# TESCO WORLDWIDE LIMITED ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED 23 FEBRUARY 2008

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#### DIRECTORS' REPORT

#### Directors' Report for the 52 weeks ended 23 February 2008

The directors present their report and audited financial statements of Tesco Worldwide Limited (the "company") for the 52 weeks ended 23 February 2008

#### Business review and principal activities

The principal activity of the company is to act as a holding company

The results for the period show a pre-tax profit of £6 0m (2007 £18 2m) The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend (2007 £nil)

The company has net assets of £40 6m (2007 £34 6m)

## Principal risks and uncertainties

From the perspective of the company, the principal risks and uncertainties are integrated with the principal risks of Tesco PLC and are not managed separately. These risks are discussed on page 15 of the Tesco PLC group annual report for the 52 weeks ended 23 February 2008 which does not form part of this report.

#### Future outlook

The company's level of trade is expected to continue throughout 2008 and the current performance levels should be maintained

#### Key performance indicators

Given the straightforward nature of the business, the directors are of the opinion that analysis using key performance indicators is not necessary for an understanding of the development, performance or position of the business

#### Research and development

The company does not undertake any research and development activities

#### **Employees**

The company had no employees during the period (2007 none)

#### **Directors**

The following directors served during the period and up to the date of signing the financial statements

L Neville-Rolfe

J Lloyd

#### **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

#### Directors' Report for the 52 weeks ended 23 February 2008 (continued)

# Statement of directors' responsibilities in respect of the Annual Report and the financial statements

The directors are responsible for preparing the Annual 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 the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). The financial statements are required by law to 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,
- 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, in which case there will be supporting assumptions or qualifications as
  necessary

The directors confirm that they have complied with the above requirements in preparing the financial statements

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that 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 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.

Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions

#### Statement on disclosure of information to auditors

Each director who is a director at the date of approval of this Annual Report confirms that

- so far as the director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware, and
- each director has taken all the steps that he/she ought to have taken as a director to make himself/herself
  aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that
  information

#### Independent auditors

Pursuant to Section 386 of the Companies Act 1985 the company has elected to dispense with the obligations to appoint and all subsequent periods

By order of the Board 18th November 2008

J Lloyd Director

Tesco Worldwide Limited Registered Number 3869778



# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF TESCO WORLDWIDE LIMITED

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We have audited the financial statements of Tesco Worldwide Limited for the 52 weeks ended 23 February 2008 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet, and the related notes These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors' responsibilities for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) are set out in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) This report, including the opinion, has been prepared for and only for the company's members as a body in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985 and for no other purpose We do not, in giving this opinion, 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

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 whether in our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report is consistent with the financial statements

In addition we report to you if, in our opinion, 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 other transactions is not disclosed

We read the Directors' Report 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 International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) 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, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, of the state of the company's affairs as at 23 February 2008 and of its profit for the 52 weeks then ended,
- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985, and
- the information given in the Directors' Report is consistent with the financial statements

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

St Albans

18th November

# PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED 23 FEBRUARY 2008

		2008	2007
	Notes	£'000	£'000
Net profit on disposal of investments		5,966	-
Reversal of prior period impairment	_		18,168
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		5,966	18,168
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	2	3,900	10,100
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Profit for the financial period	7	5,966	18,168

There are no recognised gains or losses other than those shown in the Profit and Loss account above

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

All operations are continuing for the financial period

# **BALANCE SHEET AS AT 23 FEBRUARY 2008**

		2008	2007
	Notes	£'000	£,000
Fixed assets		<del>11</del>	
Investments	4		34,594
Current assets			
Debtors - due within one year	5	40,560	-
Net assets		40,560	34,594
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	6	36,101	36,101
Profit and loss reserve	7	4,459	(1,507)
Total equity shareholder's funds	8	40,560	34,594

The financial statements on pages 5 to 10 were approved by the board of directors on  $18^{th}$  November 2008 and were signed on its behalf by

J Lloyd

Director
Tesco Worldwide Limited Registered Number 3869778

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED 23 FEBRUARY 2008

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements are prepared on the going concern basis, in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards, under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. The principle accounting polices have been applied consistently during the period and are set out below.

#### Cash flow statement

The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Tesco PLC and is included in the consolidated financial statements of Tesco PLC, which are publicly available. Consequently, the company has taken advantage of the exemption from preparing a cash flow statement under the terms of FRS 1.

#### Fixed asset investments

Investments in subsidiaries and joint ventures are stated at cost plus incidental expenses less, where appropriate, provisions for impairment

#### **Taxation**

The amount included in the Profit and Loss account is based on the profit or loss on ordinary activities before taxation and is calculated at current local tax rates, taking into account timing differences and the likelihood of realisation of deferred tax assets and liabilities

#### Group relief on taxation

The company will receive group relief from group companies without payment and consequently there is no tax charge in the Profit and Loss account

#### 2. OPERATING PROFIT

The directors received no emoluments for their services to the company (2007 £nil)

The company had no employees during the period (2007 none)

The auditors' remuneration for the current and prior period was borne by another group company

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED 23 FEBRUARY 2008 (continued)

#### 3. TAXATION ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES

	2008 £'000	2007 £'000
Current tax		
UK Corporation tax on profit for the financial period	-	-
Adjustments in respect of previous financial periods	-	
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	-	

The tax assessed for the period is lower (2007 lower) than the standard rate of corporation tax in the United Kingdom (30%) The differences are explained below

	2008 £'000	2007 £'000
Profit on ordinary activities before tax	5,966	18,168
Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate in the UK	,	
30% (2007 30%)	1,790	5,450
Effects of	·	
Non taxable gain	(1,790)	-
UK to UK transfer pricing adjustment	404	-
Group relief claimed without payment	(404)	-
Impairment adjustments not taxable	<u> </u>	(5,450)
Current tax charge for the financial period	_	<u> </u>

## Factors that may affect future tax charges:

The standard rate of Corporation Tax in the UK changes to 28% with effect from the 1 April 2008

#### 4. INVESTMENTS

	Group
	companies £'000
Cost and net book value	2 000
At 24 February 2007	34,594
Disposals	(34,594)
At 23 February 2008	

On 21st January 2008, the company sold its holding in Tesco International BV of £34,593,000 to another group company for €54,756,042, resulting in a profit on disposal of £5,966,000

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED 23 FEBRUARY 2008 (continued)

#### 5. DEBTORS - DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2008	2007
	£'000	£'000
Amounts due from group undertakings	40,560	_

Amounts owed by group undertakings are unsecured, interest free, have no fixed date of repayment and are repayable on demand

#### 6. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

	2008 £'000	2007 £'000
Authorised		
36,100,981 (2007 36,100,981) ordinary shares of £1 each	36,101	36,101
Allotted, called up and fully paid		
36,100,981 (2007 36,100,981) ordinary shares of £1 each	36,101	36,101

#### 7. RESERVES

	Profit and	
	loss reserve	
	£'000	
As at 24 February 2007	(1,507)	
Profit for the financial period	5,966	
As at 23 February 2008	4,459	

#### 8. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT IN SHAREHOLDER'S FUNDS

	2008	2007
	£'000	£'000
Profit for the financial period	5,966	18,168
Opening shareholder's funds	34,594	16,426
Closing shareholder's funds	40,560	34,594

#### 9. ULTIMATE PARENT UNDERTAKING AND CONTROLLING PARTY

The company's immediate and ultimate parent company, and controlling party, is Tesco PLC, which is incorporated in Great Britain and registered in England and Wales, and which is the parent undertaking of the smallest and largest group to consolidate these financial statements. Copies of the Tesco PLC financial statements can be obtained from the Company Secretary, Tesco PLC, Tesco House, PO Box 18, Delamare Road, Cheshunt, Hertfordshire, EN8 9SL

#### 10. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Transactions with other companies within the group are not disclosed as the company has taken advantage of the exemption under paragraph 3(c) of Financial Reporting Standard 8 "Related Party Disclosures", as the consolidated financial statements of Tesco PLC, in which the company is included, are available at the address noted above

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED 23 FEBRUARY 2008 (continued)

## 11. POST BALANCE SHEET EVENT

A number of changes to the UK Corporation Tax system were announced as part of the March 2007 budget statement Certain of these changes were substantively enacted in the 2007 Finance Act on 26 June 2007 The impact of these changes has been recognised in these financial statements

Certain other changes are expected to be enacted in the 2008 Finance Act. The impact of these changes will be recognised in the period in which the 2008 Finance Act becomes substantively enacted, which is expected to be in the next financial year.