by proxy shall have one vote and on a poll every holder who is present in person or by proxy shall have one vote for every "Ordinary" share of which he is a holder

#### (2) Income

Any profits which the Company may determine to distribute by way of dividend may, with the approval of the holders of the "R" shares and the "E" shares, be applied in paying a dividend on the "Ordinary" shares, provided that no dividend may be paid on the "Ordinary" shares if, as a result of such payment, the Company would be unable to pay the dividends payable on the "R" shares and the "E" shares

#### (3) Capital

On a winding-up of the Company, the holder(s) of the "Ordinary" shares shall be entitled to a sum equal to the nominal capital paid up on those shares in priority to any payment to the holders of the "R" shares or the "E" shares

#### (4) Redemption

The "Ordinary" shares do not confer any right of redemption

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7	Statement of capital	(Prescribed)	particulars of rig	ghts attached t	o shares)

Class of share

"R" shares

#### Prescribed particulars

(1) Voting rights

The "R" shares do not confer any voting rights

#### (2) Income

Except with the approval of the holder of the "R" shares (the R shareholder) and the holder of the "E" shares (the E shareholder), the profits which the Company may determine to distribute by way of dividend shall be applied

- (a) first, in paying as a dividend on
- (1) the "R" shares, an amount equal to the amount that the R shareholder has advised that it will require in order to be able to meet in full its future payment obligations, taking into account the resources that it has available (other than dividends paid by the Company), and
- (11) the "E" shares, an amount equal to the amount that the E shareholder has advised that it will require in order to be able to meet in full its future payment obligations, taking into account the resources that it has available (other than dividends paid by the Company),

provided that, if the amount of the dividend to be distributed pursuant to this paragraph is less than the total required to satisfy such liabilities of the R shareholder and the E shareholder, the amount payable on each of the "R" shares and the "E" shares shall be reduced pro rata,

- (b) second, in paying as a dividend on
- (1) the "R" shares the amount required (if any) to ensure that the relevant accounts of the R shareholder show positive distributable reserves, and
- (11) the "E" shares the amount required (if any) to ensure that the relevant accounts of the E shareholder show positive distributable reserves,

provided that (unless the R shareholder and the E shareholder notify the Company that they have agreed otherwise) if the amount available for distribution under this paragraph is less than the total required to ensure that the relevant accounts of each of the R shareholder and the E shareholder

Return of allotment of shares



#### (Prescribed particulars of rights attached to shares) Statement of capital

Class of share

"R" shares (continued)

#### Prescribed particulars

show positive distributable reserves, the amounts payable on the "R" shares and the "E" shares shall be reduced pro rata, and

- (c) third, in paying as a dividend on:
- (1) the "R" shares, the amount of the agreed dividend to be paid to the shareholders of the R shareholder, taking into account the resources that it has available (other than dividends paid by the Company); and
- (11) the "E" shares, the amount of the agreed dividend to be paid to the shareholders of the E shareholder, taking into account the resources that it has available (other than dividends paid by the Company),

provided that, if the amount of the dividend to be distributed pursuant to this paragraph is less than the total amount of the agreed dividends to be paid to the shareholders of the R shareholder and the E shareholder, the amount to be so distributed shall be divided between the R shareholder and the E shareholder in such proportion as is necessary to ensure that the ability of those shareholders to pay the cash elements of the dividends payable by each of the R shareholder and the E shareholder to their respective shareholders is reduced pro rata

If, in relation to any proposed dividend payment, the R shareholder notifies the Company that it will be unable, by reason of any provision having the force of law, to make payment in full of its proposed dividend to its shareholders, it may request that the amount payable pursuant to paragraph (c) above be credited to a separate reserve in the books of the Company (a Deferred Dividend Reserve) to be used for the purpose of paying supplementary dividends to the R shareholder in future to enable it to make compensatory payments to its shareholders

#### (3) Capital

On a winding up of the Company, following the distribution to be made to the holders of the "Ordinary" shares in accordance with the rights attached to such shares, the assets of the Company available for distribution to shareholders shall be applied in the following order (and based on the assumption that each of the R shareholder and the E shareholder is also wound up)

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(Prescribed particulars of rights attached to shares) Statement of capital

Class of share

"R" shares (continued)

Prescribed particulars

- (a) in paying
- (1) to the R shareholder, the amount that the R shareholder requires in order to be able to meet in full the amount of its liabilities which would be provable in a winding-up of the R shareholder, taking into account the resources that would be available to the R shareholder in a wind-up, other than amounts received from the Company, and
- (11) to the E shareholder, the amount that the  ${\rm E}$ shareholder requires in order to be able to meet in full the amount of its liabilities which would be provable in a winding-up of the E shareholder, taking into account the resources that would be available to the E shareholder in a wind-up, other than amounts received from the Company,

provided that, if the amount available for distribution is less than the total required to satisfy such liabilities of the R shareholder and the E shareholder, the amounts to be distributed pursuant to this paragraph shall be reduced pro rata.

- (b) in paying to the R shareholder and the E shareholder an amount equal to the amount standing to the credit of any Deferred Dividend Reserve in the name of the relevant shareholder, provided that, if the amount to be distributed is not sufficient to pay such amounts, the amount paid to each shareholder pursuant to this paragraph shall be reduced pro rata; and
- (c) in paying
- (1) to the R shareholder, the amount of the remaining assets agreed to be paid to the R shareholder; and
- (11) to the E shareholder, the amount of the remaining assets agreed to be paid to the E shareholder.

The liquidator may at any time make an interim or final distribution pursuant to any of the above paragraphs, provided that any distributions required by the preceding paragraphs have already Such payments shall be divided between been paid the R shareholder and the E shareholder in such proportions as to secure (as far as possible) that, having regard to any previous distributions made

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	Statement of capital (Prescribed particulars of rights attached to shares)
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	(4) Redemption
	The "R" shares do not confer any right of redemption

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7	Statement of capital	(Prescribed particulars of rights attached to shares)

Class of share

"E" shares

Prescribed particulars

(1) Voting rights

The "E" shares do not confer any voting rights.

(2) Income

Except with the approval of the holder of the "R" shares (the R shareholder) and the holder of the "E" shares (the E shareholder), the profits which the Company may determine to distribute by way of dividend shall be applied

- (a) first, in paying as a dividend on
- (1) the "R" shares, an amount equal to the amount that the R shareholder has advised that it will require in order to be able to meet in full its future payment obligations, taking into account the resources that it has available (other than dividends paid by the Company), and
- (11) the "E" shares, an amount equal to the amount that the E shareholder has advised that it will require in order to be able to meet in full its future payment obligations, taking into account the resources that it has available (other than dividends paid by the Company),

provided that, if the amount of the dividend to be distributed pursuant to this paragraph is less than the total required to satisfy such liabilities of the R shareholder and the E shareholder, the amount payable on each of the "R" shares and the "E" shares shall be reduced pro rata,

- (b) second, in paying as a dividend on
- (1) the "R" shares the amount required (if any) to ensure that the relevant accounts of the R shareholder show positive distributable reserves, and
- (11) the "E" shares the amount required (if any) to ensure that the relevant accounts of the E shareholder show positive distributable reserves,

provided that (unless the R shareholder and the E shareholder notify the Company that they have agreed otherwise) if the amount available for distribution under this paragraph is less than the total required to ensure that the relevant accounts of each of the R shareholder and the E shareholder

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#### (Prescribed particulars of rights attached to shares) Statement of capital

Class of share

"E" shares (continued)

#### Prescribed particulars

show positive distributable reserves, the amounts payable on the "R" shares and the "E" shares shall be reduced pro rata, and

- (c) third, in paying as a dividend on
- (1) the "R" shares, the amount of the agreed dividend to be paid to the shareholders of the R shareholder, taking into account the resources that it has available (other than dividends paid by the Company); and
- (11) the "E" shares, the amount of the agreed dividend to be paid to the shareholders of the E shareholder, taking into account the resources that it has available (other than dividends paid by the Company),

provided that, if the amount of the dividend to be distributed pursuant to this paragraph is less than the total amount of the agreed dividends to be paid to the shareholders of the R shareholder and the E shareholder, the amount to be so distributed shall be divided between the R shareholder and the E shareholder in such proportion as is necessary to ensure that the ability of those shareholders to pay the cash elements of the dividends payable by each of the R shareholder and the E shareholder to their respective shareholders is reduced pro rata

If, in relation to any proposed dividend payment, the E shareholder notifies the Company that it will be unable, by reason of any provision having the force of law, to make payment in full of its proposed dividend to its shareholders, it may request that the amount payable pursuant to paragraph (c) above be credited to a separate reserve in the books of the Company (a Deferred Dividend Reserve) to be used for the purpose of paying supplementary dividends to the E shareholder in future to enable it to make compensatory payments to its shareholders

#### (3) Capital

On a winding up of the Company, following the distribution to be made to the holders of the "Ordinary" shares in accordance with the rights attached to such shares, the assets of the Company available for distribution to shareholders shall be applied in the following order (and based on the assumption that each of the R shareholder and the E shareholder is also wound up)

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## Statement of capital (Prescribed particulars of rights attached to shares)

Class of share

"E" shares (continued)

Prescribed particulars

- (a) in paying
- (1) to the R shareholder, the amount that the R shareholder requires in order to be able to meet in full the amount of its liabilities which would be provable in a winding-up of the R shareholder, taking into account the resources that would be available to the R shareholder in a wind-up, other than amounts received from the Company, and
- (11) to the E shareholder, the amount that the E shareholder requires in order to be able to meet in full the amount of its liabilities which would be provable in a winding-up of the E shareholder, taking into account the resources that would be available to the E shareholder in a wind-up, other than amounts received from the Company,

provided that, if the amount available for distribution is less than the total required to satisfy such liabilities of the R shareholder and the E shareholder, the amounts to be distributed pursuant to this paragraph shall be reduced prorata,

- (b) in paying to the R shareholder and the E shareholder an amount equal to the amount standing to the credit of any Deferred Dividend Reserve in the name of the relevant shareholder, provided that, if the amount to be distributed is not sufficient to pay such amounts, the amount paid to each shareholder pursuant to this paragraph shall be reduced pro rata, and
- (c) in paying:
- (1) to the R shareholder, the amount of the remaining assets agreed to be paid to the R shareholder, and  $\frac{1}{2}$
- (11) to the E shareholder, the amount of the remaining assets agreed to be paid to the E shareholder.

The liquidator may at any time make an interim or final distribution pursuant to any of the above paragraphs, provided that any distributions required by the preceding paragraphs have already been paid. Such payments shall be divided between the R shareholder and the E shareholder in such proportions as to secure (as far as possible) that, having regard to any previous distributions made

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	(4) Redemption
	The "E" shares do not confer any right of redemption



#### Section 593 Report

Reed Elsevier Group plc 1-3 Strand London WC2N 5JR 24 February 2015



Dear Sirs

## Report of the independent valuer to Reed Elsevier Group plc for the purposes of section 593 (1) of the Companies Act 2006

- We report on the value of the consideration for the allotment to Reed Elsevier PLC and Reed Elsevier NV of 31,613 ordinary voting £1 shares each (the "Consideration"), being 63,226 shares in total having a nominal value of £1 each (the "Shares") The Shares are to be treated as fully paid up
- The Consideration for the allotment by Reed Elsevier Group plc is 100% of the share capital in Elsevier Reed Finance BV, which is the current combined share capital holding of Reed Elsevier PLC and Reed Elsevier NV in Elsevier Reed Finance BV
- This report, including the opinion, has been prepared for and only for Reed Elsevier Group plc in accordance with Sections 593 and 596 of the Companies Act 2006 and not for any other purpose, including but not limited to any investment decision which any allottee may make as to whether to contribute the Consideration in exchange for some or all of the Shares. We do not, in giving this opinion, accept or assume liability howsoever arising or duty of care for any other purpose or to any other person or party to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come

#### **Basis of valuation**

The share capital of Elsevier Reed Finance BV was valued by us as of 31 December 2014 on a net asset value basis, considering the sum of the estimated fair values of the assets, net of the estimated fair values of the liabilities of the company on this date

#### **Opinion**

- In our opinion, the method of valuation of the share capital in Elsevier Reed Finance BV was reasonable in the circumstances. There appears to have been no material change in the value of the Consideration since the date at which the valuation was made.
- On the basis of the valuation, in our opinion, the value of the total Consideration is not less than £63,226 (being the total amount to be treated as paid up on the Shares allotted)

Yours faithfully

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