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**UK FRIENDS OF THE ABRAHAM FUND INITIATIVES  
(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)**

**REPORTS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015**

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**LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015**

**Directors (Trustees)**

Alex Brummer  
Amnon Beeri-Sulitzeanu  
Neil Blair  
Thabet Abu Rass  
Robert John  
Laurie Kaye  
Elizabeth Harris-Sawczenko  
Robert Niven  
Laurie Scher  
Alice Wood  
Paul Usiskin  
Ben Shimshon  
Sarah Sackman

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**UK FRIENDS OF THE ABRAHAM FUND INITIATIVES**  
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**DIRECTORS' (TRUSTEES') REPORT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015**

The directors (trustees) present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2015.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, applicable law and the requirements of the "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (SORP 2005) issued in May 2008.

**Status**

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and was incorporated on 21 November 2006 and registered as a charity on 8 June 2007.

The charity operates from 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, 33 Cavendish St, London W1G 0PW.

The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association.

**Directors (Trustees)**

The directors who served during the year were:

Amit Aggawal (Resigned 20 October 2015)  
Alex Brummer (Appointed 20 October 2015)  
Amnon Beeri-Sulitzeanu  
Neil Blair  
Thabet Abu Rass  
Hemda Garelick (Resigned 20 October 2015)  
Robert John  
Laurie Kaye  
Elizabeth Harris-Sawczenko  
Robert Niven  
Michael Reik (Resigned 20 October 2015)  
Laurie Scher  
Alice Wood  
Paul Usiskin  
Ben Shimshon (Appointed 5 May 2015)  
Sarah Sackman (Appointed 20 October 2015)

**Aims and organisation**

The UK Friends of The Abraham Fund Initiatives ("TAFI UK") has been set up to support the work of the Abraham Fund Initiatives in Israel ("TAFI"). TAFI UK views coexistence as the ability of people of different backgrounds and beliefs to live side-by-side in mutual respect. Coexistence is not assimilation; rather, its objective is to enable individuals and communities to live in a joint and shared society, while maintaining their own unique cultural identities. TAFI UK sees civic equality for Israel's Arab and Jewish citizens as a moral and pragmatic imperative, whereby individual rights and the political, cultural and religious character of the Arab minority must be clearly and unambiguously recognised and respected.

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### **DIRECTORS' (TRUSTEES') REPORT (CONTINUED)**

### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015**

TAFI works to advance social transformation and policy change built on the values of coexistence, equality and cooperation by: Initiating and operating large-scale coexistence ventures and initiatives; Providing leadership, training and research to the coexistence field; Conducting public education, advocacy, training and consultation to government ministries and officials; Investing in strategic partnerships that promote the vision of shared citizenship. A pioneer in this work, TAFI serves as a central resource for coexistence professionals in Israel and worldwide.

TAFI's unique position in the field of Jewish-Arab relations is reflected through its ability to bring about change through governmental bodies and at the same time, work hand-in-hand with civil society organizations. As a reputable and professional issue leader, TAFI forges partnerships, joint ventures and funding relationships which leverage its resources and impact. Such partnerships have been built in the public sector (with government ministries and authorities, the police, municipalities and local councils) and with leading Jewish-Arab NGO's, foundations, Jewish Federations, friends and supporters from around the world, policy and advocacy organizations and service providers in the field.

TAFI UK promotes its vision and mission to enhance co-existence and equality among Arabs and Jews in Israel by focusing on the following three strategic goals in the UK:

- *Fundraising* – raise funds for TAFI to enable it to promote its programs and initiatives, as well as for TAFI UK local operations.
- *Advancement of education and raising of awareness* – promotion of better knowledge, education and awareness in the UK to issues concerning coexistence and equality of Jews and Arabs in Israel.
- *Creating synergy between Israel and the UK* –TAFI UK will foster cooperation aimed at advancing coexistence and equality, as well as synergy between Israeli bodies, individuals, initiatives and programmes with respective agencies and institutions in the UK. Cooperation will enable the transfer of knowledge, capacities and information as well as formulation and implementation of joint initiatives.

TAFI UK's directors (referred to as "Trustees" in UK charity law) are responsible for the management and direction of TAFI UK. The Board of Directors currently comprises 13 members, including Chairperson and Treasurer.

#### **Review of progress and achievements**

##### **Development Work**

Global online crowd funding campaign, postal fundraising appeal and successful participation in Big Give campaign. Partnership appeal with Alyth Synagogue.

The majority of income came from the charity's existing major donors, as well as some new ones, together with successful applications to relevant charitable trusts.

##### **Communications work**

We maintained our communications work with our supporters, including a regular e-newsletter and Website updates.

##### **Organisational Development**

There were a number of resignations and appointments to refresh and strengthen the board. The Chair, Laurie Kaye, stepped down in October 2015 and Alex Brummer, City Editor of the Daily Mail, was appointed in his place. Laurie will continue as a board member. Other appointments include Ben Shimshon, founding partner at Britain Thinks, who brings considerable communications skills to the board, and Sarah Sackman, a barrister in public planning and environmental law, who brings legal expertise as well as strong community connections.

We maintained our close relationship with the UK Task Force on Issues Facing Israel's Arab citizens as a way of raising awareness of the importance of our work within the constituent members of the Task Force. We also continue to develop strong links with other like-minded organisations.

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**UK Events**

A number of meetings or other events took place during the year at which speakers from the Abraham Fund Israel spoke about our work. These included an event at J. P. Morgan with Jewish and Muslim colleagues.

**Young TAFI**

Our Young TAFI-UK Committee was formed in 2008, with the aim of raising awareness of the issues of equality and coexistence in the 18-30 age group. It continues with its work amongst this important constituency.

**Financial**

In a challenging environment TAFI UK raised £155,631 in 2015, compared to £83,756 in 2014.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice, "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (SORP 2005) issued in May 2008 and in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

On behalf of the board



Director (Trustee)

Dated: 1/08/2016

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**STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015**

Company law requires the directors (trustees) to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the charitable company's state of affairs at the end of the year and of its income and expenditure for that period.

In preparing those accounts, the directors (trustees) are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors (trustees) are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to enable them to ensure that the accounts 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.

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES ON THE**

**UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS OF UK FRIENDS OF THE ABRAHAM FUND INITIATIVES**

I report on the accounts of the trust for the year ended 31 December 2015, which are set out on pages 6 to 8.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 145(1) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 145 of the 2011 Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145 (5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

**Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

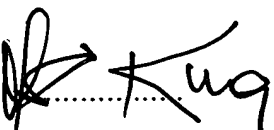
- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act;

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**Michael King FCA**  
6 Western Avenue  
London NW11 9HH

Signed .....

  
8.9.16.

Dated .....



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**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**  
**YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2015 £	Total 2014 £
<b>Income</b>				
Donations and events	48,636	106,995	155,631	83,756
Bank interest	58	-	58	40
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<b>48,694</b>	<b>106,995</b>	<b>155,689</b>	<b>83,796</b>
<b>Deduct donations made</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>49,000</b>	<b>49,000</b>	<b>67,053</b>
	<b>48,694</b>	<b>57,995</b>	<b>106,689</b>	<b>16,743</b>
<b>Deduct Overheads</b>				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Subscriptions	1,000	-	1,000	1,000
Events	-	-	-	2,321
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Travel	-	-	-	751
Fundraising costs	12,610	-	12,610	15,880
Miscellaneous	467	-	467	116
	<b>14,077</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>14,077</b>	<b>20,068</b>
<b>Net movement in funds for year</b>	<b>34,617</b>	<b>57,995</b>	<b>92,612</b>	<b>24,591</b>
Accumulated funds brought forward at 1 January 2015	26,282	-	26,282	5,016
<b>Accumulated funds carried forward at 31 December 2015</b>	<b><u>£60,899</u></b>	<b><u>£57,995</u></b>	<b><u>£118,894</u></b>	<b><u>£29,607</u></b>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses in the year and therefore a statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been prepared.

All of the above amounts relate to continuing activities.

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**BALANCE SHEET**  
**AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2015**

	2015 £	2014 £
<b>Current assets</b>		
Cash at bank	28,894	56,282
Donations receivable	<u>90,000</u>	<u>35,000</u>
	118,894	91,282
<b>Deduct Current liabilities</b>		
Donation payable	-	65,000
	<u>-</u>	<u>65,000</u>
<b>Net current assets</b>	<b><u>£118,894</u></b>	<b><u>£26,282</u></b>
<b>Represented by:-</b>		
<b>Accumulated funds</b>		
Unrestricted funds	60,899	26,282
Restricted funds	<u>57,995</u>	<u>-</u>
	<b><u>£118,894</u></b>	<b><u>£26,282</u></b>

For the year ending 31 December 2015 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies. The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibility for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and for the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The accounts were approved by the Board on 1/08 2016

Signed

Alex Brummer

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**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015**

**1 Accounting policies**

**1.1 Basis of preparation**

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

**1.2 Compliance with SORP and legislation**

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008), the Companies Act 2011 and the requirements of the "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (SORP 2005) issued in May 2008. Where necessary the headings laid down in the Act have been adapted to meet the special activities of the Charity. The Charity qualifies as a small company under the Act and the trustees have elected to take advantage of the exemption under FRS 1 not to prepare a cash flow statement.

**1.3 Incoming resources**

Incoming resources represent the donations received from the public.

**1.4 Resources expended**

Resources expended are recognised in the year in which they are incurred.

**1.5 Fund Accounting - Unrestricted funds**

**(a) Unrestricted funds**

Unrestricted funds are donations receivable or generated for the objects of the charity without further specified purpose. These are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the directors (trustees).

**(b) Restricted funds**

Restricted funds are funds which have been given for particular purposes and projects as laid down by the donors. The restricted fund must be used wholly by The Abraham Fund Initiatives in Israel.

**1.6 Legal status of the charity**

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and has no share capital. The liability of each member in the event of winding up is limited to less than £1.