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AL JAZEERA SATELLITE CHANNEL LIMITED

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS AND

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** 

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

**30 NOVEMBER 2003** 



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## COMPANY INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2003

DIRECTORS:

M Al Suwaidan

M J Al Ali H A Jafar M A Sahlawi K A Al Mannae

**SECRETARY:** 

M A Shah

**REGISTERED OFFICE:** 

4 Churchill Court 58 Station Road North Harrow HA2 7ST

**REGISTERED NUMBER:** 

03466258 (England and Wales)

**AUDITORS:** 

ADAMS MOORHOUSE, Chartered Accountants

Registered Auditors 4 Churchill Court Station Road Harrow Middlesex HA2 7ST

**BANKERS:** 

Qatar National Bank

One Mount Street

London W1Y 8HQ

### REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2003

The directors present their report with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 30 November 2003.

#### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the company in the year under review was that of Satellite TV programme producers and provision of production facilities.

### **REVIEW OF BUSINESS**

The results for the year and financial position of the company are as shown in the annexed financial statements.

#### DIVIDENDS

The company, by virtue of being a company limited by guarantee, is unable to pay any dividends.

#### RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

Research and development costs are written off to profit and loss account in the period in which the expenditure is incurred.

#### **FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS**

No major developments are planned for the ensuing year.

#### DIRECTORS

The directors during the year under review were:

M Al Suwaidan M J Al Ali H A Jafar M A Sahlawi K A Al Mannae

### STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which 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 those 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;
- 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 proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any 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.

### **AUDITORS**

The auditors, ADAMS MOORHOUSE, Chartered Accountants, will be proposed for re-appointment in accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985.

### ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

M Al Suwaidan - Director

Date: 15/4/05

# REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF AL JAZEERA SATELLITE CHANNEL LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Al Jazeera Satellite Channel Limited for the year ended 30 November 2003 on pages four to eleven. These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out therein.

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 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 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

As described on page two the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards.

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 Directors is not consistent with the financial statements, if the company 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 directors' remuneration and transactions with the company is not disclosed.

We read the Report of the Directors and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it.

### 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 disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the 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 company's affairs as at 30 November 2003 and of its loss for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

ADAMS MOORHOUSE, Chartered Accountants

Registered Auditors 4 Churchill Court Station Road Harrow Middlesex HA2 7ST

Date: 15405

### PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2003

	_	2003	3	2002	2
	Notes	£	£	£	£
TURNOVER			1,535,526		1,489,564
Cost of sales			920,212		943,800
GROSS PROFIT			615,314		545,764
Distribution costs Administrative expenses		95,984 523,310	619,294 -	31,082 448,490	470 570
			019,294		479,572
OPERATING (LOSS)/PROFIT	3		(3,980)		66,192
Interest receivable and similar income			2,137		148
			(1,843)		66,340
Interest payable and similar charges	4		865		5,395
(LOSS)/PROFIT ON ORDINARY AC BEFORE TAXATION	CTIVITIES		(2,708)		60,945
Tax on (loss)/profit on ordinary activities	5				
(LOSS)/PROFIT FOR THE FINANC AFTER TAXATION	IAL YEAR		(2,708)		60,945
Retained profit brought forward			97,202		36,257
RETAINED PROFIT CARRIED FOI	RWARD		£94,494	-	£97,202
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### **CONTINUING OPERATIONS**

None of the company's activities were acquired or discontinued during the current and previous years.

### TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than the loss for the current year and the profit for the previous year.

### **BALANCE SHEET** 30 NOVEMBER 2003

		2003	i	2002	·
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS:					
Tangible assets	6		353,824		76,391
CURRENT ASSETS:					
Debtors	7	534,346		515,035	
Cash at bank and in hand		73,706		249,925	
		608,052		764,960	
CREDITORS: Amounts falling		000,052		701,500	
due within one year	8	867,382		744,149	
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NET CURRENT (LIABILITIES)/A	SSETS:		(259,330)		20,811
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT	•				<u>———</u>
LIABILITIES:	•		£94,494		£97,202
RESERVES:					
Profit and loss account			94,494		97,202
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	12		£94,494		£97,202
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### ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

M Al Suwaidan - Director
Approved by the Board on ... 15/4/0

### <u>CASH FLOW STATEMENT</u> • FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2003

		2003	2002
	Notes	£	£
Net cash inflow	1	46.060	504.550
from operating activities	1	45,959	524,559
Returns on investments and			
servicing of finance	2	1,272	(5,247)
Capital expenditure	2	(339,873)	(43,397)
		(292,642)	475,915
Financing	2	(13,856)	(29,208)
(Decrease)/Increase in cash in the	period	£(306,498)	£446,707
Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net funds	3		
(Decrease)/Increase in cash in the	period	(306,498)	446,707
Change in net funds resulting from cash flows		(306,498)	446,707
Movement in net funds in the peri	od	(306,498)	446,707
Net funds/(debt) at 1 December		248,221	(198,486)
Net (debt)/funds at 30 November		£(58,277)	£248,221
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## NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2003

### 1. RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING (LOSS)/PROFIT TO NET CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2003 £	2002 £
Operating (loss)/profit	(3,980)	66,192
Depreciation charges	62,440	6,510
Increase in debtors	(19,311)	(149,894)
Increase in creditors	6,810	601,751
Net cash inflow		
from operating activities	45,959	524,559

### 2. ANALYSIS OF CASH FLOWS FOR HEADINGS NETTED IN THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT

	2003 £	2002 £
Returns on investments and servicing of finance		
Interest received	2,137	148
Interest paid	(865)	(5,395)
Net cash inflow/(outflow)		
for returns on investments and servicing of finance	<u>1,272</u>	(5,247)
Capital expenditure		
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	(339,873)	(43,397)
Net cash outflow		
for capital expenditure	(339,873)	(43,397)
Financing		
Amount withdrawn by directors	(13,856)	(29,208)
Net cash outflow		
from financing	(13,856)	(29,208)

### NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2003

### 3. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

	At 1.12.02	Cash flow	At 30.11.03
Net cash:	£	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand	249,925	(176,219)	73,706
Bank overdraft	(1,704)	(130,279)	(131,983)
	248,221	(306,498)	(58,277)
Total	248,221 ======	(306,498)	(58,277)
Analysed in Balance Sheet			
Cash at bank and in hand	249,925		73,706
Bank overdraft	(1,704)		(131,983)
	248,221		(58,277)
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### <u>AL JAZEERA SATELLITE</u> **CHANNEL LIMITED** ·

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2003

#### 1. **ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

#### Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

#### Turnover

Turnover represents invoiced value of services provided, excluding Value Added Tax. The entire turnover relates to export services.

#### Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Plant and machinery

- 15% on reducing balance

Fixtures and fittings

- 15% on reducing balance

#### Deferred tax

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date.

#### 2. STAFF COSTS

	2003 £	2002 £
Wages and salaries	464,694	325,826
Social security costs	50,307	27,388
	515,001 =====	353,214
The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:	2003	2002
Office and administration	5	4
Production	13	16
	_	
	18	20
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#### 3. **OPERATING (LOSS)/PROFIT**

The operating loss (2002 - operating profit) is stated after charging:

	2003	2002
	£	£
Hire of plant and machinery	2,114	1,355
Depreciation - owned assets	62,440	6,510
Auditors' remuneration	5,000	4,750
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Directors' emoluments	50,000	50,017
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INTEREST PAVABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES		

### 4.

	2003 £	2002 £
Bank interest	865	5,395

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2003

### 5. TAXATION

The company is exempt from Corporation Tax by virtue of the provisions of the International Organisations Act 1968.

### 6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

		Plant and machinery	Fixtures and fittings	Totals
		£	£	£
	COST:	00.550	10.006	100.000
	At 1 December 2002 Additions	90,572 9,443	12,296 330,430	102,868 339,873
	At 30 November 2003	100,015	342,726	442,741
	DEPRECIATION:			
	At 1 December 2002	23,931	2,546	26,477
	Charge for year	11,413	51,027	62,440
	At 30 November 2003	35,344	53,573	88,917
	NET BOOK VALUE:			
	At 30 November 2003	64,671	289,153	353,824
	At 30 November 2002	66,641	9,750	76,391
7.	DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR			
			2003 £	2002 £
	V.A.T. Other debtors		19,935	25,494 381,083
	Prepayments & accrued income		108,458	108,458
	Amounts owed by common ownerhip companies		405,953	
			534,346	515,035
8.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR			
			2003	2002
	D 11 1 0		£	£
	Bank loans and overdrafts		121 092	1.704
	(see note 9) Trade creditors		131,983 651,761	1,704 617,232
	Directors current accounts		32,950	46,806
	Other creditors		2,075	44,315
	Social security & other taxes		18,090	8,124
	Employee salaries		55	-
	Accrued expenses		30,468	25,968
			867,382	744,149

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL, STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2003

### 9. LOANS AND OVERDRAFTS

An analysis of the maturity of loans and overdrafts is given below:

	2003 £	2002 £
Amounts falling due within one year or on demand:	~	~
Bank overdrafts	131,983	1,704

### 10. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

As far as the Board is aware, there were no contingent liabilities at the balance sheet date.

### 11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

The entire turnover of the company is derived from provision of services to Al Jazeera in the Emirate of Qatar. The directors of the company are also the directors of Al Jazeera, Qatar.

The directors (who are also the members) have undertaken to contribute £1 each, towards the assets of the company in the event that a contribution is required upon the winding up of the company.

### 12. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN RESERVES

(Loss)/Profit for the financial year	£ (2,708)	£ 60,945
Net (reduction)/addition to reserves Opening reserves	(2,708) 97,202	60,945 36,257
Closing reserves	94,494	97,202