Amnesty International Irish Section Limited

Reports and Financial Statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2015

REPORTS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

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DIRECTORS, NATIONAL BOARD AND OTHER INFORMATION

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David White Honorary Secretary

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors present their annual report and the audited financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 December 2015.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

Founded in 1962, Amnesty International Irish Section Limited ("Amnesty International Ireland") is the country's largest human rights organisation with over 20,000 members, supporters and activists. We are part of a global movement of more than 7 million people who campaign for a world where human rights are enjoyed by all. We reach almost every country in the world and have:

More than 2 million members and supporters who drive forward our fight for rights and;

More than 5 million activists who strengthen our calls for justice.

Our vision is for every person to enjoy all the rights enshrined in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and other international human rights standards.

In pursuit of this vision Amnesty International undertakes research and action focused on preventing and ending grave human rights abuses. The organisation is independent of any political ideology, economic interest or religion. We do not support or oppose any government or political system. Our sole concern is the protection of the fundamental human rights guaranteed to each one of us by the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. We are a democratic organisation where our members set our policies and strategies. At a national level our members make key decisions on strategy and organisational focus at Annual Conference every year and elect a National Board to run the organisation. Our National Board appoints an Executive Director to run the organisation at an operational level.

At the global level, our International Board takes the major decisions for the global movement and sets policy. It is elected by an International Council meeting held every two years attended by representatives from every national section. The Council elects an International Board to govern the International Movement on its behalf. The International Board appoints a Secretary General to run our head office, the International Secretariat (IS), based in London and in regional hub offices across the globe.

Amnesty International, as a membership-based organisation, observes a formal system of accountability as set out in the organisations constitution, which can be viewed on www.amnesty.ie.

We are also committed to meeting best practice standards in operational and governance excellence, public reporting and transparency.

We seek to comply fully, for example, with public standards for financial reporting and with the International Non-Governmental Organisations' (INGO) Accountability Charter and the Governance Code for the Community Voluntary and Charitable Sector in Ireland. We are also fully committed to achieving the standards contained within the Statement of Guiding Principles for Fundraising.

However, it is work for and with individuals whose rights are at risk that lays at the heart of our mission and so it is to them that we owe our deepest accountability.

Methodologies such as impact assessment and stakeholder's analysis enable us to ensure Amnesty International is delivering real and positive change for those people for whom we work.

At the heart of Amnesty International is a simple idea: that we are at our most powerful when we stand together for human rights. We work together in many different ways, so that all our supporters can be involved, wherever they live and whatever their age, background or skills.

DIRECTORS' REPORT

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED)

In 2015, as a national section of the Global Amnesty International Movement, Amnesty International Ireland participated in a number of global campaigns including:

- The protection of individuals at risk of grave human rights violations
- Seeking the freedom of Prisoners of Conscience
- Stop torture
- Abolition of the death penalty
- SOS Europe: Rights of Migrants, Refugees and Asylum Seekers
- My Body My Rights: Sexual and Reproductive Rights
- LGBTI Discrimination

At the national level we also worked on a range of issues, including:

- Sexual and Reproductive Rights
- Marriage Equality for Same-Sex Couples
- Improved protection of Economic Social and Cultural Rights in Ireland
- Human Rights Education
- Promotion of Ireland's domestic human rights compliance

Amnesty International Ireland is headquartered in Fleet Street, Dublin 2.

Amnesty International Ireland has experienced significant membership growth in the past year, with 7,500 people signing up to join the organisation in 2015. We have more than one hundred member groups around the country, comprising of local activist groups, schools groups and college and university societies. In 2015, 588 teachers received human rights education training from the organisation.

A total of 156,713 individual actions were taken by Amnesty International Ireland members, supporters and activists across the full range of our campaigns. Some 6,295 activists worked with us on those campaigns.

REVIEW OF FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE

In 2015 Amnesty International Ireland continued to operate in a very challenging environment. Income and expenditure levels increased on the previous year. In order to grow the membership and supporter base Amnesty International Ireland continued with its Face-to-Face (F2F) member recruitment campaign. Campaigns such as this are designed to recruit new members who will support us for many years to come. These campaigns can be costly in the beginning with costs incurred in year 1 and income earned over many future years.

The company finances its general activities from income from subscriptions and donations, fundraising activities. In addition it receives grants from Philanthropic Foundations towards specific projects and campaigns.

DIRECTORS' REPORT

REVIEW OF FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE (CONTINUED)

Total income in 2015 amounted to €2,786k an increase of €136k over 2014.

Income from subscriptions and donations increased from €2,169k in 2014 to €2,569k in 2015.

Income from Amnesty International (Ireland) Foundation, an Irish registered connected trust, increased from €14k to €99k. This income derives from legacies and bequests.

Amnesty International spends this income on core human rights activities and campaigns, on specifically funded projects, on activities for generating funds, on supporter care, on investment in supporter recruitment. In addition Amnesty International Ireland makes a contribution to Amnesty International global activities.

Total expenditure before related party loan was written off in 2015 was €2,822k compared to €2,284k in 2014.

Expenditure on programmes and campaigns was € 1,297k (2014: €1,113k).

The significant membership growth achieved in 2014 and 2015 was as a result of an investment in a Face-to-Face membership recruitment campaign. Such campaigns require a heavy outlay in year 1 with income accruing in future years. Accordingly the Company regards part of this investment as an investment in future income and has split the cost between current and future years. In 2015 the company spent €771k of which €257k was current year and €514k in future years.

The company spent €421k in generating funds and supporter care. Expenditure on administration, depreciation, finance costs and governance amounted to €311k.

Contribution to the International Movement

The IS has agreed to allow Amnesty International Ireland to continue with its current level of activities by reducing the contribution in 2014 to 50% of the amount due. The Company paid €209k in 2015 (2014: €114k).

The Company has agreed not to collect €156k due from Amnesty International Ireland Foundation. This amount has been written off in the Statement of Income.

The result for the year was a surplus of €479k from current year activities compared to €700k in 2014 and after providing for the future costs and related party write offs; it was a deficit of 191k compared to a surplus in 2014 of €279k.

The balance sheet has accumulated deficits of €1,351k (2014: €1,159k). The directors are committed to increasing income from fundraising, member's subscriptions and donations so that the Company can continue its core mission of the promotion and protection of human rights. The directors have prepared budgeted income and expenditure projections for 2016 and 2017 and have agreed a revised repayment plan for the fundraising investment loan from Amnesty International Limited. The directors are satisfied that the company will generate sufficient income to cover future cash requirements.

DIRECTORS' REPORT

REVIEW OF FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE (CONTINUED)

Salaries & Wages

The company's main resource is its staff whose commitment and dedication to the organisation has been one of its strengths in the difficult recessionary times of recent years. During 2015 we had an average of 27 employees on programmes, campaigns, fundraising and support administration and an average of 12 on the F2F recruitment programme, and an average of 7 on the administration. Total salary, wages and related costs of these employees in 2015 was €1,834k (2014 €1,457k).

Details of salary bands are published on our website. The position at January 2016 was as follows:

€26,000 - €35,000 9 €35,001 - €40,000 9 €40,001 - €57,000 8 €115,498 1 (Executive Director)

Reserves and Financial position

The Company's policy is to have reserves sufficient to meet the costs and liabilities of the organisation for a period of 6 months. In recent years this has not been possible due to the recession and difficulties facing the sector and the organisation. However The Company has been able to maintain sufficient cash balances to meet its continuing operations and liabilities. As at 31 December 2015 the cash balances was €298k (2014: €292k).

Investment policy

The bulk of Amnesty's cash balances are held in demand deposit accounts with our principal bankers Bank of Ireland.

Balance Sheet

The assets of the Company amount to €755k with liabilities of €2,106k resulting in an accumulated revenue deficit of €1,351k.

Governance

To meet the Governance standards outlined above the Company Board has been strengthened by the addition of new Board members. The new Board members are to be drawn from diverse backgrounds and bring a broad range of experience and skills to the Board deliberations.

DIRECTORS AND SECRETARY

The current directors and secretary are listed on page 2. The directors and secretary, who served at any time during the financial year except as noted, were as follows:

Directors:

Jacinta Kelly

Chairperson

David White

Honorary Secretary

Richard Bourke

(Resigned 12 March 2015)

Shane Darcy

Moninne Griffith

(Resigned 24 September 2015)

James Kelly

Alan McLean

(Resigned 24 September 2015)

Donal Prior Mary Quinn

DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)

DIRECTORS AND SECRETARY (CONTINUED)

Secretary:

Frank Mooney

(Resigned 29 January 2015)

Alan McLean

(Appointed 29 January 2015 and resigned 24 September 2015)

James Kelly

(Appointed 24 September 2015)

RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The directors perceive the main risks and uncertainties to be those that pertain in the general economic environment and in particular the management of cash flows, and membership subscriptions and donations. The board is aware of the need to assess these and other risks faced by the organisation and respond to manage those risks appropriately. A register of risks has been compiled and management has taken responsibility for each significant risk area.

GOING CONCERN

The directors have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future on the basis of the continued support and revised repayment plan for the fundraising loan from Amnesty International Limited. Thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the annual financial statements.

Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in note 1 to the financial statements.

ACCOUNTING RECORDS

The measures that the directors have taken to secure compliance with the requirements of sections 281 to 285 of the Companies Act 2014 with regard to the keeping of accounting records, are the employment of appropriately qualified accounting personnel and the maintenance of computerised accounting systems. The company's accounting records are maintained at the company's registered office at Seán MacBride House, 48 Fleet Street, Dublin 2.

POST BALANCE SHEET EVENT

There have been no significant events affecting the company since the financial year end.

AUDITORS

The auditors, Deloitte, Chartered Accountants and Statutory Audit Firm, continue in office in accordance with Section 383(2) of the Companies Act 2014.

Approved by the Board and signed on its behalf by:

David White

Director

Director

DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT

The directors are responsible for preparing the directors' report and the financial statements in accordance with the Companies Act 2014 and the applicable regulations.

Irish company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under the law, the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland ("relevant financial reporting framework"). 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 assets, liabilities and financial position of the company as at the financial year end date and of the profit or loss of the company for the financial year and otherwise comply with the Companies Act 2014.

In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies for the Company Financial Statements and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the applicable accounting standards, identify those standards, and note the effect and the reasons for any material departure from those standards; 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 ensuring that the company keeps or causes to be kept adequate accounting records which correctly explain and record the transactions of the company, enable at any time the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of the company to be determined with reasonable accuracy, enable them to ensure that the financial statements and directors' report comply with the Companies Act 2014 and enable the financial statements to be audited. 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. The directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the company's website.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL IRISH SECTION LIMITED (A company limited by guarantee and not having a share capital)

We have audited the financial statements of Amnesty International Irish Section Limited for the financial year ended 31 December 2015 which comprise the Statement of Income and Retained Earnings, the Balance Sheet, the Statement of Cash Flows, and the related notes 1 to 19. The relevant financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is the Companies Act 2014 and FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland ("relevant financial reporting framework").

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 391 of the Companies Act 2014. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view and otherwise comply with the Companies Act 2014. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with the Companies Act 2014 and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board'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. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Reports and Financial Statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2015 to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the company as at 31 December 2015 and of the deficit for the financial year then ended; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with the relevant financial reporting framework and, in particular, with the requirements of the Companies Act 2014.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL IRISH SECTION LIMITED (A company limited by guarantee and not having a share capital)

Emphasis of matter – Going concern

In forming our opinion on the financial statements, which is not modified, we have considered the adequacy of the disclosure made in Note 1 to the financial statements concerning the company's ability to continue as a going concern. The company incurred a deficit of €191,852 during the financial year ended 31 December 2015, and, at that date, had net current liabilities of €79,034 and net liabilities of €1,350,755. These conditions indicates the existence of a material uncertainty which may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern. Amnesty International Limited have provided written confirmation to the company that they have agreed a revised repayment plan for the fundraising investment loan repayments due from the company on the outstanding loan balance as disclosed in Note 11 to the financial statements, the objective of this being to support the growth of the company. This revised repayment plan defers any loan payments due, to commence in 2018. The directors have prepared budgeted income and expenditure projections for 2016 and 2017 and are satisfied that the company will generate funds which together with the deferral of loan payments until 2018-2020 will be sufficient to meet its working capital needs for a period of not less than 12 months from the date of approval of the financial statements and to enable the company to meet its liabilities as they fall due. The directors have prepared the financial statements of the company on the basis that the company is a going concern. The financial statements do not include any adjustments to the carrying amount and classification of assets and liabilities that would arise if the company was unable to continue as a going concern.

Matters on which we are required to report by the Companies Act 2014

- We have obtained all the information and explanations which we consider necessary for the purposes of our audit.
- In our opinion the accounting records of the company were sufficient to permit the financial statements to be readily and properly audited.
- The financial statements are in agreement with the accounting records.
- In our opinion the information given in the directors' report 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 provisions in the Companies Act 2014 which require us to report to you if, in our opinion, the disclosures of directors' remuneration and transactions specified by law are not made.

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For and on behalf of Deloitte

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Chartered Accountants and Statutory Audit Firm

Dublin

Date:

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STATEMENT OF INCOME AND RETAINED EARNINGS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

	Notes	2015 €	2014 €
Turnover	3	2,786,336	2,649,617
Administrative expenses		(2,590,763)	(2,145,964)
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Operating Surplus		195,573	503,653
Contribution payable/paid to the International Movement	12	(209,636)	(113,967)
Related party loan written off	12	(156,345)	(86,796)
Finance cost (net)	6	(21,444)	(23,662)
(Deficit)/Surplus on ordinary activities before taxation	4	(191,852)	279,228
Taxation	7	-	-
(Deficit)/Surplus for the financial year		(191,852)	279,228
Retained deficit at the beginning of reporting period		(1,158,903)	(1,438,131)
Retained deficit at the end of reporting period	ş	(1,350,755)	(1,158,903)

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2015

	Notes	2015 €	2014 €
Fixed Assets			
Tangible fixed assets	8	330,757	328,332
Current Assets			
Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	9	126,380 297,654	58,956 291,735
Cash at bank and in hand		424,034	350,691
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	10	(503,068)	(235,448)
Net current (liabilities)/assets		(79,034)	115,243
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	11	(1,602,478)	(1,602,478)
NET LIABILITIES		(1,350,755)	(1,158,903)
Financed by:			
Retained deficit		(1,350,755)	(1,158,903)
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David White

Director

James Kelly Director

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

	Note	2015 €	2014 €
NET CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	14	51,390	(19,735)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Interest received	6	50	726
Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets	8	(24,027)	(1,144)
Net cash flows from investing activities		(23,977)	(418)
Interest paid	6	(21,494)	(24,388)
		(21,489)	(24,388)
Net cash flows from financing activities		-	-
NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH	EQUIVALENTS	5,919	(44,541)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of financial ye	ar	291,735	336,276
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year		297,654	291,735

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

General information and basis of accounting

The significant accounting policies adopted by the company are as follows:

Amnesty International Irish Section Limited is a company incorporated in Ireland under the Companies Act 2014. The address of the registered office is Seán MacBride House, 48 Fleet Street, Dublin 2. The nature of the company's operations and its principal activities are set out in the directors' report on pages 3 to 7.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, in accordance with the Companies Act 2014 and Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS 102) issued by the Financial Reporting Council.

The functional currency of the company is considered to be Euro because that is the currency of the primary economic environment in which the company operates.

Going Concern

The company has, after providing for contributions of €209,636 (2014: €113,967) to the International Movement and writing off a loan from Amnesty International (Ireland) Foundation of €156,345 (2014: €86,796), incurred a deficit for the financial year ended 31 December 2015 amounting to €191,852 (2014: surplus of €279,228). The company had net current liabilities of €79,034 (2014: net current assets of €115,243) and net liabilities of €1,350,755 (2014: net liabilities of €1,158,903) at the balance sheet date. Amnesty International Limited have provided written confirmation to the company that they have agreed a revised repayment plan for the fundraising investment loan repayments due from the company on the outstanding loan balance as disclosed in Note 13 to the financial statements, the objective of this being to support the growth of the company. This revised repayment plan defers any loan payments due to commence in 2018. The directors have prepared budgeted income and expenditure projections for 2016 and 2017 and are satisfied that the company will generate funds which together with the deferral of loan payments until 2018-2020 will be sufficient to meet its working capital needs for a period of not less than 12 months from the date of approval of the financial statements and to enable the company to meet its liabilities as they fall due.

On that basis, the directors consider it appropriate to prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis. The financial statements do not include any adjustments to the carrying amount and classification of assets and liabilities that would arise if the company was unable to continue as a going concern.

Tangible Fixed Assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost, net of depreciation and any provision for impairment.

Provision is made for depreciation on all tangible assets at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset over its expected useful life on a straight line basis as follows:

Leasehold premises

1% per annum

Fixtures and fittings

20% per annum

Computer

331/3% per annum

Office equipment

20% & 331/3% per annum

Residual value represents the estimated amount which would currently be obtained from disposal of an asset, after deducting estimated costs of disposal, if the asset were already of the age and in the condition expected at the end of its useful life.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Foreign Currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate of exchange at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the balance sheet date are reported at the rates of exchange prevailing at that date.

Exchange differences are recognised in Statement of Income and Retained Earnings in the period in which they arise except for exchange differences arising on gains or losses on non-monetary items which are recognised in the Statement of Income and Retained Earnings.

Turnover and Revenue Recognition

Fundraising Income, Subscriptions and Donations

Income from fundraising, subscriptions and donations is recognised when received.

Project Income and Deferred Expenditure

Income for specific projects and activities is recognised in the year in which the project or the activity takes place. Any income not utilised at the balance sheet date is deferred to future periods.

Taxation

The company is exempt from corporation tax under Section 209 of The Taxes Consolidation Act, 1997, as a company that has consultative status with the United Nations and the Council of Europe and has its sole or main object, the promotion of the observance of the provisions of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights or the implementation of the European Convention for the protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms.

Pension Costs

Certain company employees are members of a pension scheme. The scheme is a defined contribution pension scheme and the assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company. The annual contributions payable are charged to the Statement of Income and Retained Earnings.

Operating Leases

Operating lease rentals are charged to the Statement of Income and Retained Earnings on a straight line basis over the lease term.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial liabilities are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into.

(i) Financial assets and liabilities

Basic financial assets and liabilities are initially measured at transaction price (including transaction costs), unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction. If an arrangement constitutes a finance transaction, the financial asset or financial liability is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Financial assets are derecognised when and only when a) the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire or are settled, b) the company transfers to another party substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset, or c) the company, despite having retained some significant risks and rewards of ownership, has transferred control of the asset to another party and the other party has the practical ability to sell the asset in its entirety to an unrelated third party and is able to exercise that ability unilaterally and without needing to impose additional restrictions on the transfer.

Financial liabilities are derecognised only when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expires.

Balances are classified as payable or receivable within one year if payment or receipt is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as falling due after more than one year. Balances that are classified as payable or receivable within one year on initial recognition are measured at the undiscounted amount of the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received, net of impairment.

2. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY

In the application of the company's accounting policies, which are described in note 1, the directors are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates. The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

Information about critical judgements in applying accounting policies that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements is included in the accounting policies and the notes to the financial statements. Given the nature of the company's business, there are no areas of significant estimate and judgement in the current year apart from the need for the directors to assess the going concern and residual value of and useful lives of the fixed assets at the year end.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

3. INCOME

Income represents proceeds from subscriptions, donations, project income and fundraising income, and is derived from its principal activities undertaken in Ireland.

	2015 €	2014 €
Subscriptions Donations Project income Fundraising income	103,382 763,802 427,511 1,491,641	110,498 845,086 227,534 1,466,499
	2,786,336	2,649,617

Project income includes contributions of €99k (2014: 141k) received from Amnesty International (Ireland) Foundation during the financial year.

4. (DEFICIT)/SURPLUS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION

	2015	2014
	€	€
Directors' remuneration (Note 4(b))	111,398	101,316
Directors' pension (Note 4(b))	6,658	6,079
Depreciation	21,602	24,399
Loan interest	21,494	24,388
Auditors' remuneration (Note 4(a))	8,947	7,385
(a) Auditors' remuneration disclosures:		
Audit	8,947	7,385
Tax advisory	-	-
Other assurance	-	-
Other non-audit	-	-

⁽b) Colm O'Gorman resigned as director on 15 April 2015 and no other directors were paid during the financial year and the previous financial year.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

5.	EMPLOYEE INFORMATION	2015 €	2014 €
	Staff costs: Salaries and wages Social welfare costs Pension costs	1,622,055 154,410 56,910	1,279,446 125,271 51,821
		1,833,375	1,456,538
	The average number of persons employed by the company (including the directors) during the financial year was as follows:	No.	No.
	Programmes and activities	14	17
	Fundraising	5	4
	Administration	7	7
	Recruitment	20	15
		46	43

Employee costs are allocated to membership recruitment costs, campaign and programme costs and personnel costs as appropriate.

6. FINANCE COSTS (NET)	2015 €	2014 €
Loan interest (Note 12) Deposit interest	21,494 (50)	24,388 (726)
	21,444	23,662

7. TAXATION

The company is exempt from corporation tax under Section 209 of The Taxes Consolidation Act, 1997, as a company that has consultative status with the United Nations and the Council of Europe and has its sole or main object, the promotion of the observance of the provisions of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights or the implementation of the European Convention for the protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Leasehold Premises €	Fixtures & Fittings €	Office Computer Equipment € €		Total €
Cost: At 1 January 2015 Additions	315,824 -	51,914 1,806	189,364 21,602	34,466 619	591,568 24,027
At 31 December 2015	315,824	53,720	210,966	35,085	615,595
Depreciation: At 1 January 2015 Charge for financial year	6,317 3,158	39,906 8,834	183,372 9,126	33,641 484	263,236 21,602
At 31 December 2015	9,475	48,740	192,498	34,125	284,838
Net Book Value: At 31 December 2015	306,349	4,980	18,468	960	330,757
At 31 December 2014	309,507	12,008	5,992	825	328,332

Leasehold premises as stated in the balance sheet represent the contribution made by Amnesty International Irish Section Limited to enable Amnesty International (Ireland) Foundation to purchase the property at 48 Fleet Street, Dublin 2. By agreement dated 21 April 2010 the company has been granted a 200 - year lease from the Foundation at an annual rent of €600, together with a beneficial entitlement to 80% of the value of the property on any sale. The company is also entitled to a renewal of the lease on the same terms as the current lease including payment of an agreed rent.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS (CONTINUED)

In respect of prior financial year:

	Leasehold Premises €	Fixtures & Fittings €	Office Computer Equipment € €		Total €
Cost: At 1 January 2014 Additions	315,824 -	51,914 -	189,364 -	33,322 1,144	590,424 1,144
At 31 December 2014	315,824	51,914	189,364	34,466	591,568
Depreciation: At 1 January 2014 Charge for financial year	3,158 3,159	31,124 8,782	173,007 10,365 ————————————————————————————————————	31,548 2,093 ————————————————————————————————————	238,837 24,399 —
At 31 December 2014	6,317	39,906	163,372	33,041	
Net Book Value: At 31 December 2014	309,507	12,008	5,992	825	328,332
At 31 December 2013	312,666	20,790	16,357	1,774	351,587

9. **DEBTORS** Amounts falling due within one year

	2015 €	2014 €
Other debtors Prepayments	110,570 15,810	52,804 6,152
	126,380	58,956

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

10.	CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	2015 €	2014 €
	Creditors and accruals	145,421 39,276	95,506 34,335
	PAYE/PRSI Accrued interest on loan from Fundraising	39,270	34,333
	Investment Fund (Note 12)	64,968	43,475
	Amnesty International Limited (Note 12)	209,636	27,551
	GBD Consortium	43,767	34,581
		503,068	235,448
11.	CREDITORS: Amounts falling due after more than one year	2015 €	2014 €
	Loan from Fundraising Investment Fund (Note 12)	1,602,478	1,602,478

On 15 April 2013 Amnesty International Limited agreed a revised repayment plan for the fundraising investment loan repayments and a deferral of loan payments until 2018-2020.

12. RELATED PARTIES TRANSACTIONS

Amnesty International (Ireland) Foundation, an Irish registered connected trust made contributions to projects undertaken by the company amounting to €99,000 (2014: €14,000).

During the financial year Amnesty International Irish Section Limited waived an amount of €156,345 due from Amnesty International (Ireland) Foundation. There were no amounts receivable at the year end (2014 €Nil).

During the financial year the company incurred contributions in respect of the International Movement amounting to €209,636 (2014: €113,967) to Amnesty International Limited, a United Kingdom registered connected company. The balance due to Amnesty International Limited at the financial year end is €209,636 (2014: €27,551).

The company incurred accrued loan interest of €21,494 (2014 €24,388) on a loan from Amnesty International Limited. This loan is denominated in euro and interest is payable at LIBOR plus 1.25%. The loan balance including interest due to Amnesty International Limited at the financial year end is €1,667,446 (2014: €1,645,953).

The company incurred contributions amounting to €20,470 (2014: €24,331) payable to the Amnesty International (AI) EU Association in Brussels.

The total remuneration for key management personnel for the financial year amounted to €472,173 (2014: €395,599).

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

13. PENSION

Amnesty International Irish Section Limited operates an externally managed defined contribution scheme. The pension cost is charged to the Statement of Income and Retained Earnings in the financial year in which it arises. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the company to the fund and amounted to €56,910 (2014: €51,821).

14. RECONCILIATION OF (DEFICIT)/SURPLUS OF FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITES BEFORE TAXATION TO NET CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2015 €	2014 €
(Deficit)/surplus from ordinary activities before taxation Finance cost Depreciation Increase in debtors Increase/(decrease) in creditors	(191,852) 21,444 21,602 (67,424) 267,620	279,228 23,662 24,399 (3,297) (343,727)
NET CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	51,390	(19,735)

15. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The carrying values of the company's financial assets and liabilities are summarised by category below:

	2015 €	2014 €
Financial assets		
Measured at undiscounted amount receivable Trade and other debtors	110,570	52,804
Financial liabilities		
Measured at amortised cost Other loan Measured at undiscounted amount payable Trade and other creditors	1,667,446	1,645,953
	398,824	157,638
	2,066,270	1,803,591

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015

16. OPERATING LEASES COMMITMENTS

Total future minimum lease payments exist under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	Security Annual Security (1997)	
Payable on leases which expire:	2015 €	2014 €
Within one year Between one and five years After five years	25,600 102,400 171,933	25,600 102,400 197,533
	299,933	325,533

17. LEGAL STATUS OF AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL IRISH SECTION LIMITED

The company is limited by guarantee (€1 per member), and has no share capital.

18. SECURITY

As part of loan facilities entered into by Amnesty International (Ireland) Foundation with the trust's bankers, the company is jointly and severally liable for amounts outstanding on these facilities. The guarantees outstanding at 31 December 2015 in respect of these facilities were €2,630,798 (2014: €2,788,098).

19. EXPLANATION OF TRANSITION TO FRS 102

This is the first year the company has presented its financial statements under Financial Reporting Standards 102 (FRS 102) issued by the Financial Reporting Council. The last financial statements under previous Irish GAAP were for the year ended 31 December 2014 and the date of transition to FRS 102 was therefore 1 January 2014. As a consequence of adopting FRS 102, a number of accounting policies have been changed to comply with that standard. None of these changes have resulted in an adjustment to equity reported under previous Irish GAAP at 31 December 2014 or 1 January 2014 and there was no effect on surplus previously reported for the year ended 31 December 2014.

Leasehold premises