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**UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2008**

**FOR**

**Church of Scientology  
Religious Education College Inc**

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**CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES  
ON THE UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF  
CHURCH OF SCIENTOLOGY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COLLEGE INC**

In accordance with our terms of engagement and in order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Companies Act 1985, as applicable to the Church under Statutory Instrument No 1990/440, we have compiled the financial statements of the Church for the year ended 31 December 2008 which comprise the principal accounting policies, the income and expenditure account, the balance sheet and the related notes, from the accounting records and information and explanations supplied to us.

This report is made to the Church's trustees, as a body, in accordance with the terms of our engagement. Our work has been undertaken so that we might compile the financial statements that we have been engaged to compile, report to the Church's Trustees that we have done so, and state those matters that we have agreed to state to them in this 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 Church and the Church's trustees, for our work or for this report.

We have carried out this engagement in accordance with technical guidance issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales and have complied with the ethical guidance laid down by the Institute relating to members undertaking the compilation of financial statements.

You have acknowledged on the Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2008 your duty to ensure that the Church has kept proper accounting records and to prepare financial statements that give a true and fair view under the Companies Act 1985.

We have not been instructed to carry out an audit of the financial statements. For this reason, we have not verified the accuracy or completeness of the accounting records or information and explanations you have given to us and we do not, therefore, express any opinion on the financial statements.

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Date: *31 Mar 2009*

**Church of Scientology  
Religious Education College Inc**

**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT  
For The Year Ended 31 December 2008**

	Notes	Year to 31/12/08 £	Year to 31/12/07 £ (As restated)
<b>INCOME</b>			
From ordinary activities		12,958,196	12,971,494
From compensation claim		-	8,016,100
<b>Expenditure</b>			
On ordinary activities		<u>17,514,645</u>	<u>14,909,054</u>
<b>OPERATING (DEFICIT)/SURPLUS</b>	3	(4,556,449)	6,078,540
<b>Interest receivable and similar income</b>			
From ordinary activities		1,064,458	316,476
From compensation claim		-	9,043,066
		(3,491,991)	15,438,082
Interest payable and similar charges	6	<u>1,486,314</u>	<u>896,331</u>
<b>(DEFICIT)/SURPLUS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION</b>		(4,978,305)	14,541,751
Tax on (deficit)/surplus on ordinary activities	7	<u>2,684,863</u>	<u>(4,216,863)</u>
<b>(DEFICIT)/SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR AFTER TAXATION</b>		<u>(2,293,442)</u>	<u>10,324,888</u>
<b>RETAINED (DEFICIT)/SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR</b>		<u>(2,293,442)</u>	<u>10,324,888</u>

There are no other recognised surpluses or losses not recognised through the Income and Expenditure account.

**Statement of total recognised surpluses and losses**

Total recognised surpluses and losses relating to the year	(2,293,442)	10,324,888
Prior year adjustment (as explained in Note 4)	<u>(2,611,531)</u>	
Total gains and losses recognised since the last annual report	<u>(4,904,973)</u>	

The notes form part of these financial statements

**Church of Scientology  
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**BALANCE SHEET  
31 December 2008**

	Notes	31 December 2008		31 December 2007	
		£	£	£	£
					(As restated)
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
Tangible assets	8		24,365,577		24,171,836
Subsidiary undertakings	9		<u>451,000</u>		<u>451,000</u>
			24,816,577		24,622,836
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Stocks	10	2,226,585		1,656,165	
Debtors	11	62,626		8,491,714	
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>23,835,414</u>		<u>18,039,601</u>	
		26,124,625		28,187,480	
<b>CREDITORS</b>					
Amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>24,554,012</u>		<u>26,185,115</u>	
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)</b>			<u>1,570,613</u>		<u>2,002,365</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			26,387,190		26,625,201
<b>CREDITORS</b>					
Amounts falling due after more than one year	13		13,153,177		11,220,746
<b>PROVISION FOR LIABILITIES</b>			<u>462,000</u>		<u>339,000</u>
			<u>12,772,013</u>		<u>15,065,455</u>
<b>RESERVES</b>					
Accumulated funds	15		<u>12,772,013</u>		<u>15,065,455</u>
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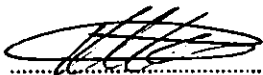
**BALANCE SHEET - continued  
31 December 2008**

The trustees are satisfied that the Church was entitled to exemption from audit for the year ended 31 December 2008.

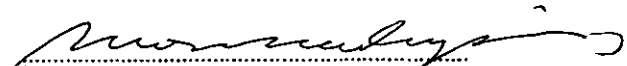
We acknowledge our responsibilities for ensuring that the Church keeps accounting records which comply with the Companies Act 1985, and preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Church as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for the financial year and which comply with the Companies Act 1985 relating to accounts, so far as applicable to the Church.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Statutory Instrument 1990 No 440 relating to overseas companies.

**ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES:**



Richard Wilkins



Massimo Angius

Approved by the Trustees on 31 March 09

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**Church of Scientology  
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**CASH FLOW STATEMENT  
31 December 2008**

	31 December 2008		31 December 2007	
	£	£	£	£
				(As restated)
<b>Cash generated from operations</b>				
Operating (deficit)/surplus	(4,556,449)		6,078,540	
Reconciliation to cash generated from operations:				
Depreciation	855,788		757,127	
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	2,661		506	
Grant released	(70,087)		(57,712)	
(Increase)/Decrease in stocks	(570,420)		(397,985)	
(Increase)/Decrease in debtors	8,429,088		(8,451,570)	
Increase/(Decrease) in creditors	<u>1,210,364</u>		<u>6,623,947</u>	
		<b>5,300,945</b>		<b>4,552,853</b>
<b>Cash from other sources</b>				
Interest received	1,064,458		9,359,542	
Capital grants for fixed assets	33,744		150,431	
Sale of fixed assets	-		11,484	
Loans	<u>1,935,170</u>		<u>7,378,291</u>	
		<b>3,033,372</b>		<b>16,899,748</b>
<b>Application of cash</b>				
Interest paid	1,486,314		896,331	
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	<u>1,052,190</u>		<u>10,930,998</u>	
		<b>(2,538,504)</b>		<b>(11,827,329)</b>
<b>Net increase/(decrease) in cash</b>		<b>5,795,813</b>		<b>9,625,272</b>
Cash at bank and in hand at the beginning of the year		<u>18,039,601</u>		<u>8,414,329</u>
<b>Cash at bank and in hand at the end of the year</b>		<u><b>23,835,414</b></u>		<u><b>18,039,601</b></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
For The Year Ended 31 December 2008**

**1. STATUS**

The Church of Scientology Religious Education College Inc was incorporated in Australia as a religious charity on 19 October 1976 and commenced activities in the United Kingdom on 1 May 1977.

**2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of accounting**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The principal accounting policies of the Church are set out below.

**Income**

Income represents the combined income from all the individual organisations of the Church in respect of religious services together with materials supplied, donations, and income from related activities provided to other churches and organisations. Income is recognised when received.

**Tangible fixed assets**

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Freehold land	- No depreciation
Freehold property	- 2% on cost
Leasehold property	- Equal instalments over the period of the lease
Fixtures and fittings	- 10% & 20% on cost
Computer equipment	- 33.33% on cost
Motor vehicles	- 25% on cost

**Stocks**

Stocks of religious books and artefacts are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

**Foreign currencies**

Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of transaction. Exchange differences are dealt with through the income and expenditure account.

**Consolidation**

The financial statements of the subsidiary companies have not been incorporated into a consolidated set of financial statements because the Trustees have applied the exemption afforded to medium sized groups not to prepare a set of such statements.

**Grants received**

As last year grants were received towards property improvements from a grant-making association. Grants are recognised in the income and expenditure account in future periods over the expected useful life of the asset.

**Change of accounting treatment**

The treatment of training costs has this year been changed to write off the expense in the year in which it arose rather than carrying forward any element of such costs in the balance sheet. The comparatives have been restated in line with the new accounting treatment. The change in policy has resulted in the accounting surplus for the previous year being restated along with the opening reserves for that year.



NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued  
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**Taxation**

The Church is a South Australian charity, and is established in England for charitable purposes only. The trustees consider that corporation tax should not therefore be applicable, however corporation tax and deferred tax have been provided for in these financial statements.

Deferred tax is recognised on all timing differences where the transactions or events that give a taxpayer an obligation to pay more tax in the future, or a right to pay less tax in the future, have occurred by the balance sheet date. Deferred tax assets are recognised when it is more likely than not that they will be recovered. Deferred tax is measured using rates of tax that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

**3. OPERATING DEFICIT**

The operating deficit (2007 - operating surplus) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	Year to 31/12/08 £	Year to 31/12/07 £
Depreciation - owned assets	756,976	678,215
Depreciation - leased assets	98,812	78,912
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	2,661	506
Grants released	(70,087)	(57,712)
Foreign exchange differences	1,377,105	(285,757)
Compensation claim	<u>-</u>	<u>8,016,100</u>

During the year there were the following transactions with other Scientology organisations:

	Year to 31/12/08 £	Year to 31/12/07 £
Income	1,013,101	1,206,458
Expenditure	<u>9,906,351</u>	<u>5,922,949</u>

**4. PRIOR YEAR ADJUSTMENT**

Due to change of accounting policy regarding training costs a prior year adjustment has been made totalling £2,611,531. The deficit this year is estimated to have been increased by £228,469 due to the change of accounting policy regarding training costs adopted this year. The surplus for the previous year has been reduced by £211,326 due to the change of accounting policy regarding training costs.

**5. TRUSTEES**

	Year to 31/12/08 £	Year to 31/12/07 £
Management remuneration in respect of trustees	<u>4,873</u>	<u>4,842</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued  
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6. INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES

Interest payable and similar charges includes the following:

	Year to 31/12/08 £	Year to 31/12/07 £
On bank loans repayable within 5 years		
- otherwise than by instalments	869,482	409,200
- by instalments	<u>616,832</u>	<u>487,131</u>
	<u>1,486,314</u>	<u>896,331</u>

7. TAXATION

(a) Analysis of the tax (credit)/charge

The tax charge/credit on the surplus on ordinary activities for the year was as follows:

	Year to 31/12/08 £	Year to 31/12/07 £
UK corporation tax:		
- Current year	(2,807,863)	2,807,863
- Prior year	-	-
Total current tax	(2,807,863)	2,807,863
Deferred tax	<u>123,000</u>	<u>1,409,000</u>
	<u>(2,684,863)</u>	<u>4,216,863</u>

(b) Factors affecting tax charge for the year

The tax assessed for the year is lower than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK (30%). The differences are explained below:

	Year to 31/12/08 £	Year to 31/12/07 £
(Deficit)/Surplus on ordinary activities before tax	<u>(7,459,077)</u>	<u>14,753,077</u>
(Deficit)/Surplus on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate of Corporation tax in the UK of 30%	(2,237,723)	4,425,923
Effects of:		(As restated)
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	854	24,012
Capital allowances for year in excess of depreciation	(246,774)	12,967
Utilisation of tax losses	34,617	(1,374,794)
Non taxable capital items	<u>(358,837)</u>	<u>(280,245)</u>
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Current tax (credit)/charge for the year	<u>(2,807,863)</u>	<u>2,807,863</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued  
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8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property £	Leasehold property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Motor vehicles £	Totals £
<b>COST</b>					
At 1 January 2008	20,357,873	3,527,732	6,854,998	164,731	30,905,334
Additions	101,540	552,918	388,570	9,162	1,052,190
Disposals	-	-	(1,581)	(51,226)	(52,807)
At 31 December 2008	<u>20,459,413</u>	<u>4,080,650</u>	<u>7,241,987</u>	<u>122,667</u>	<u>31,904,717</u>
<b>DEPRECIATION</b>					
At 1 January 2008	1,476,563	282,630	4,835,155	139,150	6,733,498
Charge for year	277,860	98,812	466,645	12,471	855,788
Eliminated on disposal	-	-	-	(50,146)	(50,146)
At 31 December 2008	<u>1,754,423</u>	<u>381,442</u>	<u>5,301,800</u>	<u>101,475</u>	<u>7,539,140</u>
<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>					
At 31 December 2008	<u>18,704,990</u>	<u>3,699,208</u>	<u>1,940,187</u>	<u>21,192</u>	<u>24,365,577</u>
At 31 December 2007	<u>18,881,310</u>	<u>3,245,102</u>	<u>2,019,843</u>	<u>25,581</u>	<u>24,171,836</u>

Included in the total net book value of tangible fixed assets held at 31 December 2008 was £19,102 in respect of assets held under hire purchase contracts.

The cost of depreciable assets included in freehold property at 31 December 2008 was £9,866,974.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued  
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9. SUBSIDIARY UNDERTAKINGS

	Shares in group undertakings £
<b>COST</b>	
At 1 January 2008 and 31 December 2008	<u>451,000</u>
<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>	
At 31 December 2008	<u>451,000</u>
At 31 December 2007	<u>451,000</u>

The Church's investments at the balance sheet date in the share capital of companies which were wholly owned and incorporated in England and Wales include the following:

**Nesta Investments Limited**

Nature of business: Holding of investment properties

	%		
Class of shares:	holding		
180,000 £1 ordinary	100.00		
3 £1 non cumulative preference	100.00		
		<b>31/12/07</b>	<b>31/12/06</b>
		£	£
Aggregate capital and reserves		1,053,783	998,063
Profit/(Loss) for the year		<u>(24)</u>	<u>(66)</u>

**SOR Services (UK) Limited**

Nature of business: Providing bookkeeping services

	%		
Class of shares:	holding		
1000 £1 ordinary	100.00		
		<b>31/12/07</b>	<b>31/12/06</b>
		£	£
Aggregate capital and reserves		30,225	29,587
Profit/(Loss) for the year		<u>638</u>	<u>4,531</u>

As the 2008 accounts for both companies have not yet been prepared the above information relates to 2007 and 2006.

10. STOCKS

	Year to 31/12/08 £	Year to 31/12/07 £
Religious books and artefacts	<u>2,226,585</u>	<u>1,656,165</u>

There were no significant differences between the replacement cost and the values disclosed for stocks.

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**11. DEBTORS**

	31/12/2008	31/12/2007
	£	£
		(As restated)
Corporation Tax	4,403	4,096
Loan receivable from other organisations	-	208,070
Sundry debtors	648	16,061
Compensation claim	-	8,142,385
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>57,575</u>	<u>121,102</u>
	<u>62,626</u>	<u>8,491,714</u>

Prepayments and accrued income at 31 December 2008 includes £Nil (31 December 2007: £Nil (As restated)) in respect of prepaid staff development costs.

**12. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	31/12/2008	31/12/2007
	£	£
Hire purchase contracts	2,739	3,652
Amounts owed to group undertakings	393,012	393,073
Tax	-	2,807,863
Social security and other taxes	3,760	12,443
Deferred receipts arising on capital grants	1,423,574	1,459,917
Bank loan (secured by a mortgage)	-	4,000,000
VAT	113,137	133,977
Accruals and other creditors	<u>22,617,790</u>	<u>17,374,190</u>
	<u>24,554,012</u>	<u>26,185,115</u>

**13. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR**

	31/12/2008	31/12/2007
	£	£
Hire purchase contracts	3,653	6,392
Loans from other churches	484,913	484,913
Other creditors	<u>12,664,611</u>	<u>10,729,441</u>
	<u>13,153,177</u>	<u>11,220,746</u>

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**14. PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES**

	<b>£</b>
Balance at 1 January 2008	(339,000)
Movement in the year	<u>(123,000)</u>
Balance at 31 December 2008	<u>(462,000)</u>

The balance at the end of the year comprises:	<b>31/12/2008</b>	<b>31/12/2007</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Tax losses	-	299,000
Accelerated capital allowances	<u>(462,000)</u>	<u>(638,000)</u>
	<u>(462,000)</u>	<u>(339,000)</u>

**15. ACCUMULATED FUNDS**

	<b>Capital funds £</b>	<b>General funds £</b>	<b>Total funds £</b>
At 1 January 2008 (As previously reported)	6,773,043	10,903,943	17,676,986
Prior Year Adjustment	-	<u>2,611,531</u>	<u>2,611,531</u>
At 1 January 2008 (As restated)	6,773,043	8,292,412	15,065,455
Retained deficit for the year	-	<u>2,293,442</u>	<u>2,293,442</u>
At 31 December 2008	<u>6,773,043</u>	<u>5,998,970</u>	<u>12,772,013</u>

Due to the prior year adjustment the opening reserves at 1 January 2008 shown under General funds reflect a reduction of £2,611,531. The effect of the prior year adjustment on opening reserves at 1 January 2007 is a reduction of £2,400,205.