# GHANA COCOA GROWING RESEARCH ASSOCIATION LTD DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014

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#### **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014

The directors present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2014.

#### Directors

The following directors have held office since 1 January 2014:

R A Lass Dr M.J End Dr M Gilmour A Lumor D.W Preece

(Retired 30 March 2014)

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#### **Auditors**

In accordance with the company's articles, a resolution proposing that Chartwells be reappointed as auditors of the company will be put at a General Meeting.

#### 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 elected to prepare 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 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 judgements and accounting 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 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.

#### Statement of disclosure to auditors

So far as the directors are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware. Additionally, the directors have taken all the necessary steps that they ought to have taken as directors in order to make themselves aware of all relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

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Director 2015

# PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014

	Notes	2014 £	2013 £
Turnover		31,558	35,452
Research expenditure Administrative expenses		(62,813) (3,415)	(56,186) (3,328)
Operating loss	2	(34,670)	(24,062)
Investment income	3	28,050	27,013
(Loss)/profit on ordinary activities before taxation	,	(6,620)	2,951
Tax on (loss)/profit on ordinary activities	4	·-	· •
(Loss)/profit for the year	9	(6,620)	2,951

#### **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

#### TO THE MEMBERS OF GHANA COCOA GROWING RESEARCH ASSOCIATION LTD

We have audited the financial statements of Ghana Cocoa Growing Research Association Ltd for the year ended 31 December 2014 set out on pages 2 to 8. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008) (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice applicable to Smaller Entities).

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 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 explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement set out on page 1, 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 APB'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 December 2014 and of its loss for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice applicable to Smaller Entities; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

#### 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.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)

#### TO THE MEMBERS OF GHANA COCOA GROWING RESEARCH ASSOCIATION LTD

#### 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; or
- the directors were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemption in preparing the directors' report and from preparing a strategic report.

Nicolena Lyon (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of Chartwells

**Chartered Accountants Statutory Auditor** 

North Benfleet Wickford Essex

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# BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2014

		201	14	201	3
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets				,	•
Investments	5		828,575	•	791,684
Current assets					
Debtors	6	5,347		35,925	
Cash at bank and in hand		121,003		140,946	
		126,350		176,871	4
Creditors: amounts falling due within					,
one year	7	(41,923)		(48,932)	•
Net current assets			84,427		127,939
Total assets less current liabilities		•	913,002		919,623
Total assets less current habilities			913,002		919,023
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Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	8.		9		9
Profit and loss account	9		912,993	•	919,614
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Shareholders' funds			913,002		919,623
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These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

Approved by the Board for issue on 2(8) September 2015

R A Lass Director

Company Registration No. 945345

### **BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED)**

#### AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2014

#### 1 Accounting policies

#### 1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

#### 1.2 Turnover

The turnover consists of grants received and is recognised in the year they are receivable.

#### 1.3 Investments

Fixed asset investments are stated at cost less provision for diminution in value.

#### 1.4 Foreign currency translation

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate ruling at the date of the transaction. All differences are taken to profit and loss account.

#### 1.5 Research Grant

The company continues to support the Mabang Megakarya Selection Programme at the Cocoa Research of Institute of Ghana (CRIG) which is developing new cocoa planting materials which will yield well even in the presence of the devastating Megakarya Black Pod disease. The company was involved in the development of the proposal and implementation of the second phase of the project, referred to as the "Consolidation Phase (2013-2016)" which was initiated in 2013 with co-funding from the company, Cocoa Research (UK) Ltd., The Ghana Cocoa Board, The Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, Mars and Mondelez International. In addition to administering its own contribution to the project, the company is administering the contribution from Cocoa Research (UK) Ltd and part of the contribution from Mondelez International. The company has continued to monitor progress on the research project "Intercropping Cocoa with Economic Shade Trees" at Bonto Murso in Ghana with CRIG.

2	Operating loss	2014	2013
	Operating loss is stated after charging:	£	£
	Auditors' remuneration	2,400	2,400
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3	Investment income	2014 £	2013 £
	In some from five discostinuo attraction	29.050	27.042
	Income from fixed asset investments	28,050 	27,013
		28,050	27,013
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# BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED) AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2014

#### 4 Taxation

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The company has received approval as a scientific research association for the periods to 31 December 2013, under section 508 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988. A application will be made for the current year end for Scientific Research Status. The directors are hopeful that the approval will be granted and therefore consider that no provision for taxation is required.

#### 5 Fixed asset investments

			Listed investments £
	Cost		_
	At 1 January 2014		791,684
	Additions		54,000
	Disposals		(17,109)
	At 31 December 2014		828,575
	Net book value		<del></del>
	At 31 December 2014		828,575
	At 31 December 2013		791,684
i	Debtors	2014 £	2013 £
	Trade debtors	-	31,000
	Other debtors	5,347	4,925
		5,347	35,925
,	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2014	2013
		£	£
	Other creditors	41,923	48,932
}	Share capital	2014	2013
		£	£
	Allotted, called up and fully paid		
	9 Ordinary shares of £1 each	9	9
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# BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED) AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2014

9	Statement of movements on profit and loss account		
		Profit and loss account £	
	Balance at 1 January 2014 Loss for the year	919,613 (6,620)	
4:	Balance at 31 December 2014	912,993	