UNILEVER UK & CN HOLDINGS LIMITED REPORT AND ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2012

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UK & CN HOLDINGS LIMITED 77912

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2012

OFFICERS AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS

DIRECTORS

Mr N S Fletcher Ms A J K Elphick

Mr S A Jarrold

resigned on 2 July 2012

Mr G E Neath

resigned on 6 February 2012

Ms P A Finney

appointed on 8 August 2012

SECRETARY

The New Hovema Limited

REGISTERED OFFICE

100 Victoria Embankment London EC4Y 0DY United Kingdom

REGISTERED OFFICE OF ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY

100 Victoria Embankment London EC4Y 0DY United Kingdom

AUDITOR

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP London

Directors' Report for the year ended 31 December 2012

The Directors submit their report and the audited financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2012

Directors

The Directors of the Company who served during the year and up to the date of signing the financial statements are shown on page 1

Principal activities, review of business and future developments

The principal activity of the Company is to act as a holding company. All of its out of pocket expenses, including the remuneration of the auditors, were borne by the ultimate parent undertaking or a fellow subsidiary.

The results of the Company show a profit on ordinary activities before tax of £211,424,000, which includes an impairment charge of £1,900,000 on the Company's investment in Ceytea Limited (2011 loss of £1,099,286,000 which includes an impairment of £1,087,513,000).

The Directors consider that in the conditions prevailing during the year, the development of the Company's business and its financial position at the end of the year were satisfactory. The Directors do not expect any development in the Company's business in the coming year which is significantly different from its present activities.

Key performance Indicators

Given the straightforward nature of the business, the Company's 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

Principal Risks and Uncertainties

The management of the business and the execution of the Company's strategy are subject to a number of risks. The key business risks and uncertainties affecting the Company are considered to relate to the deterioration of the underlying businesses that support the investments held. Additional risks that this Company and the Unilever Group are subject to, and how they are managed, in the context of the Unilever Group as a whole is provided in the Unilever Group published annual report.

Directors' Report for the year ended 31 December 2012 (continued)

Dividends

The Directors did not recommend the payment of a dividend in the current year (2011 £ nil)

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

The Directors are responsible for preparing the 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 year Under that law the Directors have prepared the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards 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 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; and
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements

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 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.

Directors' Report for the year ended 31 December 2012 (continued)

Statement of Provision of Information to Auditors

Each of the persons who is a Director at the date of approval of this report confirms that:

- 1 So far as the Director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditors are unaware, and
- 2 The Director has taken all the steps that he/she ought to have taken as a Director in order to make himself/herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditors are aware of that information

This confirmation is given and should be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of Section 418 of the Companies Act 2006

Going Concern

The directors believe that preparing the financial statements on a going concern basis is appropriate due to the continued financial support of the intermediate parent company Unilever UK Holdings Limited This support is expected to continue for the foreseeable future. The Directors confirm that they have complied with the above requirements in preparing the financial statements

Independent Auditors

The auditors PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP have indicated their willingness to continue in office and will remain in office as auditors of the Company in accordance with the provisions of Section 487(2) of the Companies Act 2006

By Order of the Board

Mrs & Conway

Duly Authorised for and on behalf of

The New Hovema Limited

Company Secretary

Date 3 June 2013

Independent Auditors' report to the Members of Unilever UK & CN Holdings Limited

We have audited the financial statements of Unilever UK & CN Holdings Limited for the year ended 31 December 2012 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet, the Principal Accounting Policies and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' responsibilities set out on page 3, 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.

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the Company's members as a body in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, 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

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed, the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the Directors, and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the annual report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report

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 December 2012 and of its profit for the year then ended,
- Have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- Have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006

Independent Auditors' report to the Members of Unilever UK & CN Holdings Limited (continued)

Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

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

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.

Nicholas Campbell-Lambert (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors

London

Date 4 Time 2013

Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 31 December 2012

	Notes	2012	2011
Impairment of investments	(2)	£000 (1,900)	£000 (1,087,513)
Operating loss	_	(1,900)	(1,087,513)
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	(5)	-	(9,109)
Income from investments in subsidiaries	(6)	228,979	13,386
Interest payable and similar items	(7)	(15,655)	(16,050)
Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities before taxation		211,424	(1,099,286)
Taxation on profit/(loss) on ordinary activities	(8)	553	597
Profit/(loss) for the financial year	(13)	211,977	(1,098,689)

The notes on pages 11 to 20 are an integral part of these financial statements

All operations in the year are, and in the comparative year were, continuing.

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

The result for each financial year represents the total recognised gains/(losses) of that year and therefore no separate statement of total recognised gains and losses has been presented

Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2012

	Notes	2012	2011
Fixed assets		£000	£000
Investments	(9)	3,086,710	2,870,364
Current assets			
Debtors amounts falling due within one year	(10)	602	758
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(11)	(294,743)	(290,530)
Net current liabilities		(294,141)	(289,772)
Total assets less current liabilities		2,792,569	2,580,592
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	(11)	(259,846)	(259,846)
Net assets		2,532,723	2,320,746
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	(12)	474,898	474,898
Merger reserve	(13)	1,838,280	1,838,280
Other reserves	(13)	33,129	33,129
Profit and loss account	(13)	186,416	(25,561)
Total shareholders' funds	(13)	2,532,723	2,320,746

The notes on pages 11 to 20 are an integral part of these financial statements

The financial statements on pages 7 to 20 were approved by the Board of Directors on 3 June 2013 and were signed on its behalf by

Ms A Elphick **Director**

Principal Accounting Policies

The financial statements are prepared on the going concern basis, under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Companies Act 2006 and the applicable accounting standards in the United Kingdom. The principal accounting policies, which have been applied consistently throughout the year, are set out below.

Basis of preparation

The financial statements contain information about Unilever UK & CN Holdings Limited as an individual company and do not contain consolidated financial information as the parent of a group. The Company is exempt under Section 400 of the Companies Act 2006 from the requirements to prepare consolidated financial statements as it and its subsidiary undertakings are included by full consolidation in the consolidated financial statements of its ultimate parent company, Unilever PLC, a company incorporated in England and Wales

Cash Flow statement

The Company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Unilever PLC and its cash flows are included in the consolidated financial statements of Unilever PLC, which are publicly available Consequently the Company is exempt under the terms of Financial Reporting Standard 1 'Cashflow statements' (revised 1996) from publishing a cash flow statement

Fixed Asset Investments

Investments in Group undertakings investments are entities controlled by the Company, where control is the power directly or indirectly to govern the financial and operating policies of the entity so as to obtain benefit from its activities. Associated company investments are entities in which the Group has a long-term interest and over which the Group has directly or indirectly significant influence, where significant influence is the ability to influence the financial and operating policies of the entity. Other investments include investment in companies in which the entity's influence is less than significant.

Fixed asset investments are carried at cost. A review is performed annually to assess for triggering events that indicate impairment and if required the net realisable value is assessed using a discounted cash flow (DCF) method.

Where the value of an investment is considered to have been permanently impaired, a carrying value below cost is employed and any impairment charge is taken to the Profit and Loss Account. The reversal of past impairment losses is recognised when the recoverable amount of a investment in a subsidiary, an associate or a joint venture has increased because of a change in economic conditions.

Foreign Currencies

Trading transactions denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the exchange rate ruling on the date of the transaction or at monthly average rates. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies have been translated into sterling at the rates current at the year end, and profits/(losses) are taken through the Profit and Loss Account of the year.

Principal Accounting Policies (continued)

Dividends

Final dividends are only recognised when they have been approved by the shareholders and interim dividends are only recognised when paid.

Under FRS 21 'Events after the Balance Sheet Date', proposed dividends do not meet the definition of a liability until such time as they have been approved by shareholders at the Annual General Meeting. Therefore, we do not recognise a liability in any period for dividends that have been proposed but will not be approved until after the balance sheet date. This holds for external dividends as well as intra-group dividends paid to the parent company.

Merger Reserve

On acquisition of a subsidiary and when the Company qualifies for merger relief or group reconstruction relief, the cost of the investment in the subsidiary is recorded at fair value. The difference between the nominal value plus minimum premium amount and the fair value is credited to a merger reserve. The merger reserve is treated as part of the Company's equity and is a non distributable reserve.

On disposal or impairment of this subsidiary externally to the Group, the amount recorded in the merger reserve is transferred to in the Profit and Loss reserve

Preference Shares

Presentational requirements under Financial Reporting Standard 25 'Financial Instruments Disclosure and Presentation' have been applied. Where preference shares carry the characteristics of a liability as opposed to equity, the preference shares are disclosed as a liability in the balance sheet. The associated dividends are disclosed as part of net interest costs. An option of the issuer to redeem the shares for cash does not satisfy the definition of a financial liability because the issuer does not have a present obligation to transfer financial assets to the shareholders. In these circumstances, the preference shares are accounted within equity. An obligation may arise in the future, however, when the issuer of the shares exercises its option, usually by formally notifying the shareholders of an intention to redeem the shares.

Current Taxation

The charge for current income tax is based on the results for the year as adjusted for items which are not taxed or which are disallowed. It is calculated using tax rates in legislation that has been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

Deferred Taxation

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date, where transactions or events that result in an obligation to pay more tax in the future or a right to pay less tax in the future have occurred at the balance sheet date

A net deferred tax asset is recognised as recoverable only when it can be regarded as more likely than not that there will be suitable taxable profits against which to recover carried forward tax losses and from which the future reversal of underlying timing differences can be deducted

Principal Accounting Policies (continued)

Deferred Taxation (continued)

Deferred tax is measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the periods in which the timing differences are expected to reverse, based on tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date. Deferred tax is measured on an undiscounted basis

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of the retained earnings of overseas subsidiaries only to the extent that, at the balance sheet date, dividends have been accrued as receivable or a binding agreement to distribute past earnings in future periods has been entered into by the subsidiary

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2012

(1) Auditors Remuneration

The fees for PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP in respect of the statutory audit for the current and prior year are borne by a fellow Unilever Group company, Unilever U.K Central Resources Limited and amounts to £5,500 (2011 £6,125) Full details for the year ended 31 December 2012 and prior year comparatives are disclosed in the financial statements of that company

(2) Impairment of investments

	2012	2011
	£000	£000
Impairment of investments	1,900	1,087,513

The impairment relates to the investment in Ceytea, which is under liquidation. The impairment loss recognised is the difference between the carrying value and the net realisable value of this investment

Prior year's impairment relates to the impairment of the investment in the investment Unilever UK Holdings Limited.

(3) Employee Information

No employees were employed by the Company during 2012 (2011. ml), no employee costs were incurred by the Company (2011 £ml)

(4) Directors' Emoluments

No remuneration (2011 £nil) was received by the Directors, including the Chairman, from the Company They are employed as managers by Unilever U K Central Resources Limited and Unilever UK Limited and they are remunerated by that company in respect of their services to the Unilever Group as a whole

(5) Loss on disposal of fixed assets

	2012	2011
	£000	£000
Loss on disposal of investments		(9,109)

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2012 (continued)

(6) Income from investments in subsidiaries

		2012	2011
		£000	£000
	Income from investments in Group undertakings	217,526	7,813
	Income from other investments	11,453	5,573
	Total	228,979	13,386
(7)	Interest payable and similar items		
		2012	2011
		£000	£000
	Interest payable on loans from group undertakings	(2,466)	(2,861)
	Interest payable on redeemable preference shares	_(13,189)	(13,189)
	Total	(15,655)	(16,050)

(8) Taxation on (loss)/profit on Ordinary Activities

The taxation credit is made up as follows

	20)12	20	11
	£000	£000	£000	£000
On profit/(loss) for the year				
Current tax:				
UK corporation tax	604		758	
Total UK taxation		604		758
Foreign taxation		(51)	-	(161)
Total taxation credit on ordinary activities		553	<u>-</u>	597

The current UK corporate tax rate that has been used for the year is a hybrid rate of 24 5% This is on the basis that the tax rate changed from 26% to 24% as of 1 April 2012 A tax rate change to 23% (which has effect from 1 April 2013) has been factored into the UK deferred tax calculations

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2012 (continued)

(8) Taxation on (Loss)/profit on Ordinary Activities (continued)

In addition, further reductions to the main rate are proposed to reduce the rate to 21% by 1 April 2014 (20% by 1 April 2015) These further changes have not been substantially enacted at the balance sheet date and therefore have not been included in these financial statements. Such changes are not expected to have a significant effect on the deferred tax balance, as the Company has no deferred tax balance at the balance sheet date.

The current tax assessed for the year is (lower) (2011 lower) than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK (24 5%) (2011. 26 5%) The differences are explained below:

	2012	2011
	£000	£000
(Loss)/profit on ordinary activities before tax	211,424	(1,099,286)
(Loss)/Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax in UK of 24 5% (2011 26 5%)	(51,799)	291,311
Effects of.		
Non-taxable impairment of investments	(466)	(288,191)
Non-taxable loss on disposal of investments	-	(2,414)
Non-taxable dividend income	56,100	3,547
Foreign taxation	(51)	(161)
Permanent differences	(3,231)	(3,495)
Current tax credit for the year	553	597

There are no reconciling items relating to intra group transfer pricing adjustments in the tax reconciliation for 2012 (none for 2011) as no intra group payment will be made for losses claimed or surrendered relating to such amounts.

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2012 (continued)

(9) Investments

	Shares in Group undertakings	Other investments listed	Total
	£000	£000	£000
Cost 1 January 2012	4,276,548	130,329	4,406,877
Additions	2,762,245	-	2,762,245
Disposals	(4,080,512)	-	(4,080,512)
31 December 2012	2,958,281	130,329	3,088,610
Provision for impairment 1 January			
2012	(1,536,513)	-	(1,536,513)
Disposals	1,536,513		1,536,513
Impairment of investments (Note 2)	(1,900)		(1,900)
Provision for impairment 1 January			
2012	(1,900)		(1,900)_
Net Book Value			
31 December 2012	2,956,381	130,329	3,086,710
31 December 2011	2,740,035	130,329	2,870,364

Market value of listed investments

£356,926

Additions in the year relate to four cash capital injections of £100, £218,054,900, £100,000 and £89,867 in Unilever UK Group Ltd and a contribution of the fair valued Company's shares in Unilever UK Ltd to Unilever UK Group Ltd in exchange of shares

Disposals in the year relate to the contribution of the investment in Unilever UK Group Ltd to Unilever UK Group Ltd, as mentioned in the paragraph above

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2012 (continued)

(9) Investments (continued)

Investments in Group undertakings

The investments are in subsidiary undertakings of the Company. Their names together with their country of incorporation/registration are listed below A description of the shares and the proportion held are also shown below.

Name of Company and Country of Incorporation/ Registration	Description of Shares Held	Proportion of Nominal Value of Shares held and of Voting Rights	Principal activity
		Direct % Indirect %	
<u>Malaysia</u>			
Unilever Foods (Malaysia)	MYR 75		
Sdn Bhd	Ord shares	100	Foods
Unilever (Malaysia)	MYR 1 Ord		
Holdings Sdn Bhd	shares	70	Holding co
Singapore			
Unilever Singapore Pte Ltd	SGD 1 Ord		
O T	shares	100	Holding co
<u>Sri Lanka</u>			
Ceytea Ltd	LKR 10		
•	Ord shares	100	Foods
United Kingdom			
Total Refrigeration Ltd	£1 Ord	100	Service co
	stock		
Unılever UK Group Ltd	£1 Ord shares	84	Holding co

Other investments listed

Other investments include investments in companies in which the Company's influence is less than significant

Listed other investment include 60,086,250 shares held in Hindustan Unilever Ltd which are traded on the Bombay Stock Exchange (market price per share at 31 December 2012 Rs 524.70) For the calculation of the market value we used the Unilever closing exchange rate at 31 December 2012 of 88.33 All other investments are not listed

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2012 (continued)

(9) Investments (continued)

	Name of Company and Country of Incorporation/Registration	Description of Shares held	Proportion of Nom of Shares held Direct	
	<u>India</u> Hındustan Unılever Ltd	Ordinary	2 7%	
	In the opinion of the Directors, the other investments consisting of sha at which the investment is stated in	value of the investres and amounts	stments in Group und owing, is not less tha	
(10)	Debtors	the balance shoe	•	
			2012 £000	2011 £000
	Amounts due within one year Corporation tax		602	758
(11)	Creditors			
			2012 £000	2011 £000
	Amounts due within one year Amounts due to Group un	dertakıngs	(294,743) (294,743)	(290,530) (290,530)
			2012 £000	2011 £000
	Amounts falling due after more the Redeemable preference sh	•	(259,846)	(259,846)

Amounts due to Group undertakings include balances with Unilever U K. Central Resources Limited which are interest bearing at monthly LIBOR, are unsecured and repayable on demand

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2012 (continued)

(11) Creditors (continued)

Redeemable Preference Shares

The Class A and Class B Redeemable Preference Shares shall be redeemed on 7 July 2023 and 30 June 2024 respectively. The amount payable upon redemption shall be £10 per redeemable preference share, together with any arrears of preferential dividends. These shares may be redeemed at the Company's option after notice of 28 days has been given to the shareholders.

The Class A and Class B Redeemable Preference Shares confer the right to receive a fixed cumulative preferential dividend of 5.53% and 4 83% per annum respectively. On a return of capital on liquidation (other than a redemption or purchase of shares) the Preference Shares rank in priority for the repayment of amounts paid or credited as paid up but carry no rights to further participation in the assets of the Company. The shares carry the right to vote except in cases where there is a resolution on a poll when these rights are restricted.

(12) Called Up Share Capital

	2012	2011
	£000	£000
Allotted and fully paid		
407,898,152 Class A ordinary shares of £1 each	407,898	407,898
67,000,000 Class B ordinary shares of £ 1 each	67,000	67,000
	474,898	474,898

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2012 (continued)

(13) Reconciliation of movements in Total Shareholders' Funds

	2012	2011
	£000	£000
Profit/(loss) for the financial year	211,977	(1,098,689)
Net reduction to shareholders' funds	211,977	(1,098,689)
Opening shareholders' funds	2,320,746	3,419,435
Closing shareholders' funds	2,532,723	2,320,746

Reserves

	<u>Other</u>	<u>Merger</u>	Profit and	<u>Total</u>
	reserves £000	reserve £000	loss account £000	£000
At 1 January 2012	33,129	1,838,280	(25,561)	1,845,848
Profit for the financial year			211,977	211,977
At 31 December 2012	33,129	1,838,280	186,416	2,057,825

Other reserves relate to unrealised profit on inter-group disposal of assets. Hence, these reserves are non-distributable.

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2012 (continued)

(14) Related Party Transactions and Ultimate Parent Company

The immediate and ultimate parent company and controlling party is Unilever PLC and the immediate holding company is Unilever U K. Holdings Limited, both companies incorporated in the United Kingdom. The Company has not disclosed transactions with fellow, wholly owned subsidiaries in accordance with the exemption under the terms of Financial Reporting Standard 8 "Related party disclosures" as the ultimate parent company produces publicly available consolidated accounts. These accounts are both the smallest and largest group to consolidate these financial statements. Copies of Unilever Group accounts can be publicly obtained from Unilever PLC, Corporate Relations Department, 100 Victoria Embankment, London EC4Y 0DY and www.unilever.com

(15) Parent company support

The intermediate parent undertaking Unilever U.K. Holdings Limited has indicated its willingness to continue to provide support to allow the Company to continue at its current level of operations for the foreseeable future