EMI GROUP FINANCE LIMITED DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

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EMI GROUP FINANCE LIMITED OFFICERS AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

AM Barker A Brown RM Constant BJ Muir DRJ Sharpe

COMPANY SECRETARY

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REGISTERED OFFICE

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AUDITOR

Ernst & Young LLP Statutory Auditor 1 More London Place

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STRATEGIC REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

The directors present their strategic report for the company for the year ended 31 December 2015.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES AND BUSINESS REVIEW

The principal activity of the company during the year was continued to be that of a finance company.

The result and position of the company for the year ended 31 December 2015 are set out in the statement of comprehensive income, statement of financial position and statement of changes in equity on pages 7, 8 and 9 respectively. The result and position of the company were in line with directors' expectations.

RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The company's profit for the financial year was £172,456,000, (2014 - profit £142,416,000). The retained profit for the year has been transferred to reserves.

The directors do not recommend a dividend payment for the year ended 31 December 2015 (2014 - £Nil).

PRINCIPAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The company is faced with similar risks and uncertainties as other companies operating in the recorded music business, broadly:

- · impact of interest rate fluctutions from amounts receivable and payable on loans with group undertakings; and
- · potential impairments on investments.

All risks and uncertainties are regularly monitored by the Board of Directors of the company.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

Notwithstanding the risks and uncertainties outlined above, the directors do not anticipate any significant change in the activities and results of the company in the foreseeable future.

By order of the board

DRJ Sharpe Director

1 2 OCT 2016

DIRECTORS' REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

The directors present their report, the strategic report and the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 December 2015.

DIRECTORS

The directors who served the company during the year and subsequently were as follows:

AM Barker A Brown RM Constant BJ Muir DRJ Sharpe

AM Barker appointed as a director on 13 February 2015. DRJ Sharpe appointed as a director on 13 February 2015.

DIRECTORS' QUALIFYING THIRD PARTY INDEMNITY PROVISIONS

A qualifying third party indemnity provision remains in force as at the date of approving the directors' report, subject to the provisions of s236 CA 2006. Vivendi SA, the ultimate parent undertaking, maintains a Directors & Officers Liability Programme which indemnifies directors' personal liabilities resulting from alleged wrongful acts committed in the line of their employment.

POLICY ON THE PAYMENT OF CREDITORS

It is the company's policy that payments to suppliers are made in accordance with those terms and conditions agreed between the company and its suppliers, provided that all trading terms and conditions have been complied with.

DONATIONS

The company made no charitable or political donations in either year.

DIRECTORS' REPORT (continued)

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The directors are responsible for preparing the directors' report, the strategic report and 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, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK an Republic of Ireland" (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 year. 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;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- 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.

In so far as each of the directors at the date of approving this report are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditor is unaware; and
- each director has taken all steps that they ought to have taken as a director to make themself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditor is aware of that information.

By order of the board

A Abioye

Company Secretary

Company Registration Number: 806281

1 2 OCT 2016

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF EMI GROUP FINANCE LIMITED YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

We have audited the financial statements of EMI Group Finance Limited for the year ended 31 December 2015, which comprise the statement of comprehensive income, the statement of financial position and statement of changes in equity and the related notes 1 to 16. 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, including Financial Reporting Standard 102).

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

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 Strategic Report and Directors' Report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. 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 2015 and of its profit for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, including Financial Reporting Standard 102; 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 Strategic Report and the 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 EMI GROUP FINANCE LIMITED (continued)

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

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.

Paul Gordon (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of Ernst & Young LLP, Statutory Auditor

London

Company Registration Number: 806281

EMI GROUP FINANCE LIMITED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

,	Note	Total 2015 £'000	Total 2014 £'000
Administrative expenses		(2,640)	(10,850)
OPERATING LOSS	4	(2,640)	(10,850)
Interest receivable and similar income Interest payable and similar charges	7 8	301,741 (82,855)	312,919 (119,111)
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		216,246	182,958
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	9	(43,790)	(40,542)
PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		172,456	142,416
Total other comprehensive gain		•	
Tax on other comprehensive gain		-	-
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		172,456	142,416

All of the activities of the company are classed as continuing operations.

The notes on pages 10 to17 form part of these financial statements

EMI GROUP FINANCE LIMITED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2015

		2015	2014
	Note	£'000	£'000
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors: Amounts falling due within one year	10	7,729,470	8,999,504
Cash at bank		60	57
		7,729,530	8,999,561
	ı	7,727,550	0,777,301
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	11	(7,253,244)	(8,695,731)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		476,286	303,830
NET ASSETS		476,286	303,830
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CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called-up equity share capital	14	83,936	83,936
Profit and loss account		392,350	219,894
EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS		476,286	303,830
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These accounts were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on and are signed on their behalf by:

1 2 OCT 2016

DRJ Sharpe Director

The notes on pages 10 to 17 form part of these financial statements

EMI GROUP FINANCE LIMITED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

Total Profit & Loss share-holders		
are capital £'000	Account £'000	' funds £'000
83,936	77,478	161,414
83,936	77,478	161,414
	142,416	142,416
83,936	219,894	303,830
83,936	219,894	303,830
	172,456	172,456
83,936	392,350	476,286
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The notes on pages 10 to 17 form part of these financial statements

XEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

I. STATUTORY INFORMATION

EMI Group Finance Limited is a company limited by shares and incorporated and domiciled in the UK. The registered office is 364-366 Kensington High Street, London, W14 8NS.

5. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with the FRS 102 as it applies at 31 December 2015.

The company transitioned from previously UK GAAP to FRS 102 as at 1 January 2014. An explanation of how transition to FRS 102 has affected the reported financial position and financial performance is given in note 16.

3. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation of financial statements

have been taken in these financial statements:

The financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2015 are the first financial statements that comply with FRS 102. The presentation currency of these financial statements is sterling and rounded to the nearest £000.

In the transition to FRS 102 from old UK GAAP, the company has made no measurement and recognition adjustments.

FRS 102 grants certain first-time adoption exemptions from the full requirements of FRS 102. No first time exemptions

The accounting policies set out below have, unless otherwise stated, been applied consistently to all periods presented in these financial statements.

FRS 102 - Qualifying exemptions

- The company's ultimate parent undertaking, Vivendi SA includes the company in its consolidated financial statements.

 The consolidated financial statements of Vivendi SA are prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the EU and are available to the public and may be obtained from 42 Avenue de Friedland, 75380 Paris, Cedex 08, France. In these financial statements, the company is considered to be a qualifying entity and has applied the exemptions available under FRS 102 in respect of the following disclosures:
- Reconciliation of the number of shares outstanding from the beginning to end of the period.
- Cash Flow Statement and related notes;
- Related party disclosures; and
- Key Management Personnel compensation.

As the consolidated financial statements of Vivendi SA include the equivalent disclosures, the company has also taken the exemptions under FRS 102 available in respect of the following disclosures:

- Certain disclosures required by FRS 102.26 Share Based Payments; and
- The disclosures required by FRS 102.11 Basic Financial Instruments and FRS 102.12 Other Financial Instruments Issues in respect of financial instruments not falling within the fair value accounting rules of Paragraph 36(4) of Schedule 1.

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3. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Other qualifying exemptions

As the ultimate parent undertaking prepares publicly available consolidated accounts and is incorporated within the European Union the company has taken advantage of the exemption under section 400 of the Companies Act 2006 from preparing consolidated accounts. As such, these financial statements give information about the company as an individual undertaking and not about its group.

Measurement convention

The financial statements are prepared on the historical cost basis.

Going concern

The Company's business activities, together with the factors likely to affect future developments, its financial exposures and its risk exposures are described in the strategic report.

After making enquiries, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources available to it to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, they continue to adapt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

Basic financial instruments

Trade and other debtors / creditors

Trade and other debtors are recognised initially at transaction price less attributable transaction costs. Trade and other creditors are recognised initially at transaction price plus attributable transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition they are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment losses in case of trade debtors. If the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, for example if payment is deferred beyond normal business terms, then it is measured at the present value of future payments discounted at a market rate of instrument for a similar debt instrument.

Interest-bearing loans borrowings classified as basic financial instruments

All interest-bearing loans and borrowings are initially recognised at net proceeds. Interest bearing debt is increased by the finance cost in respect of the reporting period and reduced by any settlement made. Interest is charged and earned on a fixed element of the debt at an arms length rate.

Finance costs of debt are allocated over the term of the debt at a constant rate on the carrying amount

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash balances and call deposits. Bank overdrafts that are repayment on demand.

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3. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Other financial instruments

Financial instruments not considered to be Basic financial instruments (Other financial instruments)

Other financial instruments not meeting the definition of Basic Financial Instruments are recognised initially at fair value. Subsequent to initial recognition other financial instruments are measured at fair value with changes recognised in profit or loss except as follows:

- investments in equity instruments that are not publicly traded and whose fair value cannot otherwise be measured reliably shall be measured at cost less impairment.

Expenses

Interest receivable and Interest payable

Interest payable and similar charges include interest payable, finance charges, unwinding of the discount on provisions, and net foreign exchange losses that are recognised through profit or loss in the statement of comprehensive income.

Other interest receivable and similar income include interest receivable on funds invested and net foreign exchange gains.

Interest income and interest payable are recognised in profit or loss as they accrue. Dividend income is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income on the date the company's right to receive payments is established. Foreign currency gains and losses are reported on a net basis.

Taxation

Tax on the profit or loss for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised through profit or loss in the statement of comprehensive income except to the extent that it relates to items recognised directly in equity or other comprehensive income, in which case it is recognised directly in equity or other comprehensive income.

Current tax is the expected tax payable or receivable on the taxable income or loss for the year, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the statement of financial position date, and any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous years.

Deferred tax is provided on timing differences which arise from the inclusion of income and expenses in tax assessments in periods different from those in which they are recognised in the financial statements. The following timing differences are not provided for: differences between accumulated depreciation and tax allowances for the cost of a fixed asset if and when all conditions for retaining the tax allowances have been met; and differences relating to investments in subsidiaries, associated and joint ventures to the extent that it is not probable that they will reverse in the foreseeable future and the reporting entity is able to control the reversal of the timing difference. Deferred tax is not recognised on permanent differences arising because certain types of income or expense are non-taxable or are disallowable for tax or because certain tax charges or allowances are greater or smaller than the corresponding income or expense.

Deferred tax is measured at the tax rate that is expected to apply to the reversal of the related difference, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the statement of financial position date. Deferred tax balances are not discounted.

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

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3. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated to the company's functional currency at the foreign exchange rate ruling at the date of transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the statement of financial position date are retranslated to the functional currency at the foreign exchange rate ruling at that date. Non-monetary assets and liabilities that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rate at the date of transaction. Non-monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies that are stated at fair value are retranslated to the functional currency at foreign exchange rates ruling at the dates the fair value was determined. Foreign exchange differences arising on translation are recognised through profit or loss in the statement of comprehensive income except for differences arising on the retranslation of qualifying cash flow hedges and items which are fair valued with changes taken to other comprehensive income.

4. OPERATING LOSS EXPENSES

Operating loss is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2015 £'000	2014 £'000
Net loss/(gain) on foreign currency translation	2,634	5,238

5. AUDITORS' REMUNERATION

The auditors' remuneration for the year ended 31 December 2015 was £5,000 (2014 - £5,000) and was borne by another group company in both years.

6. PARTICULARS OF EMPLOYEES

The company had no employees during the year ended 31 December 2015 (2014 - Nil)

The emoluments of the directors of the company were borne by other group companies in both years.

7. INTEREST RECEIVABLE AND SIMILAR INCOME

	£'000	£'000
Interest receivable from group undertakings	301,741	312,919
	301,741	312,919

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8.	INTEREST PAYABL	E AND SIMILAI	R CHARGES				
						2015 £'000	2014 £'000
	Interest payable to grow	up undertakings				82,855	119,111
	u					82,855	119,111
							
9.	TAX ON PROFIT ON	N ORDINARY A	CTIVITIES				
	(a) Analysis of tax cha	arge in the year					
						2015	2014
	Current tax:					£'000	£'000
	UK Taxation In respect of the year						
	UK Corporation tax ba	sed on the results	for the year at 20.2	25% (2014 : 21.5	50%)		5,948
	Group relief payable/(r	eceivable) for loss	ses claimed from/si	urrendered to oth	ner group	-	5,948
	undertakings	cocivation for loss	·	arrendered to ou	ioi group	43,790	34,594
	Tax on profit on ordina	ry activities				43,790	40,542
		2015	2015	2015	2014	2014	2014
		£'000 Current Tax	£'000 Deferred Tax	£'000 Total Tax	£'000 Current Tax	£'000 Deferred Tax	£'000 Total Tax
	Recognised in Profit and loss	43,790	-	43,790	40,542	-	40,542
	Total Tax	43,790	-	43,790	40,542	-	40,542

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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9. TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES (continued)

(b) Factors affecting tax charge

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The tax assessed on the profit on ordinary activities for the year is the same as the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 20.25% (2014 - 21.50%).

The Finance Act 2013 enacted reductions in the UK corporate tax rate to 21% from 1 April 2014 and 20% from 1 April 2015. As announced in the Budget on 8 July 2015, the Corporation Tax main rate will be reduced to 19% from 1 April 2017 and 18% from 1 April 2020, which were enacted by the Finance (No. 2) Act 2015. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the rate that is expected to apply to the accounting period when the asset is realised or the liability is settled, based on the above rates.

	2015 £'000	2014 £'000
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	216,246	182,958
Profit on ordinary activities at the standard rate of UK Corporation tax of 20.25% (2014: 21.50%) Expenses not deductible for tax purposes Current tax charge for the financial year	43,790	39,336 1,206 40,542
DEBTORS: Amounts due within one year		
	2015 £'000	2014 £'000
Amounts owed by group undertakings	7,729,470	8,999,504
	7,729,470	8,999,504

All debtors are repayable within one year of the balance sheet date.

Amounts owed by group undertakings are madeup of £865,866,000 owed by oversease undertakings and £6,863,604,000 owed by UK undertakings.

Loans owed by fellow group undertakings in the UK and overseas are classified as current as they are repayable on demand. Interest rates on intercompany loans have been agreed between parties on a loan by loan basis.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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11. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	2015 £'000	2014 £'000
Amounts owed to group undertakings Corporation tax	7,253,244	8,689,783 5,948
	7,253,244	8,695,731

Amounts owed to group undertakings are made up of £86,962,000 owed to overseas undertakings and £7,166,282,000 owed to UK undertakings.

Loans owed to fellow group undertakings are classified as current as they are repayable on demand. Interest rates on intercompany loans have been agreed between parties on a loan by loan basis.

12. POST BALANCE SHEET EVENT

No post balance sheet events have been identified by management.

13. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

The company had no capital commitments at 31 December 2015 or 31 December 2014.

14. SHARE CAPITAL

Authorised:

	2015		2014	
	No	£'000	No	£'000
Ordinary shares of £1 each	85,000,000	85,000	85,000,000	85,000
	85,000,000	85,000	85,000,000	85,000
Allotted, called up and fully paid:				
	. 2015 No £'000		2014 No	£'000
			1.0	2000
Ordinary shares of £1 each	83,936,000	83,936	83,936,000	83,936
	83,936,000	83,936	83,936,000	83,936
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EMI GROUP FINANCE LIMITED NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

15. ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY

The immediate parent undertaking is EMI Group Limited holding 83,935,900 shares and EMI Group Nominees Limited holding 100 shares. The ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party is Vivendi SA, a company incorporated in France. The smallest and largest group in which the results of the company will be consolidated will be that headed by Vivendi SA, incorporated in France. Copies of its annual report in English may be obtained from:

Vivendi SA 42 Avenue de Friedland 75380 Paris Cedex 08 France

16. EXPLANATION OF TRANSITION TO FRS 102 FROM OLD UK GAAP

As stated in note 2, these are the Company's first financial statements prepared in accordance with FRS 102.

The accounting policies set out in note 3 have been applied in preparing the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2015 and the comparative information presented in these financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2014.

There were no adjustments arising from the transition to FRS 102.