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**North Atlantic Salmon Conservation
Organization (NASCO)
Financial statements
for the year ended 31 December 2024**

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Statement of Secretary's responsibilities for the year ended 31 December 2024

The rules of the Organization require that the Secretary shall ensure that appropriate records and accounts are kept of the transactions and affairs of the Organization and shall do all things necessary to ensure that all payments out of the Organization's monies are correctly made and properly authorised and that adequate control is maintained over the assets of, or in the custody of, the Organization and over the incurring of liabilities by the Organization.

Independent Auditor's report to the members of Council of North Atlantic Salmon Conservation Organization (NASCO)

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of North Atlantic Salmon Conservation Organization (NASCO), which comprise the balance sheet as at 31 December 2024, the income and expenditure account and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements of the Organization for the year ended 31 December 2024 are prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with Rule 10 the financial rules of the Organization and Decision of the Council (CNL(24)57, CNL(24)58 and CNL(24)88rev) in relation to the NASCO Deferred Salary Scheme and Staff Fund.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)), including ISA (UK) 800. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Organization in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the United Kingdom, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with those requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Emphasis of Matter – Basis of Accounting and Restriction on Distribution and Use

We draw attention to Note 1 to the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared to assist the Organization in complying with the financial reporting provisions of the rules of the Organization and Decision of the Council (CNL(24)57, CNL(24)58 and CNL(24)88rev) in relation to the NASCO Deferred Salary Scheme and Staff Fund. As a result, the financial statements may not be suitable for another purpose. Our report is intended solely for the Organization and should not be distributed to or used by parties other than the Organization. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Geopolitical events

We draw attention to Note 22 to the financial statements, which describes the Secretary's consideration of the current geopolitical events on the operations of the Organization. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Secretary's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the Organization's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

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Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Secretary and Members of the Council with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

We are required to report on the following matters by Rule 11.3 (a) to (d) the financial rules of the Organization and Decision of the Council (CNL(24)57, CNL(24)58 and CNL(24)88rev) in relation to the NASCO Deferred Salary Scheme and Staff Fund.

In our opinion, in all material respects:

- The financial statements are based on proper accounts and records
- The financial statements are in agreement with the Organization's accounts and records
- The receipt, expenditure and investment of moneys and the acquisition and disposal of assets by the Organization during the year have been in accordance with the financial rules of the Organization and Decision of the Council (CNL(24)57, CNL(24)58 and CNL(24)88rev).

Responsibilities of the Secretary and Council for the Financial Statements

The Secretary is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of the rules of the Organization and Decision of the Council (CNL(24)57, CNL(24)58 and CNL(24)88rev) in relation to the NASCO Deferred Salary Scheme and Staff Fund and for such internal control as the Secretary determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Secretary is responsible for assessing the Organization's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Organization or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Council are responsible for overseeing the Organization's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are 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 ISAs (UK) 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 these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The specific procedures for this engagement and the extent to which these are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud are detailed below.

Identifying and assessing risks related to irregularities:

We assessed the susceptibility of the Organization's financial statements to material misstatement and how fraud might occur, including through discussions with the Secretary, discussions within our audit team planning meeting, updating our record of internal controls and ensuring these controls operated as intended. We evaluated possible incentives and opportunities for fraudulent manipulation of the financial statements. We identified laws and regulations that are of significance in the context of the Organization by discussions with representatives of the Organization and updating our understanding of the constitution of the Organization.

Laws and regulations of direct significance in the context of the Organization include The Convention and Rules of Procedure and the Headquarters agreement between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the North Atlantic Salmon Conversation Organization.

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Audit response to risks identified:

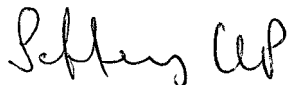
We considered the extent of compliance with these laws and regulations as part of our audit procedures on the related financial statement items. We reviewed minutes of meetings to identify potential material misstatements arising. During the planning meeting with the audit team, the engagement partner drew attention to the key areas which might involve non-compliance with laws and regulations or fraud. We enquired of the Secretary whether they were aware of any instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations or knowledge of any actual, suspected or alleged fraud. We addressed the risk of fraud through management override of controls by testing the appropriateness of journal entries and identifying any significant transactions that were unusual or outside the normal course of business. At the completion stage of the audit, the engagement partner's review included ensuring that the team had approached their work with appropriate professional scepticism and thus the capacity to identify non-compliance with laws and regulations and fraud.

There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above and the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely we would become aware of it. Also, the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery or intentional misrepresentations, or through collusion.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the Organization's members, as a body, in accordance with paragraph 11.3 of the Organization's Financial Rules. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Organization'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 Organization and the Organization's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



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14 February 2025

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Income and expenditure account for the year ended 31 December 2024

	Notes	Actual 2024	Budget	Variances	Actual 2023
		£	£	£	£
Income					
Contributions of Parties		662,007	603,550	58,457	547,316
Interest received		12,498	1,000	11,498	11,223
Income from property	7	65,127	57,000	8,127	61,083
Other income		1,337		1,337	-
Total income excluding funds		740,969	661,550	79,419	619,623
Special Funds	19	38,456	-	38,456	59,189
		779,425	661,550	117,875	678,812
Expenditure					
Staff related costs	2	431,731	437,500	5,769	409,961
Travel and subsistence	3	21,292	27,500	6,208	26,507
Contribution to ICES		68,330	70,800	2,470	66,272
Meetings	4	23,197	10,000	(13,197)	28,189
Office supplies, printing and translations	5	17,504	22,000	4,496	17,709
Communications	6	16,665	20,000	3,335	14,928
Building upkeep	7	57,169	52,850	(4,319)	52,852
Other expenses	8	19,863	16,400	(3,463)	39,050
Tag return incentive scheme	20	2,000	4,500	2,500	3,500
Total expenses excluding funds		657,751	661,550	3,799	658,967
Recruitment fund	17	8,000	-	(8,000)	15,000
International Year of the Salmon	18	-	-	-	17,963
Special Funds	19	95,877	-	(95,877)	92,085
		761,628	661,550	(100,078)	784,015
Net income excluding funds		83,218	-	75,620	(39,345)
Total Net income		17,797	-	17,797	(105,203)
Allocation:					
General Fund - Capital	13	-	-	-	9,485
General Fund - Revenue	14	83,218	-	83,218	(28,830)
Working Capital Fund	15	-	-	-	(20,000)
Recruitment Fund	17	(8,000)	-	(8,000)	(15,000)
International Year of the Salmon Fund	18	-	-	-	(17,963)
Special Fund	19	(57,421)	-	(57,421)	(32,895)
		17,797	-	17,797	(105,203)

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Balance sheet as at 31 December 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed assets	9	394,093	399,717
Current assets			
Debtors	10	105,785	82,072
Bank and cash	11	750,672	721,461
		856,457	803,533
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	(78,945)	(43,819)
Net current assets		777,512	759,714
Net assets		1,171,605	1,159,431
Capital employed			
General Fund – Capital	13	394,093	399,717
General Fund – Revenue	14	251,842	186,125
Working Capital Fund	15	197,500	180,000
Contractual Obligation Fund	16	220,953	220,953
Recruitment Fund	17	37,000	45,000
International Year of the Salmon Fund	18	-	17,657
Special Fund	19	70,217	109,980
Total capital employed		1,171,605	1,159,431

The net assets of the Organization represent resources held in the General Fund – Capital (principally the Headquarters Property), the General Fund – Revenue, the Working Capital Fund, the Contractual Obligation Fund, the Recruitment Fund, the International Year of the Salmon Fund and the Special Fund.

The financial statements were approved by the Secretary on ...14 February 2025.....



Dr Emma Hatfield
Secretary

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024

1 Accounting policies

The accounts are prepared in accordance with Rule 10 of the financial rules of the Organization and Decision of the Council (CNL(24)57, CNL(24)58 and CNL(24)88rev) in relation to the NASCO Deferred Salary Scheme and Staff Fund, and the accounting policies set out below:

Going Concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. The Secretary has assessed the Organization's ability to continue as a going concern and has a reasonable expectation that the Organization has reasonable resources to continue its operational existence subject to budget provision being made available in accordance with the Council's five-year spending plan. Thus, these financial statements continue to be prepared on the going concern basis of accounting.

Contributions

Contributions of all parties are accounted for in the income and expenditure account in the period to which they relate.

Interest received

Interest received is included in the income and expenditure account when receivable.

Taxation

Under the terms of the Headquarters Agreement between the Government of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the North Atlantic Salmon Conservation Organization, the Organization is exempt from all United Kingdom taxation.

Fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at their purchase price together with any incidental expenses of acquisition.

The policy adopted for the capitalisation of fixed assets which has been applied consistently, is only to treat as fixed assets items costing more than £1,000.

Provision for depreciation is made so as to write off the cost of fixed assets, other than heritable property, over the expected useful economic lives of the assets concerned through the General Fund - Capital. The principal annual rates used for this purpose are:-

Equipment	- 33% on a straight-line basis
Furniture and fittings	- 33% on a straight-line basis

Heritable property is not depreciated as it is maintained to a high standard and its realisable value is estimated to be in excess of its book cost.

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1 Accounting policies (continued)

Working Capital Fund

Transfers are made to the Working Capital Fund to establish a reserve for the purpose of meeting unexpected non-budgeted or urgent costs.

Contractual Obligation Fund

A Contractual Obligation Fund has been established as a reserve with the aim of enabling the Organization to meet such obligations without major fluctuations in budgeted expenditure.

Recruitment Fund

The Recruitment Fund has been established as a reserve with the aim of avoiding substantial budget increases in the event that new staff are recruited internationally.

International Year of the Salmon Fund

The International Year of the Salmon (IYS) Fund has been established as a reserve with the aim of supporting IYS activities as identified by the Council and IYS North Atlantic Steering Committee.

Special Fund

The Special Fund has been established as a reserve with the aim of retaining income to match specific identified future costs. It builds from voluntary contributions received from Parties which is now complete. This contains voluntary contributions and associated costs towards NASCO's third performance review which is now complete. The Special Fund also includes voluntary contributions towards the 2024 annual meeting.

Periodic Projects Special Fund

The Periodic Projects Special Fund is a ring-fenced fund held for future occasional special projects.

2 Staff related costs

	2024	2023
	£	£
Secretariat salaries	244,680	220,384
Temporary and flexible contract staff costs	68,545	62,282
Staff Fund, allowances, insurances and other staff costs	118,506	127,295
	431,731	409,961

The Organization and Secretariat members make contributions to the NASCO Staff Fund, which are held externally to the financial statements, for the benefit of Secretariat members (see Note 23). The costs of the Organization's contributions are charged to the income and expenditure account when incurred. Additional lump sum payments are made to the Staff Funds which are met from the Contractual Obligation Fund; details of these payments are shown in Note 16 of the financial statements.

The salaries and Staff Fund contributions, including lump sum payments, of all Secretariat members have been subject to an income tax imposed by the Organization.

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3 Travel and subsistence

	2024	2023
	£	£
Official travel and subsistence	21,292	26,507
	<u>21,292</u>	<u>26,507</u>

4 Meetings

	2024	2023
	£	£
Annual meeting	14,976	21,189
Other meetings	8,221	7,000
	<u>23,197</u>	<u>28,189</u>

5 Office supplies, printing and translations

	2024	2023
	£	£
Office supplies	10,079	10,458
Printing	5,138	5,585
Translations	2,287	1,666
	<u>17,504</u>	<u>17,709</u>

6 Communications

	2024	2023
	£	£
Telecommunications	4,859	4,243
Postage and courier services	47	-
Website and IT support	11,759	10,685
	<u>16,665</u>	<u>14,928</u>

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7 Building upkeep

	2024	2023
	£	£
Services and other building related costs	57,169	52,852
Less: Income from property	(65,127)	(61,083)
	<u>(7,958)</u>	<u>(8,231)</u>

8 Other expenses

	2024	2023
	£	£
Auditors' remuneration	14,000	10,350
Other professional fees	2,050	2,585
Legal fees	-	20,000
Bank interest and charges	349	625
Sundry expenses	3,464	5,313
Office equipment	-	177
	<u>19,863</u>	<u>39,050</u>

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024 (continued)

9 Fixed assets

	Heritable Property £	Furniture & Fittings £	Equipment £	Total £
Cost				
At 1 January 2024	389,400	21,694	34,010	445,104
Additions during year	-	-	-	-
Disposals during year	-	-	(1,375)	(1,375)
At 31 December 2024	389,400	21,694	32,635	443,729
Depreciation				
At 1 January 2024	-	21,694	23,693	45,387
Charge for year	-	-	5,624	5,624
Deprecation on disposals	-	-	(1,375)	(1,375)
At 31 December 2024	-	21,694	27,942	49,636
Net book value				
At 31 December 2024	389,400	-	4,693	394,093
Net book value At 31 December 2023	389,400	-	10,317	399,717

10 Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
Value added tax recoverable	23,251	22,782
Prepayments and other debtors	82,534	59,290
	105,785	82,072

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024 (continued)

11 Bank and cash balances

	2024	2023
	£	£
The Royal Bank of Scotland plc		
- Resources account	489,339	445,028
- Current account	504	(7,808)
- Contractual obligation fund account	227,137	223,889
- Recruitment fund deposit account	32,643	41,665
- Recruitment fund current account	1,000	1,000
- IYS fund account	-	17,657
Petty cash	49	30
	<hr/> 750,672	<hr/> 721,461

The balance of the contractual obligation fund shown above does not include the year-end contribution of £6,184 which will be transferred from this account into the Resources Account post year end to reflect the balance of the Fund disclosed in note 16.

The Recruitment Fund shown above does not include the year end contribution of £3,357 which will be transferred into this account from the Resources Account post year end to reflect the balance of the fund disclosed in note 17.

12 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Members contributions paid in advance	-	11,213
Accrued audit fee and sundry accruals	73,637	11,112
Trade creditors	5,308	21,494
	<hr/> 78,945	<hr/> 43,819

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13 General Fund – Capital

	2024	2023
	£	£
Balance at 1 January	399,717	396,394
Fixed asset additions made in the year	-	9,485
Fixed asset disposals made in the year	(1,375)	(4,988)
Allowance for depreciation of fixed assets	(5,624)	(6,162)
Elimination of depreciation on disposal	1,375	4,988
Balance at 31 December	394,093	399,717

The General Fund - Capital represents the net book value of the fixed assets held by the Organization. The balance (after allowing for depreciation) at 31 December 2024 of £394,093 (2023: £399,717) is made up of the Heritable Property (the Headquarters Property) £389,400 (2023: £389,400), Furniture and Fittings £Nil (2023: £Nil) and Equipment £4,693 (2023: £10,317).

14 General Fund – Revenue

	2024	2023
	£	£
Balance at 1 January	186,125	214,955
Net income for the financial year	17,797	(105,203)
Spend from Working Capital Fund	-	20,000
Transfer to General Fund – Capital	-	(9,485)
Transfer from Recruitment Fund	8,000	15,000
Transfer from International Year of the Salmon Fund	17,657	17,963
Transfer to Special Funds	(17,657)	-
Transfer from Special Funds	95,877	92,085
Transfer to Special Funds	(38,457)	(59,189)
Transfer to Working Capital Fund – top up	(17,500)	-
Balance at 31 December	251,842	186,125

Included within net income for the year are accrued contributions from certain members yet to be received. Such contributions are deemed to be recoverable by the Organization and, in accordance with the accounting policy, have been accrued.

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15 Working Capital Fund

	2024	2023
	£	£
Balance at 1 January	180,000	200,000
Spend in year to cover staff rules analysis	-	(20,000)
Transfer from General Fund – Revenue – top up	17,500	-
Balance at 31 December	197,500	180,000

16 Contractual Obligation Fund

	2024	2023
	£	£
Balance at 1 January	220,953	250,000
Transfer to Staff Fund	-	(29,047)
Balance at 31 December	220,953	220,953

Contingent obligations

There is a contingent obligation arising under the Organization's rules for lump sum payments to Secretariat members or death in service benefits. The Organization has agreed to build the Contractual Obligation Fund through annual budgetary provisions with the aim of avoiding major fluctuations in future levels of budgeted expenditure. During the period a discretionary final lump sum payment of £nil (2023: £29,047) was made to secretariat staff.

The transfer from the Contractual Obligation Fund to the Staff Fund is paid net of NASCO income tax in accordance with the Organization's Staff Fund Rules, CNL(14)57, and Staff Rules, CNL(14)58.

17 Recruitment Fund

	2024	2023
	£	£
Balance at 1 January	45,000	60,000
Transfer from General Fund - Revenue	-	-
Transfer from General Fund - Revenue – net interest and bank charges	-	-
Transfer to General Fund - Revenue – expenses incurred	(8,000)	(15,000)
Balance at 31 December	37,000	45,000

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18 International Year of the Salmon Fund

	2024	2023
	£	£
Balance at 1 January	17,657	35,620
Transfer to General Fund - Revenue – expenses incurred	-	(17,963)
Transfer to Special Fund – Periodic Projects Special Fund	(17,657)	-
Balance at 31 December	-	17,657

International Year of the Salmon Fund

The International Year of the Salmon (IYS) Fund was established as a reserve with the aim of supporting IYS activities as identified by the Council and IYS North Atlantic Steering Committee.

The balance within the IYS Fund account at December 2023 was transferred to the Resources account during 2024 to reflect the surplus due to the Period Projects Special Fund. This IYS Fund is now closed.

19 Special Fund

	2024	2023
	£	£
Balance at 1 January	109,980	142,875
Transfer from General Fund – Final grant payment for third performance review (Special Fund)	13,663	-
Transfer from General Fund – EU contribution - NASCO 2024 (Special Fund)	12,397	29,595
Transfer from General Fund – EU contribution - IMPAS (Periodic Projects Special Fund)	12,397	29,595
Transfer from International Year of the Salmon Fund (Periodic Projects Special Fund)	17,657	-
Transfer to General Fund – Revenue - WASA development (Periodic Projects Special Fund)	(945)	(3,970)
Transfer to General Fund – Revenue – NASCO 2024 (Special Fund)	(29,718)	-
Transfer to General Fund – Revenue - IMPAS (Periodic Projects Special Fund)	(28,509)	-
Transfer to General Fund – Revenue - Review panel expenses (Special Fund)	-	(58,932)
Transfer to General Fund – Revenue – SOK project (Periodic Projects Special Fund)	(36,705)	(29,183)
Balance at 31 December	70,217	109,980

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024 (continued)

19 Special Fund (continued)

The closing balances of the Special Funds are as follows:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Periodic Projects Special Fund	60,337	96,442
Special Fund	9,880	13,538
Balance at 31 December	70,217	109,980

Special Fund

The Special Fund has been established as a reserve with the aim of retaining income to match specific identified future costs. It builds from voluntary contributions received from Parties. This contains voluntary contributions and associated costs towards NASCO's third performance review which is now complete. The Special Fund also includes voluntary contributions towards the 2024 annual meeting.

Periodic Projects Special Fund

The Periodic Projects Special Fund is a ring-fenced fund held for future occasional special projects.

20 NASCO tag return incentive scheme fund

Total prizes awarded in the year amounted to £2,000 (2023: £3,500). Council agreed in 2024 that this scheme will now cease.

21 International Atlantic Salmon Research Fund (IASRF)

The Council of NASCO has established the International Atlantic Salmon Research Board (IASRB) and the International Atlantic Salmon Research Fund (IASRF) to support research and promote collaboration into the causes of marine mortality in Salmon.

Whilst the IASRB and the IASRF form part of NASCO and its activities, Council has determined that separate accounts be maintained for the IASRF and therefore the IASRF does not form part of the accounts of NASCO.

22 Going Concern

At the date of approval of the financial statements, the Secretary has prepared up to date management accounts, budgets and projections which include key assumptions on Contributions from Parties and working capital that the Secretary considers to be reasonable and prudent. Consideration has also been given to current geopolitical events.

Having considered the above matters, the Secretary is of the view that the Organization will have sufficient resources to continue to operate and meet debts as they fall due for the foreseeable future. The Secretary is also satisfied that NASCO operations and constitution are unaffected by current geopolitical events. The financial statements have therefore been drawn up on a going concern basis.

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23 Staff Fund Accounts

The funds contributed to, and held within the NASCO Staff Fund, belong to and comprise part of the assets of NASCO. The funds held in the Staff Fund, and any increase in their value, are deemed to be within the scope of NASCO's official activities. However, each Secretariat member shall at all times be fully vested and have entitlement to give notice requesting payment in whole or in part of their individual Staff Fund account at any time whilst remaining a Secretariat member.

In accordance with Council Decision CNL(24)57, CNL(24)58 and CNL(24)88rev, the following Staff Fund accounts which represent assets of NASCO and contractual obligations to Secretariat members fall to be disclosed in a memorandum note to the financial statements.

	2024	2023
	£	£
Balance at 31 December	42,118	264,909

24 Subsequent events

Subsequent to the year end a member of staff is now deemed to be a secretariat member. As a result, national insurance previously settled to UK tax authorities may fall to now be recoverable. This is in the region of £25,326 however this remains unconfirmed at the date of approval and has not been recognised in the 2024 financial statements.

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Transfer of appropriations between sections during the year ended 31 December 2024

	£
Transfer from:	
Contributions of Parties	58,457
Interest received	11,498
Income from property	8,127
Special Fund	38,456
Other income	1,337
Staff related costs	5,769
Travel and subsistence	6,208
Contribution to ICES	2,470
Office supplies, printing and translations	4,496
Communications	3,335
Tag return incentive scheme	2,500
Recruitment Fund	8,000
Special Funds	57,421
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Transfer to:	
Meetings	(13,197)
Other expenses	(3,463)
Building upkeep	(4,319)
Recruitment Fund	(8,000)
Special Funds	(95,877)
General Fund - Revenue	(83,218)
	<hr/> (208,074) <hr/>