Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2004

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Directors' report for the year ended 31 March 2004

The Directors present their report together with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2004. This report is prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

Principal activity and review of business

The principal activities of Arts & Business Services are the provision of membership and consultancy services to the business community and the organisation of arts-based training.

Results

The Company made a loss for the financial year of £20,117 which has been retained by the company (2003: a profit of £30,934 which was paid to the parent company by gift aid).

Dividends

The Directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend.

Directors and directors' interests

The Directors of the Company during the year ended 31 March 2004 were:

- * Robin Wight CVO (Chairman) Clare Cooper
- * Dr Chris Gibson-Smith
- * Alan K P Smith Colin Tweedy
- * Indicates a non-executive director

Company Secretary

Martin Williams

Bankers

HSBC Plc 19 Grosvenor Place London SW1X 7HT

Directors' report (continued)

According to the register required to be kept by Section 325 of the Companies Act 1985, the Directors did not have, at any time during the year ended 31 March 2004, any interest in shares of the Company, or the parent company with the exception of Messrs Wight, Gibson-Smith, and Smith - all of whom have a non-beneficial interest in the shares of the Company as members of the parent company, a company limited by guarantee.

Directors' responsibilities

The Directors are required by UK company law to prepare financial statements for each financial year that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company as at the end of the financial year and of the profit or loss of the company for that period.

The Directors confirm that suitable accounting policies have been used and applied consistently and that reasonable and prudent judgements have been made in the preparation of the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2004. The Directors also confirm that applicable accounting standards have been followed and that it is appropriate for the financial statements to be prepared on the going concern basis.

The Directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, for safeguarding the assets of the Company, and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Directors on 15 July 2004 and signed on their behalf

Robin Wight

Director

Independent auditors' report to the members of Arts & Business Services Limited

We have audited the financial statements of Arts & Business Services for the year ended 31 March 2004 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet, and the related notes. These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set 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 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 opinion we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors' responsibilities for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law, United Kingdom Accounting Standards are set out in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with the 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 Directors' Report 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 Directors' Report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it.

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 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 the information in the accounts.

Unqualified opinion

In our opinion the accounts give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 31 March 2004 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

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Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

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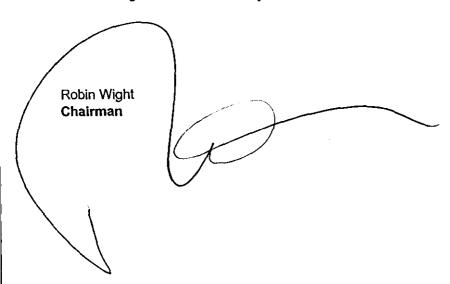
ARTS & BUSINESS SERVICES LIMITED PROFIT & LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2004

	Notes	2004 £	2003 £
Turnover	2	1,280,260	1,226,385
Total turnover		1,280,260	1,226,385
Operating costs Cost of sales Office and administration costs	3	640,118 664,021	524,056 675,983
Total operating costs		1,304,140	1,200,039
(Loss)/Profit on ordinary activities before interest and ta	x 4	(23,880)	26,345
Net Interest receivable		3,763	4,588
(Loss)/Profit on ordinary activities before tax		(20,117)	30,934
Gift aid payment to parent company			30,934
Net (Loss)/Profit on ordinary activities before tax		(20,117)	-
Tax on profit on ordinary activities			
(Loss)/Profit for the financial year		(20,117)	

ARTS & BUSINESS SERVICES LIMITED BALANCE SHEET AT 31 MARCH 2004

	Notes	2004 £	2003 £
Current Assets			
Debtors	5	264,353	205,103
Cash at bank and in hand		246,260	124,051
		510,613	329,154
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	6	530,727	329,151
Net Assets		(20,114)	3
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	8	3	3
Profit and loss account	_	(20,117)	
		(20,114)	3

The financial statements on pages 4 to 7 were approved by the Board of Directors on 15 July 2004 and were signed on their behalf by:



This report is prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies. The notes on pages 6 & 7 form part of these accounts.

ARTS & BUSINESS SERVICES LIMITED NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2004

1. Principal accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards in the United Kingdom. A summary of the more important accounting policies, which have been consistently applied, is set out below.

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

Cash flow statements

The Company, being a small reporting entity as defined by Financial Reporting Standard No. 1 (revised 1996) on 'Cash Flow Statements', is exempt from the requirement to prepare a cash flow statement. Accordingly, no cash flow statement is presented within these accounts.

Income Receivable

Income is credited in the Profit & Loss Account when receivable. To the extent that income relates to a future period, it is carried forward as deferred revenue.

2. Turnover

Turnover is exclusive of value added tax and consisted entirely of services provided in the United Kingdom.

3. Office and administration costs

Office and administration costs comprise a management charge of £000 (2003: £675,581) levied by the parent company for services provided. Some incidental costs were also incurred directly by the Company.

4. Profit on ordinary activities before taxation

The auditors' remuneration for audit services was borne by the parent company during the year. There was no remuneration for non-audit services during the year.

ARTS & BUSINESS SERVICES LIMITED NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2004

5. Debtors	2004 £	2003 £
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Trade debtors	159,166	191,791
Prepayments and accrued income	105,187	13,313
	264,353	205,103
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6. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2004	2003
	£	£
Trade Creditors	24,312	•
Deferred revenue	319,205	241,236
Accruals	63,774	4,549
Other creditors	26,211	1,501
Amount due to parent company	97,225	81,865
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7. Called-up share capital	2004	2003
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Authorised	~	~
1,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	1,000	1,000
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Allotted, called up and fully paid		
3 ordinary shares of £1 each	3_	3
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8. Reconciliation of movement in shareholders' funds	2004	2003
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Opening shareholders' funds	3	3
Retained (loss)/profit for the financial period	(20,117)	J -
Closing shareholders' funds	(20,114)	3
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9. Related party disclosures

The company is not required to disclose transactions with fellow group undertakings under the exemptions provided by Financial Reporting Standards Number 8. There were no other transactions with related parties that would require disclosure under the Standard or other requirements.

10. Immediate and ultimate parent company

The Directors regard Arts & Business Limited as the immediate and ultimate parent company and the ultimate controlling party. According to the register kept by the company, Arts & Business Limited, a company incorporated in the United Kingdom held a 100% interest in the equity capital of the Company at 31 March 2004. Copies of the immediate and ultimate parent company's financial statement may be obtained from the Secretary, Arts & Business Limited, Nutmeg House, 60 Gainsford Street, London SE1 2NY.