

Edmund Rice Foundation (Australia)
as Trustee for
EDMUND RICE OVERSEAS AID FUND

Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 December 2016

	2016	2015
	\$	\$
2 Revenue		
Donations & Gifts - Overseas Aid Fund	1,279,641	1,669,443
Grant Income	-	3,000
Interest Received	19,465	25,608
Investment Income	6,236	7,048
Other Income	-	-
	<u>1,305,342</u>	<u>1,705,099</u>
Other Comprehensive Income		
Unrealised Gain on Investment	<u>4,594</u>	<u>(4,744)</u>
3 Expenses		
Funds to International Programs	1,605,015	1,601,929
Program Support Costs	22,933	-
Community Education	37,647	5,101
Project Monitoring	24,372	10,683
Administration Expenses	8,476	6,652
Employee Benefits	96,924	91,037
Auditor's Remuneration	6,200	6,800
	<u>1,801,567</u>	<u>1,722,202</u>
4 Cash and Cash Equivalents		
Cash at Bank	69,633	12,818
Cash at Call	936,566	866,992
Short-term Bank Deposits	-	591,436
	<u>1,006,199</u>	<u>1,471,246</u>
The effective interest rate on short term bank deposits was 1.36%; these deposits have been available at call.		
5 Receivables		
Trade Debtors	1,845	20
Sundry Debtors	40,750	23,911
	<u>42,595</u>	<u>23,931</u>
6 Other		
GST Input Credits	67	999
	<u>67</u>	<u>999</u>
7 Financial Assets		
Available for Sale Financial Assets	107,319	102,725
	<u>107,319</u>	<u>102,725</u>
8 Payables		
Creditors		
Trade Creditors	-	10,063
Sundry Creditors	110,273	51,300
	<u>110,273</u>	<u>61,363</u>

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9 Information provided under the ACFID Code of Conduct

Edmund Rice Foundation (Australia) is a signatory to the Australian Council for International Development (ACFID) Code of Conduct, and as such has an obligation to provide the following information which demonstrates adherence to the Code's financial standards. For further information on the Code please refer to the ACFID Code of Conduct Guidance Document available at www.acfid.asn.au

2015 Designated Purpose/Appeal	Cash Available at beginning of financial year	Cash Received during financial year	Cash Disbursed during financial year	Transfers between Funds	Interest & Investment Income Received	Share of Operating Costs	Cash Available at end of financial year
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Overseas General	256,068	14,536	-	(269,085)	34,502	(1,455)	34,566
Africa	272,004	242,190	-	(65,197)	-	(11,701)	437,296
Africa	256,445	128,716	-	-	-	(7,875)	377,286
Eldoret	184,631	119,324	(93,210)	-	-	(4,932)	205,813
Edmund Rice Camps Nairobi	-	17,050	(12,100)	-	-	(1,705)	3,245
Edmund Rice Secondary School Sinon	-	33,520	(18,150)	-	-	(3,227)	12,143
Embulbul	212,011	157,590	(390,000)	45,197	-	(15,689)	9,109
ERAN Kenya	-	-	(20,000)	20,000	-	-	-
Mary Rice Centre	-	108,866	(89,000)	-	-	(6,693)	13,173
Ruben	193,888	343,127	(278,291)	-	-	(34,253)	224,471
South Africa	90	-	-	-	-	-	90
Yambio	-	172,765	(78,000)	-	-	(7,777)	86,988
Oceania	9,860	25,643	-	(32,939)	-	(2,564)	-
East Timor	8,826	49,456	(67,000)	12,980	-	(4,262)	-
Papua New Guinea	-	84,840	(163,750)	86,644	-	(7,734)	-
Philippines	-	17,015	-	-	-	(824)	16,191
Philippines - Kabankalan	-	13,303	(107,500)	95,427	-	(1,230)	-
Philippines - Maasin	-	30	(82,000)	81,973	-	(3)	-
Other	26,323	-	(1,351)	-	-	-	24,972
Terrace Timor Network	-	-	(25,000)	25,000	-	-	-
Edmund Rice Education Beyond Borders	31,949	143,472	(176,579)	-	-	(8,347)	(9,505)
Nzara	4,500	1,000	-	-	-	-	5,500
Special Projects - Ebola Virus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	1,456,595	1,672,443	(1,601,931)	-	34,502	(120,271)	1,441,338
Total for other purposes	128,325	(13,877)	(84,540)	-	-	-	29,908
	1,584,920	1,658,566	(1,686,471)	-	34,502	(120,271)	1,471,246

2016 Designated Purpose/Appeal	Cash Available at beginning of financial year	Cash Received during financial year	Cash Disbursed during financial year	Transfers between Funds	Interest & Investment Income Received	Share of Operating Costs	Cash Available at end of financial year
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Overseas General	34,566	244,691	-	(198,422)	25,701	(47,418)	59,118
Africa	437,296	44,543	(44,247)	(32,367)	-	(6,409)	398,816
East Africa	377,286	150,289	-	(324,577)	-	(12,558)	190,440
Eldoret	205,813	26,335	(99,995)	-	-	(5,267)	126,886
Edmund Rice Camps Nairobi	3,245	350	(16,644)	13,119	-	(70)	-
Edmund Rice Secondary School Sinon	12,143	29,202	(84,824)	49,319	-	(5,840)	-
Embulbul	9,109	102,358	(277,951)	186,956	-	(20,472)	-
ERAN Kenya	-	-	(11,915)	11,915	-	-	-
Mary Rice Centre	13,173	17,696	(91,928)	63,268	-	(2,209)	-
Ruben	224,471	348,710	(360,864)	-	-	(58,602)	153,715
South Africa	90	9,290	-	-	-	(1,858)	7,522
Yambio	86,988	29,810	(90,198)	-	-	(5,162)	21,438
Oceania	-	20,072	-	(16,958)	-	(3,114)	-
East Timor	-	47,420	(82,907)	40,951	-	(5,464)	-
Papua New Guinea	-	28,357	(100,095)	73,409	-	(1,671)	-
Philippines	16,191	51,340	-	(66,129)	-	(268)	1,134
Philippines - Kabankalan	-	16,500	(79,329)	66,129	-	(3,300)	-
Philippines - Maasin	-	180	(122,585)	122,441	-	(36)	-
Congregational	-	-	(32,367)	32,367	-	-	-
Other	-	29,907	-	-	-	(7,315)	22,592
Baraka School - Kibera Slum, Kenya	-	12,044	-	-	-	(2,709)	12,886
Terrace Timor Network	24,972	-	-	(21,421)	-	-	-
Edmund Rice Education Beyond Borders	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nzara	(9,505)	41,551	(80,174)	-	-	(6,810)	(54,938)
Uganda	-	28,997	(28,993)	-	-	-	4
Special Projects - Ebola Virus	5,500	-	-	-	-	-	5,500
	1,441,338	1,279,642	(1,605,016)	-	25,701	(196,552)	945,113
Total for other purposes	29,908	(18,665)	49,843	-	-	-	61,086
	1,471,246	1,260,977	(1,555,173)	-	25,701	(196,552)	1,006,199

The appeals generating more than 10% of the signatory organisation's international aid and development revenue for the financial year have been highlighted. No other single appeal, grant or other form of fund raising for a designated purpose generated 10% or more of the signatory organisation's international aid and development revenue for the financial year.

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	\$	\$
10 Reserves		
Bequest		
The Bequest Reserve was put in place to provide a capital base from which the annual income derived be used to fund expenditure.		
Balance as at 1 January	90,126	92,210
Additions	-	-
	<u>90,126</u>	<u>92,210</u>
Realignment of Reserve balance	-	(2,084)
Balance as at 31st December	<u>90,126</u>	<u>90,126</u>
Financial Assets		
The Financial Assets reserve records the unrealised market movements on available for sale investment assets.		
Balance as at 1 January	6,074	10,580
Realignment of Bequest Reserve balance	-	238
Unrealised Gains/(Losses)	<u>4,594</u>	<u>(4,744)</u>
Balance as at 31st December	<u>10,668</u>	<u>6,074</u>
Specified Purpose		
The Specified purpose reserve records donations and contributions made to Edmund Rice Overseas Aid Fund where the contributor or donor has designated the funds towards a specific appeal or purpose.		
Overseas General	59,118	34,566
Africa	398,816	437,296
Africa		
East Africa	190,440	377,286
Eldoret	126,886	205,813
Edmund Rice Camps Nairobi	-	3,245
Edmund Rice Secondary School Sinon	-	12,143
Embulbul	-	9,109
Mary Rice Centre	-	13,173
Ruben	153,715	224,471
South Africa	7,522	90
Yambio	21,438	86,988
Oceania	-	-
East Timor	-	-
Philippines	1,134	16,191
Other	22,592	-
Baraka School - Kibera Slum, Kenya	12,886	24,972
Terrace Timor Network	(54,938)	(9,505)
Nzara	4	-
Uganda	5,500	5,500
Special Project Ebola Virus	<u>945,113</u>	<u>1,441,338</u>
Total Reserves	<u>1,045,907</u>	<u>1,537,538</u>
11 Notes to the Cash Flow Statement		
a) Reconciliation of Cash		
Overseas Aid A/c	4 1,006,199	879,810
CBA Short Term Investments	4 -	591,436
	<u>1,006,199</u>	<u>1,471,246</u>
b) Reconciliation of Net Cash provided by Operating Activities to Operating Result		
Operating Result	(491,631)	(21,847)
Adjustments for Non-Cash Items		
Realised Loss/(Gain) on Investments Reinvested	-	17
Unrealised Loss/(Gain) on Investments	<u>(4,594)</u>	<u>4,744</u>
	(496,225)	(17,086)
Adjustments for changes in Current Assets & Current Liabilities		
Decrease/(Increase) in Debtors	(18,664)	(12,031)
Increase/(Decrease) in Creditors	48,910	(78,665)
GST Collected/(Paid)	<u>932</u>	<u>(892)</u>
Net Cash (Outflow)/Inflow from Operating Activities	<u>(465,047)</u>	<u>(108,674)</u>

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	2016	2015
	\$	\$
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12 Related party transactions		
Edmund Rice Foundation (Australia), the Trustee, is a company limited by guarantee where Directors are appointed by members. In its capacity as Trustee of Edmund Rice Overseas Aid Fund and as part of Edmund Rice Foundation (Australia)'s normal operations and activities it conducts a substantial number of transactions with other entities within the Congregation of Christian Brothers within Australia as well as globally. The nature of these transactions is predominately in the form of receipts of donations and transfers of funds.		
(a) Transactions with related parties		
The following transactions occurred with related parties:		
Amounts received from related parties		
Contributions from Edmund Rice Ministries	-	-
Contributions from Edmund Rice Oceania Province	87,397	-
Contributions from Christian Brothers Communities	-	16,620
	<u>87,397</u>	<u>16,620</u>
Amounts paid to related parties		
Contribution paid to Trustee re operational costs and salaries	140,761	120,273
Disbursement of Funds to complying projects managed by the Congregation of Christian Brothers Pan Africa Province	1,110,933	885,541
Disbursement of Funds to complying projects managed by the Christian Brothers within Oceania Province (overseas)	384,916	446,601
	<u>1,636,610</u>	<u>1,452,415</u>
(b) Receivables from and payable to related parties		
The following balances are outstanding at the reporting date in relation to transactions with related parties:		
Trade Receivables from Trustee	36,204	10,020
Trade Receivable from Trustees of the Christian Brothers	5,847	11,666
Financial Assets held with Trustees of the Christian Brothers	102,100	97,716
Trade Payables to Trustee	103,273	9,020
Trade Payable to Trustees of the Christian Brothers	-	134
(c) Key Management Personnel		
The aggregate compensation made to key management personnel of the consolidated entity is set out below:		
Aggregate Compensation	54,271	46,357

Terms and Conditions

All related party financial assets and liabilities are due within 12 months.

Trustees of the Christian Brothers provided accounting and other administrative services to the Trust. No fees were paid or are payable for these services.

13 Financial Instruments

Edmund Rice Overseas Aid Fund's financial instruments consist mainly of deposits with banks, trade and other receivables, trade and other payables and long term investments.

The totals for each category of financial instrument, measured in accordance with AASB 139, are as follows:

	2016	2015
	\$	\$
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Financial Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	69,633	12,818
Cash at call	936,566	866,992
Term Deposit - Held to Maturity	-	591,436
Trade and other receivables	42,595	23,931
Available for Sale Financial Assets	107,319	102,725
	<u>1,156,113</u>	<u>1,597,902</u>
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Financial Liabilities		
Trade and other payables	110,273	61,363
	<u>110,273</u>	<u>61,363</u>
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The carrying amount of financial assets and liabilities represents fair value.

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2016 2015
\$ \$

Maturity Analysis

All financial assets and liabilities are due within 12 months.

Available for Sale Financial Assets are held on a long term basis. The entity holds units in a managed fund and at least 85% of the fund is held in liquid assets.

Sensitivity Analysis

Any change in interest rates will not have a material impact on the financial report of the entity.

Fair Value Estimation

The booked values of assets and liabilities as presented in the statement of financial position are equal to their fair value.

Financial Risk Management Policies

Edmund Rice Overseas Aid Fund's Trustee analyses its exposure to financial risks and evaluates strategies in the context of the most recent economic and industry conditions and forecasts. Edmund Rice Overseas Aid Fund's overall risk management strategy seeks to assist Edmund Rice Overseas Aid Fund in meeting its financial targets whilst minimising potential adverse effects on financial performance.

Specific Financial Risk Exposures and Management

Edmund Rice Overseas Aid Fund is not exposed to any material financial risk.

(a) **Interest Rate Risk**

At 31 December 2016 Edmund Rice Overseas Aid Fund did not hold any material interest bearing liability and was not exposed to fluctuations in interest rates.

(b) **Liquidity Risk**

At 31 December 2016 Edmund Rice Overseas Aid Fund did not hold significant illiquid assets and was not exposed to the risks of encountering difficulties in settling its debts or otherwise meeting its obligations.

(c) **Credit Risk**

Edmund Rice Overseas Aid Fund does not have any material credit risk exposure to any single receivable.

Specific Financial Risk Exposures and Management (cont'd)

(d) **Foreign Currency Risk**

Edmund Rice Overseas Aid Fund is exposed to fluctuations in foreign currencies arising from the payment of overseas aid and development funds in currencies other than its functional currency.

Edmund Rice Overseas Aid Fund manages these fluctuations through appropriate budgeting of foreign currency expenditure.

(e) **Price Risk**

Edmund Rice Overseas Aid Fund is not exposed to commodity price risk.

14 Information provided under the ACFID Code of Conduct

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Table of Cash Movements for Designated Purposes	Cash available at the beginning of the financial year	Cash raised during the financial year	Cash Disbursed during the financial year	Cash available at the end of the financial year
2015				
Donations received - Kenya - Ruben Centre, Health & Education	193,888	343,127	(312,544)	224,471
Donations received - South Sudan, Star HIV Clinic	-	172,765	(85,777)	86,988
Total for other purposes	1,391,032	1,177,176	(1,408,421)	1,159,787
	<u>1,584,920</u>	<u>1,693,068</u>	<u>(1,806,742)</u>	<u>1,471,246</u>
No other single appeal represented more than 10% of the total cash raised.				
2016				
Donations received - Kenya - Ruben Centre, Health & Education	224,471	348,710	(419,466)	153,715
Total for other purposes	1,246,775	937,968	(1,332,259)	852,484
	<u>1,471,246</u>	<u>1,286,678</u>	<u>(1,751,725)</u>	<u>1,006,199</u>
No other single appeal represented more than 10% of the total cash raised.				

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15 Responsible Entities

Name and Position held of Edmund Rice Overseas Aid Fund responsible entities in office at any time during the financial year are:

Key Management Personnel	Position	
Mr Peter Murphy	Chair	
Mr Michael Fernon	Deputy Chair	
Br Peter Clinch, cfc	Director	appointed 19 October 2016
Mr Anthony Coates	Director	
Mr Peter Hogan	Director	resigned 29 February 2016
Mr Simon Lockyer	Director	
Ms Christina Longmire	Director	appointed 15 June 2016
Br Christopher John Meehl	Director	resigned 13 September 2016
Ms Marianne Roux	Director	appointed 15 June 2016
Mr Mark Sawle	Director	
Mr Alan Zammit	Director	

The responsible entities do not receive any compensation for their roles at Edmund Rice Foundation Australia.

16 Capital Expenditure Commitments

There are no capital expenditure commitments at balance date.

17 Events subsequent to Balance Date

No matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the year which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of Edmund Rice Overseas Aid Fund, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of Edmund Rice Overseas Aid Fund in future years.

18 Contingent liabilities

There are no contingent liabilities to be disclosed in this report.

19 Organisation details

(a) Principal place of business

The principal place of business of the entity is
126-156 The Avenue
Parkville, Vic, 3052

(b) Legal Form

On 5th September 2012 the ATO endorsed the Edmund Rice Overseas Aid Fund (previously the Christian Brothers' Overseas Aid Fund endorsed 9th February 1998) as an overseas aid fund under Subdivision 30-B of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

(c) Nature of operations

The Edmund Rice Overseas Aid Fund exists to raise and distribute funds for the provision of relief to persons in approved developing countries. This includes working with Congregational and other local community partners to provide sustainable community development projects in the areas of health, education, environment, and vocational and community development.

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ABN 85 413 988 107

Responsible Entity's Declaration

31 December 2016

The Trustee of the Edmund Rice Overseas Aid Fund, as the responsible entity, declares that in the responsible entity's opinion:-

- (i) The financial statements and notes as set out on pages 2 to 15, are in accordance with the *Australian Charities and Not-For-Profits Commission Act (2012)* and:
 - (a) comply with Australian Accounting Standards - Reduced Disclosure requirements (including Australian Accounting Interpretations) as applicable; and
 - (b) give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 31 December 2016 and of the performance of the Trust for the year then ended on that date.
 - (c) comply with the requirements set out in the ACFID Code of Conduct
- (ii) In the Trustee's opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Edmund Rice Foundation Trust will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Signed in accordance with subsection 60.15(2) of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profit Commission Regulation 2013*.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Edmund Rice Overseas Aid Fund:

Signature P. Murphy
Name PETER MURPHY
Director

Christina Longmire
CHRISTINA LONGMIRE
Director


Dated at BRISBANE this 27th day of MARCH 2017

AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION

TO THE RESPONSIBLE ENTITIES OF EDMUND RICE OVERSEAS AID FUND
ABN: 85 413 988 107

In relation to the independent audit for the year ended 31 December 2016, to the best of my knowledge and belief there have been:

- (i) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*; and
- (ii) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct.



J GAVLIAK
Partner

PITCHER PARTNERS
Sydney

27 March 2017

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

**OVERSEAS AID FUND
TO EDMUND RICE FOUNDATION (AUSTRALIA)
ABN: 85 413 988 107**

Report on the Financial Report

Qualified Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial report of Edmund Rice Overseas Aid Fund ('the Fund'), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2016, the statement of income and expenditure, statement of other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, a summary of significant accounting policies, other explanatory information including table of cash movements, and the trustee's declaration.

In our opinion, except for the effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion section of our report, the accompanying financial report of the Fund is in accordance with Division 60 the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*, including:

- a) giving a true and fair view of the Fund's financial position as at 31 December 2016 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
- b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements and Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013*.
- c) complying with the Australian Council for International Development (ACFID) Code of Conduct.

Basis for Qualified Opinion

Donations are a significant source of fundraising revenue for the Edmund Rice Overseas Aid Fund. The Edmund Rice Overseas Aid Fund has determined that it is impracticable to establish control over the collection of donations prior to entry into its financial records. Accordingly, as the evidence available to us regarding fundraising revenue from this source was limited, our audit procedures with respect to donations had to be restricted to the amounts recorded in the financial records. We therefore are unable to express an opinion on whether the recorded Donations of Edmund Rice Overseas Aid Fund are complete.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of the Fund in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

**OVERSEAS AID FUND
TO EDMUND RICE FOUNDATION (AUSTRALIA)
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We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other Information

The trustee of the Fund is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Fund's annual report for the year ended 31 December 2016, but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially consistent with the financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities Entities' Responsibility for the Financial Report

The trustee of the Fund is responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements and the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*, the ACFID Code of Conduct and for such internal control as the trustee of the Fund determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the trustee of the Fund is responsible for assessing the ability of the Fund to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the responsible entities either intend to liquidate the Fund or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Fund's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

OVERSEAS AID FUND TO EDMUND RICE FOUNDATION (AUSTRALIA) ABN: 85 413 988 107

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fund's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Fund to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Matters Relating to the Electronic Publication of the Audited Financial Report

This auditor's report relates to the financial report of the Edmund Rice Foundation Overseas Aid Fund for the year ended 31 December 2016 included on the Edmund Rice Foundation's website. The trustee of the Trust is responsible for the integrity of the Edmund Rice Foundation's website. The auditor's report refers only to the subject matter described above. It does not provide an opinion on any other information which may have been hyperlinked to/from these statements. If users of the financial report are concerned with the inherent risks arising from publication on a website, they are advised to refer to the hard copy of the audited financial report to confirm the information contained in this website version of the financial report.



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