Shaw Wallace Overseas Limited Annual Report and Financial Statements 31 March 2018

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Directors' report

The directors are pleased to submit their directors' report, together with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2018.

The directors are entitled to take advantage of the small companies' exemption in not preparing a strategic report. This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

Activities

The company did not trade during the year or the preceding year but incurred administrative expenses and received interest income on a deposit account. The directors foresee no changes in the company's activities.

Going concern

The directors have no reason to believe that a material uncertainty exists that may cast significant doubt about the ability of Shaw Wallace Overseas Limited to continue as a going concern. On the basis of their assessment, the company's directors have a reasonable expectation that the company will be able to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future as a fellow group undertaking has agreed to provide financial support for the foreseeable future. Thus, they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the annual financial statements.

Financial

The results for the year ended 31 March 2018 are shown on page 5.

The loss for the year transferred from reserves is £14,845 (2017 – £11,781 profit transferred to reserves).

No dividend was paid during the year (2017 - £nil).

Directors

The directors who held office during the year were as follows:

G P Crickmore
J J Nicholls (resigned 9 March 2018)
J M C Edmunds (appointed 8 March 2018)

Directors' remuneration

None of the directors received any remuneration during the year in respect of their services as directors of the company (2017 - £nil).

Secretary

On 20 April 2018 J Guttridge resigned as company secretary of the company.

Directors' indemnity

The Articles of Association permit qualifying third-party indemnities for the directors as defined by Section 234 of the Companies Act 2006. No such indemnity was in force during the last year, nor is any currently in force.

Directors' report (continued)

Internal control and risk management over financial reporting

The company operates under the financial reporting processes and controls of the Diageo group. Diageo plc's internal control and risk management systems, including its financial reporting process, which include those of the company, are discussed in the Diageo group's Annual Report 2017 on pages 62 to 63 at www.diageo.com, which does not form part of this report.

Independent auditor

Pursuant to Section 487 of the Companies Act 2006, the auditor, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP has been reappointed and will continue in office as auditor of the company.

Disclosure of information to auditor

The directors who held office at the date of approval of this directors' report confirm that, so far as they are each aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditor is unaware; and each director has taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as a director to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditor is aware of that information.

On behalf of the board

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G P Crickmore

Director

Lakeside Drive Park Royal London NW10 7HQ UK

9 May 2018

Statement of directors' responsibilities in respect of the directors' report and the financial statements

The directors are responsible for preparing the directors' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulation.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each year. Under that law the directors have prepared the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising FRS 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework", 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 the financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- state whether applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising FRS 101, have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent; 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.

The directors 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.

In the case of each director in office at the date the directors' report is approved:

- so far as the director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditor is unaware; and
- they have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as a director in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditor is aware of that information.

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Note	Year ended 31 March 2018 £	Year ended 31 March 2017 £
Operating (expenses)/ income	2	(18,369)	5,676
Operating (loss)/ profit		(18,369)	5,676
Net finance income	3	4,470	5,159
(Loss)/ profit before taxation		(13,899)	10,835
Tax on (loss)/ profit	4	(946)	946
(Loss)/profit for the year and total comprehensive (expense)/ income for the year		(14,845)	11,781

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

The company had no other comprehensive income or expense during the current and previous year.

BALANCE SHEET

	Note	31 March 2018	31 March 2017
Current assets		£-	<u></u>
Trade and other receivables	5	-	151,703
Cash and cash equivalents		214,930	91,500
		214,930	243,203
Total assets		214,930	243,203
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	6	(7,020)	(20,448)
Total liabilities		-(7,020)	(20,448)
Net assets		207,910	222,755
Equity	7	357,745	357,745
Called up share capital	/	(149,835)	(134,990)
Accumulated losses	•	(147,033)	(134,990)
Total equity		207,910	222,755

The accompanying notes on pages 8 to 12 form part of the financial statements.

These financial statements on pages 5 to 12 were approved by the board of directors on 9 May 2018 and were signed on its behalf by:

G P Crickmore

Director

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

	Called up share capital £	Accumulated losses £	Total equity
Balance at 31 March2016 Profit for the year and total	357,745	(146,771)	210,974
comprehensive income		11,781	11,781
Balance at 31 March 2017 Loss for the year and total	357,745	(134,990)	222,755
comprehensive expense	-	(14,845)	(14,845)
Balance at 31 March 2018	357,745	(149,835)	207,910

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

These financial statements are prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 101 Reduced Disclosure Framework (FRS 101).

In preparing these financial statements, the company applies the recognition, measurement and disclosure requirements of International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the EU (IFRS), but makes amendments where necessary in order to comply with Companies Act 2006 and sets out below where the FRS 101 disclosure exemptions have been taken.

The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Diageo plc and is included in the consolidated financial statements of Diageo plc which are publicly available.

The company has taken advantage of the following exemption from the requirements of IFRS in the preparation of these financial statements, in accordance with FRS 101:

- a cash flow statement and related notes;
- comparative period reconciliation for share capital, and tangible fixed assets;
- disclosures in respect of transactions with wholly owned subsidiaries;
- the effects of new but not yet effective IFRSs;
- disclosures in respect of the compensation of key management personnel.

As the consolidated financial statements of Diageo plc include equivalent disclosures, the company has also utilised exemptions available under FRS 101 in respect of the following disclosures:

• the disclosures required by IFRS 7 Financial Instruments Disclosures and IFRS 9 Financial Instruments.

The company has taken advantage of the exemption under IAS 27, 'Consolidated and separate financial statements', from the requirement to prepare consolidated financial statements as it and its subsidiaries are included in the consolidated financial statements of its ultimate parent, Diageo plc.

These financial statements are separate financial statements.

New accounting standards

IFRS 9 has been adopted by the company from 1 April 2017. The standard has not impacted the financial statements of the company for the years ended 31 March 2018 and 31 March 2017.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Functional and presentational currency

These financial statements are presented in sterling (£), which is the company's functional currency.

Foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate of exchange at the date of the transaction.

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the year end exchange rates and these foreign exchange differences are recognised in the income statement.

Financial assets

Trade and other receivables Amounts owed by other group companies are initially measured at fair value and are subsequently reported at amortised cost. Non-interest-bearing trade receivables are stated at their nominal value as they are due on demand.

Cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash in hand and deposits which are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to insignificant risk of changes in value and have an original maturity of three months or less at acquisition, including money market deposits, commercial paper and investments.

Financial liabilities

Trade payables Amounts owed to other group companies are initially measured at fair value and are subsequently reported at amortised cost. Non-interest bearing trade payables are stated at their nominal value as they are due on demand.

Taxation

Current tax is based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit is different from accounting profit due to temporary differences between accounting and tax treatments, and due to items that are never taxable or tax deductible. Tax benefits are not recognised unless it is probable that the tax positions are sustainable. Once considered to be probable, tax benefits are reviewed each year to assess whether a provision should be taken against full recognition of the benefit on the basis of potential settlement through negotiation and/or litigation. Tax provisions are included in current liabilities. Interest and penalties on tax liabilities are provided in the tax charge.

Full provision for deferred tax is made for temporary differences between the carrying value of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and their value for tax purposes. The amount of deferred tax reflects the expected manner of recovery or settlement of the carrying amount of assets and liabilities, using the basis of taxation enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date. Deferred tax assets are not recognised where it is more likely than not that the asset will not be realised in the future.

Critical accounting policies

There are no judgements or uncertainties that management have made in preparing these financial statements that have a significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

2. OPERATING (EXPENSE)/INCOME

	Year ended 31 March 2018 £	Year ended 31 March 2017 £
Foreign exchange (loss)/gain(a) Other external charges	(10,179) (8,190)	11,513 (5,837)
·	(18,369)	5,676

(a) The foreign exchange loss arose on cash and intercompany balances with other group undertakings.

The auditor's remuneration was £5,000 (2017 - £5,000). There were no fees payable to the auditor in respect of non-audit services (2017 - £nil).

The company did not employ any staff during either the current or prior year.

None of the directors received any remuneration during the year in respect of their services as directors of the company (2017 - £nil).

3. NET FINANCE INCOME

	Year ended 31 March 2018 £	Year ended 31 March 2017 £
Bank interest income	4,470	5,159

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

4. TAX ON (LOSS)/PROFIT

	Year ended 31 March 2018 £	Year ended 31 March 2017 £
(a) Analysis of taxation charge/ (credit) for the year	~	~
Current tax	(946)	946
Deferred tax	-	
Taxation on (loss)/profit	(946)	946
(b) Factors affecting total tax credit for the year		
(Loss)/profit before taxation	(13,899)	10,835
Tax on loss/profit on ordinary activities at UK corporation tax rate of 19% (2017 - 20%)	2,641	(2,167)
Charges not deductible for tax purposes	(946)	946
Adjustment to tax charge in respect of prior years Group relief claimed/(surrendered)	(2,641)	2,167
Total tax (charge)/credit for the year	(946)	946

At 31 March 2018 there were unused trading losses of £8,499 (2017 - £8,499) that are available indefinitely for offset against the company's future taxable profits.

The UK tax rate reduced from 20% to 19% on 1 April 2017. A reduction to 17% (effective from 1 April 2020) was enacted in September 2016.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

5. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	31 March 2018	31 March 2017
	£	£
Amounts owed by fellow group undertakings	-	150,757
Corporate tax	-	946
	 	151,703

All amounts fall due within one year. Amounts owed by group undertakings were unsecured, interest free and were fully repaid during the year.

6. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	31 March 2018	31 March 2017
	£	£
Amounts owed to fellow group undertakings	-	14,599
Accruals	7,020	5,849
	7,020	20,448

Amounts owed to fellow group undertakings were unsecured, interest free and were fully repaid during the year.

7. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

Allotted, called up and fully paid:

·	31 March 2018
	and
	31 March 2017
	£
357,745 (2017 - 357,745) ordinary shares of £1 each	357,745

8. IMMEDIATE AND ULTIMATE PARENT UNDERTAKING

The immediate parent undertaking of the company is United Spirits Limited, a company incorporated and registered in India.

The ultimate parent undertaking of the company is Diageo plc which is the ultimate controlling party of Diageo group. Diageo plc is incorporated and registered in England. The consolidated financial statements of Diageo plc can be obtained from the registered office at Diageo, Lakeside Drive, Park Royal, London, NW10 7HQ. Transactions between the company and its related parties are made on terms equivalent to those that prevail in an arm's length transaction

Independent auditors' report to the members of Shaw Wallace Overseas Limited

Report on the audit of the financial statements

Opinion

In our opinion, Shaw Wallace Overseas Limited's financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 March 2018 and of its loss for the year then
 ended:
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising FRS 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework", and applicable law); and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

We have audited the financial statements, included within the Annual Report and Financial Statements (the "Annual Report"), which comprise: the Balance sheet as at 31 March 2018; the Statement of comprehensive income, the Statement of changes in equity for the year then ended; and the notes to the financial statements, which include a description of the significant accounting policies.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) ("ISAs (UK)") and applicable law. Our responsibilities under ISAs (UK) are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Independence

We remained independent of the company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, which includes the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

Conclusions relating to going concern

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which ISAs (UK) require us to report to you when:

- the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the directors have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

However, because not all future events or conditions can be predicted, this statement is not a guarantee as to the company's ability to continue as a going concern.

Reporting on other information

The other information comprises all of the information in the Annual Report other than the financial statements and our auditors' report thereon. The directors are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in this report, any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify an apparent material inconsistency or material misstatement, we are required to perform procedures to conclude whether there is a material misstatement of the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report based on these responsibilities.

With respect to the Directors' report, we also considered whether the disclosures required by the UK Companies Act 2006 have been included.

Based on the responsibilities described above and our work undertaken in the course of the audit, ISAs (UK) require us also to report certain opinions and matters as described below.

Directors' report

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit, the information given in the Directors' report for the year ended 31 March 2018 is consistent with the financial statements and has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

In light of the knowledge and understanding of the company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we did not identify any material misstatements in the Directors' report.

Responsibilities for the financial statements and the audit

Responsibilities of the directors for the financial statements

As explained more fully in the Statement of directors' responsibilities in respect of the financial statements, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the applicable framework and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. The directors are also responsible for such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the FRC's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditors' report.

Use of this report

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.

Other required reporting

Companies Act 2006 exception reporting

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion:

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

We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

Entitlement to exemptions

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion, the directors were not entitled to take advantage of the small companies exemption from preparing a strategic report. We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

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Christopher Richmond (Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors London 10 May 2018