Registered number: 04546827

## THE MUSIC GROUP INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2008



## **COMPANY INFORMATION**

**DIRECTORS** 

N Morrill

A Jamieson B Slatter

**COMPANY SECRETARY** 

Auker Hutton Limited

**COMPANY NUMBER** 

04546827

REGISTERED OFFICE

The Stables

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# DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2008

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2008.

#### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of the company is to provide funding for the ongoing operations of The Music Group companies along with management of the company's loan investments.

#### **DIRECTORS**

The directors who served during the year were:

N Morrill A Jamieson B Slatter

#### **PROVISION OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS**

Each of the persons who are directors at the time when this Directors' report is approved has confirmed that:

- so far as that director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware, and
- that director has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a director in order to be aware of
  any information needed by the company's auditors in connection with preparing their report and to
  establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information.

#### **AUDITORS**

The auditors, Auker Hutton, will be proposed for reappointment in accordance with section 485 of the Companies Act 2006.

The report of the directors has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

This report was approved by the board on

28 July 2009

and signed on its behalf.

Director

# STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2008

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 United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). The financial statements are required by law to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments 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 proper accounting records that 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 1985. 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.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF THE MUSIC GROUP INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of The Music Group International Limited for the year ended 31 December 2008, set out on pages 5 to 11. These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein and the requirements of the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2007).

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. 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 Auditors' 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 AUDITORS

The directors' responsibilities for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) are set out in the Statement of directors' responsibilities.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland).

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you whether in our opinion the information given in the Directors' report is consistent with the financial statements.

In addition we report to you if, in our opinion, the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and other transactions is not disclosed.

We read the Directors' report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it.

#### **BASIS OF AUDIT OPINION**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgments made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

#### **OPINION**

In our opinion:

- the financial statements give a true and fair view, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice applicable to Smaller Entities, of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2008 and of its loss, for the year then ended;
- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985; and
- the information given in the Directors' report is consistent with the financial statements.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF THE MUSIC GROUP INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

AUKER HUTTON

**Chartered Accountants** 

The Stables
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Lamberhurst
Tunbridge Wells
Kent TN3 8AD

Date: 6 Augost 2009

## PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2008

	Note	2008 £	2007 £
Administrative expenses		(201,616)	(182,674)
OPERATING LOSS	2	(201,616)	(182,674)
EXCEPTIONAL ITEMS			
Other exceptional items	5	4,967,135	1,276,223
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE INTEREST		4,765,519	1,093,549
Amounts written off investment	6	(8,033,614)	-
Interest receivable		234,704	191,987
Interest payable	4	(883,280)	(746,609)
(LOSS)/PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		(3,916,671)	538,927
Tax on (loss)/profit on ordinary activities	7	-	-
(LOSS)/PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR	13	(3,916,671)	538,927

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these financial statements.

### BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2008

			2008		2007
	Note	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Fixed asset investments	8		1		1
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors: amounts falling due after more than one year	9	1,957,793		5,097,909	
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	9	4,126,440		2,702,298	
Cash at bank		121,617		679,947	
		6,205,850		8,480,154	
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	10	(5,122,432)		(4,262,013)	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			1,083,418	-	4,218,141
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITI	ES		1,083,419		4,218,142
CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more than one year	11		(3,910,980)		(3,129,032)
NET (LIABILITIES)/ASSETS			(2,827,561)		1,089,110
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capital	12		960,001		960,001
Profit and loss account	13		(3,787,562)		129,109
SHAREHOLDERS' (DEFICIT)/FUNDS			(2,827,561)		1,089,110

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 applicable to small companies, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2007).

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board and were signed on its behalf on

Director

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these financial statements.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2008

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### 1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2007).

The company is exempt from the requirement to prepare group accounts by virtue of section 248 of the Companies Act 1985. These financial statements therefore present information about the company as an individual undertaking and not about its group.

#### 1.2 Investments

Investments held as fixed assets are shown at cost less provision for impairment.

#### 1.3 Deferred taxation

Full provision is made for deferred tax assets and liabilities arising from all timing differences between the recognition of gains and losses in the financial statements and recognition in the tax computation.

A net deferred tax asset is recognised only if 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.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are calculated at the tax rates expected to be effective at the time the timing differences are expected to reverse.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are not discounted.

#### 1.4 Foreign currencies

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date.

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate ruling on the date of the transaction.

Exchange gains and losses are recognised in the Profit and loss account.

#### 2. OPERATING LOSS

The operating loss is stated after charging:

	2008	2007
	£	£
Auditors' remuneration	3,000	10,000
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#### 3. STAFF COSTS

The company had no employees during the year.

Consulting fees totalling £185,785 (2007 : £138,787) were paid to an entity controlled by a director.

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2008

## 4. INTEREST PAYABLE

7.	MILICUITAIADEL		
		2008 £	2007 £
	Loan notes Amortisation of finance costs	849,961 33,319	708,578 38,031
		883,280	746,609
5.	EXCEPTIONAL ITEMS		
		2008 £	2007 £
	Unrealised exchange gains on loans to third parties Other exceptional items	4,914,973 52,162	1,276,223
		4,967,135	1,276,223
6.	AMOUNTS WRITTEN OFF INVESTMENT		
		2008 £	2007 £
	Write down of unrealisable amounts owed by Schreiber & Keilwerth Musikinstrumente GmbH	(8,033,614)	-

#### 7. TAXATION

A deferred tax asset of £376,606 (2007 : £381,826) has not been recognised in respect of the tax losses of the company, as it is not anticipated that there will be suitable taxable profits in the immediate future.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2008

## 8. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

		Shares in group
		undertakings £
Cost or valuation		-
At 1 January 2008 and 31 December 2008		1
Subsidiary undertakings		
The following were subsidiary undertakings of the co	mpany:	
Name	Class of shares	Holding
The Music Group Holdings Limited The aggregate of the share capital and reserves as a year ended on that date for the subsidiary undertakin	Ordinary at 31 December 2008 and of the pro gs were as follows:	100%
Name	Aggregate of share capital and reserves	Profit/(loss)
	£	£
The Music Group Holdings Limited	26,600	27,652
9. DEBTORS		
	2008	2007
Due often mens then are used	£	£
Due after more than one year	520.005	600.455
Amounts owed by group undertakings: Loans Amounts owed by Schreiber & Keilwerth Musikinstru	538,605 mente	620,155
GmbH: Loans	1,419,188	4,477,754
	1,957,793	5,097,909
	2008	2007
Duo within one year	£	£
Due within one year  Amounts owed by Schreiber & Keilwerth Musikinstru  Amounts owed by Mawlaw 673 Limited (formerly Bes		2,559,906
Instruments Limited)	293,994	88,411
VAT repayable	151,337	51,356
Prepayments	2,018	2,625
	4,126,440	2,702,298

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2008

1	0.	CREDIT	ORS:
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Amounts falling due within one year

			2008 £	2007 £
	Trade creditors Accruals		1,762 46,715	- 38,021
	Other creditors		5,073,955	4,223,992
			5,122,432	4,262,013
11.	CREDITORS: Amounts falling due after more than one	year		
			2008 £	2007 £
	Loan notes - unsecured Amounts owed to group undertakings Other loans - unsecured	1-2 years	3,137,027 23,953 750,000	3,103,708 25,324 -
			3,910,980	3,129,032

The unsecured loan notes are repayable on 31 December 2010. Interest is charged at 15% per annum in total, 10% per annum is payable in arrears on 28 February each year. The remainder is due on redemption of the loan notes and is equal to the amount required to give a total internal rate of 15%.

Other loans includes an unsecured, on demand loan provided by Rutland Fund A. Interest is accruing at 2% per annum above the HBOS base rate.

#### 12. SHARE CAPITAL

	2008 £	2007 £
Authorised 1,000,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	1,000,000	1,000,000
Allotted, called up and fully paid 960,001 Ordinary shares of £1 each	960,001	960,001

### 13. RESERVES

	Profit and loss account £
At 1 January 2008 Loss for the year	129,109 (3,916,671)
At 31 December 2008	(3,787,562)

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#### 14. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

	Transaction value				Balance receivab	'' ·
	2008	2007	2008	2007		
Loan Balances	£	£	£	Ł		
The Music Group Limited	(81,550)	606,785	538,605	620,155		
The Music Group Holdings Limited	1,371	(25,324)	(23,953)	(25,32 <u>4)</u>		

The loans to other UK companies are non-interest bearing.

Other material related party transactions are as follows:

Related Party	Transaction Type	Transaction value		Balance receiva at 31 De	
		2008	2007	2008	2007
		£	£	£	£
Rutland Fund I	Unsecured loan notes	(750,000)	(18,250)	(3,956,750)	(3,206,750)
	Interest on loan notes	(849,961)	(708,578)	(5,073,953)	(4,223,992)
Schreiber &	Loan balances (net of	•			
Keilwerth	provisions)	(3,058,568)	-	1,419,187	4,477,755
	Interest receivable	1,075,112	362,864	3,610,018	2,534,906
	Management charges	44,073	25,00 <u>0</u>	69,073	25,000

## 15. ULTIMATE PARENT UNDERTAKING AND CONTROLLING PARTY

The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of The Music Group Limited, registered in England and Wales.

The results of the company are only of itself and not of its group.