FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended

31 March 2008

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DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

DIRECTORS

R L Brooks

M L Cauter

IC Johnson

P R Langsdale

DP Loosley

Rear Admiral I Moncrieff

DEP Palmer

M S Robinson

S Rogers

Captain R G Stewart RN

H Walters

B E Wootton

SECRETARY

M L Cauter

COMPANY NUMBER

04561727 (England and Wales)

REGISTERED OFFICE

The United Kingdom Hydrographic Office

Admiralty Way

Taunton

Somerset

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AUDITOR

Baker Tilly UK Audit LLP

The Clock House

140 London Road

Guildford

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GU1 1UW

DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors present their report and financial statements of Admiralty Holdings Limited for the year ended 31 March

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The company has been set up as a vehicle to enter into joint ventures and other similar arrangements on behalf of The United Kingdom Hydrographic Office.

DIRECTORS

The following directors have held office since 1 April 2007:

R L Brooks

M L Cauter

M A Hollin

J E Humphrey

I C Johnson

T C Johnson

PR Langsdale

DP Loosley

Rear Admiral I Moncrieff

DEP Palmer

MS Robinson

S Rogers

Captain R G Stewart RN

Captain I Turner OBE RN

H Walters B E Wootton (Appointed 12 November 2007)

(Appointed 10 July 2007)

(Appointed 16 August 2007 and resigned 6 September 2007)

(Appointed 24 July 2007 and resigned 2 May 2008)

(Appointed 1 July 2008)

(Resigned 11 July 2007)

(Appointed 11 July 2007)

(Appointed 24 July 2007)

(Appointed 1 September 2007)

(Resigned 31 July 2007)

(Appointed 24 April 2008)

AUDITOR

Baker Tilly UK Audit LLP has indicated its willingness to continue in office.

STATEMENT AS TO DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO THE AUDITOR

The directors at the date of approval of this directors' report confirm that so far as each of them is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditor is unaware, and all the directors have taken all steps that they ought to have taken as a director to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditor is aware of that information.

This report 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 directors on 25... A December 2008, and is signed on their behalf by

25th November 2008

DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE PREPARATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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 the 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 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 those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- b. make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- c. 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 which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable the directors to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. The directors 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 AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF ADMIRALTY HOLDINGS LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 13.

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 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 the auditor

The directors' responsibilities for preparing the Annual Report and 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 & 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 & 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 judgements 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 of the state of the company's affairs at 31 March 2008 and of its loss for the year then ended and 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.

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Baker Tilly Who Audit LLP

Registered Auditor The Clock House 140 London Road Guildford Surrey GUI 1UW

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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT for the year ended 31 March 2008

	Notes	2008 £	2007 £
Other operating expenses (net)	1	(96,510)	589,599
OPERATING (LOSS)/PROFIT		(96,510)	589,599
Investment income	2	49,026	76,150
Amounts written off investments	3	(6,844)	(1,927,607)
Interest payable	4	(259,191)	(299,901)
LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	5	(313,519)	(1,561,759)
Taxation	6	-	-
LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION	12	(313,519)	(1,561,759)

The operating (loss)/profit for the year arises from the company's continuing operations.

No separate Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses has been presented as all such gains and losses have been dealt with in the Profit and Loss Account.

BALANCE SHEET

31 March 2008

	Notes	2008 £	2007 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Investments .	7	5,122,351	5,246,214
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	8	101,718	66,854
Cash at bank and in hand		185,852	33,724
		287,570	100,578
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	9	(94,360)	(2,634)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		193,210	97,944
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		5,315,561	5,344,158
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due after more than one year	10	(3,787,625)	(3,528,434)
NET ASSETS		1,527,936	1,815,724
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital	11	5,210,048	5,184,317
Profit and loss account	12	(3,682,112)	(3,368,593)
EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	13	1,527,936	1,815,724

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

The financial statements on pages 5 to 13 were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 25.1. 2008, and are signed on their behalf by

M S Robinson

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Admiralty Holdings Limited ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accounting Practice.

The company is exempt by virtue of Section 228A of the Companies Act 1985 from the requirement to prepare group financial statements. These financial statements present information about the company as an individual undertaking and not about its group. The company does not produce consolidated financial statements as these are produced by its ultimate parent undertaking, The United Kingdom Hydrographic Office.

GOING CONCERN

The company is dependent upon its parent undertaking, The United Kingdom Hydrographic Office, for on going financial support. In the opinion of the directors this support will continue to be provided for a period of at least twelve months following the adoption of these financial statements and in view of this the directors consider that the company will continue to meet all of its financial obligations as they fall due.

INVESTMENTS

Fixed asset investments are stated at cost less provision for diminution in value.

DEFERRED TAXATION

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated, but not reversed at the balance sheet 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 balance sheet date. Timing differences are differences between the company's taxable profits and its results as stated in the financial statements.

Deferred tax is measured at the average tax rates that are expected to apply in the periods in which timing differences are expected to reverse, based on tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantially enacted by the balance sheet date. Deferred tax is measured on a non-discounted basis.

FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSLATION

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into Sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate ruling at the date of the transaction. All differences are taken to profit and loss account.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 31 March 2008

1.	OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES	2008 £	2007 £
	Administrative expenses Other operating income	96,510 -	(574,599) (15,000)
		96,510	(589,599)
	In the previous year, the company benefited from the reversal by The United Kingd management charge invoices levied in earlier years.	om Hydrograp	phic Office of
2.	INVESTMENT INCOME	2008 £	2007 £
	Interest from subsidiary undertakings Interest from participating interests Bank interest	34,865 6,844 7,317 ————————————————————————————————————	28,226 44,233 3,691 76,150
3.	AMOUNTS WRITTEN OFF INVESTMENTS	2008 £	2007 £
	Amounts written off in respect of fixed asset investments: Diminution in value Interest receivable from participating interests	6,844 ————————	1,803,537 124,070
4.	INTEREST PAYABLE	2008 £	2007 £
	On amounts due to The United Kingdom Hydrographic Office	259,191	299,901
5.	LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION Loss on ordinary activities before taxation is stated	2008 £	2007 £
	after charging/(crediting): (Profit)/loss on foreign exchange transactions Auditor's remuneration	(406) 5,750	32,888

In the current and previous year, the company incurred no staff costs directly, and in the previous year, the company paid no auditor's remuneration directly. All such costs were incurred and paid for on behalf of the company by The United Kingdom Hydrographic Office.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

for the year ended 31 March 2008

6.	TAXATION	2008 £	2007 £
	Domestic current year tax:	2	~
	Current tax charge	-	-
	Factors affecting the tax charge for the year:		
	Loss on ordinary activities before taxation	(313,519)	(1,561,759)
	Loss on ordinary activities before taxation multiplied by standard rate of UK		
	corporation tax of 20.00% (2007: 19.00%)	(62,704)	(296,734)
	Effects of:		
	Non deductible expenses/(non chargeable income)	15,095	(39,587)
	Movement in unrecognised deferred tax asset arising in respect of tax losses	47,609	336,321
		62,704	296,734
	Current tax charge		
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The company has estimated losses of £3,199,359 (2007: £2,961,316) available for carry forward against future trading profits.

The company has a deferred tax asset in respect of tax losses available to carry forward to be off set against future taxable profits. This deferred tax asset has not been recognised on the grounds of uncertainty with regard to recoverability. At the balance sheet date, and on the basis of a tax rate of 20% (2007: 19%), this deferred tax asset amounted to £639,872 (2007: £562,650).

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

for the year ended 31 March 2008

FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS Shares in Shares in Loans to Loans to participating participating group group undertakings undertakings Total interests interests £ £ £ £ £ Cost: 1 April 2007 5,096,214 7,149,251 29,088 1,637,622 386,327 Additions 26,137 26,137 (29,088)(1,666,710)Disposals (1,637,622)31 March 2008 5,122,351 386,327 5,508,678 Provisions for diminution in value: 1,516,710 386,327 1,903,037 1 April 2007 Disposals (1,516,710)(1,516,710)31 March 2008 386,327 386,327 Net book value: 31 March 2008 5,122,351 5,122,351 29,088 120,912 5,246,214 31 March 2007 5,096,214

In the opinion of the directors the aggregate value of the company's investment in participating interests and group undertakings is not less than the amount included in the balance sheet.

Holdings of more than 20%

The company holds more than 20% of the share capital of the following companies:

Company	Country of registration or incorporation	Shares held	
		Class	%
Subsidiary undertakings:			
Admiralty Limited	England	Ordinary	100
Admiralty Charts Limited	England	Ordinary	100
Admiralty Consultancy Limited	England	Ordinary	100
Admiralty Digital Limited	England	Ordinary	100
Admiralty Marine Limited	England	Ordinary	100
Admiralty Overseas Limited	England	Ordinary	100
Admiralty Sea Law Limited	England	Ordinary	100
Admiralty Services Limited	England	Ordinary	100
Admiralty Ventures Limited	England	Ordinary	100
SeaZone Solutions Limited	England	Ordinary	100
Admiralty Deutschland GmbH	Germany	Free capital	100
Seven Cs GmbH	Germany	Free capital	100
ChartWorld GmbH	Germany	Free capital	100

The aggregate amount of capital and reserves and the results of these undertakings for the last relevant financial year were as follows:

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

for the year ended 31 March 2008

	Capital and reserves £	Profit/(loss) for the year £
Admiralty Limited	1	-
Admiralty Charts Limited	1	-
Admiralty Consultancy Limited	1	-
Admiralty Digital Limited	1	-
Admiralty Marine Limited	1	-
Admiralty Overseas Limited	1	-
Admiralty Sea Law Limited	1	-
Admiralty Services Limited	1	-
Admiralty Ventures Limited	1	-
SeaZone Solutions Limited	(410,218)	63,472
Admiralty Deutschland GmbH	6,113,714	44,068
Seven Cs GmbH	1,040,880	90,701
ChartWorld GmbH	86,218	119,024

The company's has nine non-trading subsidiary undertakings, which were acquired upon incorporation.

During the year, the company has continued to support SeaZone Solutions Limited by providing loan finance, which is unsecured and bears interest at a rate of 9% per annum. Interest receivable of £34,865 (2007: £28,226) has been recognised in the profit and loss account for the year, and £84,093 (2007: £49,229) is included in debtors at the balance sheet date.

Following the acquisition in November 2005 of all of the equity of two German corporate partnerships, Seven Cs GmbH & Co KG and ChartWorld GmbH & Co KG through a specially set up German company called Admiralty Deutschland GmbH, during the year the company has continued to manage the restructuring of the German group and has incurred further acquisition costs of £26,137 (2007: £384,316). At 31 March 2008, the German group comprised Admiralty Deutschland GmbH, Seven Cs GmbH and ChartWorld GmbH. The accounting reference date for all of the entities in the German group is 31 December of each year, but the information disclosed above has been extracted from specially prepared and audited sets of accounts for the year ended 31 March 2008. During the previous year, management charges of £15,000 plus Value Added Tax were invoiced by the company to Admiralty Deutschland GmbH.

With effect from 31 May 2007, the company recognised the disposal of its 49% restricted equity interest in Admiralty Coastal Surveys AB, its former Swedish joint venture. The disposal proceeds were £150,000, which after releasing provisions for diminution in value recognised as at 31 March 2007 resulted in a no gain no loss position in these financial statements. For the final two months of its ownership of Admiralty Coastal Surveys AB, the company continued to support the joint venture by providing loan finance, which was unsecured and bore interest at a rate of 6% per annum. Interest receivable of £6,844 (2007: £44,233) was recognised as income for the year, but being irrecoverable upon disposal was then written-off.

8.	DEBTORS	2008	2007
		£	£
	Due within one year:		
	Amounts owed by subsidiary undertakings	101,718	66,854

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

for the year ended 31 March 2008

9.	CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	2008 £	2007 £
	Amounts owed to group undertakings Taxes and social security costs Other creditors	9 - 94,351	9 2,625 -
		94,360	2,634
10.	CREDITORS: Amounts falling due in more than one year	2008 £	2007 £
	Amounts due to The United Kingdom Hydrographic Office	3,787,625	3,528,434

Amounts due to The United Kingdom Hydrographic Office are loans provided to the company to enable it to invest in subsidiary undertakings and other participating interests, and also to cover the costs of its operating activities. These loans have repayment terms that are linked to the performance of the company's fixed asset investments, they are unsecured, and bear interest at a rate of 9% per annum. The total amount of interest due on these loans for the year was £259,191 (2007: £299,901), which at the balance sheet date was recognised as an expense in the profit and loss account, and was added to the balance of amounts due to The United Kingdom Hydrographic Office.

11.	SHARE CAPITAL	2008 £	2007 £
	Authorised: 10,000,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	10,000,000	10,000,000
	Allotted, issued and fully paid: 5,210,048 Ordinary shares of £1 each	5,210,048	5,184,317

With effect from 31 July 2007, an additional 25,731 ordinary shares of £1 each were issued at par, and paid for by way of a cash payment by The United Kingdom Hydrographic Office on behalf of the Secretary of State for Defence.

12. STATEMENT OF MOVEMENT ON RESERVES

	Profit and loss
	account
	£
1 April 2007	(3,368,593)
Retained loss for the year	(313,519)
31 March 2008	(3,682,112)
	

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

for the year ended 31 March 2008

13.	RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	2008 £	2007 £
	Loss for the financial year Proceeds from issue of shares	(313,519) 25,731	(1,561,759) 384,316
	Net depletion in shareholders' funds Opening equity shareholders' funds	(287,788) 1,815,724	(1,177,443) 2,993,167
	Closing equity shareholders' funds	1,527,936	1,815,724

14. CONTROL

The whole of the ordinary share capital in issue is owned in the name of the office of the Secretary of State for Defence. The Secretary of State for Defence has delegated authority over this share capital to the Accounting Officer and Chief Executive of The United Kingdom Hydrographic Office. The United Kingdom Hydrographic Office is a trading fund within the Ministry of Defence established under the Government Trading Funds Act 1973 in the United Kingdom. The directors consider the ultimate controlling party to be The United Kingdom Hydrographic Office.

In view of the fact that The United Kingdom Hydrographic Office is reported as a part of the Ministry of Defence, which in turn is a part of the whole of government in the United Kingdom, the largest group of undertakings of which the company is a member, and for which group accounts are drawn up is the whole of government accounts for the United Kingdom. The smallest group of undertakings of which the company is a member, and for which group accounts are drawn up is at the level of The United Kingdom Hydrographic Office. Copies of the group accounts can be obtained on application to the directors at the company's registered office address.

15. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The company has continued to operate various loan accounts with The United Kingdom Hydrographic Office. Interest charged is detailed in note 10 to these financial statements.

Upon the incorporation of each of its nine non-trading subsidiary undertakings, one £1 ordinary share was issued at par to Admiralty Holdings Limited. At the balance sheet date, £1 was due from Admiralty Holdings Limited to each of its nine non-trading subsidiary undertakings.