



**BRITISH AIR LINE PILOTS ASSOCIATION**

**STATEMENT TO MEMBERS ISSUED IN CONNECTION WITH THE UNION'S ANNUAL  
RETURN FOR PERIOD ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2019  
AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 32A OF TRADE UNION AND LABOUR RELATIONS  
(CONSOLIDATION) ACT 1992**

**Income and Expenditure**

The total income of the union for the period was £9,574,585. This amount included payments of £7,265,444 in respect of membership of the union. The union's total expenditure for the period was £12,685,851. The union does not maintain a political fund.

**Salary paid to and other benefits provided to the General Secretary, President and members of the Executive**

The General Secretary of the union was paid £115,736 in respect of salary and £21,830 in respect of benefits. No other member of the National Executive Committee received a salary or benefits.

**Irregularity statement**

A member who is concerned that some irregularity may be occurring, or have occurred, in the conduct of the financial affairs of the union may take steps with a view to investigating further, obtaining clarification and, if necessary, securing regularisation of that conduct.

The member may raise any such concern with such one or more of the following as it seems appropriate to raise it with: the officials of the union, the trustees of the property of the union, the auditor or auditors of the union, the Certification Officer (who is an independent officer appointed by the Secretary of State) and the police.

Where a member believes that the financial affairs of the union have been or are being conducted in breach of the law or in breach of the rules of the union and contemplates bringing civil proceedings against the union or responsible officials or trustees, he should consider obtaining independent legal advice.

**Auditor's report**

Our auditors Crowe of 55 Ludgate Hill, London, EC4M 7JW made the attached report on the accounts.

## **AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE BRITISH AIR LINE PILOTS ASSOCIATION**

We have audited the financial statements of the British Air Line Pilots Association for the year ended 31 December 2019 which comprise the income and expenditure, balance sheet and related notes included within the AR21 as set out on pages 3 to 22 of the AR21. These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out therein.

This report is made solely to the Association's members, as a body. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Association'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 Association and the Association's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinion we have formed.

### **Respective responsibilities of Officers and Auditors for the Financial Statements**

The Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 and the Trade Union Reform and Employment Rights Act 1993 require the officers of the Association to keep proper accounting records which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Association and explain its transactions; establish and maintain a satisfactory system of control of the accounting records, cash holdings and all the receipts and remittances; prepare an annual return for the Certification Officer giving a true and fair view of the revenue account and balance sheet and provide members of the Association with a statement of income and expenditure for the year. We have been appointed as auditor under section 33 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 and report in accordance with Section 36 of that Act. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's 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 union's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the officers; and the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We read all the financial and non-financial information in the financial statements 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 the financial statements**

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the British Air Line Pilots Association affairs as at 31 December 2019 and of its transactions 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 Trade Union and Labour Relations Act 1992.

**Matters on which we report by exception**

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Trade Unions and Labour Relations Act 1992 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- proper accounting records have not been kept;
- a satisfactory systems of control over its accounting records, cash holdings and receipts and remittances has not been maintained; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records or returns.

Crowe U.K. LLP

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**London**

**19 October 2020**