

Registered Charity No. 1120876

**THE BRITAIN-NIGERIA EDUCATIONAL TRUST
ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2010**

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REPORT OF THE CHARITY TRUSTEES
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STATUS AND ADMINISTRATION

The Trust is a registered charity, number 1120876 governed by its Constitution dated September 4, 2007. Formerly known as 'The Alhaji Sir Abubakar Tafawa Balewa Memorial Trust', it had been founded in 1968 by members of the Britain-Nigeria Association to honour and perpetuate the memory of Nigeria's first Prime Minister. The assets and continuation of existing activities of that trust migrated to The Britain-Nigeria Educational Trust on December 31, 2007.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The broad aim of the Educational Trust is to promote friendship and understanding between the UK and Nigeria by providing reasoned financial support that directly contributes to the progress and advancement of education in Nigeria.

TRUSTEES

The Trust is administered by a Board of Trustees of not less than seven in number who shall normally serve for a three-year term. One third of the Board is therefore re-elected at each Annual General Meeting. The appointment of Trustees and Officers is made in accordance with Rule 5 of the Constitution with one seat permanently reserved for The High Commissioner for Nigeria to the United Kingdom.

The following served as Trustees during the year: -

Mr D R Reeves, MBE	(Chairman)	
Professor L J Bown, OBE		
Mr D K O Brandler		
Mr G M Clark	(Secretary)	
Mr T Cooke		
Mr R Fulford-Brown		Appointed 21 April 2010
Professor G L Furniss		
General (Dr) Y D Gowon		
Mr A J Green		Resigned 25 June 2010
Chief D H Griffin	(Vice Chairman)	
Mr R Harvey		Appointed 17 November 2010
Mr J R Lee	(Treasurer)	
Mr A Oladimeji		
Mr K M Rafferty		
Mr J C P Storey		Resigned 15 July 2010
Mr A R P Williams		Resigned 15 July 2010
HE The High Commissioner for Nigeria to the UK		

TRUSTEE RECRUITMENT and TRAINING

Potential Trustees are identified by members of the Board and considered against the Board's requirements concerning availability, eligibility, competence and specialist skills. Achieving a balance of experience and backgrounds with first-hand knowledge of Nigeria is the objective.

Members of the Board will necessarily have an interest in the welfare and progress of Nigeria's population.

Prospective Trustees are invited to attend Board Meetings prior to accepting the role to help them gain an understanding of the work and aims of the Trust and are required to sign the Charity Commission's "Declaration of Eligibility" before their appointment. Following election they are briefed by the Chairman and provided with further information about the Trust and their role within it. They receive copies of the Constitution, the latest Report and Accounts and a copy of the Charity Commission publication "The Essential Trustee". All Trustees are kept up to date on charity issues through the Charity Commission's regular bulletins and newsletters. Attendance at relevant courses may be considered as necessary.

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PROFESSIONAL ADVISORS AND KEY PERSONNEL

Chairman	Mr D R Reeves, MBE
Vice Chairman	Chief D H Griffin
Secretary	Mr G M Clark
Treasurer	Mr J R Lee
Membership Secretary	Mr K M Rafferty
Address	The Africa Centre 38 King Street Covent Garden London WC2E 8JT
Bankers	HSBC Bank plc Rochester Row Branch The Peak 333 Vauxhall Bridge Road London SW1V 2EJ
Independent Examiners	Crowe Clark Whitehill LLP Aquis House 49-51 Blagrove Street Reading RG1 1PL
Resident Representative (Nigeria)	Engineer G Ojeh 677 Emma Adubifa Street, Omole 2 PO Box 19779, Ikeja Lagos, Nigeria

MEMBERSHIP

The Trust welcomes, in both the United Kingdom and Nigeria, individuals over the age of eighteen, institutions and companies who are interested in supporting its charitable objects. The benefits of membership include a newsletter, a quarterly digest that provides information about current affairs in Nigeria and various social fundraising functions. A valuable and regular income is derived through membership subscriptions.

Protection of its member's personal information is a commitment of the Trust, which is registered with the Information Commissioner's Office under number Z1107800.

REVIEW OF THE YEAR

The Trustees have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's purposes and aims, and when planning future activities. In particular how planned activities will contribute to the achievement of the objectives and aims.

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REVIEW OF THE YEAR (continued)

The continuing economic downturn of 2010 reduced the income derived through bank interest and dividends yielding only £1,962, a reduction of more than 60% over the previous year. Membership subscriptions, at £6,787, had increased by 21% on 2009 and were enhanced by a credit of £1,010 through Gift Aid. Further donations from various sources totalled £1,225. Regional functions and the sale of Christmas cards also made a valuable contribution towards the total income to £18,963.

This income was fully disbursed in support of the Trust's on-going commitments and no new projects were undertaken. The E-Learning Centre at Benin University, completed in 2008, continued to be of immense value to their students but its full potential could not be realised due to irregular power supply and inadequate generator capacity. To correct this, approval was given to fund a 30kva Inverter backup system at a cost of £16,000 of which £13,070 has been released and £3,255 is due to be paid in the new year. The establishment of a new school for girls at Umutu is now in its second year of full operation and, encouraged by this progress and the excellent support by the Catholic Diocese of Warri, a grant of £20,000 has been made available to build a new three-classroom block. This will ensure facilities are sufficient for the next intake of students and provide adequate space for a simple technology laboratory. To date £10,040 of that grant has been released. The balance is only payable on satisfactory progress being made.

For the University of Lagos the Trust continues to fund the Architectural Review magazine to the benefit of those studying at the Faculty of Environmental Sciences and the charity Hope for the African Village Child received £1,500 for learning books and other educational materials.

Prioritising on the training and development of teachers a further £7,920 was given to the National Teachers Institute, Kaduna to fund the continuing grants awarded to the 37 teachers now in their third year of their upgrading course. In addition 37 new grants are to be awarded to qualifying teachers from the next course intake bringing the total number to benefit under the Tafawa Balewa Teacher Training Award scheme to 111. The Trust has maintained its support for a VSO volunteer (£2,000) who, assigned as a Teacher Trainer to the College of Education, Akwanga, successfully ran an in-house pilot training scheme involving 63 primary school teachers and 5 primary schools.

Continuing grants totalling £1,800 were awarded to cover the annual fees for three Nigerian students studying at Delta, Benin and Port Harcourt universities respectively. A fourth student, Kachi Ozumba was awarded a final grant of £1,500 to complete his studies at Newcastle University for a PhD in Literature/Creative Writing. He has since successfully passed his all examinations and is now a Doctor of Philosophy.

Arrangements for the implementation of The Britain-Nigeria Educational Trust Commonwealth Fellowship award, a five-year commitment made in support of the Commonwealth Scholarship and Fellowship Plan (CSFP), have been concluded and the first year's contribution of £10,000 released. Advertisements seeking applicants for the role of a visiting academic to Ibadan University are about to be published and the appointment is expected to be announced by Spring 2011.

As part of the Trust's participation in the celebrations of Nigeria's Golden Anniversary £2,000 was given to the Council for Education in the Commonwealth as a contribution towards their annual Gladwyn Lecture. Held in the Boothroyd Room, Portcullis House the lecture, delivered by Dr Nosa Aladeselu, reviewed the progress of Nigeria's education since 1960. At a separate celebration organised by the Nigeria High Commission at Alexandra Palace Mr 'Bayo Oladimeji received on behalf of the Trust an award presented by Vice President Namadi Sambo, GCON in recognition for "its outstanding contributions" to Nigeria.

Twelve new members joined in 2010 but overall numbers fell to 273 (6 deaths, 6 resignations and 19 non-payment of subscriptions). Sussex Branch organised two meetings during the year, in May and October, while the Scottish Branch met in September. Twenty-five members enjoyed a day out visiting Prince Charles's gardens at Highgrove. Each of these events, voluntarily organised by members, generated a modest profit. At the end of the year the Secretariat moved its offices from Vincent Street to the Africa Centre, Covent Garden.

There was an operating deficit of £ 57,782, which was funded out of reserves.

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REPORT OF THE CHARITY TRUSTEES
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INVESTMENT POLICY

The objective is to maximise investment income so as to achieve a balance between income and expenditure thus limiting the need to fund out of capital. Stock Exchange investments now value at £97,627, an increase of 4.7% over 2009 (£93,242). No new investments are planned.

The Trustees have taken the view, in light of the present economic climate, to keep capital safe by maximising interest income through the money market. The Trustees generally have an overall "risk-averse" attitude to investments.

RESERVES POLICY

Expenditure will normally be limited to the income derived through investments, membership subscriptions, annual appeals, bequests, regular Gift Aid donations and the sale of merchandise. However, the Trustees will consider some capital expenditure where significant and controllable projects are identified (such as a grant for a building, school extension or the endowment of a university chair/faculty) if BNET's name can be promoted. Such major capital projects are subject to a Memorandum of Understanding signed by the parties involved.

GRANT MAKING POLICY

To maximise the benefit of the Trust's limited financial resources applications for financial support are considered under three distinct categories. These are Students, Small Grants and Associated Grants.

Grants to students may be considered for undergraduates who have been recommended by either a BNET member or a person known by a Trustee or by a senior academic responsible for the student's work. Direct applications by students are not permissible.

Small Grants cover applications that have no on-going commitment or administrative requirement and are limited to a maximum award of £5,000. The Resident Representative regularly monitors all small grant awards.

Associated grants cover applications from other organisations who themselves are financially committed to the support of education in Nigeria. The condition of participation with a partner organisation is that they would be responsible for administration and management of any award. Such awards are limited to a maximum of £10,000 per annum for a period not exceeding five years.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The Trustees continue to keep the Trust's activities under review, particularly with regard to any major risks that may arise from time to time. The major risks identified by this process have been mitigated to an acceptable level by internal control systems, insurance cover, third party project reports and other procedures as considered appropriate from time to time.

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STATEMENT OF THE TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE ACCOUNTS

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards) and applicable law.

Under charity law the Trustees 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 charity and of its net outgoing resources for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

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

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 1993. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 14 April 2011
and signed on their behalf by

Derek R. Reeves, MBE
Chairman

THE BRITAIN-NIGERIA EDUCATIONAL TRUST
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2010

	Notes	2010 £	2009 £
INCOMING RESOURCES			
Incoming resources from generated funds:			
Voluntary Income	2	9,022	14,247
Activities for generating funds	3	2,762	3,336
Investment Income	4	5,445	9,037
Members meetings		<u>1,734</u>	<u>1,772</u>
Total incoming resources		<u>18,963</u>	<u>28,392</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED			
Costs of generating funds:			
Costs of generating funds		712	799
Charitable activities	5	111,224	35,056
Governance costs	8	<u>4,809</u>	<u>5,465</u>
Total resources expended		<u>116,745</u>	<u>41,320</u>
NET (OUTGOING)/INCOMING RESOURCES		(97,782)	(12,928)
Gains/(Losses) on investments	10	<u>4,385</u>	<u>10,953</u>
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(93,397)	(1,975)
FUND BALANCE AT 1 JANUARY 2010 (2009)		<u>583,983</u>	<u>585,958</u>
FUND BALANCE AT 31 DECEMBER 2010 (2009)		<u>490,586</u>	<u>583,983</u>

The notes on pages 8 to 11 form part of the accounts

THE BRITAIN-NIGERIA EDUCATIONAL TRUST
BALANCE SHEET AT
31 DECEMBER 2010

	Notes	2010	2009
		£	£
FIXED ASSETS			
Investments	10	97,627	<u>93,242</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	11	-	-
Cash at bank		<u>438,614</u>	<u>493,091</u>
		438,614	493,091
CREDITORS	12	<u>45,655</u>	<u>2,350</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>392,959</u>	<u>490,741</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>490,586</u>	<u>583,983</u>
 REPRESENTED BY:			
Unrestricted funds		<u>490,586</u>	<u>583,983</u>

Approved by the Trustees on 14 April 2011
and signed on their behalf by:

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Derek R. Reeves, MBE

THE BRITAIN-NIGERIA EDUCATIONAL TRUST
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2010

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Basis of Preparation

The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the adoption of market value for certain investment assets and in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the current Statement of Recommended Practice on accounting and reporting by charities: the Charities SORP 2005 and the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (April 2008).

The accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis.

b) Income

All income is accounted for gross when receivable.

c) Expenditure

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and allocated to the fund to which it relates.

d) Grants

Grants payable are recognised as expenditure in the year in which a binding commitment to make payments is entered into.

e) Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds held by the charity are those which can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the Trustees.

2. VOLUNTARY INCOME

	2010	<i>2009</i>
	£	<i>£</i>
Legacies	1,000	-
Memberships	6,787	<i>5,603</i>
Tax reclaim	1,010	<i>791</i>
Donations	225	<i>5,328</i>
AGM Sponsorship	-	<i>2,525</i>
	<u>9,022</u>	<i><u>14,247</u></i>

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3. ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS		2010	<i>2009</i>
		£	£
Sale of Christmas cards		<u>2,762</u>	<u><i>3,336</i></u>
4. INVESTMENT INCOME		2010	<i>2009</i>
		£	£
Bank interest		1,962	<i>4,768</i>
Income from Unit Trusts and Bonds		<u>3,483</u>	<u><i>4,269</i></u>
		<u>5,445</u>	<u><i>9,037</i></u>
5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES		2010	<i>2009</i>
		£	£
Grants (note 6)		93,261	<i>22,172</i>
Support costs (note 7)		<u>17,963</u>	<u><i>12,884</i></u>
		<u>111,224</u>	<u><i>35,056</i></u>
6. GRANTS		2010	<i>2009</i>
		£	£
VSO	- (1 grant - individual)	2,000	<i>2,000</i>
Student Grants	- (4 grants - individual)	3,340	<i>2,315</i>
Hope for the African Child		1,500	<i>1,500</i>
Gethsemane		-	<i>1,040</i>
UNIBEN project		16,325	<i>6,809</i>
National Teachers Institute		7,920	<i>7,008</i>
African Legacy		-	<i>1,500</i>
Girls School Umutu		10,040	<i>-</i>
University of Lagos		136	<i>-</i>
Visiting Fellowship Plan		50,000	<i>-</i>
Council for Education in the Commonwealth – Gladwyn Lecture		<u>2,000</u>	<u><i>-</i></u>
		<u>93,261</u>	<u><i>22,172</i></u>

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7. SUPPORT COSTS

	2010 £	2009 £
Members meeting	849	994
Administrator	4,285	4,160
Nigerian Representative retainer and expenses	6,099	350
Telephone	206	213
Office rent	805	1,411
Printing, postage and stationery	3,046	2,898
Bank charges	5	10
AGM costs	<u>2,668</u>	<u>2,848</u>
	<u><u>17,963</u></u>	<u><u>12,884</u></u>

8. GOVERNANCE

	2010 £	2009 £
Board Meetings	2,009	2,450
Audit	-	-
Independent Review	2,400	2,615
Trustees Liability Insurance	<u>400</u>	<u>400</u>
	<u><u>4,809</u></u>	<u><u>5,465</u></u>

9. STAFF COSTS (INCLUDING TRUSTEES)

Wages and salaries	<u>4,285</u>	<u>4,160</u>
Number of staff during the year (part time):		
Administration	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

Expenses reimbursed to two Trustees during the period totalled £441 (2009: £379)
 No trustees received any remuneration during the period.

10. INVESTMENTS

	2010 £	2009 £
Market value 1 January 2010 (2009)	93,242	82,289
Additions	-	-
Disposals	-	-
Net unrealised gain/(loss)	<u>4,385</u>	<u>10,953</u>
Market value at 31 December 2010 (2009)	<u><u>97,627</u></u>	<u><u>93,242</u></u>

The investments were donated to the charity by The Britain-Nigeria Association and The Alhaji Sir Abubakar Tafawa Balewa Memorial Trust.

All investments are listed.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)
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11. DEBTORS

	2010	2009
	£	£
Other debtors	<u><u> -</u></u>	<u><u> -</u></u>

12. CREDITORS

	2010	2009
	£	£
Grants payable – within one year	13,255	-
– after one year	30,000	-
Independent exam fee	<u><u>2,400</u></u>	<u><u>2,350</u></u>
	<u><u>45,655</u></u>	<u><u>2,350</u></u>

13. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The trustees have committed to provide further funds up to £10,000 to the Girls School at Umutu. This is dependent on satisfactory liaison with the Diocese and progress to date.

The trustees have agreed to support the VSO project for In-Service Teacher Training in Nasarawa State. They have agreed to fund one cluster out of 3 proposed schemes. This is dependent on the VSO proceeding with this project.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS' REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE BRITAIN-NIGERIA EDUCATIONAL TRUST

We report on the accounts of the Britain-Nigeria Educational Trust for the year ended 31 December 2010, which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, and the related notes.

This report is made solely to the Charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with s.43(3) of the Charities Act 1993. Our examination has been undertaken so that we might state to the Charity's Trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an independent examiner'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 Charity and the Charity's Trustees as a body, for our examination, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of members of the Trustees and the examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider an audit is not required for this year under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is our responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 43(3)(a) of the 1993 Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

- (1) which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the 1993 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the requirements of the 1993 Acthave not been met; or
- (2) to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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CROWE CLARK WHITEHILL LLP
Chartered Accountants

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