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Interim Management Statement

Informa plc, the global business information specialist, confirms that there has been no material change in trading conditions since the 2009 Results Announcement in March. Management expectations for the full year remain in line.

Overall, we are pleased with the start to the year particularly when set against a background of continued financial uncertainty in many of the principal global economies.

Academic Information. We have made a good start with book sales ahead of last year, benefitting from some one-off deals. Our subscription journal renewal is in line with previous years. Across the division, we anticipate some organic revenue growth for the full year over 2009.

Professional and Commercial Information. Trends in the financial services sector continue with late cycle impacts across a number of our subscription products. We are experiencing a better performance across our health care and pharma businesses which when combined with cost savings implemented in 2009 across the whole division leave us well placed for the full year.

Events and Training. We are seeing signs of recovery in some of our conference businesses with an increase in delegate numbers and sponsorship income. Exhibitions have started well, led by Arab Health, but we anticipate a decline across our real estate shows later in the year. Training budgets which tend to correlate with stronger employment statistics remain weak, particularly in the US. We have run fewer events over the past three months than we did over the comparable period in 2009 but are no longer further reducing output. Across the entire events portfolio our outlook for the full year remains unchanged.

Our overall financial position remains strong and we anticipate that we will be able to maintain the operating margins achieved last year.

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Investors and Analysts

There will be a conference call today for analysts and investors at 08.30am hosted by Adam Walker, Finance Director. Dial in telephone number + 44 (0)20 7906 8567. There is no pin code but callers should quote Informa analyst call.

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