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CDM Europe Limited

Annual Report and Unaudited Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

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Directors' Report for the year ended 31 December 2021

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Principle Activity

The principle activity of the company is that of an advertising agency, specialising in the pharmaceutical sector.

Dividends

On 15 December 2021 the directors paid a dividend in respect of the year ended 31 December 2021 of £37.87 per share totalling £750,000 (2020: £nil).

Director of the company

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

DDB Europe Ltd

P. Bartlett

M. Mitsui-Cuff

Political and charitable donations

During the year the company made political donations of £nil (2021: £nil). Donations to charity amounted to £nil (2021: £nil).

Going concern

As at 31 December 2019 China had alerted the World Health Organisation (WHO) of several cases of an unusual form of pneumonia in Wuhan. However, substantive information about what has now been identified as corona virus (or COVID-19) only came to light in early 2020, which has affected 2021 as well. As a result, the world economy has been subsequently been thrown into a recession throughout 2021.

The economy and our clients' budgets have significant impact on our business. The Pharmaceutical Sector from which our clients mainly operate, haven't felt the effects of the recession as greatly as other sectors however. Through 2021, we haven't seen a decline in revenues, profits or cash flows.

At the end of the year the Company had net current assets of £1,575,044 (2020 - £1,332,660). Whilst we continue to monitor the situation closely, the Directors' believe that the Company has access to sufficient funding to meet its needs. The Directors have prepared the financial statements on a going concern basis.

Approved and authorised by the Board on ...10/05/22.... and signed on its behalf by:

P. Bartlett Director

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Statement of Directors' Responsibilities in respect of the annual report and the financial statements

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities 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 UK accounting standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland.

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 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;
- assess the company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern; and
- use the going concern basis of accounting unless they either intend to liquidate the company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

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 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, and have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 31 December 2021

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
Gross billings		10,120,424	7,737,713
Rebillable costs		(2,633,191)	(2,175,596)
Turnover	2	7,487,233	5,562,117
Direct costs		(51,096)	(41,914)
Gross profit		7,436,137	5,520,203
Administrative expenses		(6,169,756)	(4,950,433)
Operating profit	3	1,266,381	569,770
Other interest receivable and similar income	6	124	217
Interest payable and similar expenses	7 .	(2,296)	(1,999)
Profit before taxation		1,264,209	567,988
Tax on profit	8	(251,556)	(110,725)
Profit for the Financial Year		1,012,653	457,263

The results shown above are derived wholly from continuing operations.

The company has no recognised gains or losses for the year other than the results above. Consequently, a statement of comprehensive income has not been prepared.

(Registration number: 01077287) Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2021

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	9	126,879	42,758
Current assets			
Stocks	10	90,950	105,539
Debtors	11	3,651,988	3,298,109
		3,742,938	3,403,648
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	12	(2,168,990)	(2,070,988)
Net current assets		1,573,948	1,332,660
Total assets less current liabilities		1,700,827	1,375,418
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	12	(82,579)	(22,665)
Provisions for liabilities	13	(11,772)	(8,930)
Net assets		1,606,476	1,343,823
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	14	19,804	19,804
Share premium account		251,161	251,161
Retained earnings		1,335,511	1,072,858
Total equity		1,606,476	1,343,823

For the year ending 31 December 2021 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 479A of the Companies Act 2006 relating to subsidiary companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- the members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- the directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

Approved by the Board on10/05/22.... and signed on its behalf by:

P. Bartlett

Director

The notes on pages 6 to 17 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Changes in Equity for the year ended 31 December 2021

	Share capital £	Share premium	Retained earnings £	Total £
At 1 January 2021	19,804	251,161	1,072,858	1,343,823
Profit for the year	-	-	1,012,653	1,012,653
Total comprehensive income Dividends		-	1,012,653 (750,000)	1,012,653 (750,000)
At 31 December 2021	19,804	251,161	1,335,511	1,606,476
	Share capital £	Share premium £	Retained earnings £	Total £
At 1 January 2020	19,804	251,161	615,595	886,560
Profit for the year		_	457,263	457,263
Total comprehensive income	•	<u> </u>	457,263	457,263
At 31 December 2020	19,804	251,161	1,072,858	1,343,823

Notes to the Unaudited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2021

1 Accounting policies

Statement of compliance

These financial statements were prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'. The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered to be material in relation to the Company's financial statements.

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards and under the historical cost accounting rules.

The company is a private company limited by share capital incorporated, domiciled and registered in England in the United Kingdom.

The financial statements are presented in sterling the Company's functional currency.

Summary of disclosure exemptions

In these financial statements, the company is considered to be a qualifying entity (for the purposes of this FRS) 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; and
- · Key Management Personnel compensation.

As the consolidated financial statements of Omnicom Group Inc. 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 Instrument Issues in respect of financial instruments not falling within the fair value accounting rules of Paragraph 36(4) of Schedule 1.

Related party transactions: As a 100% owned subsidiary of Omnicom Group Inc. the Company has taken advantage of the exemption available under FRS 102 Section 33. 1A: Related Party Disclosures, which enable it to exclude disclosure of transactions with Omnicom Group Inc., and its wholly owned subsidiaries.

Notes to the Unaudited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2021

Going concern

The Company has net current assets of £1,575,044 at 31 December 2021 (2020: £1,332,660). The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis which the directors consider to be appropriate as the directors consider that the Company will have access to sufficient funding to meet its needs for the reasons set out below

The Company participates in a cash concentration arrangement with its fellow subsidiary, Omnicom Finance Limited the group's UK treasury operation, under which bank balances are cleared to zero on a daily basis either by the Company depositing cash with Omnicom Finance Limited or by Omnicom Finance Limited depositing cash with the Company. The Company's access to borrowings under the cash concentration arrangement is not limited as long as these borrowings are required in the normal course of business and are made in accordance with the Omnicom Group Inc Grant of Authority and includes a period of at least 12 months from the date of approval of these financial statements.

Omnicom Finance Limited, is able to make this commitment because Omnicom Finance Limited is a co-borrower with Omnicom Finance Inc. and Omnicom Capital Inc. under certain group bank facilities which are more fully described in the Omnicom Group Inc. financial statements filed on Form 10-K and available at www.OmnicomGroup.com.

The directors consider the combination of the group facilities and expected funding requirements of the Omnicom Group Inc. and its subsidiaries provides sufficient access to funding to ensure that the Company is able to meet its liabilities as they fall due for the foresceable future. As with any company placing reliance on other group entities for financial support, the directors acknowledge that there can be no certainty that this support will continue although, at the date of approval of these financial statements, they have no reason to believe that it will not do so. Accordingly, the directors have prepared the financial statements as a going concern

Key sources of estimation uncertainty

There are no key sources of estimation uncertainty that have a significant risk of causing material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year.

Summary of significant accounting policies

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

Gross Billings

Gross billings are recognised when the service is performed, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contractual arrangement and when collection is reasonably assured.

Gross billings comprises the gross amounts billed to clients in respect of commission based income together with the total of other fees earned and amounts recharged to clients for rebillable costs.

Rebillable costs

Rebillable costs comprise media payments and third party production costs for those services that the Company is arranging for its clients in its capacity as an intermediary. The Company contracts directly with suppliers and is responsible for their payment, recharging its clients for all costs incurred. Although the Company bears credit risk in respect of these activities, the arrangements with its clients are such that, in effect it acts as an intermediary on behalf of its client. Where the Company acts as an intermediary, costs incurred with external suppliers are excluded from revenue.

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Turnover

Turnover comprises the fair value of the consideration received or receivable for the sale of goods and provision of services in the ordinary course of the Company's activities. Turnover is shown net of value added tax, returns, rebates and discounts and after eliminating sales within the company.

The Company recognises revenue when: The amount of revenue can be reliably measured; it is probable that future economic benefits will flow to the entity; and specific criteria have been met for each of the Company's activities.

Foreign currency transactions and balances

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded using the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated using the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date and the gains or losses on translation are included in the profit and loss account.

Tax

Tax on the profit or loss for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in the profit and loss account 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.

The current income tax charge is calculated on the basis of tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date in the countries where the Company operates and generates taxable income.

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, 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 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 balance sheet date. Deferred tax balances are not discounted.

Fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost/deemed cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Depreciation is charged so as to write off the cost of assets, other than land and properties under construction over their estimated useful lives, as follows:

Asset class
Office equipment
Office equipment
Furniture, fittings and equipment
3 Years
3 Years

Trade and other debtors

Trade and other debtors are amounts due from customers for services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade and other debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of trade and other debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the Company will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

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Stocks

Work in progress is stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost consists of direct expenses incurred on unbilled work. Net realisable value is based on estimated sales value less further costs to completion. Work in progress consists of amounts spent by the Company and its subsidiaries on behalf of its clients which have not been recharged to clients by the end of the year.

Trade and other creditors

Trade and other creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if the company does not have an unconditional right, at the end of the reporting period, to defer settlement of the creditor for at least twelve months after the reporting date. If there is an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the reporting date, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

Trade and other creditors are recognised initially at the transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Leases

Assets acquired under finance leases are capitalised and the outstanding future lease obligations are shown in creditors. Operating lease rentals are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

Share capital

Ordinary shares are classified as equity. Equity instruments are measured at the fair value of the cash or other resources received or receivable, net of the direct costs of issuing the equity instruments. If payment is deferred and the time value of money is material, the initial measurement is on a present value basis.

Dividends

Dividend distribution to the company's shareholders is recognised as a liability in the financial statements in the reporting period in which dividends are declared.

Defined contribution pension obligation

The Company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the Company in an independently administered fund. The amount charged to the profit and loss account represents the contributions payable to the scheme in respect of the accounting period.

Notes to the Unaudited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2021

2 Turnover

The whole of the Company's gross billings, turnover and operating profit for the year related to its principal activity, which was that of an advertising agency, and which was carried out in the United Kingdom.

The analysis of the company's turnover by geographic location by destination for the year from continuing operations for rendering of services is as follows:

	2021	2020
	£	£
UK	1,483,067	791,740
Europe	6,004,166	4,343,390
	7,487,233	5,135,130

3 Operating profit

Arrived at after charging/(crediting)

	2021	2020
	£	£
Depreciation and other amounts written off tangible fixed assets: owned	27,452	21,326
Foreign exchange gains/losses	14,370	6,308
Hire of other assets - rentals payable	711,099	711,938
Rental income	(70,235)	<u>•</u>

Notes to the Unaudited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2021

4 Directors' remuneration

The directors' remuncration for the year was as follows:

	2021	2020
	£	£
Directors' emoluments	220,000	220,000
	2021	2020
	No.	No.
Received or were entitled to receive shares under long term incentive schemes	1	1
In respect of the highest paid director:		
	2021	2020
	£	£
Remuneration	210,000	210,000
Benefits under long-term incentive schemes (excluding shares)	10,000	10,000

During the year the highest paid director received or was entitled to receive shares under a long term incentive scheme.

The Company's directors participate in the restricted stock scheme operated by the Ultimate Parent Undertaking. Shares were received or receivable under this restricted share scheme during the period by 1 director (2020: nil)

Under this scheme, certain directors have been awarded restricted shares in the ultimate parent undertaking, Omnicom Group Inc. The restricted shares typically vest in 20% annual increments provided the director remains an employee of the Omnicom group. Restricted shares may not be sold, transferred, pledged or otherwise encumbered until the restrictions lapse. Under most circumstances, the director forfeits the shares still subject to restriction, the director ceases employment prior to the end of the period of restriction.

Notes to the Unaudited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2021

5 Staff costs

•• • •	2021	2020
	£	£
Wages and salaries	3,504,895	3,064,855
Share related awards	5,910	2,700
Social security costs	397,620	332,674
Pension and other post-employment benefit costs	140,030	115,776
Severance/loss of office	31,335	
	4,079,790	3,516,005
The average number of persons employed by the company (including di category was as follows:	rectors) during the ye	ar, analysed by
	2021	2020
	No.	No.
	1101	
Administration and support	5	4
Administration and support Other departments		
	5	4
	5 53	41
Other departments	5 53	41
Other departments	5 53 58	45
Other departments	553 58 2021	45
Other departments Other interest receivable and similar income	5 53 58 2021	4 41 45 2020 £
Other departments Other interest receivable and similar income Receivable from group undertakings	5 53 58 2021 £ 124	2020 £ 217
Other departments Other interest receivable and similar income Receivable from group undertakings	5 53 58 2021 £	2020 £

Notes to the Unaudited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2021

8 Taxation

Tax charged/(credited) in the profit and loss account

	2021 £	2020 £
Current taxation		
Current tax on income for the period	257,388	90,468
Adjustments in respect of previous periods	(8,675)	759
	248,713	91,227
Deferred taxation		
Origination and reversal of timing differences	(13,497)	19,421
Effect of increased/decreased tax rate on opening liability	3,637	(1,243)
Adjustment in respect of previous periods	12,703	1,320
Total deferred taxation	2,843	19,498
Tax expense in the profit and loss account	251,556	110,725

The tax on profit before tax for the year is higher than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK (2020 - higher than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK) of 19% (2020 - 19%).

	2021 £	2020 £
Profit before tax	1,264,209	567,988
Corporation tax at standard rate	240,200	107,918
Effect of expense not deductible in determining taxable profit (tax loss)	3,691	1,971
UK deferred tax expense/(credit) relating to changes in tax rates or laws	3,637	(1,243)
Deferred tax expense from unrecognised temporary difference from a prior period	12,703	1,320
(Decrease)/increase in UK and foreign current tax from adjustment for prior periods	(8,675)	759
Total tax charge	251,556	110,725

A UK corporation tax rate of 25% (effective 1 April 2023) was substantively enacted on 24 May 2021. This will increase the company's future current tax charge accordingly. The deferred tax liability at balance sheet date has been calculated at 25% (2020: 19%).

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Deferred tax assets and liabilities	
2021	Liability £
Difference between accumulated depreciation and amortisation and capital allowance	11,772
2020	Liability £
Difference between accumulated depreciation and amortisation and capital allowance	8,930

9 Tangible fixed assets

Deferred tax

	Furniture, fittings and equipment £	Office equipment £	Total £
Cost or valuation			
At 1 January 2021	34,906	86,241	121,147
Additions	798	110,776	111,574
Disposals	(26,962)		(26,962)
At 31 December 2021	8,742	197,017	205,759
Depreciation			
At 1 January 2021	28,600	49,789	78,389
Charge for the year	1,713	25,739	27,452
Disposal	(26,961)	<u>-</u>	(26,961)
At 31 December 2021	3,352	75,528	78,880
Carrying amount			
At 31 December 2021	5,390	121,489	126,879
At 31 December 2020	6,306	36,452	42,758

Assets held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts

The net carrying amount of tangible assets includes the following amounts in respect of assets held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts:

	2021	2020
	£	£
Office equipment	120,392	36,452

Notes to the Unaudited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2021

10 Stocks

Work in progress	2021 £ 90,950	2020 £ 105,539
11 Debtors		
	2021 £	2020 £
Trade and other debtors	1,763,572	1,571,513
Amounts owed by group undertakings - trading balances	239,916	389,236
Amounts owed by group undertakings - loans and advances	1,452,934	907,865
Other debtors	114,621	392,825
Prepayments and accrued income	80,945	36,670
	3,651,988	3,298,109

The Company participates in a cash concentration arrangement with its fellow subsidiary, Omnicom Finance Limited, the Omnicom Europe Limited group's UK treasury operation, under which bank balances are cleared to zero on a daily basis either by the Company depositing cash with Omnicom Finance Limited or by Omnicom Finance Limited depositing cash with the Company. Included in Amounts owed by group undertakings - loans and advances is £1,452,934 (2020 - £907,865) representing cash deposited by the Company under these arrangements.

12 Creditors

	2021 £	2020 £
Due within one year		
Obligations under finance lease and hire purchase contracts	39,782	17,628
Trade and other creditors	113,262	1,735,705
Amounts owed to group undertakings - trading balances	56,767	16,042
Amounts owed to group undertakings - loans and advances	37,521	9,196
Taxation and social security	188,481	118,207
Accruals and deferred income	1,733,177	174,210
	2,168,990	2,070,988
Due after one year		
Obligations under finance lease and hire purchase contracts	82,579	22,665

Notes to the Unaudited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2021

13 Provisions for liabilities

	Deferred tax £
At 1 January 2021	(8,930)
Additional provisions	(2,842)
At 31 December 2021	(11,772)

14 Share capital

Allotted, called up and fully paid shares

	2021		2020	
	No.	£	No.	£
Ordinary shares of £1 each	19,804	19,804	19,804	19,804

15 Pension and other schemes

Defined contribution pension scheme

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The pension cost charge for the year represents contributions payable by the company to the scheme and amounted to £140,030 (2020 - £115,776).

16 Commitments

Operating leases

The Company's principal premises are leased from a fellow group company on terms with no future minimum lease payments.

Notes to the Unaudited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2021

17 Related party transactions

Summary of transactions with subsidiaries

At 31 December 2021, the Company's ultimate parent undertaking was Omnicom Group Inc. The shareholders of the Company have interest directly or indirectly in certain other companies which are considered to give rise to related party disclosures under FRS 102 Section 33.

As a 100% owned indirect subsidiary of Omnicom Group Inc, the Company has taken advantage of the exemption under FRS102 Section 33.1A: Related Party Disclosures, which enable it to exclude disclosure of transactions with Omnicom Group Inc and its wholly owned subsidiaries.

18 Parent and ultimate parent undertaking

The Company is a subsidiary undertaking of Omnicom Group Inc. incorporated in the United States of America and is the largest group in which the results are consolidated. These financial statements are available upon request from Omnicom Group Inc.'s registered address, 280 Park Avenue, New York, NY 10017, United States.

The Company is consolidated into DAS UK Investments Limited and these accounts may be obtained from Companies House, Crown Way, Cardiff, CF14 3UZ, Wales.