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**Sports News Television Management Limited**

**Annual report and financial statements**

**For the year ended 31 December 2017**



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# **Sports News Television Management Limited**

## **Annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2017**

### **Officers and professional advisers**

#### **Directors**

K Dale  
D Fay  
M Masquelier  
C Guinness  
D Veerasingham  
G Pruitt

#### **Company Secretary**

J Cooper

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#### **Auditor**

Deloitte LLP  
Statutory Auditor  
London  
United Kingdom

# **Sports News Television Management Limited**

## **Directors' report**

### **For the year ended 31 December 2017**

The directors present their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2017.

This Directors' Report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies under FRS 102 Section 1A.

#### **Results and dividends**

The total comprehensive income for the year after taxation amounted to £394,332 (2016: £408,918). Dividends totalling £440,000 were declared during the year (2016: £440,000). The directors do not recommend the payment of an additional final dividend.

#### **Principal activities and review of the business**

The company is principally engaged in the general management of Sports News Television (Limited Partnership) ('SNTV'), a partnership involved in the production and distribution of television sports news programmes.

#### **Future developments**

The directors do not anticipate any significant change in the activities and results of the company in the foreseeable future.

#### **Principal risks and uncertainties**

The company is exposed to the same principal risks and uncertainties as those described in the financial statements of Sports News Television (Limited Partnership), LLP number: LP005161.

These principal risks and uncertainties facing the partnership are:

*Loss of clients* – The partnership may lose contracts and/or clients due to merger or acquisition, business failure, or contract expiration. Such a loss may have a material impact on the partnership's results.

*Exchange rate fluctuations* – The partnership currently operates globally and is, and will continue to be, exposed to foreign currency rate fluctuations. The company uses external advice on currency dealings with its bank. Where possible, natural hedges are used.

#### **Going concern**

After making enquiries, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in Note 1 to the financial statements.

#### **Directors**

The directors who served the company during the year and subsequently, to the date of this report, were as follows:

K. Dale  
D. Fay  
M. Masquelier  
C. Guinness  
D. Veerasingham  
G. Pruitt

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### **Directors' report (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2017**

#### **Auditor**

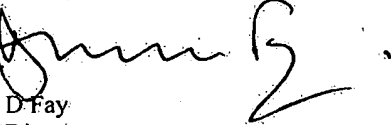
Each of the persons who is a director at the date of approval of this report confirms that:

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

This confirmation is given and should be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of s418 of the Companies Act 2006.

Deloitte LLP have expressed their willingness to continue in office as auditor and a resolution to reappoint them will be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

Approved by the Board of Directors  
and signed on behalf of the Board



D Fay  
Director

16 February 2018

## **Sports News Television Management Limited**

### **Directors' responsibilities statement For the year ended 31 December 2017**

The directors are responsible for preparing the annual 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 the provisions of FRS 102, Section 1A Small Entities. 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 comprehensive income 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 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 with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to 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.

# **Sports News Television Management Limited**

## **Independent auditor's report to the members of Sports News Television Management Limited**

### **Report on the audit of the financial statements**

#### **Opinion**

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2017 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 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland"; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

We have audited the financial statements of Sports News Television Management Ltd which comprise:

- the statement of comprehensive income;
- the statement of retained earnings
- the statement of financial position;
- the statement of accounting policies; and
- the related notes 1 to 14.

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).

#### **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 auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report.

We are independent of the general partner 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 are required by ISAs (UK) to report in respect of the following matters where:

- the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in 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.

We have nothing to report in respect of these matters.

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## **Independent auditor's report to the members of Sports News Television Management Limited (continued)**

### **Other information**

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, 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 we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in 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 in respect of these matters.

### **Responsibilities of directors**

As explained more fully in the directors' responsibilities statement, 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 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.

### **Auditor's 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 auditor's 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 Financial Reporting Council's website at: [www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities). This description forms part of our auditor's report.

### **Use of our report**

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.



## **Independent auditor's report to the members of Sports News Television Management Limited (Continued)**

### **Report on other legal and regulatory requirements**

#### **Opinions 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 directors' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the directors' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

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 any material misstatements in the directors' report.

#### **Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report in respect of the following matters 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' exemptions in preparing the directors' report and from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

We have nothing to report in respect of these matters.



Andrew Evans (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of Deloitte LLP

Statutory Auditor

London, United Kingdom

16 February 2017  
2018

## Sports News Television Management Limited

### Statement of comprehensive income and retained earnings Year ended 31 December 2017

#### Statement of comprehensive income

	Notes	2017 £	2016 £
Share of partnership profits	2	501,185	401,271
Administrative expenses		(7,832)	(5,173)
Exchange gain / (loss) on operating activities		11,109	84,082
<b>Profit on ordinary activities before taxation</b>	3	<b>504,462</b>	<b>480,180</b>
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	4	(110,130)	(71,262)
<b>Profit for the financial year</b>	9	<b>394,332</b>	<b>408,918</b>
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year</b>		<b>394,332</b>	<b>408,918</b>

#### Statement of retained earnings

	Retained earnings £	Retained earnings £
At beginning of respective year	114,550	145,632
Total comprehensive income for the financial year	394,332	408,918
Dividends declared during the year	(440,000)	(440,000)
<b>At end of respective year</b>	<b>68,882</b>	<b>114,550</b>

All results relate to continuing operations in the current and prior year.

There are no recognised gains or losses other than the profit attributable to the shareholders of the company of £394,332 in the year ended 31 December 2017 (2016: profit of £408,918).

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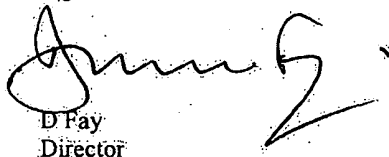
## Statement of financial position As at 31 December 2017

	Notes	2017 £	2016 £
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors	6	180,453	161,552
Cash at bank and in hand		31,767	455,323
		<u>212,220</u>	<u>616,875</u>
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	7	<u>(138,338)</u>	<u>(497,325)</u>
<b>Net assets</b>		<u>73,882</u>	<u>119,550</u>
<b>Capital and reserves</b>			
Called up share capital	8	5,000	5,000
Retained earnings	9	68,882	114,550
<b>Shareholders' funds</b>	9	<u>73,882</u>	<u>119,550</u>

These financial statements are prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The financial statements of Sports News Television Management Limited, registered number 03177758 were approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on 16 February 2018.

Signed on behalf of the Board of Directors:

  
D Fay  
Director

# **Sports News Television Management Limited**

## **Notes to the financial statements**

**As at 31 December 2017**

### **1. Accounting policies**

#### **Basis of preparation**

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 Section 1A Small Entities, and with the provision of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies. The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis.

Sports News Television Management Limited is a private company limited by shares.

#### **Directors' assessment of going concern and subsequent events**

The company's business activities together with the factors likely to affect its future development, performance and position are discussed in the directors' report on pages 2 to 3.

The company generated a profit for the financial year of £394,332 (2016: £408,918) and has net assets of £73,882 (2016: £119,550).

As a consequence, the directors believe that the company is adequately placed to manage its business risks successfully despite the current uncertain economic outlook.

After making enquiries and based on the information presented above, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the annual report and accounts.

#### **Taxation**

Current tax, including UK corporation tax and foreign tax, is provided at amounts expected to be paid (or recovered) using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the yearend date.

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the yearend date where transactions or events that result in an obligation to pay more tax in the future or a right to pay less tax in the future have occurred at the yearend date. Timing differences are differences between the group's taxable profits and its results as stated in the financial statements that arise from the inclusion of gains or losses in tax assessments in periods different from those in which they are recognised in the financial statements.

A net deferred tax asset is regarded as recoverable and therefore recognised only to the extent that, on the basis of all available evidence, it can be regarded as more likely than not that there will be suitable taxable profits from which the future reversal of the underlying timing differences can be deducted.

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## Notes to the financial statements (Continued) Year ended 31 December 2017

### 1. Accounting policies (Continued)

#### Foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated at the exchange rate ruling at the date of the transaction. The only exception to this is the share of profits from SNTV (note 2). Monetary assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated at the rates of exchange ruling at the yearend date. The exchange rate as at 31 December 2017 was £1- US\$1.35 (2016: £1.00- US\$1.23)

Any exchange differences are recorded in the statement of comprehensive income.

### 2. Share of partnership profits

The investment in the partnership is recognised at 5% of the net assets of Sports News Television (Limited Partnership) as at 31 December 2017. The share of partnership profits is therefore the movement in the 5% of the share of net assets, which is equivalent to the 5% share in profits of Sports News Television (Limited Partnership) and the distributions received.

### 3. Profit on ordinary activities before taxation

	2017	2016
	£	£
This is stated after charging:		
Auditor's remuneration – audit services	5,150	5,000

None of the directors received remuneration for their qualifying services to the company (2016: £nil).

The company had no employees during the year (2016: none).

# Sports News Television Management Limited

## Notes to the financial statements (Continued) Year ended 31 December 2017

### 4. Tax on profit on ordinary activities

#### (a) Tax on profit on ordinary activities

The tax charge is made up as follows:

	2017 £	2016 £
<b>Current tax:</b>		
UK corporation tax on the profit for the year	114,061	96,036
Double taxation relief	(34,083)	(35,951)
Adjustments in respect of previous periods	30,152	(24,774)
	<u>110,130</u>	<u>35,311</u>
<b>Foreign tax</b>	-	35,951
<b>Tax on profit on ordinary activities (note 4(b))</b>	<u>110,130</u>	<u>71,262</u>

#### (b) Factors affecting tax charge for the year

The tax assessed for the year of 19.25% (2016: 20%) differs from the blended rate of corporation tax in the UK. The differences are explained below:

	2017 £	2016 £
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	<u>504,462</u>	<u>480,180</u>
Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by blended rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19.25% (2016: 20%)	97,109	96,036
Effects of:		
Adjustments to share of partnership profits	16,952	-
Foreign tax	-	35,951
Double taxation relief	(34,083)	(35,951)
Marginal rate relief	-	-
Adjustments in respect of previous periods	30,152	(24,774)
<b>Current tax for the year (note 4(a))</b>	<u>110,130</u>	<u>71,262</u>

### 5. Dividends

	2017 £	2016 £
Dividends declared / paid (£88 per share)	<u>440,000</u>	<u>440,000</u>

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## Notes to the financial statements (Continued) Year ended 31 December 2017

### 6. Debtors: amounts falling due within one year

	2017 £	2016 £
Amounts due from Sports News Television (Limited Partnership)	180,453	161,152
	<u>180,453</u>	<u>161,152</u>

Amounts owed by related parties are repayable on demand.

### 7. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2017 £	2016 £
Accruals	30,365	24,170
Corporation Tax	107,973	33,155
Dividends payable	-	440,000
	<u>138,338</u>	<u>497,325</u>

### 8. Called up share capital

	2017 £	2016 £
Allotted, called up and fully paid 5,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	5,000	5,000

### 9. Statement of movements in reserves

	Share capital £	Retained earnings £	Total shareholders' funds £
At 1 January 2017	5,000	114,550	119,550
Total comprehensive income for the financial year	-	394,332	394,332
Dividends declared during the year	-	(440,000)	(440,000)
At 31 December 2017	<u>5,000</u>	<u>68,882</u>	<u>73,882</u>

### 10. Capital commitments

The company had no capital commitments at 31 December 2017 (2016: £nil).

### 11. Contingent liabilities

There were no contingent liabilities at 31 December 2017 (2016: £nil).

### 12. Sports News Television (Limited Partnership)

The company has a 5% investment in Sports News Television (Limited Partnership) a limited partnership with the same registered office as the company.

# **Sports News Television Management Limited**

## **Notes to the financial statements (Continued)** **Year ended 31 December 2017**

A copy of the latest financial statements of the partnership is appended to the copy of the company's financial statements filed with the Registrar of Companies.



## **Sports News Television Management Limited**

### **Notes to the financial statements (Continued)** **Year ended 31 December 2017**

**13. Events after the reporting period**

The partnership paid US\$50,000 (£37,053) (2016: US\$100,000 (£79,919)) in profit distributions after 31 December 2017.

**14. Ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party**

Sports News Television Management Limited is a 50:50 joint venture between Trans World International LLC (US) and The Associated Press Limited.

Trans World International LLC (US) is a wholly-owned subsidiary of WME Entertainment Parent, LLC which is incorporated in the USA and is controlled by certain Silver Lake funds. WME Entertainment Parent, LLC is the largest and smallest group of which the company is a member and for which group financial statements are prepared. Requests for financial information should be addressed to Seth Krauss, 200 5th Ave., 7th Floor, New York, NY 10010 USA.

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