

# UNIVERSITY PRESS PLC

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**Three Crowns Building,** Jericho, Ibadan.

## **NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Forty-Fourth (44th) Annual General Meeting of UNIVERSITY PRESS PLC will hold at the Conference Room, Three Crowns Building, Jericho, P. M. B 5095, Ibadan, on Thursday, 29th September, 2022 at 11a m to transact the following business which will be proposed as Ordinary Resolutions

- 1. To lay before the members, the Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2022 together with the Report of the Directors, External Auditors and
- 2. To declare a dividend recommended by the Board of Directors of the Company in respect of the financial year ended 31st March, 2022;
- $3. \, \text{To} \, \text{re-elect Non-Executive Directors, who, being eligible, offer themselves for re-elections} \\$
- b. Mr. Yomi Adewus
- 4. To disclose the remunerations of the Managers of the Company in line with the provisions of Section 257 of the Companies & Allied Matters Act 2022 and the Companies & Allied Matters and Section 257 of the Companies & Allied Matters Act 2022 and Section 257 of the Compani
- 6. To elect shareholders' representatives of the Statutory Audit Committee.

- 7. To approve Directors' remuneration
- 8. To consider and if thought fit, pass the following resolutions as ordinary resolutions:
- a. That the Directors be and are hereby authorized to take all steps necessary to comply with the requirements of the Companies and Allied Matters Act 2020 and the Companies Regulations 2021, as it relates to unissued shares of the Company, including the cancellation of the 1,568,590,496 (one billion, five hundred and sixty-eight million, five hundred and ninety thousand, four hundred and ninety-six) unissued ordinary shares of the Company; and
- b. That the Directors be and are hereby authorized to enter into and execute agreements, deeds, notices or any other documents, and to perform all acts and to do all such other things necessary for or incidental to giving effect to Resolution 8(a) above, including without limitation, appointing such professional parties, consultants and advisers and complying with the directives of the regulatory authorities.
- 9. To consider and if thought fit pass the following resolutions as special resolutions:
- a. That pursuant to resolutions 8 above, the Directors be and are hereby authorized to amend Clause 3 of the Memorandum of Association of the Company to read: 'The share capital of the Company is N215,704,752.00 divided into 431,409,504 ordinary shares of 50k (fifty kobo) each'
- b. That the Directors be and are hereby authorized to enter into and execute agreements, deeds notices or any other documents and to perform all acts and to do all such other things necessary for or incidental to giving effect to Resolution 9(a) above, including without limitation, appointing such professional parties, consultants and advisers and complying with the directives of the regulatory authorities.
- c. That all acts carried out by the Board of the Company hitherto in connection with the above, be and are hereby ratified.
- $10. \, To \, consider \, and \, if \, thought \, fit, \, pass \, the \, following \, resolutions \, as \, special \, resolutions:$
- a. "A printed copy of Annual reports and Financial Statements (including every document required by law to be annexed thereto) which is to be laid before the Company at the general meeting, together with a copy of the auditor's report, shall not less than twenty-one days before the date of the meeting be sent to every member of, and every holder of debentures of, the Company and every person registered under Article 32 and two copies of each of these documents shall be sent to the Secretary of the Stock Exchange. Provided that this Article shall not require a copy of these documents to be sent to any person of whose address the Company is not aware of, or to more than one of the joint holders of any share or debentures".
- b. "The Notice, Annual Reports and Financial Statements and/or other reports, documents and information relating to any business to be transacted at every General Meeting of the Company may be distributed or circulated electronically to members and persons entitled to receive them and have provided the Company with an electronic mail address."
- "That the Company's Memorandum and Articles of Association be renumbered accordingly following the amendments proposed therein"
- "The Company shall in each calendar year, hold a general meeting as its Annual General Meeting in addition to any other meetings in that year, and shall specify the meeting as such in the notice calling it: and not more than fifteen months shall elapse between the date of one Annual General Meeting of the Company and that of the
- The Annual General Meeting shall be held at such place and time as the Directors shall appoint. The Company may hold a virtual, hybrid (combination of virtual and limited physical presence) or a proxy general meeting, where it will be impossible to hold a normal general meeting due to government laws, policies, regulations, pandemics, or other related reasons"

#### d. Article 54 should also be reworded to read as follows:

'All business transacted at Annual General Meetings are deemed special business, except declaring a dividend, presentation of the financial statements and the reports of the directors and auditors, the election of the directors in the place of those retiring, the appointment, fixing of the remuneration of the auditors, appointment of members of the audit committee and disclosure of remuneration of managers of a company, which are ordinary business'.

Members of the Company entitled to attend and vote are entitled to appoint proxies to attend and vote in their place. A proxy need not to be a member of the Company. A proxy form is enclosed in the Annual Reports and Financial Statements. To be valid for this meeting, the form must be duly completed and deposited at the office of the Registrars, Greenwich Registrars & Data Solutions Ltd. not later than Forty-eight (48) hours before the time fixed for the Meeting. The Company has made arrangements at its cost, for the stamping of the duly completed proxy forms submitted to the Company's Registrars within the stipulated time.

Under the guidelines issued by the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC), the Company has obtained the approval of the CAC to hold the AGM, taking advantage of Section 254 of CAMA on the use of proxies, with attendance by proxies. The proceedings of the meeting shall be streamed and the link shall be made available online on the Company's website, www.universitypressplc.com. Members entitled to attend and vote at the AGM may select any of the underlisted as their proxies to attend

- and vote in their place: a) Mr. Obafunso Ogunkeye
- Mrs. Folakemi O. Bademosi
- Managing Director - Executive Director (Publishing)

- e) Dr. Anthony Omojola
- Mr. Segun Owolabi g) Mrs. Adebisi Bakare

Each duly completed proxy form shall be counted as one and every member present in person and/or by proxy shall have one vote. A proxy remains valid provided that no formal notification of death, insanity, revocation and transfer shall have been received by the Company at the registered office or the office of the Registrars before the commencement of the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the proxy is used. An objection to a proxy shall be made in due time and shall be referred to the Chairman of the meeting, whose decision shall be final and conclusive.

#### ii. Closure of Register of Members

The Register of Members and Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Thursday, 1st September 2022 to Tuesday, 6th September 2022 to enable the Registrar update its records.

#### iii. Dividend If the dividend recommended by the Directors is approved by members at the Annual General Meeting, the dividend will be paid on Thursday, 29th September 2022 to pholders whose names appear in the Register of Members at the close of business on 31st August, 2022 (qualificati

The Company has confirmed that some shareholders are yet to mandate their banks to receive e-dividend payments, while some are yet to update their information. All shareholders with unclaimed dividends should direct their claims to Greenwich Registrars & Data Solutions Ltd, 274, Muritala Muhammed Way, Yaba, Lagos. or to the

Company Secretary at the registered office address. Detachable applications forms for e-dividend is attached to the Annual Reports and Financial Statements for shareholders to update their bank accounts to the

 $The \ list of unclaimed \ dividends \ can be \ accessed \ at \ the \ Registrar's \ of fice \ or \ via \ the \ Company's \ website: \ www.university pressplc.com$ 

## v. Nominations for the Audit Committee

In accordance with Section 404 (6) of the Companies and Allied Matters Act, 2020, any member may nominate a qualified shareholder for election to the Audit Committee by giving notice in writing of such nomination which should reach the Company Secretary at least twenty-one (21) days before the date of the AGM. vii. Right to Ask Questions

It is the right of shareholders to ask questions not only at the Annual General Meeting but also in writing prior to the meeting. Such questions should be addressed to the Company Secretary and submitted at the registered office of the Company not later than one week before the Annual General Meeting. viii. Directors' Profile

The profile of the Directors for re-election can be assessed on the Company's website: www.universitypressplc.com

DATED THIS 23RD DAY OF JUNE, 2022 BY ORDER OF THE BOARD



O. A. Binitie Aboyade-Cole FRC/2014/NBA/00000008468 Company Secretary/Legal Adviser Three Crowns Building Jericho, Ibadan.

### **AUDITED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND** OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH, 2022

	2022 N'000	2021 N'000
Revenue	2,305,714	1,419,422
Cost of sales	(977,334)	(581,157)
Gross profit	1,323,380	838,264
Other income	66,982	49,305
Marketing and distribution expenses	(446,438)	(370,580)
Administrative expenses	(619,771)	(456,671)
Profit from operations	329,153	60,318
Finance income	32,346	14,973
Profit before taxation	361,499	75,293
Income tax expense	(154,007)	(18,185)
Profit for the year	207,492	57,107
Other comprehensive income:		
Items that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss		
Revaluation gain net of tax	322,448	-
Total other comprehensive income	322,448	
Total comprehensive income attributable to owners of equity	<u>529,940</u>	57,107
Basic earnings per 50k share (kobo)	48.10k	13.24k

## **UNIVERSITY PRESS PLC AUDITED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 MARCH 2022**

Assets	2022	2021
Non-current assets	N'000	N'000
Property, plant and equipment	1,518,460	1,170,941
Investment property	354,000	314,700
	1,872,460	1,485,641
Current assets		
Inventory	1,299,308	1,443,250
Trade receivables	238,653	101,138
Other current assets	36,017	50,562
Cash and cash equivalents	841,056 2,451,033	704,425 2,299,375
	2,431,033	2,299,373
Equity and liabilities		
Current liabilities		
Trade payables	67,988	426,744
Other payables and accruals	605,367	415,480
Unclaimed dividends	144,438 140,728	151,281 20,080
Current tax liabilities	958,521	1,013,585
Net current assets	1,456,512	1,285,790
Non current liabilities		
Deferred taxation	156,640	107,467
Deferred taxation	130,040	107,407
Net assets	3,172,332	2,663,963
Equity		
Ordinary shares	215,705	215,705
Share premium	146,755	146,755
Capital reserve	1,442	1,442
Revaluation reserve	1,094,896	772,448
Revenue reserve	1,713,534	1,527,613
Total equity	3,172,332	2,663,963

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 23rd June 2022 and signed on



Mr. Obafunso Ogunkeye

Mr. S. Kolawole

Executive Director(Finance)

Managing Director FRC/2013/CITN/00000003567 FRC/2013/ICSAN/0000003248 FRC/2013/ICAN/0000003250