

**COMPANIES FORM No. 155(6)b** 

Declaration by the directors of a holding company in relation to assistance for the acquisition of shares



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Pursuant to section 155(6) of the Companies Act 1985

Please complete legibly, preferably in black type, or bold block lettering To the Registrar of Companies (Address overleaf - Note 5)

Name of company

For official use Company number

03359692

\*Insert full name of company

Note Please read the notes on page 3 before completing

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Tinsert name(s) and

address(es) of all the directors

\* Virgin Radio Holdings Limited

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Andrew Henry Flanagan of 7 Collylinn Road, Bearsden, Glasgow, Lanarkshire G61 4PN - Gary William Hughes of 64 Crown Road North, Glasgow, Lanarkshire G12-9HW

Rudicus Mollett of 4 white Heron Mans, Teddington The 11 073

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[the sole director][all the directors]§ of the above company (hereinafter called 'this company') do solemnly and sincerely declare that:

The business of this company is:

‡Delete whichever is inappropriate

(a) that of a free gaised bank if licenses institution is within the meaning of the Banking Act 1979x ‡
(b) that of axperson authorised under section 3xox to 6 the house accompanies Act 1982 to carry on insurance business in the United Kingdom ‡

(c) something other than the above ‡

This company is [the][a] holding company of\* Virgin Radio Limited

which is

proposing to give financial assistance in connection with the acquisition of shares in [this company] [ Ginger Media Group Limited

the holding company of this company.]§

Presentor's name address and reference (if any):

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LONDON EC4Y 1HS
DX 23 London/Chancery Lane

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The assistance is for the purpose of [that:acquisition:] reducing or discharging a liability incurred Please do not for the purpose of that acquisition].\* (note 1)

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The number and class of the shares acquired or to be acquired is:

93,719 Ordinary 10p Shares

The assistance is to be given to: (note 2)

SMG plc, a company registered in Scotland under number SC203873 whose registered office is at 200 Renfield Street, Glasgow G2 3PR

The assistance will take the form of:

The Company entering into:

- (a) a guarantee (the US Purchase Note Guarantee) between, inter alia, the Company and certain investors;
- (b) a guarantee (the UK Purchase Note Guarantee) between, inter alia, the Company and certain investors; and
- (c) a revolving credit facility agreement (as Guarantor) (the Den Danske Facility Agreement) between, inter alia, the Company, SMG plc (as Borrower), Den Danske Bank Aktieselskab (as Arranger and Agent), the Financial Institutions and the other Guarantors (each as defined therein)

The person who [has acquired] [will acquire]\* the shares is:

Scottish Media Group (Jersey) Limited

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The principal terms on which the assistance will be given are:

- (a) US Purchase Note Guarantee by acceding to the US Purchase Note Guarantee the Company guarantees all of the obligations of SMG plc under the US Purchase Note Guarantee.
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- (ii) undertakes with each Finance Party that whenever the Borrower does not pay any amount when due under or in connection with any Finance Documents, to pay that amount on demand by the Agent; and
- (iii) indemnifies each Finance Party on demand against any loss or liability suffered by it if any obligation guaranteed by the Company is or becomes unenforceable, invalid or illegal.

The amount (if any) by which the net assets of the company which is giving the assistance will be reduced by giving it is None

The amount of cash to be transferred to the person assisted is £

None

The value of any asset to be transferred to the person assisted is £

None

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The date on which the assistance is to be given is within 8 weeks hereof

Please complete legibly, preferably in black type, or bold block lettering #We have formed the opinion, as regards this company's initial situation immediately following the date on which the assistance is proposed to be given, that there will be no ground on which it could then be found to be unable to pay its debts. (note 3)

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- (a) [J/We have formed the opinion that this company will be able to pay its debts as they fall due during the year immediately following that date] † (note 3)
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And \( \frac{1}{2}\) we make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the provisions of the Statutory Declarations Act 1835.

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A Commissioner for Oaths or Notary Public or Justice of the Peace or a Solicitor having the powers conferred on a Commissioner for Oaths.

## Notes

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The Directors
Virgin Radio Holdings Limited
c/o SMG plc
200 Renfield Street
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9 August 2000

Dear Sirs

# Auditors' report to the directors of Virgin Radio Holdings Limited pursuant to Section 156(4) of the Companies Act 1985

We have examined the attached statutory declaration of the directors of Virgin Radio Holdings Limited ('the Company') dated 9 August 2000 in connection with the proposal that the Company's subsidiary undertaking, Virgin Radio Limited, should give financial assistance for the purpose of reducing or discharging any liabilities incurred in the acquisition of 93,719 of the ordinary shares of the The Ginger Media Group Limited (a holding company of both the Company and Virgin Radio Limited).

# **Basis of opinion**

We have enquired into the state of Virgin Radio Limited's affairs in order to review the bases for the statutory declaration.

### **Opinion**

We are not aware of anything to indicate that the opinion expressed by the directors in their declaration as to any of the matters mentioned in Section 156(2) of the Companies Act 1985 is unreasonable in all the circumstances.

Yours faithfully

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