### Liquidator's Progress Report

**S.192** 

Pursuant to Sections 92A and 104A and 192 of the Insolvency Act 1986

To the Registrar of Companies

Company Number

03934698

Name of Company

**ABS London Limited** 

I/yWe

James Money, 55 Baker Street, London, W1U 7EU

the liquidator(s) of the company attach a copy of my/our Progress Report under section 192 of the Insolvency Act 1986

The Progress Report covers the period from 03/12/2014 to 02/12/2015

Signed

Date

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BDO LLP 55 Baker Street London W1U 7EU

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## ABS London Limited (In Liquidation) Liquidator's Abstract of Receipts & Payments

Statement of Affairs	From 03/12/2014 To 02/12/2015	From 24/02/2011 To 02/12/2015
ASSET REALISATIONS		
Book Debts	NIL	172,288 53
Cash at Bank	NIL	15,704 38
Manolete Funding	NIL	2,000 00
Released client account funds	NIL	319 43
	NIL	190,312 34
COST OF REALISATIONS		
Professional Fees	NIL	37,833 64
Agents/Valuers Fees	NIL	20,319 86
Legal Fees	NIL	2,975 05
Legal disbursements	NIL	5,764 95
Administrators Fees	NIL	46,896 00
Bank Charges	NIL	93 89
	NIL	(113,883 39)
PREFERENTIAL CREDITORS		
Department of Employment	NIL	9,403 38
Employees Wage Arrears	NIL_	11,341 41
, , ,	NIL	(20,744 79)
FLOATING CHARGE CREDITORS		
Floating Charge Creditor	NIL	49,312 38
<b>5</b>	NIL	(49,312 38)
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	NIL	6,371.78
REPRESENTED BY		
VAT Receivable		1,748 00
Bank 1 - Current		4,623 78
		6,371.78

James Money Liquidator



29 January 2016

Our Ref JM/SJ/MH/04018978/3800

Please ask for Mark Hickford Telephone 020 7893 2925 Email mark hickford@bdo co uk

#### TO ALL KNOWN CREDITORS AND MEMBERS

Dear Sirs

#### ABS London Limited - In Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation ('the Company')

In accordance with Section 104A of the Insolvency Act 1986 and Rule 4.49C of the Insolvency Rules 1986 I present below the annual liquidation report to creditors on the Company. This report covers the period from 3 December 2014 to 2 December 2015

#### General

James Money was appointed liquidator of the Company on 24 February 2011, following the conclusion of the administration. The liquidator's address is 55 Baker Street, London, W1U 7EU.

The Company is registered in England & Wales under number 03934698 and at the current registered address of the Company is 55 Baker Street, London, W1U 7EU. The former registered address was 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, 2 Balcombe Street, London, NW1 6NW

This report assumes that you have read all previous reports on the Company, and as such, information given in the previous reports will not be repeated in this report

#### Receipts and Payments

I attach a copy of the receipts and payments account for the period and liquidation as a whole, which can be found at Appendix 1 This shows a balance in hand as at 2 December 2015 of £6,372.

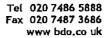
There have not been any receipts or payments during the period

#### Progress of the Liquidation

As you are aware from previous reports, following placing the Company into liquidation creditors voted unanimously at a specifically convened meeting on 16 April 2014 to sanction the commencement of certain legal proceedings.

These proceedings remain active and it is not appropriate to make any further disclosures regarding the legal proceedings at this stage, so as not to prejudice them.





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#### **Assets and Future Prospects**

The only possible asset that remains to be realised is any recovery resulting from the abovementioned legal proceedings. No other asset realisations are anticipated. Once the legal proceedings are concluded and the realisations have been dealt with, the Company will be dissolved.

#### **Distribution Prospects**

As previously reported HSBC Bank Plc ('the Bank') held a fixed and floating charge over the assets of the Company The Bank was repaid its debt from the Company in full.

All known preferential claims have been paid in full.

Any return to the unsecured creditors is wholly dependent on the outcome of the legal proceedings referred to above.

#### Liquidator's Remuneration

Pursuant to the Insolvency Rules 1986, the liquidator is obliged to fix his remuneration in accordance with Rule 4 127(2) of the Insolvency Rules 1986 This permits remuneration to be fixed either:

- · as a percentage of the assets realised and distributed; and/or
- by reference to the time the Joint Liquidators and the staff have spent attending to matters in the liquidation; and/or
- as a set amount, and/or
- as a combination of the above

The creditors have already approved that the basis of the liquidator's remuneration be calculated by reference to the time properly spent in dealing with issues in the liquidation

In the period covered by this report time costs of £74,985 have been incurred, representing 176 hours at an average hourly cost of £427. Time costs for the full liquidation total £204,415 and represent 758 hours at an average hourly cost of £270. Further detail can be seen at Appendix 2.

As previously reported, there were unbilled time costs for the administration which have now been billed by the liquidator during the course of the liquidation. The liquidator has not drawn any fees in respect of either outstanding administration or liquidation time costs during the period of this report

For guidance, I enclose at the end of this report "A creditors' guide to liquidators' fees", together with a document that outlines the policy of BDO LLP in respect of fees and disbursements.

#### Disbursements

Where disbursements are recovered in respect of precise sums expended to third parties there is no necessity for these costs to be authorised. These are known as category 1 disbursements. There has been a total of £180 18 of category 1 disbursements paid in the period



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Liquidators often charge expenses for example postage, stationery, photocopying charges, telephone and fax costs, which cannot economically be recorded in respect of a specific case BDO LLP operates a policy of raising an annual charge of £5 per creditor to recover the foregoing costs, which is paid from the liquidation estate—Such expenses, which are apportioned to cases, require the approval of the creditors, before they can be drawn and these are known as category 2 disbursements—No category 2 disbursements have been drawn in the period

The disbursements incurred in the period are detailed further below

	Category 1	Category 2
	(£)	(£)
Storage	24 00	
Taxı	16 20	
Sundry	139 98	
-	180.18	

To date, category 1 disbursements of £693.54 and category 2 disbursements of £207.00 have been incurred. Of the total disbursements of £900 54, the sum of £555 78 has been paid and £344 76 remains outstanding

#### Creditors' rights

I provide at the end of this report an extract from the Insolvency Rules 1986 setting out the rights of creditors to request further information and/or challenge the remuneration or expenses within the liquidation.

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact Mark Hickford

Yours faithfully for and on behalf of ABS London Limited

James Money Liquidator

Authorised by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales

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Statement from the Insolvency Rules 1986 (as amended) regarding the rights of creditors in respect of the Joint Liquidators' fees and expenses:

### Rule 4.49E Creditors' and members' request for further information (1) If-

- (a) within the period mentioned in paragraph (2)—
  - (1) a secured creditor, or
  - an unsecured creditor with the concurrence of at least 5% in value of the unsecured creditors (including the creditor in question), or
  - (iii) members of the company in a members' voluntary winding up with at least 5% of the total voting rights of all the members having the right to vote at general meetings of the company, or
- (b) with the permission of the court upon an application made within the period mentioned in paragraph (2)-
  - (i) any unsecured creditor, or
  - (n) any member of the company in a members' voluntary winding up,

makes a request in writing to the liquidator for further information about remuneration or expenses set out in a progress report in accordance with Rule 4 49B(1)(e) or (f) (including by virtue of Rule 4 49C(5)) or in a draft report under Rule 4 49D, the liquidator must, within 14 days of receipt of the request, comply with paragraph (3) except to the extent that the request is in respect of matter[s] in a draft report under Rule 4 49D or a progress report required by Rule 4 108 which (in either case) was previously included in a progress report not required by Rule 4 108

- (2) The period referred to in paragraph (1)(a) and (b) is-
  - (a) 7 business days of receipt (by the last of them in the case of an application by more than one member) of the progress report where it is required by Rule 4 108, and
  - (b) 21 days of receipt (by the last of them in the case of an application by more than one member) of the report or draft report in any other case
- (3) The liquidator complies with this paragraph by either-
  - (a) providing all of the information asked for, or
  - (b) so far as the liquidator considers that-
    - (i) the time or cost of preparation of the information would be excessive, or
    - disclosure of the information would be prejudicial to the conduct of the liquidation or might reasonably be expected to lead to violence against any person, or
    - (iii) the liquidator is subject to an obligation of confidentiality in respect of the information, giving reasons for not providing all of the information

#### Rule 4.131 Creditors' claim that remuneration is or other expenses are excessive

- (1) Any secured creditor, or any unsecured creditor with either the concurrence of at least 10% in value of the creditors (including that creditor) or the permission of the court, may apply to the court for one or more of the orders in paragraph (4)
- (1A) Application may be made on the grounds that-
  - (a) the remuneration charged by the liquidator,
  - (b) the basis fixed for the liquidator's remuneration under Rule 4 127, or
  - (c) expenses incurred by the liquidator,



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is or are, in all the circumstances, excessive or, in the case of an application under sub-paragraph (b), inappropriate

- (1B) The application must, subject to any order of the court under Rule 4.49E(5), be made no later than 8 weeks (or, in a case falling within Rule 4 108, 4 weeks) after receipt by the applicant of the progress report, or the draft report under Rule 4 49D, which first reports the charging of the remuneration or the incurring of the expenses in question ("the relevant report")
- (2) The court may, if it thinks that no sufficient cause is shown for a reduction, dismiss the application, but it shall not do so unless the applicant has had an opportunity to attend the court for a hearing, of which he has been given at least 5 business days' notice but which is without notice to any other party
  - If the application is not dismissed under this paragraph, the court shall fix a venue for it to be heard, and give notice to the applicant accordingly
- (3) The applicant shall, at least 14 days before the hearing, send to the liquidator a notice stating the venue and accompanied by a copy of the application, and of any evidence which the applicant intends to adduce in support of it
- (4) If the court considers the application to be well-founded, it must make one or more of the following orders-
  - (a) an order reducing the amount of remuneration which the liquidator was entitled to charge,
  - (b) an order fixing the basis of remuneration at a reduced rate or amount;
  - (c) an order changing the basis of remuneration,
  - an order that some or all of the remuneration or expenses in question be treated as not being expenses of the liquidation,
  - an order that the liquidator or the liquidator's personal representative pay to the company the amount of the excess of remuneration or expenses or such part of the excess as the court may specify;

and may make any other order that it thinks just, but an order under sub-paragraph (b) or (c) may be made only in respect of periods after the period covered by the relevant report

(5) Unless the court orders otherwise, the costs of the application shall be paid by the applicant, and are not payable as an expense of the liquidation.



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Appendix 1 - Liquidator's Summary of Receipts and Payments Account for the period 24 February 2011 to 2 December 2015

# ABS London Limited (In Liquidation) Liquidator's Abstract of Receipts & Payments

	From 03/12/2014 To 02/12/2015	From 24/02/2011 To 02/12/2015
ASSET REALISATIONS		
Book Debts	NIL	172,288.53
Cash at Bank	NIL	15,704.38
Manolete Funding	NIL	2,000 00
Released client account funds	NIL	319 43
	NIL	190,312.34
COST OF REALISATIONS		
Administrators Fees	NIL	(84,729.64)
Agents/Valuers Fees	NIL	(20,319 86)
Legal Fees	NIL	(2,975 05)
Legal disbursements	NIL	(5,764.95)
Bank Charges	NIL	(93 89)
	NIL	(113,883 39)
PREFERENTIAL CREDITORS		
Department of Employment	NIL	(9,403.38)
Employees Wage Arrears	NIL	(11,341.41)
	NIL	(20,744 79)
FLOATING CHARGE CREDITORS		
Floating Charge Creditor	NIL	(49,312 38)
	NIL	(49,312.38)
	NIL	6,371.78
REPRESENTED BY		
VAT Receivable		1,748.00
Bank 1 - Current		4,623.78
		6,371.78



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Appendix 2 - Liquidator's Summary of Time Costs for the Period 24 February 2011 to 2 December 2015

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Detail of Time Charged and Rates Applicable for the Period From 01/06/2013 to 02/12/2015

	PAR'	PARTNER	MANAGER	8	SENIOR ADMINISTRATOR	TRATOR	EXECUTIVE	VE	OTHER STAFF	TAFF	GRAND	SRAND TOTAL	
	Hours	Total £	Hours	Total £	Hours	Total £	Hours	Totaí £	Hours	Total £	Hours	Total £	
24 February 2011 to 31 May 2013	83 40	83 40 33,964 15	68 25 21,603 35 223 15 83 383 05	1,603 35	10.70 2.639.80	639 80	168 47 22,332 94	332 94	т. С	£ 10 565 75	320 12	320 12 77,900 44	
Total	114 10	114 10 54,499 70	291 40 104,986 40	4,986 40	10.70 2,639 90	639 90	336,77 41,723.34	723.34	5 10	5 10 565 75	758.07	758.07 204,415 09	
Average rate per hour $(\mathcal{E})$	477	477 65	360 28	œ,	246 72		123 89		110 93	m	269.65	65	



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Appendix 3 - Liquidator's Detailed Summary of Time Costs for the Periods.

24 February 2011 to 31 May 2013 1 June 2013 to 2 December 2015 3 December 2014 to 2 December 2015

**ABS London Limited** 

SIP9 Analysis of OfficeHolders Timecosts as at 31/05/2013

	-	Hours	10 00	0.10	23 75	2 65	32 82	6 95	22.30	1.00	1.25	7.95	33 05	0 20	8 55	5 10	0 30	3 85	0.50	24 10	3,35	12 60	87.20	1.00	3 00	18 60	9 45	320 12
Total	£243.00	Amount (£)	4,610.25	20.90	7,354.25	531.65	5,331.54	1,569.00	5,995.70	393 00	520 30	3,048.95	9,362.80	126.00	1,756 75	985 90	25 80	1,029 55	247.50	7,792 90	317.30	2,716 90	17,799.90	240 00	1,179.00	4,008 90	935 70	77,900 44
ssistant		Hours	000	000	1 70	1 30	24 72	0 40	4 80	000	000	000	009	0 70	4 80	3.30	0 30	080	0000	4 10	3 25	2 10	51 60	000	000	9 10	9 45	128.42
Administrator / Assistant	£109.00	Amount (£)	000	00 0	195 75	146 00	3,126 59	72 00	828 30	000	00 0	00 0	540 00	126 00	608.05	556 80	25 80	20 00	00 0	616 55	296 90	180 60	4,594 20	000	00 0	1,092 40	935 70	14,011.64
enior tor		Hours	000	0 10	3 20	0 35	3 95	5 65	7 35	000	030	0 35	6 45	000	0 75	1 35	0.00	0 95	000	000	0 10	8 60	0 0	000	000	000	000	40.05
Supervisor / Senior Administrator	£208.00	Amount (£)	000	20 90	677 00	73 15	819 60	1,127 70	1,484 65	00 0	62 70	73 15	1,382 50	00 0	160 65	290 95	00 0	203 05	00 0	000	20 40	1,798 60	126 30	000	000	000	00 0	8,321.30
		Hours	000	000	15 55	1 8	3 55	0 20	9 25	000	000	000	8.40	000	2 35	0 45	00 0	0 80	0.00	9 10	00 0	000	7 10	1 00	000	9 50	00 0	68 25
Manager	£317.00	Amount (£)	000	00 0	4,902 10	312 50	1,101 95	71 20	3,284 05	000	000	000	2,625.30	000	732 60	138 15	00 0	245 60	000	2,853 70	00 0	00 0	2,179 70	240 00	000	2,916 50	00 0	21,603 35
tor		Hours	10 00	000	3 30	000	090	0 70	060	100	0 95	7 60	12 20	000	0 65	000	00 0	130	0 20	10 90	000	1 90	27 90	000	3 00	00 0	000	83 40
Partner / Director	£407.00	Amount (£)	4,610 25	00 0	1,579 40	0.00	283 40	298 10	398 70	393 00	457 60	2,975 80	4,815 00	00 0	255 45	000	00 0	510 90	247 50	4,322 65	00 0	737 70	10,899 70	000	1,179 00	00 0	00 0	33,964 15
Grade:	Average Cost per hour	Tasks	Partner/Senior Manager Review	Case Completion	Planning & Monitoring	Time Summanes & Billing	Cashiering Function Generally	Dividends & Distributions	Office Holders Tax Labilities	Crecitors/Liquidation Committee	CDDA 1986 Work	Official Receiver/DTI/Court	Secured Creditors (reporting/accounting for funds, etc)	Preferential Creditors	Non Preferential Creditors	Employee Claims	Fixed Asset Realisation	Book Debt Realisations	Other Asset Realisations	Legal Correspondence/Lttgation	General Administration	Statutory Compliance (including CRO returns and lodger	Investigations	Computerisation/IPS	Liasing with Agents/Solicitors/Other Professionals	Annual/Penodic Reporting/Meeting (ie S48 or S105)	Secretanal	ı

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Detail of Time Charged and Rates Applicable for the Period From 01/06/2013 to 02/12/2015

	PARTNER Hours Total	MANAGER Hours	GER Total	SENIOR ADMINISTRATOR Hours Total	INISTRATOR Total	EXECUTIVE Hours	JTIVE	OTHER STAFF Hours To	rAFF Total	GRAND TOTAL Hours	TOTAL Total	
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Review Options Available Strategy Planning Other Matters		2 + 8 0 & 4 0 & 4	145 00 512 60 1,975 15							0 + N	145 00 512 60	
Sub total General Administration	0.00 0.00	20 G	2,582.75	8	0,00	00 0	00 0	00 0	8 0	26 9	2,582.75	
VAT Taxation Institute (1906 Calimeter	2 00 1,570 00	2 95	1,323 45	10 15	2,539 25	9 00 7 50	1,015 00 941 80	3 50	464 50	9 00 26 10	1,015 00 6,809 00	
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General Meetings Gen Admin/Correspondence Maintain internal Files Sub total	010 4610	2 30 1 00 3 25	1,160 00 851 30 290 00 10,230.55	10 70	10 70 2,639 90	0 35 3 00 86 80	31 85 663 00 10,029,90	0 10	5 25 565 75	2 75 4 70 4 10 137 95	7, 50 1, 160 00 929 25 958 25 25, 082 20	
Assets Realisation/Dealing												
Agent Instruction/Lasing Debt Collection Property Related Matters Dealing with other Assets Other Matters	0 50 329 00 26 10 17,274 45 0 50 312 00 27 10 17,932,45	1 50 0 70 0 60 145 60 18 35 16 75	580 50 284 20 243 60 56,593 20 64,560 45	8 0	80	00 0	00 0	00 0	00 0	150 120 0 60 171 70 18 85 193 85	580 50 613 20 243 60 73,867 65 7,187 95 82,492 90	
Creditor Claims Non-Preferential Creditors Other Matters Sub total	00 0 00 0	1 50	510 40	000	00 0	47.85 49.00	254 15 5,669 85 5,924 00	00 0	00 0	2 65 47 85 50 50	764 55 5,669 85 6,434 40	
Reporting Statutory Reporting Reporting to Creditors Sub total	1 50 987 00	11 60 2 70 14 30	4,489 20 928 50 5,417 70	00 0	000	32 50	3,436 50	90 o	8	44 10 4 20 48 30	7,925 70 1,915 50 9,841,20	
Distribution and Closure Distributions Sub total	00 0 00 0	040	81 20	00 0	00 <b>0</b>	00 a	80 0	80	0,00	0 40	81 20 81 20	
TOTAL Average per hour (6)	30 70 20,535 55 AAA 94	223 15 83	83,383 05	10 70	10 70 2,639 90	168 30	19,390 40	5 10	565.75	437 95	437 95 126,514 65	
Average rate per nour (1.)	50 VI	7/5	0	746 72	2	175,21	71	110 93	<b>.</b>	288 88	88	

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Detail of Time Charged and Rates Applicable for the Penod From 03/12/2014 to 02/12/2015

	PARTNER Hours	<b>ter</b> Total £	MANAGER Hours	GER Total £	SENIOR ADMINISTRATOR Hours Total	NISTRATOR Total £	EXECUTIVE Hours	IVE Total £	OTHER STAFF Hours To	IAFF Total E	GRAND TOTAL Hours	rotal Total £
Planning and Strategy												
Strategy Planning Sub total	00 0	800	0 50	203 00	0.00	0.00	0.00	00 0	0.00	0.00	0 50	203 00
General Administration												
Receipts/Payments Accounts Taxation	2 00	1,570 00	0 70	357 70	0 30	54 90	0 70	46 60	0 10 2 50	5 70 337 50	1 10	107 20 2,265 20
Gen Admin/Correspondence			090	232 20			0 35	31 85			0 95	264 05
Sub total	2 00	1,570 00	30	289 90	0 30	54 90 0	1 05	78.45	2 60	343.20	7 25	2,636 45
Assets Kealisation/Dealing												
Property Related Matters			09 0	243 60							09 0	243 60
Debt Callection			0 70	284 20							0 70	284 20
Dealing with other Assets	- 1	16,550.65	129.25	50,314.25							154.25	66,864 90
Sub total	72 00	16,550 65	130.55	50,842 05	0 <b>0</b> 0	00 0	00 0	00 0	00 0	00 0	155 55	67,392.70
Creditor Claims												
Non-Preferential Creditors			0.65	263.90							0 65	263 90
Sub total	00 0	00 0	9 0	263.90	00 0	00 0	00 0	00 0	00 0	00 0	0.65	263.90
Reporting												
Statutory Reporting			11 60	4,489 20				· !			11 60	4,489 20
Sub total	00 0	00 0	11 60	4,489 20	0.00	00 0	0.00	00 0	00 0	00 0	11 60	4,489 20
TOTAL	27.00	18,120.65	144.60	56,388.05	0 30	54 90	1 05	78 45	2.60	343.20	175 55	74,985 25
Average rate per hour (£)	671 14	7.	389 96	96	183 00	00	74 71		132 00	0	427.14	14