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Report of the Directors and

Audited Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31st December 2017

for

CHAMBRE DE COMMERCE FRANCAISE DE **GRANDE-BRETAGNE LIMITED**

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CHAMBRE DE COMMERCE FRANCAISE DE GRANDE-BRETAGNE LIMITED

Company Information for the Year Ended 31st December 2017

DIRECTORS: Peter Alfandary

Estelle Brachlianoff
Stephen Burgin
Florence Gomez
Brian Gosschalk
Helena Kavanagh
Olivier Morel
Olivier Nicolaÿ
Nicolas Petrovic
Tanuja Randery
Nicolas Ribollet
Sadia Ricke

Sir Martin Sorrell Arnaud Vaissié Fabienne Viala

SECRETARY: Florence Gomez

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REGISTERED NUMBER: 00322528

AUDITORS: Byrne Palmer & Co Statutory Auditor

Statutory Auditor 14 Queens Road Hersham

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Report of the Directors for the Year Ended 31st December 2017

The directors present their report with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31st December 2017.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the company in the year under review was that of promoting Franco-British trade.

REVIEW OF BUSINESS

The Chamber delivered another strong year in 2017 with an increase of 2% in revenues and profit before tax of £139k. All departments of the Chamber contributed to this excellent result which was also underpinned by good cost management.

Notable achievements in the year included increasing gross margins in the recruitment services, implantation and membership activities. The Chamber meanwhile delivered the full suite of events to the membership at an overall reduced cost compared to the previous year.

The Chamber continues to serve members through a developing programme of highly relevant and engaging Events, Forums and Clubs. All meetings are themed with presentations delivered by experts to support members and facilitating the sharing of knowledge, experience and best practise. Whilst all meetings are well attended, it is worthy to note the popularity of the Brexit themes through our Business Club Cocktails, dinners, Current Affairs Updates as well as the Brexit Forum and, the strong focus on Innovation and Start-ups & SME's thanks to the Business Stories event, Member to Member Cocktail and Exhibition, Franco-British Business Awards and the Start Up & SME Club.

Finally in reflecting upon 2017, the Chamber is pleased to report that its home will remain in High Holborn, with a new lease signed through to August 2020.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

In 2018 our goal will remain the same. We will also focus on helping our members surf through the waves of Brexit. We also want to focus on developing more connections between Start-ups and Large Corporates.

Looking to the future. The Chamber will be launching a state of the art, transformed website in May 2018 that will serve members even better with dynamic content and faster, easier access to a wealth of information and support. In parallel, the Chamber is continuously updating its content through its feeds into the spectrum of social media platforms. These actions will ensure that we are always keeping our members right up to date using all the latest available tools.

Furthermore for 2018, the Chamber already has a full and exciting programme of activities, across all departments, to continue to provide the most comprehensive support and services to the full range of member companies, large and small, that the Chamber is privileged to represent and to serve.

DIRECTORS

The directors shown below have held office during the whole of the period from 1st January 2017 to the date of this report.

Peter Alfandary
Estelle Brachlianoff
Stephen Burgin
Brian Gosschalk
Helena Kavanagh
Olivier Morel
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Nicolas Petrovic
Tanuja Randery
Nicolas Ribollet
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Arnaud Vaissié

Report of the Directors for the Year Ended 31st December 2017

DIRECTORS - continued

Other changes in directors holding office are as follows:

Florence Gomez - appointed 22nd June 2017 Paul Kahn - resigned 21st September 2017 Christian Porta - resigned 21st September 2017 Sadia Ricke - appointed 13th November 2017 Fabienne Viala - appointed 2nd November 2017

Dame Carolyn McCall, DBE ceased to be a director after 31st December 2017 but prior to the date of this report.

DIRECTORS RETIRING BY ROTATION

The directors, other than the President, Deputy President, Managing Director and Treasurer will retire by rotation. The details of the directors retiring and offering themselves for re election are shown in the notice of the annual general meeting.

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The directors are responsible for preparing the Report of the Directors 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.

The directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

STATEMENT AS TO DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS

So far as the directors are aware, there is no relevant audit information (as defined by Section 418 of the Companies Act 2006) of which the company's auditors are unaware, and each director has taken all the steps that he or she ought to have taken as a director in order to make himself or herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information.

Report of the Directors for the Year Ended 31st December 2017

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

APPROVED BY THE MEMBERS AND SIGNED ON THEIR BEHALF:

Stephen Burgin - Director

8th May 2018

Report of the Independent Auditors to the Members of CHAMBRE DE COMMERCE FRANCAISE DE GRANDE-BRETAGNE LIMITED

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of CHAMBRE DE COMMERCE FRANCAISE DE GRANDE-BRETAGNE LIMITED (the 'company') for the year ended 31st December 2017 which comprise the Income Statement, Balance Sheet and Notes to the Financial Statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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 a Report of the Auditors 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.

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31st December 2017 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.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

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

- 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.

Other information

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information in the Report of the Directors, but does not include the financial statements and our Report of the Auditors thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion 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, 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 in this regard.

Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Report of the Directors for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Report of the Directors has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Report of the Independent Auditors to the Members of CHAMBRE DE COMMERCE FRANCAISE DE GRANDE-BRETAGNE LIMITED

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Report of the Directors.

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 from the requirement to prepare a Strategic Report or in preparing the Report of the Directors.

Responsibilities of directors

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the directors determine 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.

Our 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 a Report of the Auditors 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 Financial Reporting Council's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our Report of the Auditors.

Patrick Cobb FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of Byrne Palmer & Co Statutory Auditor 14 Queens Road Hersham Walton on Thames Surrey KT12 5LS

Date: 911 2018

Note:

The maintenance and integrity of the CHAMBRE DE COMMERCE FRANCAISE DE GRANDE-BRETAGNE LIMITED website is the responsibility of the directors; the work carried out by the auditors does not involve consideration of these matters and, accordingly, the auditors accept no responsibility for any changes that may have occurred to the financial statements since they were initially presented on the website.

Income Statement

for the Year Ended 31st December 2017

	Notes	2017 £	2016 £
TURNOVER		2,311,078	2,265,728
Cost of sales		(218,908)	(232,996)
GROSS PROFIT		2,092,170	2,032,732
Administrative expenses		(2,032,875)	(1,949,603)
		59,295	83,129
Other operating income		73,052	90,908
OPERATING PROFIT	4	132,347	174,037
Interest receivable and similar income		7,100	7,201
PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION		139,447	181,238
Tax on profit		(31,070)	(39,706)
PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL Y	EAR	108,377	141,532

Balance Sheet 31st December 2017

		2013	7	2016	I
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets	5		23,892		41,148
CURRENT ASSETS Debtors Cash at bank	6	982,755 1,483,639		959,640 1,372,144	
CREDITORS		2,466,394		2,331,784	
Amounts falling due within one year	7	1,392,870		1,384,893	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			1,073,524		946,891
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			1,097,416		988,039
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES	9		30,073		29,073
NET ASSETS			1,067,343		958,966
RESERVES					
Retained earnings			1,067,343		958,966
			1,067,343		958,966

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 8th May 2018 and were signed on its behalf by:

Estelle Brachlian off - Director

Stephen Burgin - Director

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31st December 2017

1. STATUTORY INFORMATION

CHAMBRE DE COMMERCE FRANCAISE DE GRANDE-BRETAGNE LIMITED is a private company limited by guarantee, registered in England. The company's registered number and registered office address can be found on the Company Information page.

The presentation currency of the financial statements is the Pound Sterling (£).

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Section 1A "Small Entities" of Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Turnover

Turnover represents the amounts receivable relating to the financial year for membership subscriptions and services provided to members and clients. All the turnover relates to the UK and French Markets.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Short leasehold - equal instalments over period of lease

Fixtures and fittings - 10% - 20% straight line

Taxation

Taxation for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in the Income Statement, except to the extent that it relates to items recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity.

Current or deferred taxation assets and liabilities are not discounted.

Current tax is recognised at the amount of tax payable using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

Deferred tax

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date.

Timing differences arise from the inclusion of income and expenses in tax assessments in periods different from those in which they are recognised in financial statements. Deferred tax is measured using tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the year end and that are expected to apply to the reversal of the timing difference.

Unrelieved tax losses and other deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits.

Foreign currencies

Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of transaction. Exchange differences are taken into account in arriving at the operating result.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to profit or loss on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31st December 2017

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the company's pension scheme are charged to profit or loss in the period to which they relate.

3. EMPLOYEES AND DIRECTORS

	2017 £	2016 £
Wages and salaries	1,205,419	1,140,674
Social security costs	104,687	111,794
Other pension costs	31,879	23,390
	1,341,985	1,275,858
The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:		
	2017	2016
Management and administration	<u>29</u>	<u>29</u>
	2017	2016
	£	£
Directors' remuneration	135,448	
OPERATING PROFIT		

4. **OPERATING PROFIT**

The operating profit is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2017	2016
	£	£
Other operating leases	249,274	249,027
Depreciation - owned assets	46,176	29,039
Auditors' remuneration	10,529	10,992
Foreign exchange differences	(63,315)	(81,319)

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31st December 2017

5. TANGIBLE FIXED AS:

		Land and buildings £	Plant and machinery etc £	Totals £
	COST At 1st January 2017	136,900	234,547	371,447
	Additions	-	28,920	28,920
	Disposals		(11,621)	(11,621)
	At 31st December 2017	136,900	251,846	388,746
	DEPRECIATION			
	At 1st January 2017	119,115	211,184	330,299
	Charge for year	14,228	31,948	46,176
	Eliminated on disposal		(11,621)	(11,621)
	At 31st December 2017	133,343	231,511	364,854
	NET BOOK VALUE			
	At 31st December 2017	3,557	20,335	23,892
	At 31st December 2016	<u>17,785</u>	23,363	41,148
6.	DEBTORS		2017	2016
			£	£
	Amounts falling due within one year: Trade debtors		702,817	694,661
	Other debtors		12,472	9,647
	Prepayments and accrued income	•	131,582	123,935
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			846,871	828,243
	Amounts falling due after more than one year:			
	Other debtors		125,746	125,746
	Deferred tax asset	•	10,138	5,651
			135,884	131,397
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	Aggregate amounts		982,755	959,640
	Included in other debtors falling due after one is a rent d	eposit of £125,746 for 3	00 High Holborr	1.
7.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN	N ONE YEAR	2017	2016
			£	£
	Receipts in advance		611,476	690,524
	Trade creditors		64,911	44,274
	Taxation and social security		164,552	196,030
	Other creditors		551,931	454,065
			1,392,870	1,384,893

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31st December 2017

8. LEASING AGREEMENTS

	Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:	ws:	
	Between one and five years	2017 £ 623,656	2016 £ 245,358
9.	PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES		
	Other provisions	2017 £	2016 £
	Other provisions	30,073	29,073
		Deferred tax	Other provisions
	Balance at 1st January 2017 (Credit)/charge to Income Statement during year	£ (5,651) _(4,487)	£ 29,073 1,000
	Balance at 31st December 2017	(10,138)	30,073

10. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The company has the following arrangements with their bankers; credit cards with a limit of £14,000.

11. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

		2017	2016
		£	£
Contracted but not provided for in the			
financial statements	•	47,440	-

12. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

Some Members of the Board make use of the services offered by the Chamber, via member companies. The services utilised are principally advertising in the Chamber's publications, sponsoring Chamber events and the recruitment service. All transactions are conducted on a commercial basis.

Key management personnel compensation totalled £252,493 (2016 £235,147).

13. COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

The company is limited by guarantee and does not have a share capital.