THE AMAR INTERNATIONAL CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

(a company limited by guarantee)

ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31st DECEMBER 2002

Registered Charity No: 1047432

Registered Company No: 3066579

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

TRUSTEES: Baroness Nicholson of Winterbourne, MEP (Chairman)

Mr. Anthony Rowsell, FRCS (Vice Chairman)

Mr. David Suratgar Mr. Jonathan Taylor Mr. James Samuel Younger

Dr. Theodore Zeldin

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COMPANY NUMBER: 3066579

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1047432

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

for the year ended 31st December 2002

The Trustees present the seventh report and financial statements of the company for the year ended 31st December 2002 which comply with current statutory requirements, the requirements of the charity's governing instrument and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities".

The company was incorporated under the Companies Act 1985 on 9th June 1995 in England and Wales and is governed by its memorandum and articles of association. The company is a company limited by guarantee and not having a share capital, (company registration number 3066579), and is a registered charity (charity registration number 1047432). Each member's guarantee liability is limited to £1.

The management of the charitable company is conducted at meetings held by the Trustees at regular intervals.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the company is to relieve poverty, distress or suffering by appropriate charitable (whether medical, rehabilitative, financial or other) assistance in any part of the world by the provision of aid to the needy whether victims of breaches of human rights, of any public calamity (including famine earthquake or pestilence), of war or civil disturbance, of the immediate or continuing effects of lack of natural or other resources, or of any other cause of poverty, distress or suffering; and to promote education by appropriate charitable assistance in any part of the world including the establishment maintenance and development of schools, training centres or any educational establishment or education programme.

REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The AMAR International Charitable Foundation has received donations of £31,754 from the general public through the various appeals launched by the company. In addition grants of £757,514 were received in the year.

The main work of the charity is concerned with providing aid to the Iraqi refugees in Iran. The four main programmes are emergency supplies, medical care, provision of clean water and sanitation, and primary and secondary education.

During the year the charity obtained a grant from The Department for International Development (DFID) for Afghan refugees in Iran.

The Foundation continued with the implementation of the project funded by DFID for Marsh Arab refugees in Iran and further funding of £200,000 was received during the year under review.

The Community Fund of the National Lottery Charities Board (NLCB) has continued to fund the running of two ambulances at two of the clinics in the refugee camps.

The Foundation completed the study, which started during May 2000, on the drainage and destruction of the marshlands in southern Iraq. The book "The Iraqi Marshlands – a Human and Environmental Study" has now been published.

Following the war with Iraq, the trustees decided to widen the scope of "The Marsh Arabs of Iraq Fund" to include humanitarian work with Marsh Arabs in Iraq as well as in Iran.

The results are as per the statement of financial activities on page 5.

The Trustees expect to continue their projects with Iraqi and Afghan refugees in Iran in the current year and have also begun operations in Iraq. Instalments of grant aid are due from DFID and the NLCB and further grants are being sought from a variety of other funding sources.

RESERVES POLICY

The policy of the Foundation is to utilise the funds it receives as soon as possible as the current needs of the refugees far exceed available funds.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (continued)

for the year ended 31st December 2002

RISK MANAGEMENT

The major risks to which the charity is exposed as identified by the trustees, have been reviewed and systems are being established to mitigate those risks.

The major risks incurred are in respect of support staff operating in areas where there can be risks for their personal security or general wellbeing.

TRUSTEES

The Trustees who are also the directors of the company have no interest in any contract with the company nor do they receive any remuneration for their services. The Trustees who served during the year are as follows:-

Baroness Nicholson of Winterbourne, MEP (Chairman)

Mr. David Suratgar

Mr. Anthony Rowsell, FRCS

(Vice Chairman)

Mr. Jonathan Taylor

Mr. James Samuel Younger

(appointed 17.10.02)

Dr. Theodore Zeldin

The Trustees have the power to appoint new Trustees.

TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Trustees are required by company law to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and its income and expenditure for the year then ended. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees -

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any one time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. 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.

CONNECTED CHARITY

The AMAR Appeal Trust is a connected charity and has similar objects and activities as The AMAR International Charitable Foundation. The charities are under the control of the same trustees and are administered by the same employees from the same business address at 2 Vincent Street, London, SW1P 4LD. During the year there were various cash transfers between the charities. There were no grants (2001 - £Nil) from The AMAR Appeal Trust to The AMAR International Charitable Foundation. More details are given in note 11 to the accounts.

AUDITORS

A resolution proposing the re-appointment of Cocke, Vellacott & Hill as auditors of the company will be put to the Annual General Meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees by

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Trustee

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE AMAR INTERNATIONAL CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

We have audited the financial statements of The Amar International Charitable Foundation for the year ended 31st December 2002 set out on pages 5 to 11 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 7.

This report is made solely to the company'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 company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's 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 company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORS AND AUDITORS

The trustees, who are also the directors of The Amar International Charitable Foundation for the purposes of company law, are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Standards as set out in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities.

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 Report of the Trustees is not consistent with the financial statements, if the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information we require for our audit, or if the information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and transactions with the company is not disclosed.

We read other information contained in the Report of the Trustees and consider whether it is consistent with the audited financial statements. We consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the financial statements. Our responsibilities do not extend to any other information.

BASIS OF 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 disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the trustees in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charitable company'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.

OPINION

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31st December 2002 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the period then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

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COCKE, VELLACOTT & HILL Registered Auditors Chartered Accountants

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30th October 2003

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

for the year ended 31st December 2002

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted	Total Funds 2002	Total Funds 2001
Toward and Warrendth	Notes	£	£	£	£
Income and Expenditure					
Incoming resources					
Donations Gifts in kind Activities in furtherance of the charity's objects:	1(c) 1(c)	6,134	25,620 -	31, 7 54 -	105,930 -
Grants for operational programmes	2	100,000	657,514	757,514	841,271
Sales of publications and sundry income		28,939	269	29,208	19,161
Bank interest receivable		311	276	587	1,557
Total incoming resources		135,384	683,679	819,063	967,919
Cost of generating funds Charitable expenditure Costs of activities in furtherance of the objects of the charity:	3	423	-	423	4,607
Humanitarian aid		87,786	471,576	559,362	360,393
Support costs	4	430	173,815	174,245	305,577
Management and administration	5	12,393	59,717	72,110	89,215
Total resources expended		101,032	705,108	806,140	759,792
Net incoming (outgoing) resources for the year before transfers		34,352	(21,429)	12,923	208,127
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Net incoming (outgoing) resources		34,352	(21,429)	12,923	 208,127
Other recognised gains (losses)					
Unrealised (loss) on foreign exchange		-	(23,965)	(23,965)	90
Net movement in funds Fund balances brought		34,352	(45,394)	(11,042)	208,217
forward at 1st January		5,479	322,576	328,055	119,838
Fund balances carried	10	39,831	277,182	317,013	328,055
Fund balances carried forward at 31st December	10	39,831	277,182	317,013	328

All of the operations undertaken by the company during the current and preceding year are continuing operations.

The company had no recognised gains and losses other than those included above, and therefore no separate statement of recognised gains and losses has been presented.

There is no difference between the net incoming (outgoing) resources and the retained net incoming (outgoing) resources for the year stated above, and their historical cost equivalents.

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these accounts.

BALANCE SHEET

as at 31st December 2002

	Notes	2002	2001
Fixed Assets		£	£
Tangible assets	7	3,029	4,038
Current Assets			
Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	8	143,874 247,640	3,273 358,199
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	9	391,514 (77,530)	361,472 (37,455)
Net Current Assets (Liabilities)		313,984	324,017
Total Assets Less Current Liabilities		317,013	328,055
Trust Funds		*************************************	
Unrestricted Funds:			
General fund		28,047	5,479
Designated Fund: Education Fund		11,784	-
Restricted Funds:			
Marsh Arabs of Iraq Fund DFID Fund		127,753	127,753 161,637
DFID Afghan Fund		64,942 40,202	14 207
Afghanistan Appeal Fund NLCB Fund Research Project Fund AGFUND Education Project		7,388	14,307 5,693 11,076
Women & Islam Fund		34,786	-
Africa Project Fund		2,111	2,110
Total Funds	10	317,013	328,055

The Financial Statements were approved by the Trustees on 24th School 2003 and signed on their behalf by:

Baroness Micholson of Winterbourne, MEP - Trustee

Mr. David Suratgar

- Trustee

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these accounts.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

for the year ended 31st December 2002

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and not having a share capital. The financial statements are for the year ended 31st December 2002.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

- (a) The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and follow the recommendations of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities', applicable accounting standards and the Companies Act 1985.
- (b) Cash flow statement
 - The company qualifies as a small company under the Companies Act 1985 and the trustees have elected to take advantage of the exemption under FRS 1 not to prepare a cash flow statement.
- (c) Donations and gifts in kind
 - Donations are credited to income in the year in which they are received. Gifts in kind are credited to income when they are distributed and are stated at factory cost as valued by the donor.
- (d) Grants from official bodies
 - Grants from Governments and Agencies are credited to income in the year in which they are received and where restrictions are placed upon their use, the grants are kept in a separate income and expenditure account until utilised. Grants received in currencies other than sterling are converted to sterling at the time of receipt. Assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the balance sheet date are translated into sterling at the closing rate. All revaluation differences are taken to the statement of financial activities.
- (e) Bank interest is included when receivable, and credited when applicable, to the fund from which it arose.
- (f) Distributions to overseas programmes
 - The actual income received locally in Iran and costs expended in Iran, as audited in Iran, have been reported in these accounts at the average rate of exchange for the year. The balance held overseas has been included in the Balance Sheet at the year end rate.
- (g) Fund-raising expenditure represents the direct cost of sponsorship advertising and general appeals, plus salary and overhead costs of staff and volunteers involved in the appeal.
- (h) Administration expenditure represents the salary and overhead costs of an administrative nature.
- (i) Allocation of costs to charitable and other expenditure Expenditure incurred on activities falling directly within one cost category is attributed to that category. Expenditure, which involves more than one cost category is apportioned on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis to the cost categories involved.
- (j) Depreciation of fixtures, fittings and office equipment is calculated at 25% on the reducing balance basis.
- (k) Taxation
 - Provision for corporation tax is unnecessary, as the company is a registered charity. No deferred tax provision is required.

2.	GRANTS RECEIVED	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2002 £	Total 2001 £
	Grants for Iraqi refugees in Iran				
	- DFID	-	200,000	200,000	550,000
	- DFID Afghan	-	285,000	285,000	-
	- NLCB	_	20,775	20,775	48,930
	- AGFUND	-	6,123	6,123	32,209
	Grant from Kuwait	100,000	•	100,000	20,361
	Grant from the USA	=	102,437	102,437	189,771
	Grants for Women & Islam conference	-	43,179	43,179	-
		100,000	657,514	757,514	841,271

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (continued) for the year ended 31st December 2002

3.	COST OF GENERATING FUNDS	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2002 £	Total 2001 £
	Agent's costs	-	-	-	2,526
	Advertising costs	211	-	211	511
	Website costs	212	-	212	465
	Travel and subsistence	-	<u>.</u>	<u>-</u>	1,105
		423		423	4,607
4.	SUPPORT COSTS	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2002	Total 2001
		£	£	£	£
	Oversees persennel colories		00 140	00 140	77 007
	Overseas personnel salaries Staff costs (note 6)	-	28,142 90,964	28,142 90,964	77,987 54,179
	Research Project direct costs	<u>.</u>	49,893	49,893	137,370
	Administration, travel and subsistence	430	4,816	5,246	36,041
		430	173,815	174,245	305,577
5.	MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
		Funds £	Funds £	2002 £	2001 £
		**	-		~
	Staff costs (note 6)	-	=	-	29,687
	Temporary staff	-	1,885	1,885	4,041
	Rent, rates and services		14,360	14,360	10,042
	Telephone	<u>.</u>	6,930	6,930	7,455
	Printing, stationery and office sundries	3,313	8,967	12,280	14,322
	Travel and subsistence	2,111	4,571	6,682	33
	Legal and professional UK Auditors' remuneration	1,159	1,966	3,125	12,659
	Audit fees	3,525	-	3,525	3,290
	Accountancy fees	-	5,217	5,217	2,232
	Overseas audit of Iranian operations	-	-	<u>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , </u>	1,379
	Financial assistance and advice	-	15,435	15,435	- 400
	Finance costs	871	386	1,257	1,480
	Depreciation	1,009	-	1,009	1,719
	Insurance	405		405	876 ————
		12,393	59,717	72,110	89,215

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (continued) for the year ended 31st December 2002

6.	STAFF COSTS		Gross	Gross
	Employees		2002 £	2001 £
	Salaries Social security costs		79,245 8,056	70,083 7,310
	Pensions		3,663	6,473
			90,964	83,866
	There were no employees with emoluments above £50,000 during the current or pr	receding yea	<u></u>	
	The average number of employees during the period was as follows -		Number	Number
	Administration Trustees		3	2
	None of the trustees received any remuneration during the current or preceding ye	ar.		
	One trustee (2001- two) was reimbursed £1,752 (2001 - £4,844) comprising £1,7 £4,644) and £ nil for telephone expenses (2001 - £200).	'52 for trav	el and subsisten	ce (2001 -
7.	•	ixtures & Fittings	Office Equipment	Total
	Cost At 1st January 2002 Additions	£ 885 -	€ 8,580 -	£ 9,465 -
	At 31st December 2002		<u></u>	9,465
				
	Depreciation At 1st January 2002 Charge for year	626 64	4,801 945	5,427 1,009
	At 31st December 2002	690	5,746	6,436
	Net book value at 31st December 2002	195	2,834	3,029
	Net book value at 31st December 2001	259	3,779	4,038

8.	DEBTORS		2002 £	2001 £
	Amounts owing by The AMAR Appeal Trust (note 11) Other debtors Accrued income		1,374 142,500	1,898 1,375 -
			143,874	3,273
9.	CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year		2002 £	2001 £
	Amounts owing to The AMAR Appeal Trust (note 11) Other taxes and social security costs		48,316 4,570	- <i>6,76</i> 8
-	Other creditors Accruals and deferred income		24,644	615 30,072
			77,530	37,455

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (continued) for the year ended 31st December 2002

0. RECONCII MOVEM	LIATION OF ENTS IN TOTAL FUNDS	Balance 1st January 2002	Incoming resources for the year	Outgoing resources fo the year	Transfer r between Funds	Balance 31st December 2002
Unrestrict	ed funds	£	£	£	£	£
General fu	nd	5,479	35,384	(12,816)	_	28,047
Education	Fund	· -	100,000	(88,216)	-	11,784
		 5,479	135,384	(101,032)		39,831
						
Restricted						
	bs of Iraq Fund	127,753	-	-	-	127,753
DFID Fund		161,637	200,000	(361,637)	=	-
DFID Afgh		14 207	285,000	(220,058)	-	64,942
NLCB Fund	n Appeal Fund	14,307	25,895	(10.000)	_	40,202
	u Toject Fund	5,693 11,076	20,775 102,706	(19,080) (113,782)	<u>-</u>	7,388
	Cducation Project	11,070	6,123	(6,123)	<u>-</u>	-
	Islam Fund	_	43,179	(8,393)	_	34,786
Africa Proje		2,110	1	(0,050)	-	2,111
		322,576	683,679	(729,073)		277,182
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		328,055	819,063 	(830,105)		317,013
Represente	ed by:			<u>Tangible</u> <u>Fixed</u> <u>Assets</u>	Net Current Assets/(Liabilities) Total
Unrestrict	ted funds			£	£	£
General Fu	ınd			3,029	25,018	28,047
Education				-	11,784	11,784
Restricted	l funds					
	bs of Iraq Fund			-	127,753	127,753
DFID Fund				-	64.040	64,942
DFID Afgh				-	64,942 40,202	40,202
Aignanista NLCB Fun	n Appeal Fund			-	7,388	7,388
	u Project Fund			_	1,500	
	Education Project			-		-
	Islam Fund			_	34,786	34,786
Africa Proj				-	2,111	2,111

The grant from Kuwait was designated as an Education Fund primarily for use in education projects with Marsh Arab refugees. As the AGFUND Education Project grant was only to fund a part of the expenditure of the education project it was decided to utilise some of the Education Fund to fund the difference.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (continued) for the year ended 31st December 2002

10. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN TOTAL FUNDS (continued)

Restricted funds:

The Marsh Arabs of Iraq Fund was set up by the Trustees to assimilate surplus funds resulting from the various original grants given for the support of the Marsh Arabs of Iraq.

The DFID Fund represents grants paid by The Department for International Development (DFID) to provide medical and sanitary support for Iraqi refugees in Iran.

The DFID Afghan Fund represents grants paid by DFID to provide medical and sanitary support for Afghan refugees in Iran.

The Afghanistan Appeal Fund was launched in December 2001. Initially the money raised was to be used to provide food and clothing for people in Afghanistan and subsequently to provide primary health care and education in the various camps being set up.

The NLCB Fund represents grants paid by the Community Fund of the National Lottery Charities Board for the provision of medical and public health equipment for Iraqi refugees in Iran.

The Research Project Fund was set with a grant from the USA for a study on the drainage of the marshlands of southern Iraq.

The AGFUND Education Project was set up with UNESCO funds for primary education for Iraqi refugees living in camps in southern Iran.

The Women and Islam Fund was set up with grants for the conference "European and Islamic Civilisations: Women's Empowerment" to be held in March 2003.

The Africa Project Fund was set up with donations from the public made specifically for use on African projects.

11. CONNECTED CHARITIES

During the year the debt to The AMAR Appeal Trust was increased. Further cash transfers and recharges of administrative costs of £50,214 net (2001 - £40,444) resulted in a balance of £48,316 due to The AMAR Appeal Trust. No grants were received from The AMAR Appeal Trust during the year (2001 - nil).

At the end of the year the following balances were due by the connected charity:

	2002 €	2001 £
Amounts owing by The AMAR Appeal Trust	-	1,898
Amounts owing to The AMAR Appeal Trust	48,316	-
		

The AMAR Appeal Trust has similar objects and activities as the company and is under the control of the same trustees and is administered by the same employees.

The grants received from The AMAR Appeal Trust are kept in a separate restricted fund to be used for its objectives.

12. STATUS OF COMPANY

The company is a charitable company limited by guarantee without share capital. The maximum liability of the members in the event of winding up is limited to £1 each.