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**ANNUAL REPORT AND CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

FOR

INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR AIDS TO NAVIGATION

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**COMPANY INFORMATION
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The Directors of International Foundation for Aids to Navigation ("the Company") are the Company's charity trustees under charity law and the directors of the charitable company. The members of the Board who served in office as Directors during the year and subsequently are detailed below:

KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL:

DIRECTORS

R. G Mason ‡ - Chairman
A. R. W. Marsh MBE FICS
Captain J.R. Evans ‡ (Resigned 2 March 2023)
L. M. Evans ‡
Captain J. W. Hughes (Resigned 23 November 2023)
A. Ross ‡
Captain I. Scally
Captain Y. Y. Al Saqer
D. Summerhill ‡
D. Hill (appointed 2 March 2023)
P. Stanley ‡ (Resigned as CEO and CoSec 9 October 2023)

‡ Member of Audit Committee

CHIEF EXECUTIVE

C. M. Mulvihill (Appointed 9 October 2023)

REGISTERED OFFICE

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CHARITY STATUS

Company Limited by Guarantee not having a share capital
Registered in England and Wales No. 00477145
Registered Charity No. 210066
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BANKERS

HSBC, London and Bahrain

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DIRECTORS

Guy Mason (Chairman)

Mr Mason was appointed Chairman in November 2022. He joined the Board in March 2022 having retired from BP at the end of 2020 as Senior VP and Global Head of BP Shipping. Whilst in BP Shipping, he served on supervisory boards at UK Chamber of Shipping, P&I Clubs, ITOPF and Oil Spill Response Limited. Prior to his time in shipping, he worked in BP's Alternative Energy business building new global low-carbon energy businesses. He currently serves as an Independent Director on the Board of AB KN Energies and Windward Limited. He has first class degree in Engineering Science and Technology from Loughborough University and is a chartered engineer and a Fellow of the Institute of Mechanical Engineers.

Alan Marsh

Mr. Marsh was appointed to the Board in August 2018 and stepped down as Chairman after three years in the post. He is a Trustee and Council Member of The Marine Society and Sea Cadets (MSSC), a Vice President of the RNLI. He sits on the development board of WetWheels UK and is an Associate Member of the Stelios Philanthropic Foundation, a UK Charity. He is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Shipbrokers for whom he is a former President. He is also a Younger Brother of Trinity House, Past Prime Warden of the Worshipful Company of Shipwrights and formerly CEO of Braemar Shipping Group PLC as well as a Director of ITIC.

Peter Stanley

Mr Stanley was appointed as a Director in September 2019. He was previously the IFAN CEO from July 2019 to October 2023. Formerly with BP for 30 years working in BP Shipping, HSE, Refining Manufacturing and Supply, Chemicals and finally as Head of Control of BP's Corporate segment. He graduated from Newcastle University obtaining a first-class honours degree in Marine Engineering and has an MBA from the Judge Business School, Cambridge University. He is a Chartered Engineer and Fellow of the Institute of Marine Engineering, Science and Technology.

Aslak Ross

Mr. Ross was appointed as a director in March 2022. He is currently Head of Marine Standards in Maersk A/S and is responsible for all Health, Safety, Security, Environmental and Quality matters for the Maersk managed container fleet, including navigational and cargo safety policies. In addition, he acts as the Designated Person Ashore for the Maersk fleet. Mr. Ross started his career in Maersk in 1994 as an engineer apprentice and has a degree in marine engineering has also completed a master mariner degree

Captain Yousef Al Saqer

Captain Al Saqer was appointed as a Director in November 2010. He is presently Deputy CEO Fleet Operations KOTC, formerly Manager Fleet newbuilding projects and prior to that, Manager fleet marine operations where he was accountable for the day-to-day operations, safety & security of KOTC Fleet. He started his career as Navigation Officer, leading to Master on board KOTC's VLCC, LPG and Product tankers. He served in numerous roles on shore in Fleet operations, Marine Affairs and risk assessment. He holds a BSc in Maritime Transport Technology and is a Master Mariner.

Louise Evans

Ms Evans was appointed to the Board in June 2020. She is currently non-executive director and audit committee chair of AB Dynamics plc and Gooch & Housego PLC. Ms Evans previously held Group Finance Director roles at Braemar Shipping Services plc and Williams Grand Prix Holdings plc. She has also held senior positions at RPS Group plc and Reynard Motorsport. She qualified as a chartered accountant whilst working with Ernst & Young. Ms Evans graduated from the University of Wales with a first class degree in Management Science and is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales.

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Doug Summerhill

Mr Summerhill was appointed a Director in November 2020. He is presently Vice President of Chartering for BP Shipping Limited, accountable for the global chartering activity and monetisation of BP's oil and gas fleet. He is a supply, shipping and trading specialist, having worked in this sector for over 20 years and holds a Bachelor of Business degree from RMIT University, Australia.

Captain Iain Scally

Captain Scally was appointed a Director in November 2021. He is presently serving as Marine Advisor to NYK's Global Tanker Quality Group in Tokyo. Formerly with ExxonMobil for 28 years serving as Master and then a variety of shore-based positions including HSQE, Marine Operations and Shipping Manager within LNG operations. Captain Scally commenced his seagoing career with Shell in 1970. He is founding member and Fellow of the Nautical Institute and serves on technical committees within Intertanko and SIGTTO.

Captain David Hill

Captain Hill was appointed a Director in March 2023. He is presently serving as LNG Fleet Manager with Shell International Trading & Shipping Company. Captain Hill served within the Shell Fleet for more than 17 years, rising to the rank of Captain before transferring ashore where he was appointed Operations Superintendent, later also holding roles of Company Security Officer and Deputy Designated Person Ashore. Following a period working as a Ship Management Consultant as Director of Great Bear Marine, he returned to Shell in November 2018 as Operations Superintendent before becoming LNG Fleet Manager in 2021. Captain Hill is an Associate Fellow of both the Nautical Institute and Royal Institute of Navigation, as well as a Freeman of The Honourable Company of Master Mariners.

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CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

2023 saw continued market turbulence, volatile energy markets and heightened geopolitical unrest which have impacted global shipping operations. Against this backdrop, the charity maintained a sound and sustainable financial position.

In 2023, IFAN's charitable objects have driven a continued focus on our three core activities: the management of our funds and their distribution to projects which enhance safety at sea and protect the environment; the reliable operation of navigational aids and associated communication systems in the Gulf; and the commercial operation of the Relume, our offshore support vessel.

Management of funds and distributions to projects

We continue to be active in the management of our invested funds aiming for improved income. Our Investment Committee monitors the performance of our fund managers against our investment objects. Following best practice, the Board instructed the Investment Committee to appoint Independent Investment Reviews to operate a tender process for fund managers to manage IFAN's portfolio. At the conclusion of this process, the Investment Committee recommended to the Board that Cazenove be appointed as IFAN's Investment Managers from early 2024. The process of switching to Cazenove is underway.

During 2023, we disbursed \$1.41m to projects which seek to improve safety at sea and protect the marine environment; some of these projects are planned to continue through 2024.

We have our own guidelines to determine which projects we will support having regard to legal imperatives, our resources, and our ability to monitor projects appropriately. We continue to find ways to integrate IFAN into marine regulatory organisations to both understand better the requirements for aids to navigation globally and contribute to the decision-making and guidelines for enhancing safety at sea and protecting the environment and are now considering potential environmental development projects in their own right.

Since early 2012, we have supported the International Association of Marine Aids to Navigation and Lighthouse Authorities (IALA) in developing its Worldwide Academy (WWA) with contributions amounting to an average of \$706k equivalent each year. The WWA provides training packages designed to spread knowledge amongst government representatives. Instruction is given both in respect of a Coastal State's obligations under international law and the benefits to commerce of having effective aids to navigation. The IALA programme is a rolling programme, progressively expanding the knowledge of aids to navigation throughout the world. Over time, continually improving services will become available to better assist navigators to safely operate their vessels. During 2023, WWA activities continued at 2022 levels with activities now taking place in person as well as online. At IFAN's Board meeting in November 2023, the Directors agreed to continue support for IALA WWA for a further 3 years.

We have helped The Marine Society and Sea Cadets (MSSC) develop and commission teaching modules to improve mathematical, English language and marine vocational skills amongst mariners, committing a final project payment of \$12k in 2023. We have also funded a significant outreach programme that The Nautical Institute (NI) promoted to improve navigators' technical skills, committing \$317k equivalent since 2014. We have also made a one off contribution to UNESCO to include an Ocean Literacy module in Aids to Navigation training courses.

Since 2016, we have jointly funded a project to improve the aids to navigation and technical capability present in the Pacific Ocean for The South Pacific Community, the pan-government agency responsible for marine matters in that region. An initial survey was a pre-requisite to the project to improve positioning infrastructure in a region heavily dependent upon marine transport but poorly supplied with aids to navigation. A second phase was completed in 2021, albeit reduced in scope due to the pandemic. We agreed to fund a third phase of the project, which aims to establish a sustainable funding model for the provision of navigational aids in the 13 target island communities. In previous years, \$2.78m has been donated with a further \$400k paid in 2023. a balance of \$572k will be paid by July 2024. The project is subject to annual reviews.

IFAN has provided funding to support the Aids to Navigation Fund (ANF) linked to the Straits of Malacca and Singapore (SOMS). The ANF provides funding to support maintenance of the existing Aids to Navigation within the SOMS. We monitor the ongoing programme of maintenance and improvement through our participation at the ANF meetings and in November 2023 Mr Mason and Mr Stanley attended the 29th ANF Conference in Surabaya in person.

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Beyond our existing projects, we continue to seek new opportunities aligned to our charitable objects and examine funding requests to determine appropriate levels of support to improve the safe passage of ships using global sea routes.

Navigation Aids and communication systems in the Gulf

The navigational services provided by MENAS in the Gulf depend on the collection of Navigation Dues from ship owners. These charges, which had not changed since 2006, fund the costs of providing navigational aids, essential for safety and continued trade in the Gulf. Given increasing costs and the need to ensure the long term sustainability of navigational services provided by MENAS to all shippers in the Gulf, it was decided at the March Board meeting increase the Navigation Dues charges to shippers with effect from 1st October 2023. All stakeholders were advised of the increase on 1st September 2023.

We continually seek to ensure awareness of our activities in the Gulf with ship owners through the use of media campaigns and targeted communications.

In our 2022 annual report, we advised that some elements of our Differential Global Positioning System (DGPS) service in the Gulf were reaching the end of their serviceable life. Having looked at different ways to provide accurate positioning systems in the Gulf we concluded that DGPS remains the best solution. A new DGPS site at Ras Al Khaimah (RAK) is being built.

During 2021 MENAS successfully achieved Accredited Training Organisation (ATO) designation. We are offering technical skills and education courses to clients, such as Port Authorities, so that they can develop their own resources over time. We previously indicated we would host our own IALA guided training course for Middle East gulf participants. The first of these courses was held 8th and 9th November 2023 at MENAS office and was attended by senior representatives from the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC).

Commercial operation of the Relume

Our offshore support vessel Relume, originally built as a buoy handler for our aids to navigation service in the Gulf, has been undertaking commercial work in North European waters for many years now. As has been reported in previous annual accounts, IFAN chose to retain the vessel to keep the option of further aids to navigation work open for the Relume in the future. However, during 2022, market conditions were right to realise reasonable value for the vessel and in late 2022 we agreed a time-charter followed by a sale obligation of the vessel. The sale of the Relume was concluded on 18 September 2023. This concludes MMSL's ship owning activity and we acknowledge the fine work done by the vessel and crew in supporting safe navigation over many years.

I thank all our dedicated staff and partners, both ashore and afloat, for their commitment to IFAN's objectives during a period of turbulent and volatile markets and geopolitical unrest.

On behalf of the entire Board, I wish to thank John Evans and John Hughes for their loyal service to IFAN as a Directors for over 9 and 15 years respectively. The Board welcomes Captain David Hill to the IFAN Board.

Our thanks also go to Peter Stanley for the last 4 years as CEO of IFAN. Peter has strengthened our governance and successfully completed the sale of the Relume. I am delighted that Peter has agreed to remain on the Board to provide much valued continuity. I welcome Catherine Mulvihill as IFAN's CEO. Catherine joined us in August 2023 and after a handover period assumed the role of CEO in October 2023. I and the Board look forward to working with Catherine in the next phase of IFAN's development.



R. G. Mason
Date: 30 May 2024.

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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

The Directors of International Foundation for Aids to Navigation ('the Company') present their Annual Report together with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023 which comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015).

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

The Company is constituted as a company limited by guarantee with two wholly owned operating subsidiary undertakings, Menas Marine Services Limited and Oman Marine Services Limited. The charitable objective of The International Foundation for Aids to Navigation ("IFAN"), as stated in the Articles of Association, is the promotion of safety at sea, maritime education & training and the protection of the marine environment.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing documents

The Company is governed by its Articles of Association.

Governing Body

The Directors are appointed in accordance with the Articles of Association by the Members and are mostly drawn from the shipping, maritime and oil industries.

Recruitment and training of Directors

New Directors are briefed on their legal obligations under charity and company law, the content of the Articles of Association and the workings of the Board of Directors and the decision making process.

Organisational management

The Board of Directors, as the charity trustees, are legally responsible for the overall management and control of the Company. The Board of Directors meets at least four times a year.

The Audit Committee is responsible for ensuring that the financial performance of the Company is properly reported that adequate internal control systems are maintained and managing the relationship with the external auditors.

Day to day administration is carried out by the Chief Executive Officer. The operation of the Bahrain facility is undertaken by a senior manager reporting to the CEO in London.

The remuneration of key management personnel is set by the Board and the appropriateness and relevance of the remuneration policy is reviewed annually by the Remuneration Committee.

Group structure and relationships

The Company has two wholly owned non-charitable subsidiaries: Menas Marine Services Limited, which operated a commercial vessel until September 2023, and Oman Marine Services Limited (OMSL), which has a branch in Ras Al Khaimah Freeport Zone for the purposes of renting land for a new DGPS. OMSL was an investor in a joint venture, Arabian Maritime and Navigation Aids Services LLC until 2021, which undertook maritime services. The subsidiaries' aims, objectives and achievements are covered in the relevant sections of this report.

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Charitable Objectives

The Company's Objectives, as set out in the Articles of Association, are the promotion of safety at sea and the protection of the marine environment in the Middle East and worldwide by all charitable means, including providing and maintaining navigation aids, safety systems and safety information; promoting the use of modern navigation techniques and procedures and other essential maritime skills; and protecting and improving all aspects of the marine environment.

The objectives are variously achieved for the public benefit through the provision, under the name MENAS, of an aids to navigation service in the Gulf and by assisting other organisations undertaking projects which meet the Company's charitable objectives of promoting safety at sea and protection of the marine environment.

The Board is mindful of the long-standing need to provide public benefit and of the requirements of the Charities Act 2011. In this connection the Board has monitored closely the guidance on public benefit produced by the Charity Commission.

Principal Activities

The Company provides and maintains shore and sea based visible aids as well as radio-based aids for the Gulf region, utilising its equipment and facilities in Bahrain. It continues to review technological advances in marine navigation and environmental protection and to rationalise and modernise its facilities and systems to enable it to provide the service to navigators and the marine industry in the Gulf region effectively and efficiently.

Apart from operating the network of aids to navigation and the Navtex warning system, the charity also continues to operate its DGPS's throughout the Gulf. The Company has deployed Automatic Identification System (AIS) equipment to both enhance the service to mariners and improve performance monitoring of aids to navigation to help improve safety at sea and the protection of the environment. The Company has begun upgrading the DGPS system following more than twenty years in operation.

The Company makes grants to organisations concerned with the promotion and/or provision of safety at sea, including:

- The International Association of Marine Aids to Navigation and Lighthouse Authorities (IALA), to assist with its setting up and running its worldwide training organisation The Worldwide Academy (WWA) to improve knowledge and skills required to identify needs, install and maintain aids to navigation services around the world;
- The educational programmes of Marine Society and Sea Cadets (MSSC);
- The Nautical Institute (NI), to expand the circulation of its publication The Navigator, improving knowledge and professionalism in the field of marine navigation;
- The Company supports a project being conducted by the South Pacific Community (SPC), in respect of enabling the Pacific Ocean to access its needs in respect of aids to navigation services and infrastructure;
- Confidential Human Factors Incidents Reporting Programme (CHIRP) in connection with the confidential reporting of safety related breaches within the maritime sector;
- UNESCO to include an Ocean Literacy module in Aids to Navigation training courses.

Previously, we have supported:

- The Straits of Malacca and Singapore Aids to Navigation Fund set up by the three littoral States to maintain and improve the traffic separation system for the Malacca and Singapore Straits.

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STRATEGIC REPORT

The charity regularly reviews its strategy. Over time and consistent with prevailing general economic conditions and operational needs, the strategy has been to build up reserves to a point that the navigational aids service in the Gulf can be self-sustained and protecting capital to ensure the continued existence of the IFAN Group.

Currently the strategy has several points of focus:

The first priority is to continue the provision of the existing Gulf Aids to Navigations (AtoN) service to international standards. In the absence of the littoral states seeking to take up our offer of assistance to assume responsibility for Gulf AtoN's we remain obligated to continue our AtoN provision. We believe that national services would be the simplest to be created and we would expect our existing technical operations to have a role either as active participants or contractors in some form. Consistent with the aim of ensuring the navigational aids service in the Gulf can be self-sustained, we continue to raise the profile of the services we provide with ship-owners and encourage them to contribute to the costs of their upkeep through raising navigations dues. We have also increased the level and scope of the Nav Dues with effect from 1st October 2023. This is the first increase that has been made and has been done to ensure we continue to have sufficient funds to provide the Aids to Navigation service.

The second aspect of our strategy is concerned with our investments. We had an operational investment being an offshore support vessel (OSV Relume) and that has been sold as previously mentioned. In addition, we have a financial investment portfolio invested in various securities in several markets.

The investment portfolio has been managed to maintain capital with moderate risk. At the Board meeting on 22th November 2023 it was agreed that, after a tender process, the managers of the investment portfolio would be changed from Evelyn and Partners to Cazenove. The continued strategy is to increase active management to improve returns.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Navigation Dues income for the year was \$3.4m (2022: \$3.3m). The price charged per NT was increased with effect from 1st October 2023. Costs of charitable activities which include all direct costs in relation to buoy maintenance projects and administration costs other than those relating to ship charter income and including all IFAN owned aids to navigation service costs, are \$4.1m (2022: \$4.2m).

Charter income for the OSV Relume, operated through Menas Marine Services Limited (MMSL) has decreased this year to \$3.8m (2022: \$4.7m). Ship charter income costs amount to \$4.4m (2022: \$5.3m). This income and cost have ceased with effect from 18th September 2023.

Other income includes buoy maintenance and project income of \$628k (2022: \$579k) and rental income of \$136k (2022: \$144k). Rental property costs amounted to \$15k (2022: \$23k).

The charity made grants and donations of \$1.4m during the year (2022: \$1.6m) to organisations including IALA, The Nautical Institute, South Pacific Community, CHIRP Maritime UNESCO and MSSC.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The financial position is considered satisfactory by the Directors with net assets of the Group amounting to \$65.2m against \$61.1m in 2022.

As shown on page 15, in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities, the Group incurred a profit for the year of \$4.2m (2022: loss of \$11.5m) largely as a result of the increase in the market value of investments and the profit realised on the sale of the Relume.

Having reviewed the ongoing expected trading conditions and the Group's projected future cash flows, the Board has a reasonable expectation that the Group has adequate resources to continue its activities for the foreseeable future.

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Investment policy and objectives

Evelyn and Partners (E&P - previously known as Smith and Williamson) were appointed as investment managers during 2016 and subsequently assumed the role of investment advisors. The investment policy has been to minimize risk to the capital by investing in a variety of instruments including US dollar bond instruments, principally US TIPS and including debt and equity in emerging markets to improve yields whilst maintaining a low risk profile. E&P continues to actively manage the fund, however the Investment committee have decided to transfer the management of the portfolio to Cazenove in order to creating greater efficiency and to continue to invest in more secure securities and disinvest in securities more exposed because of greater debt levels whilst maintaining a diversified portfolio and matching non-functional currency flows. The application of the investment policy is regularly monitored by the Investment sub-committee which led to this decision being made.

The portfolio experienced a period of relative stability during the year due to the weaker dollar exchange rate and a more stable financial landscape. However, performance is lower than investment benchmarks with similar assets and risk profiles. As of 31 December 2023 the market value of invested funds, including uncommitted deposits, was the equivalent of \$47.1m (2022: \$42.7m).

Reserves Level and Policy and Financial Viability

The policy in respect of the Gulf navigational aids service continues to be one of matching income with expenditure allowing for uncertainties and capital requirements. Provision is made for the progressive shortening of the operating lives of navigational aids as environmental demands increase and technological developments accelerate. Group reserves held as at 31 December 2023 amounted to \$65.2m (2022: \$61.1m) of which free reserves amounted to \$63.7m (2022: \$47.5m). The charity's own reserves amounted to \$78.8m (2022: \$74.8m).

The Directors consider that reserves will need to be maintained at a level that will provide IFAN with a sustainable future whilst delivering against its objectives. Allowance will be made for the replacement and enhancement of current operational and navigational aids assets and the longer-term possibility of further expansion of navigational aids services into other geographical areas worldwide which would entail significant levels of capital expenditure and working capital.

Principal Risks and Uncertainties

The Directors have undertaken reviews and organised from time-to-time investigations to be reasonably certain that the Company is operating efficiently and effectively, its assets are properly safeguarded against unauthorised use or disposal, proper records are maintained, and that financial information used within the Company, or for publication, is reliable and that the Company complies with relevant laws and regulations. The system of internal controls includes a strategic plan and annual budgets with regular financial and performance reports as appropriate with clear delegation of authority and segregation of duties.

Risk associated with the activities undertaken and objectives laid down by the Board are regularly reviewed, prioritised as to likely impact and likelihood of occurrence and management are satisfied that the applied strategies are appropriate to mitigate those risks.

The Directors are satisfied that during the year all activities have been conducted in compliance with the Company's HSE policy. Adherence and improvements to the HSE policy has ensured that all operations are conducted in a manner which safeguards the health and safety of employees and avoids damage to the environment. During 2023, IFAN remained compliant with the UK Government small business guidelines for cyber security.

The Company has adopted a policy of spreading its investments over a range of instruments in both UK pound sterling and US dollars with the aim of protecting the capital against imported inflation, whilst mitigating the effect of currency movements.

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Future Plans

The charity has a global remit and focuses its outlook to support projects of international scope.

The charity has a branch in Bahrain undertaking marine contracting activities as part of the provision of a regional aid to navigation service and also has two trading subsidiaries.

The Middle Eastern branch in Bahrain has existed for many years and recently efforts have been successfully made to modernise, expand its resources and offerings. The branch is managed locally with in-house trained personnel and is expanding its skill base to allow a build-up of marine engineering work and AtoN training courses. There is also an office in the United Arab Emirates. Improved services currently being considered include upgraded AIS technology to both monitor the position and performance of floating aids to navigation and collect vessel movement data for billing purposes. We continue to investigate the suitability of elasticated moorings in place of traditional metal chains.

We have begun to execute plans to upgrade the DGPS's which are now over twenty years old. Research has been undertaken over several years to ensure that the reliability and performance of new equipment will be optimal. We are, in conjunction with IALA, researching problems suffered by DGPS systems in connection with signal reliability and then researching suitable solutions. We are now in a position to deliver IALA accrediting training courses as an Accredited Training Organisation (ATO).

One of the trading subsidiaries operated an offshore services vessel (OSV Relume) originally built to service physical navigational aids in the Gulf. During late 2022 we agreed a time-charter followed by a sale obligation of the vessel which completed during 2023.

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STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING RESPONSIBILITIES

The members of the Governing Body (who are also the Directors of International Foundation for Aids to Navigation for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards).

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that 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 charitable company and the group and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable group for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- select the most suitable accounting policies and then to apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK 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 adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Company's transactions, 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 2006 and the provisions of the charity's constitution. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and the group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Relevant Audit Information

In so far as each of the Directors, as members of the Governing Body, at the date of approval of this report is aware, there is no relevant audit information (information needed by the Company's auditor in connection with preparing the audit report) of which the Company's auditor is unaware. Each Director has taken all the steps that he should have taken as a Director in order to make himself aware of the relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditor is aware of that information.

Approved by the Board on 30 May 2024

including, in their capacity as company directors, approving the Directors' and Strategic Reports contained therein, and signed on its behalf by:



L. M. Evans

Director and Audit Committee Chair

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR AIDS TO NAVIGATION (CONTINUED)**

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of International Foundation for Aids to Navigation (the 'charitable company') and its subsidiaries (the 'group') for the year ended 31 December 2023 which comprise the consolidated statement of financial activities, the consolidated and charitable company statement of financial position, the consolidated cash flow statement and notes to the consolidated financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 December 2023 and of the group's incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, 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.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the 'Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements' section of our report. We are independent of the charitable company and of the group in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Directors with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The Directors are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Report of the Directors for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Report of the Directors has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR AIDS TO NAVIGATION (CONTINUED)

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the group and the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Report of the Directors.

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.

Responsibilities of Directors

As explained more fully in the Statement of Accounting and Reporting Responsibilities, the Directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In preparing the financial statements, the Directors are responsible for assessing the group's and the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Directors either intend to liquidate the group or the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above and on the Financial Reporting Council's website, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud.

We obtain and update our understanding of the entity, its activities, its control environment, and likely future developments, including in relation to the legal and regulatory framework applicable and how the entity is complying with that framework. Based on this understanding, we identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. This includes consideration of the risk of acts by the entity that were contrary to applicable laws and regulations, including fraud.

In response to the risk of irregularities and non-compliance with laws and regulations, including fraud, we designed procedures which included:

- Enquiry of management and those charged with governance around actual and potential litigation and claims as well as actual, suspected and alleged fraud;
- Reviewing minutes of meetings of those charged with governance;
- Assessing the extent of compliance with the laws and regulations considered to have a direct material effect on the financial statements or the operations of the charitable company through enquiry and inspection;
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations;

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
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- Performing audit work over the risk of management bias and override of controls, including testing of journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions outside the normal course of business and reviewing accounting estimates for indicators of potential bias.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable 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 charitable 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 charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Azets Audit Services

John Howard (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of Azets Audit Services

Chartered Accountants

Statutory Auditor

2nd Floor, Regis House

45 King William Street

London

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Date: 30 May 2024

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**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

	Note	2023 \$	2022 \$
INCOME FROM:			
Charitable activities	3		
Non contractual navigation dues		2,787,032	2,810,261
Contractual navigation dues		613,417	536,888
Buoy maintenance and project income		627,563	579,365
Other trading activities			
Ship charter and management income		3,950,924	4,696,019
Rental income		135,896	144,396
Other income		174,226	101,638
Investments	4		
Investment income		1,011,172	680,199
Total income		<u>9,300,230</u>	<u>9,548,766</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:			
Generating funds	5		
Ship charter income costs		4,644,306	5,348,718
Rental property costs		15,258	23,451
Charitable activities	5		
		5,759,915	6,005,913
Total expenditure		<u>0,419,479</u>	<u>11,378,082</u>
Net funds from operations		<u>(1,119,249)</u>	<u>(1,829,316)</u>
Profit on disposal of OSV Relume		1,539,308	-
Loss on disposal of investments		(39,339)	(79,010)
Increase/(decrease) in value of investments	9	3,801,797	(9,593,443)
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS FOR THE YEAR		<u>4,182,517</u>	<u>(11,501,769)</u>
Total funds brought forward		1,052,925	72,554,694
Total funds carried forward		<u>\$ 5,235,442</u>	<u>\$61,052,925</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure is unrestricted.

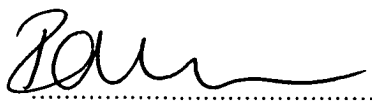
The notes on pages 18 to 29 form part of these financial statements.

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**CONSOLIDATED AND CHARITABLE COMPANY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AT 31 DECEMBER 2023**

	Note	Group 2023 \$	Group 2022 \$	Company 2023 \$	Company 2022 \$
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	7	1,540,280	13,573,471	1,540,280	877,773
Investments	9	47,133,024	44,159,126	47,133,028	44,159,130
		<u>48,673,304</u>	<u>57,732,597</u>	<u>48,673,308</u>	<u>45,036,903</u>
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stock	10	348,301	1,399,385	348,301	282,866
Debtors	11	2,306,015	2,378,123	29,867,046	29,704,151
Cash and deposits	12	16,643,511	2,779,300	2,609,759	2,678,368
		<u>19,297,827</u>	<u>6,556,808</u>	<u>32,825,106</u>	<u>32,665,385</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Creditors payable within one year	13	(2,735,689)	(3,236,480)	(2,732,123)	(2,940,754)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>16,562,138</u>	<u>3,320,328</u>	<u>30,092,983</u>	<u>29,724,631</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>\$ 5,235,442</u>	<u>\$61,052,925</u>	<u>\$78,766,291</u>	<u>\$74,761,534</u>
FUNDS					
Unrestricted funds					
General reserve	14	61,324,381	57,141,864	73,308,695	69,303,938
Currency translation reserve	14	3,911,061	3,911,061	5,457,596	5,457,596
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>\$ 5,235,442</u>	<u>\$61,052,925</u>	<u>\$78,766,291</u>	<u>\$74,761,534</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 30 May 2024
and were signed on its behalf by


.....
R. G. Mason
Chair


.....
L. M. Evans
Audit Committee Chair

Company No: 00477145

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**CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

	Note	2023 \$	2022 \$
Cash generated from operating activities	19	(558,282)	(1,194,491)
Cash flow from investing activities			
Payments for tangible fixed assets		(1,252,797)	(1,723,855)
Proceeds on disposal of tangible fixed assets		3,739,662	-
Purchases of investments		(5,234,148)	(4,618,470)
Proceeds on sale of investments		6,022,708	3,803,554
Investment income receipts		1,011,172	680,199
Rental income receipts		135,896	144,396
Cash generated from investing activities		<u>4,422,493</u>	<u>(1,714,176)</u>
Increase/(decrease) in cash in the year		<u>\$13,864,211</u>	<u>\$(2,908,667)</u>
Reconciliation of cash flow to net movement in net funds			
Increase/(decrease) in cash in the year		3,864,211	(2,908,667)
Net funds at the beginning of the year		2,779,300	5,687,967
Net funds at the end of the year		<u><u>\$ 6,643,511</u></u>	<u><u>\$2,779,300</u></u>

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**NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

1. COMPANY STATUS

The Company is a charitable company limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales and governed by its Articles of Association. It has no share capital. In the event of the company being wound up the liability of the members is limited to a maximum of £1 each. The Company's registered number and registered office address can be found on page 1.

The presentational currency of the financial statements is the US Dollar (\$) which is also the functional currency for the group.

The International Foundation for Aids to Navigation meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

These financial statements have been prepared under the Companies Act 2006 and in accordance with the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice ("Charities SORP (FRS102)") and Financial Reporting Standard 102. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of certain tangible assets and securities investments.

Going concern

Having reviewed the funding facilities available to the Company together with the expected ongoing trading conditions and the Company's projected future cash flows, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the company will have sufficient funds to continue to meet its liabilities as they fall due for the foreseeable future and therefore have prepared the financial statements on a going concern basis.

Accordingly, the Board continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements as outlined in the Statement of Accounting and Reporting Responsibilities on page 11.

Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the financial statements of the Company and its wholly owned subsidiaries Menas Marine Services Limited and Oman Marine Services Limited. Control is achieved where the Group has the power to govern the financial and operating policies of an entity so as to obtain benefits from its activities. All intra-group transactions, balances, income and expenses are eliminated in full on consolidation. No separate SOFA has been presented for the Company alone, as permitted by Section 408 of the Companies Act 2006.

Income

Income is the amount derived from the provision of charitable activities and other trading activities, and from investments, and is stated net of VAT.

Income from Charitable Activities

Charitable income represents navigation aids dues receivable, both contractual and non-contractual, as well as buoy maintenance and project income. Navigation aids dues are accounted for at the point a ship enters the port. Buoy maintenance and project income is accounted for in accordance with the contractual terms of each project and income is accrued or deferred accordingly.

Income from Other Trading Activities

Ship charter and management income represents third party income from the OSV Relume and is accounted for in the period in which the vessel is chartered for use.

Income from Investments

Investment income from fixed asset securities is accounted for on an accruals basis. Rental income is accounted for in the period to which the rental income relates.

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NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
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2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**Expenditure**

Expenditure is accrued once there is a legal constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure attributed to more than one cost category in the SOFA is allocated to activities on a proportional basis. Direct costs, including directly attributable salaries, are allocated on an actual basis to the key strategic areas of activity. Overheads and other salaries are also allocated between expense headings on a proportional basis. Governance costs comprise the costs of complying with constitutional and statutory requirements.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the lease term. Lease incentives are recognised over the lease term on a straight line basis.

Employee benefits

Short term employee benefits, including holiday entitlement and other non-monetary benefits, and contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised as an expense in the period in which they are incurred.

The Company's defined benefit scheme has now been wound up. The Company is also required to contribute towards a deficit in the Merchant Navy Officers Pension Fund, and any future deficits which may occur in the foreseeable future will be relieved against amounts already expensed.

Foreign currency translation

Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into US Dollars at the rates of exchange prevailing at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into US Dollars at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of transaction. Exchange differences are taken into account in arriving at the operating result.

Taxation

The Company is an exempt charity within the meaning of schedule 3 of the Charities Act 2011 and is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 Finance Act 2010. Therefore it meets the definition of a Charitable Company for UK corporation tax purposes.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds represent those funds which can be used in accordance with the Charitable Company's objects at the discretion of the Directors.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost or valuation less depreciation. In accordance with FRS102 the land, which is held in perpetuity in Bahrain, is not depreciated. Fixed assets are subject to an annual impairment review. Any permanent diminutions in value are recorded. Depreciation is provided to write off the cost of all relevant tangible fixed assets, less estimated residual value, in equal annual instalments over their expected useful economic lives as follows:

Buildings	20 years
OSV Relume	15 years
Navigation aids, plant and equipment: DGPS	5 years
Computers and equipment	2 years
Vehicles, plant and machinery and office equipment	4 years
Other navigation aids and equipment	Up to 10 years

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
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2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Investments

Listed investments are valued at market value as at the balance sheet date. Unrealised gains and losses arising on the revaluation of investments are credited or charged to the Statement of Financial Activities. Gains and losses arising from changes in fair value are included in the Statement of Financial Activities as either an unrealised gain or loss on investments. Interest determined using the effective interest method, impairment losses and translation differences on monetary items are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Trade and other debtors

Trade and other debtors are measured at transaction price, less any impairment.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents in the consolidated and charitable company statement of financial position and in the consolidated cash flow statement comprise cash at bank and in hand and short term deposits with an original maturity date of three months or less.

Trade and other creditors

Trade and other creditors are measured at their transaction price.

Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

Accounting estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. The Company makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates and assumptions will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below.

Useful economic lives of tangible assets

The annual depreciation charge for tangible assets is sensitive to changes in the estimated useful economic lives and residual values of the assets. The useful economic lives and residual values are reassessed annually. They are amended when necessary to reflect current estimates, based on technological advancement, future investments, economic utilisation and the physical condition of the assets.

Valuation of OSV Relume

The valuation of OSV Relume is sensitive to changes in the estimated remaining life and the expected future trading and sale value of the vessel. OSV Relume is subject to an annual impairment review based on these factors.

Bad debt provision

The value of trade debtors is sensitive to the recoverability in full of any invoices issued to each customer. Once the debt becomes overdue it is chased and periodically reviewed to ensure it is recoverable in full. If a provision is deemed necessary this is included on an annual basis.

3. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

Charitable income is attributable to the principal activities of the Company and arose wholly in the Middle East. Charitable activities of the company comprise non-contractual and contractual navigation dues, and the provision and maintenance of the buoys and other navigation aids.

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4. INVESTMENT INCOME	2023 \$	2022 \$
Deposit interest	445,916	183,783
Dividend income	565,256	496,416
	<u>\$1,011,172</u>	<u>\$680,199</u>

5. ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE			2023 Grant Making \$	2022 Total \$
	Staff Costs \$	Support Costs \$	Depreciation \$	Total \$
(a) Total expenditure				
Costs of generating funds:				
Ship charter income costs	4,622	3,718,508	-	4,644,306
Rental property costs	-	15,258	-	15,258
	<u>4,622</u>	<u>3,733,766</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,659,564</u>
Charitable activities:				
Costs of charitable activities	1,889,839	1,996,482	1,419,772	5,470,551
Governance costs	-	289,364	-	289,364
	<u>\$1,894,461</u>	<u>\$6,019,612</u>	<u>\$1,419,772</u>	<u>\$10,419,479</u>
			<u>\$1,085,634</u>	<u>\$11,378,082</u>

(b) Grant making

During the year the following grants and donations were made:

	2023 \$	2022 \$
IALA	742,728	787,018
CHIRP Maritime	15,596	14,025
The Nautical Institute	124,844	128,308
South Pacific Community	492,037	571,372
UNESCO	32,390	-
MSSC	12,177	67,547
	<u>\$1,419,772</u>	<u>\$1,568,270</u>

- (i) IALA - an international technical organization that gathers together marine information to share worldwide
- (ii) CHIRP Maritime - contributes to the enhancement of aviation safety in the UK and maritime safety worldwide.
- (iii) The Nautical Institute - an international body for maritime professionals involved in the control of sea-going ships.
- (iv) South Pacific Community - the principal scientific and technical organisation in the Pacific region.
- (v) UNESCO - support to include Ocean Literacy in IALA courses.
- (vi) MSSC - provides teaching modules to improve mathematical and English language skills amongst mariners.

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5. ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE (continued)

(c) Governance costs included in support costs	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Remuneration paid to auditor for audit services	46,900	49,412
Other governance costs	242,464	191,864
	<u>\$289,364</u>	<u>\$241,276</u>

(d) Net outgoing funds from operations	2023	2022
The following amounts have been charged within resources expended:	\$	\$
Directors emoluments	389,350	412,891
Auditors' remuneration (audit services)	46,900	49,412
Auditors' remuneration (non-audit services)	15,422	18,347
Rental paid under operating leases	284,541	194,825
Foreign exchange movement	90,789	372,854

6. STAFF COSTS	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Directors remuneration		
Director's salary	165,887	282,743
Social security costs	19,105	33,761
Staff remuneration		
Wages and salaries	1,293,742	965,259
Social security costs	120,219	105,723
Other employee benefits	295,508	282,202
	<u>\$ 1,894,461</u>	<u>\$1,669,688</u>

The above staff costs include \$1,102,639 (2022: \$1,045,349) relating to employees in Bahrain and \$791,822 (2022: \$624,339) relating to employees in the United Kingdom.

All directors' emoluments are paid in accordance with the Company's Articles of Association as approved by the Charity Commissioners. The highest paid director's emoluments totalled \$171,616 (2022: \$186,506) with no accrued pension as at 31 December 2023.

During the year the following employing organisations were entitled to receive payment for the services of Directors as indicated below:

Maersk Line	\$22,916	A Ross
BP Shipping	\$22,916	D Summerhill
Kuwait Oil Tanker Company	\$20,370	Captain Y Y Al Sager
Shell Transport & Trading	\$22,916	Captain J R Evans and Captain D Hill
NYK	\$22,916	Captain I Scally

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6. STAFF COSTS (continued)

Aggregate emoluments of key management personnel: \$221,091 (2022: \$186,506).

During the year 4 Directors were reimbursed expenses in respect of travel and attendance at board meetings totalling \$33,985 (2022: 4 Directors totalling \$28,763).

	2023 Number	2022 Number
Number of higher paid employees (including retirement benefits paid under local employment laws) in bands of:		
\$170,000 - \$210,000	1	1
\$140,000 - \$170,000	1	1
\$100,000 - \$140,000	1	1
\$90,000 - \$100,000	1	1
\$70,000 - \$80,000	1	1
	5	5

The above amounts all relate to employees in Bahrain.

The average number of the Company's employees (excluding Non-Executive Directors) during the year calculated on a full time equivalent basis, was 14 (2022:14).

	2023 Number	2022 Number
Engineering and maintenance	10	10
Finance and administration	2	2
Management	2	2
	14	14

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7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

GROUP	Freehold Land & Buildings \$	OSV Relume \$	Navigation Aids, plant & Equipment \$	Assets under construction \$	Total \$
Cost or valuation					
At 1 January 2023	2,326,548	23,762,698	8,533,874	907,844	35,530,964
Additions	-	425,833	319,163	507,801	1,252,797
Disposals	-	(24,188,531)	(505,134)	(653,825)	(25,347,490)
At 31 December 2023	2,326,548	-	8,347,903	761,820	11,436,271
Depreciation					
At 1 January 2023	1,927,147	11,757,628	8,272,718	-	21,957,493
Charge for the year	114,471	887,001	84,162	-	1,085,634
Disposals	-	(12,644,629)	(502,507)	-	(13,147,136)
At 31 December 2023	2,041,618	-	7,854,373	-	9,895,991
Net book value					
At 31 December 2023	\$284,930	\$-	\$493,530	\$761,820	\$1,540,280
At 31 December 2022	\$399,401	\$12,005,070	\$261,156	\$907,844	\$13,573,471
COMPANY		Freehold Land & Buildings \$	Navigation Aids, Plant & Equipment \$	Assets under construction \$	Total \$
Cost or valuation					
At 1 January 2023		2,326,548	8,028,740	254,019	10,609,307
Additions		-	319,163	507,801	826,964
At 31 December 2023		2,326,548	8,347,903	761,820	11,436,271
Depreciation					
At 1 January 2023		1,927,147	7,804,387	-	9,731,534
Charge for the year		114,471	49,986	-	164,457
At 31 December 2023		2,041,618	7,854,373	-	9,895,991
Net book value					
At 31 December 2023		\$284,930	\$493,530	\$761,820	\$1,540,280
At 31 December 2022		\$399,401	\$224,353	\$254,019	\$877,773

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**NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
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7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS (continued)

Substantially, the Group's fixed assets are held for use on charitable activities. The land in Bahrain is held under tenure appropriate for the Group's activities.

The navigation aids and plant and equipment, excepting major land based aids and office equipment used in the management office, were re-valued at the end of 2001 on the basis of depreciated replacement cost having regard to the remaining operating lives of the assets re-valued. The major land based navigation aids (excluding land) were also re-valued as at 1 January 2010 on a replacement cost basis by the directors and reflected in these financial statements. The Company freehold property in Bahrain is held at a professional valuation as at 31 December 2005, less accumulated depreciation. The property has been revalued in prior periods by Cluttons Chartered Surveyors at an amount above book value but the Directors are concerned given the present political unrest in the region that the increased valuation is possibly unrealistic. No adjustment has therefore been made in this respect. The Directors are not aware of any other material change since the last valuation.

8. FUTURE CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

On 2 November 2022 the Company entered into a contract for the construction of a DGPS Reference Station at a total contract price of \$1,105,760. The contract is anticipated to be completed during 2023.

9. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Group 2023	Group 2022	Company 2023	Company 2022
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Securities investments				
At 1 January	44,159,126	53,016,663	44,159,126	53,016,663
Additions	5,234,148	4,618,470	5,234,148	4,618,470
Disposals	(6,062,047)	(3,882,564)	(6,062,047)	(3,882,564)
Increase/(decrease) in value of investments	3,801,797	(9,593,443)	3,801,797	(9,593,443)
	47,133,024	44,159,126	47,133,024	44,159,126
Investment in Subsidiaries	-	-	4	4
At 31 December	\$47,133,024	\$44,159,126	\$47,133,028	\$44,159,130

The fixed asset investments noted above are denominated in the following currencies: -	2023	2022
	%	%
Sterling	49.5	45.1
United States Dollars	41.8	43.3
Others	8.7	11.6

The historical cost of securities investments held at 31 December 2023 was \$41,863,662 (2022: \$42,691,561).

The Company owns the whole of the issued share capital of Menas Marine Services Limited (£1 paid) and Oman Marine Services Limited (£1 paid) both of which are registered in England and Wales, registered office at 8/9 Lovat Lane, London EC3R 8DW. Both subsidiary undertakings are included within the consolidated financial statements.

OMSL has a branch in Ras Al Khaimah Freeport Zone for the purposes of renting land for a new DGPS.

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10. STOCKS

	Group 2023 \$	Group 2022 \$	Company 2023 \$	Company 2022 \$
Consumables	348,301	1,399,385	348,301	282,866
	<u>\$348,301</u>	<u>\$1,399,385</u>	<u>\$348,301</u>	<u>\$282,866</u>

11. DEBTORS

	Group 2023 \$	Group 2022 \$	Company 2023 \$	Company 2022 \$
Income due from charitable activities	1,227,634	1,127,487	1,227,634	1,127,487
Trade debtors	63,962	289,980	-	-
Other debtors	405,364	356,054	328,166	310,128
Prepayments and accrued income	609,055	604,602	598,175	500,908
Amounts due from subsidiary companies (net of provision)	-	-	27,713,071	27,765,628
	<u>\$,306,015</u>	<u>\$2,378,123</u>	<u>\$29,867,046</u>	<u>\$29,704,151</u>

All debtors are due within one year.

12. CASH AND DEPOSITS

	Group 2023 \$	Group 2022 \$	Company 2023 \$	Company 2022 \$
Fortis Bank deposits	-	39	-	-
HSBC short term deposits and working balances	14,559,451	566,593	525,738	467,295
Cash held by Investment managers	2,084,010	2,199,592	2,084,010	2,199,592
Cash in hand	50	13,076	11	11,481
	<u>\$ 6,643,511</u>	<u>\$2,779,300</u>	<u>\$2,609,759</u>	<u>\$2,678,368</u>

13. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Group 2023 \$	Group 2022 \$	Company 2023 \$	Company 2022 \$
Trade creditors	207,241	497,133	203,675	338,597
Other creditors	1,534,910	1,524,294	1,534,910	1,480,086
Taxation and social security	36,233	44,663	36,233	44,663
Accruals and deferred income	957,305	1,170,390	957,305	1,077,408
	<u>\$2,735,689</u>	<u>\$3,236,480</u>	<u>\$2,732,123</u>	<u>\$2,940,754</u>

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14. SUMMARY OF MOVEMENTS ON FUNDS

	General Reserve \$	Translation Reserve \$	Total \$
Group			
At 1 January 2023	57,141,864	3,911,061	61,052,925
Incoming resources	9,300,230	-	9,300,230
Resources expended	(10,419,479)	-	(10,419,479)
Profit on disposal of OSV Relume	1,539,308	-	1,539,308
Loss on disposal of investments	(39,339)	-	(39,339)
Increase in value of investments	3,801,797	-	3,801,797
At 31 December 2023	<u>\$61,324,381</u>	<u>\$3,911,061</u>	<u>\$65,235,442</u>
	General Reserve \$	Translation Reserve \$	Total \$
Company			
At 1 January 2023	69,303,938	5,457,596	74,761,534
Incoming resources	5,710,882	-	5,710,882
Resources expended	(5,468,583)	-	(5,468,583)
Loss on disposal of investments	(39,339)	-	(39,339)
Increase in value of investments	3,801,797	-	3,801,797
At 31 December 2023	<u>\$73,308,695</u>	<u>\$5,457,596</u>	<u>\$78,766,291</u>

The currency translation reserve represents historical foreign exchange movements on the values of balance sheet items whose functional currency is not US Dollars.

All funds are unrestricted.

15. PENSION SCHEMES

Pensions for the benefit of UK shore staff have been funded through the MENAS Pension and Life Assurance Scheme managed by Aviva. Contributions to the Scheme ceased in a previous year as the Scheme had been closed to new members and all participants have now had pensions provided.

Menas Marine Services Limited is a former employer of Merchant Navy Officers Pension Fund (MNOPF) members and as such, following a court case in 2006, is liable to contribute towards a deficit on an on-going basis of the New Section of that pension scheme. The financial effect of this has not finally been fully quantified at the present time and the trustees of that scheme have made the charity aware that they are liable for their share of the deficit. Significant payments have been made against these liabilities and all notified requests for payment to date have been fully paid. Any future deficits which may occur in the foreseeable future will be relieved against amounts already expensed. As the trustees of MNOPF have indicated that as of 31 December 2023 there was no liability payable by the company, there has been no charge to the Statement of Financial Activities in 2023.

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16. FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

Operating Leases

The total of future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases for each of the following periods are:-

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Within 1 year	203,197	252,718
Within 1 to 5 years	166,886	266,708
	<u>\$370,083</u>	<u>\$519,426</u>

17. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The Group maintains provisions for known exposures and liabilities. From time to time, the Group maybe engaged in review of historic direct and indirect tax treatments. There are currently no liabilities expected to have material adverse financial impact on Group Net assets, however the Group is currently engaged in correspondence with HMRC concerning reinterpretation of an historically agreed input VAT treatment. The Group's exposure cannot be quantified with sufficient certainty to allow for a provision at the balance sheet date. The Group expects to conclude the matter during 2024

18. COMPANY RESULTS

The surplus/(deficit) dealt with in the financial statements of the Company is as follows:	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Net incoming funds	\$4,004,757	\$(9,784,190)

18. SUBSIDIARIES

The Company owns all of the issued share capital of Menas Marine Services Limited, a company incorporated in England, number 04505570. This company operated a commercial vessel, the OSV Relume, which was sold on 17 September 2023.

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Turnover	3,815,924	4,517,480
Profit/(loss) before tax	273,468	(1,701,459)
Shareholders' funds	<u>(63,701,436)</u>	<u>(63,974,904)</u>

The Company also owns all of the issued share capital of Oman Marine Services Limited, a company incorporated in England, number 04499121. This company is a marine services.

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Income	99	2
Loss before tax	(95,710)	(16,012)
Shareholders' funds	<u>9,170,696</u>	<u>9,266,406</u>

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19. RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOMING RESOURCES TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATIONS

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Net outgoing resources	(1,119,249)	(1,829,316)
Depreciation charge	1,085,634	1,295,928
Investment income receivable	(1,011,172)	(680,199)
Rental income receivable	(135,896)	(144,396)
Decrease in stock	1,051,084	89,247
Decrease in debtors	72,108	282,311
Decrease in creditors	(500,791)	(208,066)
Net cash inflow / (outflow) from operations	<u><u>\$ (558,282)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (1,194,491)</u></u>

20. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	At 1 January 2023	Net cash flow	At 31 December 2023
	\$	\$	\$
Cash and deposits	<u><u>2,779,300</u></u>	<u><u>13,864,211</u></u>	<u><u>16,643,511</u></u>

Cash and cash equivalents are made up entirely of cash and deposits in both the current and prior year.

21. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

There are no related party transactions that require disclosure during the year.

22. ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PARTY

As at the balance sheet date there is no one ultimate controlling party.