

# **Rothschild Australia Holdings Limited**

Report of the Directors and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2016

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# **Strategic Report**

### **Principal Activities**

During the year ended 31 March 2016 Rothschild Australia Holdings Limited (the Company) continued to be an investment holding company.

### **Review of the Company's Business**

The results for the year are set out in the statement of comprehensive income on page 7. The results of the Company shows a profit before tax of £2,549,578 for the year (2015: £5,429,488). Earnings include gains of £2,549,578 (2015: £135,581) on the repayment of capital from Arrow Capital Pty Limited, a subsidiary undertaking, which is in the process of being liquidated. The liquidation should complete in the year ending 31 March 2017 and it is expected that there will be a further repayment of capital of approximately £250,000. The reserves available for distribution at 31 March 2016 were £2,598,151 (2015: £48,573).

The Directors consider the Company to be a going concern.

### **Principal Risks and Uncertainties**

The financial risk management objectives and policies of the Company, together with an analysis of the exposure to such risks, as required under Part 1 of Schedule 7 of the Large and Medium-sized Companies and Groups (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, are set out in Note 1 on the financial statements.

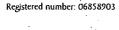
The Company's exposures to credit, liquidity and market risks are limited due to the nature of its business, which is predominantly a holding company.

On 23 June the UK voted to leave the EU. At the date of signing these financial statements the Directors do not foresee any immediate impact on the Company but acknowledge the uncertainty that exists. The Directors will continue to keep this under review.

By Order of the Board

Peter Barbour, Director

New Court, St Swithin's Lane, London EC4N 8AL 15 September 2016



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# **Report of the Directors**

The Directors present their Directors' report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2016.

#### **Dividends**

During the year the Company paid a dividend of £nil (2015: £6,360,000).

#### **Directors**

The Directors who held office during the period were as follows:

Peter Barbour Anthony Coghlan Donald Gordon

### **Directors' Indemnity**

The Company has provided qualifying third-party indemnities for the benefit of its Directors. These were provided during the period and remain in force at the date of this report.

#### **Auditor**

Pursuant to Section 487 of the Companies Act 2006, the auditor will be deemed to be reappointed and KPMG LLP will therefore continue in office.

#### **Audit Information**

The Directors who held office at the date of approval of this Report of the Directors confirm that, so far as they are each 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 ought to have taken as a Director to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditors are aware of that information.

By Order of the Board

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Helen Horton for N M Rothschild & Sons Limited Secretary

New Court, St. Swithin's Lane, London EC4N 8AL

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# Statement of Directors' Responsibilities in Respect of the Strategic Report, Directors' Report and the Financial Statements

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Strategic Report, Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial period. Under that law they have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as adopted by the European Union (EU) and applicable law.

Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they 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 these financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether they have been prepared in accordance with IFRS as adopted by the EU; and
- 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 adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Company's transactions and 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 2006. They have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the Company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

By Order of the Board

Peter Barbour, Director 15 September 2016



# Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Rothschild Australia Holdings Limited

We have audited the financial statements of Rothschild Australia Holdings Limited for the year ended 31 March 2016 set out on pages 7 to 14. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as adopted by the EU.

This report is made solely to the Company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. 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 Auditor

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement set out on page 4, the Directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit, and express an opinion on, the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

### Scope of the audit of the financial statements

A description of the scope of an audit of financial statements is provided on the Financial Reporting Council's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditscopeukprivate.

### **Opinion on financial statements**

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 31 March 2016 and of its profit for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with IFRS as adopted by the EU; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

# Opinion on the other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Strategic Report, Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

# Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Rothschild Australia Holdings Limited

# Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of Directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Pamela McIntyre (Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of KPMG LLP, Statutory Auditor

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**Chartered Accountants** 

15 Canada Square

London E14 5GL

15 September 2016



# **Statement of Comprehensive Income**

For the year ended 31 March 2016

·		2016	2015
	Note	£	£
Income from investment in subsidiary		-	5,293,907
Gain on return of capital from subsidiary		2,549,578	-
Foreign exchange gain on return of capital from subsidiary			135,581
Profit before tax		2,549,578	5,429,488
Income tax expense	. 4	-	-
Profit for the year		2,549,578	5,429,488
Other comprehensive income		-	-
Total comprehensive income for the financial year		2,549,578	5,429,488

All amounts are in respect of continuing activities.





# **Balance Sheet**

At 31 March 2016

		2016	2016	2015	2015
. ,	Note	£	£	£	£
Non-current assets				_	
Investments in subsidiary	5	•	10,040,507		10,571,264
Current assets	•		***************************************		*
Cash and cash equivalents	6	3,157,644		77,309	
Net current assets			3,157,644	•	77,309
Total assets less current liabilities			13,198,151		10,648,573
Shareholders' equity					
Share capital	7		10,600,000		10,600,000
Retained earnings		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	2,598,151		48,573
Total shareholders' equity			13,198,151		10,648,573

Approved by the Board of Directors on 15 September 2016 and signed on its behalf by:

Peter Barbour Director





# **Statement of Changes in Equity**

For the year ended 31 March 2016

		•		
	Share	Capital	Retained	Total
	Capital	Redemption	Earnings	Equity
	£	Reserve £	£	£
At 1 April 2015	10,600,000		48,573	10,648,573
Total comprehensive income for the			2,549,578	2,549,578
year	· ·	,	· .	
At 31 March 2016	10,600,000	-	2,598,151	13,198,151
At 1 April 2014	11,550,000	<del>.</del>	29,085	11,579,085
Transfer to capital redemption reserve	(950,000)	950,000	-	
Total comprehensive income for the			5,429,488	5,429,488
year	•		•	
Shareholder's dividends	-	(950,000)	(5,410,000)	(6,360,000)
At 31 March 2015	10,600,000		48,573	10,648,573





# **Cash Flow Statement**

For the year ended 31 March 2016

•	2016	2015
Note	£	£
		. —
	2,549,578	5,429,488
	(2,549,578)	
	_	(5,293,907)
	-	135,581
	-	135,581
	··· <u>-</u>	5,293,907
	3,080,335	952,381
	3,080,335	6,246,288
		(6,360,000)
	-	(6,360,000)
	3,080,335	21,869
	77,309	55,440
6	3,157,644	77,309
		Note £  2,549,578 (2,549,578)  3,080,335 3,080,335 3,080,335 77,309





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#### 1. Accounting Policies

Rothschild Australia Holdings Limited (the Company) is a company incorporated in the United Kingdom. The principal accounting policies which have been consistently adopted in the presentation of the financial statements are as follows:

#### a. Basis of preparation

The financial statements are prepared and approved by the directors in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee (IFRIC) interpretations, endorsed by the European Union (EU) and with those requirements of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies reporting under IFRS. The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost accounting rules and presented in sterling, unless otherwise stated.

These financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

The Company is exempt by virtue of s400 of the Companies Act 2006 from the requirement to prepare group financial statements. These financial statements present information about the Company as an individual undertaking and not about its group.

#### Standards affecting the financial statements

In the current year, there have been no new or revised Standards or Interpretations that have been adopted that have significantly affected the amounts reported in these financial statements.

#### **Future accounting developments**

A number of new standards, amendments to standards and interpretations are effective for accounting periods ending after 31 March 2016 and therefore have not been applied in preparing these financial statements. None of these are expected to have a significantly affect on future financial statements.

#### b. Investments in subsidiary undertakings

Investments in subsidiary undertakings are stated at cost less provisions to take account, where appropriate, of impairment in their value.

#### c. Income from investments in subsidiary undertakings

Dividend income from investments is included in the financial statements when the right to receive payment is established.

#### d. Cash and cash equivalents

For the purpose of the cash flow statement, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and balances with banks.

#### e. Capital management

The Company is not subject to any externally imposed capital requirements. The Company follows the capital management policies of a parent undertaking N M Rothschild & Sons Limited and the capital of the Company is managed at the group level.

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#### 1. Accounting Policies (continued)

#### f. Financial risk management

The Company follows the financial risk management policies of a parent undertaking, N M Rothschild & Sons Limited. The key risks arising from the Company's activities involving financial instruments, which are monitored at the group level as follows:

- Credit risk the the risk of loss arising from client or counterparty default is not considered a significant risk to the company as all asset balances are with other group companies as detailed in note 8 Related Party Transactions.
- Market risk the exposure to changes in market variables such as interest rates, currency exchange rates, equity and debt prices is not considered significant.
- Liquidity risk the risk that the Company is unable to meet its obligations as they fall due or that it is unable to fund its commitments is not considered significant as at the balance sheet date the Company held sufficient cash to fund all future obligations.

#### 2. Audit Fee

The amount receivable by the auditors and their associates in respect of the audit of these financial statements is £3,902 (2015: £3,825). The audit fee is paid on a group basis by N M Rothschild & Sons Limited.

#### 3. Directors' Emoluments

No Director received any remuneration from the Company during the period (2015: £nil).

#### 4. Taxation

	•			2016	2015
				£	£
Tax charged to the incom	e statement		,		-
The tax charge for the	year may be explaine	ed as follows:			
				2016	2015
			,	£	£
Profit before tax	: -			2,549,578	5,429,488
United Kingdom corporat	ion tax credit at 20% (20	15: 21%)		509,916	1,140,192
Income not subject to tax				(509,916)	(1,140,192)
Total tax recognised in in-	rome statement				



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#### 5. Non-Current Assets: Investments in Subsidiary Undertakings

	2016	2015
·	£	. <b>£</b>
Cost		
At 1 April	10,571,264	11,523,645
Repayment of share capital	(530,757)	(952,381)
At 31 March	10,040,507	10,571,264

During the year ended 31 March 2016, a subsidiary undertaking of the Company, Arrow Capital Pty Limited, reduced its share capital by £530,757 (2015: £952,381) and repaid this to the Company. Arrow Capital Pty Limited is in the process of winding down its business and is currently in liquidation. The liquidation should complete in the year ending 31 March 2017 and it is expected that there will be a further repayment of capital of approximately £250,000. The carrying value of Arrow Capital as at 31 March 2016 was £40,507.

The subsidiary undertakings of the Company are detailed below. All subsidiary undertakings are incorporated in Australia.

Percentage of shares held

Subsidiary undertakings	2016	2015
Rothschild Australia Limited, which owns the following subsidiary:	100	100
Rothschild & Co Proprietary Limited	100	-
Arrow Capital Pty Limited, which owns the following subsidiary:	100	100
Five Arrows Films Pty Limited	100	100

#### 6. Cash and Cash Equivalents

At the year end the Company held cash of £3,157,644 (2015: £77,309) at a fellow subsidiary undertaking. The balance is non-interest bearing.

#### 7. Share Capital

	2016	2015
Authorised		
Ordinary shares of £1 each	20,000,000	20,000,000
Allotted, called up and fully paid		
Ordinary shares of £1 each	10,600,000	10,600,000

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#### 8. Related Party Transactions

Parties are considered related if one party controls, is controlled by or has the ability to exercise significant influence over the other party. This includes key management personnel, the parent company, subsidiaries and fellow subsidiaries.

Amounts recognised in the balance sheet in respect of related party transactions were as follows:

•	. 2016	2015
	£	£
Investment in subsidiaries	10,040,507	10,571,264
Cash at fellow subsidiary undertaking	3,157,644	77,309

Amounts recognised in the income statement in respect of related party transactions were as follows:

	2016	2015
	£	£
Dividend income from subsidiary undertaking		5,293,907
Gain on return of capital from subsidiary undertaking	2,549,578	5,293,907

Amounts recognised directly in equity in respect of related party transactions were as follows:

Dividend payable to parent undertaking			6,360,000
	•	£	£
·	•	2016	2015

There were no loans made to Directors during the year (2015: none) and no balances outstanding at year-end (2015: £nil). The Directors did not receive any remuneration in respect of their services to the Company. There were no employees of the Company during the year (2015: none).

#### 9. Parent Undertaking and Ultimate Holding Company

The largest group in which the results of the Company are consolidated is that headed by Rothschild Concordia SAS, incorporated in France. The smallest group in which they are consolidated is that headed by Rothschild & Co SCA, a French limited partnership.

The Company's immediate parent company is Shield Trust Limited.

The Company's registered office is located at New Court, St. Swithin's Lane, London EC4N 8AL.

