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# ABC (IT) Services Limited

Report and Accounts

31 December 2009

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Registered No 02314463

# Directors

S F Al Waary N S Barbar

# Secretary

M F Povey

# **Auditors**

Ernst & Young LLP '
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#### **Bankers**

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# Registered Office

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# Statement of directors' responsibilities in respect of the financial statements

The directors present their report and financial statements for ABC (IT) Services Limited ("the Company") for the year ended 31 December 2009

#### Principal activity and business review

During the year the Company's main activity was to support the ABC group for information technology requirements and system projects. Financing of service support costs is provided for within the ABC Group.

By way of a written resolution dated 26 November 2009 the Company resolved that its share capital be reduced by cancelling and extinguishing 236,794 ordinary shares of £10 each and registered at Companies House The said reduction was effective from 10 December 2009

The directors do not rely on key performance indicators to monitor the business. The business is managed by monitoring the business' performance against budget, which is performed on a monthly basis.

In assessing whether the going concern assumption remains appropriate for the company, the Directors have considered,

- the underlying purpose of the entity, in providing support functions to the ABC Group,
- the sources of funding available to the company and
- its obligations forecast to fall due within 12 months of signing the financial statements

Based on these factors the Directors have ascertained that the Company will continue as a going concern for a period of at least 12 months from the date of signing the accounts. As such it remains appropriate to prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis

It is the Company's policy to pay suppliers in accordance with the terms and conditions agreed with them

#### Results and dividends

The results of the Company for the year are set out in the profit and loss account on page 6 The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend (2008 - £Nil)

#### Directors and their interests

The directors who served during the year were S F Al Waary and N S Barbar They did not have any interest in the shares of the Company during the year

#### Disclosure of information to the auditors

So far as each person who was a director at the date of approving this report is aware, there is no relevant audit information, being information needed by the auditor in connection with preparing its report, of which the auditor is unaware. Having made enquiries of fellow directors and the group's auditor, each director has taken all the steps that he is obliged to take as a director in order to made himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditor is aware of that information

#### **Auditors**

In accordance with Section 487 (2) of the Companies Act 2006, a resolution to reappoint Ernst & Young LLP as the Company's auditor will be put to the forthcoming Annual General Meeting

By order of the board

Michael Povey

Company Secretary

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# Statement of directors' responsibilities in respect of the financial statements

The directors are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable laws 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). 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 profit or loss for that period. In preparing those 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,
- state whether applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements, and
- 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 are sufficient to show and explain the Company's transactions and disclose 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.

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF ABC (IT) SERVICES LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of ABC (IT) Services Limited for the year ended 31 December 2009 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet and the related notes 1 to 19 The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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

## Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement set out on page 3, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's (APB's) Ethical Standards for Auditors.

## Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed, the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors, and the overall presentation of the financial statements

## Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2009 and of its profit for the year then ended,
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006



# Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements

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

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you 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

Peter Wallace (Senior statutory auditor)

Ent & Young LLP

for and on behalf of Ernst & Young LLP, Statutory Auditor

London

**L**September 2010

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# Profit and loss account

for the year ended 31 December 2009

		2009	2008
	Notes	£	£
Turnover	3	892 693	862 395
Administrative expenses		(753,819)	(787,688)
Other operating (expense)/income	4	(11,197)	14,434
Operating profit	5	127,677	89,141
Interest receivable			
From ABC Group undertakings		12,211	35,468
Other interest receivable		873	1,222
Interest payable			
Other interest payable		(11)	-
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		140,750	125,831
Taxation	8	(3,732)	852
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation		137,018	126,683
Accumulated profit/(deficit) brought forward	14	207,995	(2,286,628)
Accumulated profit/(deficit) carried forward		345,013	(2,159,945)

# Recognised gains and losses

A statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been included as there were no recognised gains or losses for the current or previous financial year other than those already dealt with in the profit and loss account

The results for the years ended 31st December 2009 and 31st December 2008 are derived from continuing operations

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# **Balance** sheet

at 31 December 2009

at 31 December 2009		2000	2000
	Notes	2009 £	2008 £
Non current assets	0	442	1,024
Tangible assets Deferred tax asset	9 11	15,454	1,024
		15,896	20,210
Current assets		72 520	7.150
Cash at bank and in hand Debtors	10	73,538 928,758	7,150 849,899
		1,002,296	857,049
Creditors amounts falling due within one year	12	(673,169)	(669,254)
Net current assets		329,127	187,795
Total assets less current liabilities		345,023	208,005
Net assets		345,023	208,005
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	13	10	2 367,950
Profit and loss account	14	345,013	(2,159,945)
Equity shareholders' funds	15	345,023	208,005

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at 31 December 2009

# 1. Basis of preparation

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards. The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those used in the previous financial year.

The accounts have been prepared on the going concern basis as the ultimate parent company, Arab Banking Corporation (B S C ), has undertaken to provide the necessary finance to enable the company to meet its obligations as they fall due

#### 2. Accounting policies

#### Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value based on prices prevailing at the date of acquisition, of each asset evenly over the expected useful life as follows

Office equipment - 3 years
Furniture and fittings - 5 years

#### Foreign currencies

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the exchange rate ruling at the balance sheet date. Exchange gains or losses are taken to the profit and loss account

#### **Debtors**

Debtors, which generally have 30 to 90 day terms, are recognised and carried at the lower of their original invoiced value and recoverable amount. Where the time value of money is material, debtors are carried at amortised cost. Provision is made when there is objective evidence that the Company will not be able to recover balances in full. Balances are written off when the probability of recovery is assessed as being remote.

#### **Deferred** taxation

Deferred taxation is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date where transactions or events have occurred at that date that will result in an obligation to pay more, or right to pay less tax, with the following exception

Deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that the directors consider that it is 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 is measured on an undiscounted basis at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the periods in which timing differences reverse, based on tax rates and laws enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date

#### Creditors

Accruals are recognised when the Company has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, and it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation

#### Pension benefits

The Company participates in a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions are charged to the profit and loss account as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme.

Depreciation of tangible fixed assets

Auditors' remuneration

Audit services Non-audit services

Staff costs - (note 6) Hire of plant and machinery

Land and buildings

Other operating lease expense

at 31 December 2009

#### **Operating lease commitments**

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease

#### Cash flow statement

The Company has taken advantage of the exemption in paragraph 5(a) of Financial Reporting Standard I (Revised 1996) from producing a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is a wholly owned subsidiary undertaking which is included in publicly available consolidated financial statements prepared by its parent undertaking

#### 3. Turnover

Turnover of £583,275 (2008 £562,977) was levied outside the United Kingdom Turnover relates to one continuing activity, to support the ABC group for information technology requirements and system projects, and is stated net of VAT

	projects, and is stated net of VAT		
		2009	2008
		£	£
	United Kingdom	200 410	200 410
	ABC Group undertakings Overseas	309,418	299,418
	ABC Group undertakings	583,275	562,977
		892,693	862,395
4.	Other operating (expense)/income	2009	2008
		£	£
	Foreign exchange (loss)/profit Miscellaneous (expense)/income	(912) (10,285)	14,179 255
	Wiscenaneous (expense)/monie	(10,263)	
		(11,197)	14,434
5.	Operating profit		
	Operating profit is stated after charging		
		2009	2008
		£	£

3,041

4,992

6,100

2,311

43,750

643,052

582

4,018

9,600

2,504

54,075

590,287

at 31 December 2009

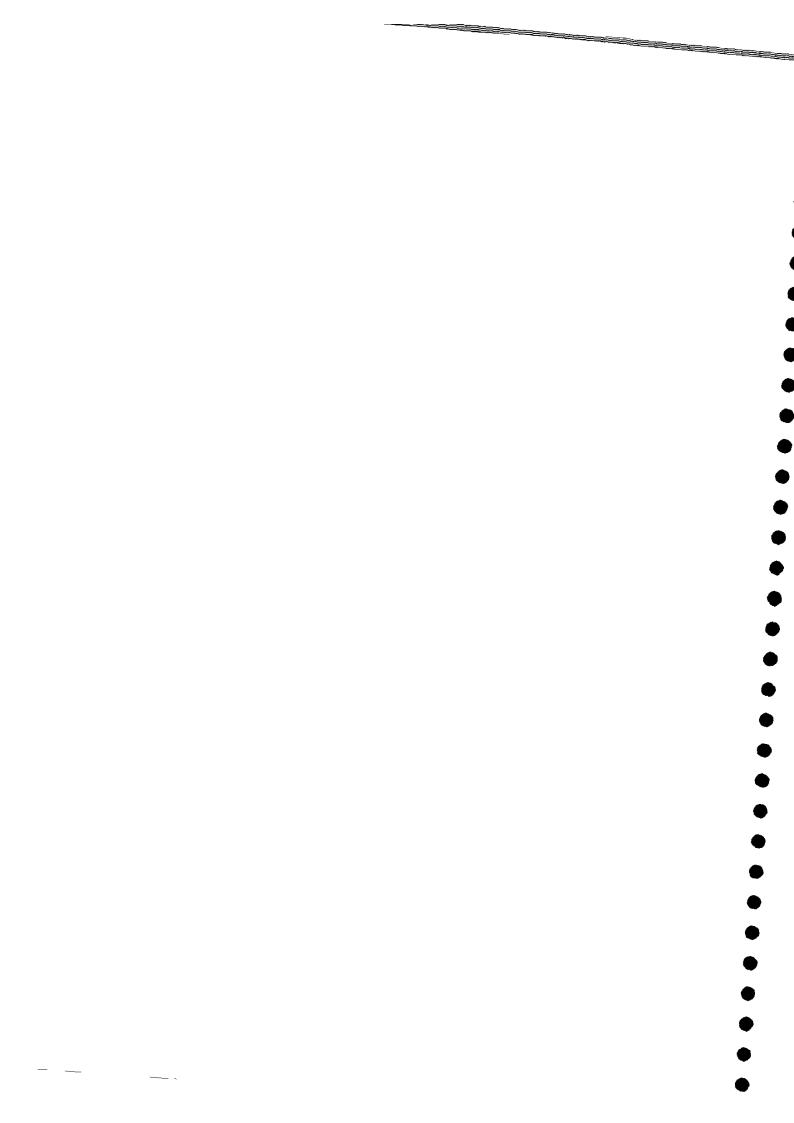
6.	Staff costs  (a) The average number of persons employed by the Company (excluding Danalysed below	urectors) during	the year is
	analysed sciew	2009 No	2008 No
	Systems Administration	5 1	4
		6	5
	(b) Employment costs of all employees included above comprise	2009 £	2008 £
	Wages and salaries Social security costs Other pension costs	502,982 53,565 33,740	555,654 56,058 31,340
		590,287	643,052
7.	Directors' emoluments		
	The aggregate emoluments of the Directors of the Company for the year were	2009 £	2008 £
	Aggregate emoluments in respect of qualifying services	17,500	13,125
	In respect of the highest paid Director		
	Aggregate emoluments in respect of qualifying services	10,000	7,500
8.	Taxation		
	(a) Tax on profit on ordinary activities	2009 £	2008 £
	UK Corporation tax	_	-
	Current tax		
	Deferred tax Movement in the period	(3,732)	852
	Total tax (charge)/credit for the year	(3,732)	852

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# at 31 December 2009

# (b) Reconciliation of tax on profit for the year

			2009 £	2008 £
	Profit on ordinary activities before tax		140,750	125,831
	Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 28% (2008 28 5%)		39,410	35,862
	Effect of Disallowed expenses and non-taxable income Depreciation in excess of capital allowances		(1,024) (3,731)	108 867
	Tax losses utilised Group relief		(34,655)	(36,837)
	Current tax			-
9.	Tangible fixed assets	Office equipment £	Furniture and fittings £	Total
	Cost At I January 2009	4,456	3,833	8,289
	At 31 December 2009	4,456	3,833	8,289
	Depreciation At 1 January 2009 Charge for the year	3,432 582	3,833	7,265 582
	At 31 December 2009	4,014	3,833	7,847
	Net book value At 31 December 2009	442		442
	Net book value At 31 December 2008	1,024		1,024



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10.	Debtors

IU.	Deptors		
		2009	2008
		£	£
	Amounts falling due within one year		
	Amounts owed by holding and group companies	867,523	799,383
	Other debtors	39,060	31,568
	Prepayments and accrued income	22,175	18,948
		928,758	849,899
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11.	Deferred tax asset		
		2009	2008
		£	£
	Balance at 1 January	19,186	18,334
	Recognised during the year	(3,732)	852
	Balance at 31 December	15,454	19,186
	The major components of the deferred tax asset are as follows	<del></del>	
	Depreciation in excess of capital allowances	15,454	19,186
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At the year end, the Company has capital losses of £974,272 (2008 £974,272) on which no deferred tax is recognised. This is due to uncertainty surrounding the availability of taxable profits against which these could be offset. The total deferred tax asset unrecognised at the year end is £272,796 based on the corporate tax rate of 28% (2008 £272,796 based on the corporate tax rate of 28 5%)

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

	2009 £	2008 £
Creditors and accruals Amounts owed to ABC Group undertakings Taxation and social security	152,085 6,000 15,084	144,380 4,504 20,370 500,000
Subordinated Loan	500,000 673,169	699,254

The subordinated loan is from the ultimate parent company, is unsecured and subordinated to other creditors. It is repayable on 30 June 2010 and is interest free

at 31 December 2009

# 13. Called up share capital

Сапец пр знате сарма	2009 £	2008 £
Authorised Ordinary shares of £10 each	10	2,367,950

By way of a written resolution dated 26 November 2009 the Company resolved that its share capital be reduced by cancelling and extinguishing 236,794 ordinary shares of £10 each and registered at Companies House The said reduction was effective from 10 December 2009

#### 14. Movements on reserves

	2009	2008
	£	£
Balance at 1 January	(2,159,945)	(2,286,628)
Share Capital Reduction (Note 13)	2,367,940	-
	207,995	(2,286,628)
Profit for the year	137,018	126,683
Balance at 31 December	345,013	(2,159,945)

## 15. Reconciliation of movement in shareholders' funds

	2009	2008
	£	£
Opening shareholders' funds Profit for the year	208,005 137,018	81,322 126,683
Closing shareholders' funds	345,023	208,005

The shareholders' funds do not include any amounts attributable to non-equity interests

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#### 16. Commitments

At 31 December 2009 the Company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as set out below

	Land and buildings 2009	Other 2009	Land and buildings 2008	Other 2008
	£	£	£	£
Within one year Between one and five years	64,400 -	2,312	54,075 -	_ 1,156
	64,400	2,312	54,075	1,156

#### 17. Pension scheme

The Company operates a defined contribution scheme The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the Company, in an independently administered fund

The pension cost charged to the profit and loss account represents contributions payable to the fund and amounts to £33,740 (2008 £31,340) There are no contributions (2008 Nil) payable to the fund at the year end

#### 18. Related party transactions

The Company is wholly owned by its parent undertaking and as such has taken advantage of the exemption given in paragraph 3(c) of Financial Reporting Standard 8 to subsidiaries from disclosing related party transactions with other group companies

The directors are unaware of any other related party transactions requiring disclosure

### 19. Ultimate parent company

The Company's immediate parent undertaking is ABC Group (UK) Holdings Limited which is registered in England ABC Group (UK) Holdings Limited has included the Company in its group accounts, copies of which are available from Arab Banking Corporation House, 1-5 Moorgate, London EC2R 6AB

The ultimate parent company is Arab Banking Corporation (B S C ), a company incorporated in Bahrain Copies of the group accounts may be obtained from Arab Banking Corporation House, 1-5 Moorgate, London EC2R 6AB