

**STATUTORY AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE  
MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION TRANSPARENCY  
INTERNATIONAL LIAISON OFFICE TO THE EUROPEAN UNION  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015  
(RPL BRUSSELS, VAT BE 0828.989.516)**

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*FREE TRANSLATION OF OUR AUDIT REPORT IN FRENCH.  
IN EVENT OF ANY CONFLICT BETWEEN THE ENGLISH AND FRENCH VERSION,  
THE FRENCH VERSION WILL PREVAIL.*

As required by law and the international association's by-laws, we report to you in the context of our appointment as the international association's statutory auditor. This report includes our opinion on the annual accounts, as well as the required additional statements. The annual accounts include the balance sheet as at 31 December 2015, the income statement for the year then ended, and the disclosures .

**REPORT ON THE ANNUAL ACCOUNTS – UNQUALIFIED OPINION**

We have audited the annual accounts of the international association Transparency International Liaison Office to the European Union for the year ended 31 December 2015, which show a balance sheet total of 392.585 EUR and a profit for the year of 13.346 EUR.

*Responsibility of the board of Directors for the preparation of the annual accounts*

The board of directors is responsible for the preparation of annual accounts that give a true and fair view in accordance with the financial-reporting framework applicable in Belgium, and for such internal control as the board of Directors determines is necessary to enable the preparation of annual accounts that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

*Responsibility of the statutory auditor*

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these annual accounts based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Those standards require that we comply with the ethical requirements and plan and perform the control



to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the annual accounts are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the annual accounts. The procedures selected depend on the statutory auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the annual accounts, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the statutory auditor considers the international association's internal control relevant to the preparation of annual accounts that give a true and fair view, in order to design control procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of valuation rules used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by board of Directors, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the annual accounts.

We have obtained from board of Directors and international association officials the explanations and information necessary for our audit.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### *Unqualified opinion*

In our opinion, the annual accounts of the international association Transparency International Liaison Office to the European Union give a true and fair view of the international association's equity and financial position as at 31 December 2015, and of the results of its operations for the year then ended, in accordance with the financial-reporting framework applicable in Belgium.

#### **REPORT ON OTHER LEGAL AND REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS**

The board of Directors is responsible for the compliance with the law of 27 June 1921 on non-profit organisations, international non-profit organisations and foundations, with the by-laws and with the legal and regulatory requirements regarding bookkeeping.



In the context of our mandate and in accordance with the Belgian standard which is complementary to the International Standards on Auditing (ISAs) as applicable in Belgium, our responsibility is to verify, in all material respects, compliance with certain legal and regulatory requirements. On this basis, we make the following additional statements, which do not modify the scope of our opinion on the annual accounts:

- Without prejudice to certain formal aspects of minor importance, the accounting records are maintained in accordance with the legal and regulatory requirements applicable in Belgium.
- The financial statements were distributed lately, therefore we were not able to draw up our audit report within the legal period.
- For the rest, there are no transactions undertaken or decisions taken in breach of the by-laws or of the Law of 27 June 1921 on non-profit organisations, international non-profit organisations and foundations that we have to report to you.

Antwerp, June 30, 2016

VGD Bedrijfsrevisoren Burg. CVBA

Statutory auditor

Represented by

Maarten Lindemans

Certified auditor