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THE LORD CHAMBERLAIN'S FOREWORD

The Royal Danish House's annual report for 2014 illustrates the royal family's official activities and doings in a number of areas such as business and culture, humanitarian and social initiatives, the defence, sports and health, environment and climate as well as research and education.

The Queen and The Prince Consort made two state visits to China and Croatia in April and October respectively and were the hosts when Turkey's presidential couple paid a state visit to Denmark in March. In China, The Queen and The Prince Consort were accompanied by 161 companies — up to now, the largest business delegation on a state visit — while 37 companies took part in the state visit to Croatia. The Crown Prince Couple led business and cultural promotional campaigns to Canada and Poland accompanied by 80 and 60 companies respectively. In addition to that, the royal family made a series of trips focused on humanitarian and social matters of current interest.

The Queen and The Prince Consort carried out two summer cruises around Denmark, while the Crown Prince family for the first time visited Greenland on the Royal Yacht Dannebrog.

2014 was marked by special commemorations of the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Dybbøl and the 200th anniversary of Norway's free constitution, and members of the royal family were, in the course of the year, present at several of the accompanying events that were held in Denmark and Norway.

In addition, the official duties have included receptions of audience seekers and ambassadors as well as attention to the royal foundations, which during the past year have distributed grants to quite a few projects of cultural, scientific, educational, social and humanitarian character.



Lord Chamberlain Michael Ehrenreich

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REPORT

Constitutional duties

HM The Queen, as head of state, cooperates during the formation of governments and the reshuffling of cabinet ministers. In 2014, the latter was carried out three times, during which incoming and departing ministers were received at Amalienborg.

At Christiansborg Palace, there were, in all, seven Councils of State, over which the Sovereign presides. In addition to that, The Queen has regularly received the prime minister and the foreign affairs minister when they have given briefings on the latest political developments.

Public audiences were granted 20 times, during which more than 1500 citizens appeared to thank The Queen and – in The Queen's absence – HRH The Crown Prince for an official appointment or retirement, conferment of orders and medals of merit or medals of reward.

During the past year, The Queen received 26 foreign ambassadors, who must present their credentials before they can perform their duties as ambassadors in the country. In addition, The Queen received 13 ambassadors in departure audiences.

A number of foreign political leaders and others were, in the course of the year, in audiences with The Queen, including the EU Parliament's president and France's prime minister.

Once, during each parliamentary session, TRH The Queen and The Prince Consort invite the government, the Danish



More than two million TV viewers watched when The Queen, on 31 December, delivered the New Year's address from the Garden Room at Fredensborg Palace.

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At The Queen and The Prince Consort's evening party at Christiansborg Palace, lanciers were danced after the dinner

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Parliament and the European Parliament's Danish members to an evening party with dinner and entertainment at Christiansborg Palace. In 2014, this party was held on 12 March. The members of the Royal Danish House also meet with the country's elected representatives in the course of the year in connection with official events, such as the annual opening of the Danish Parliament, state visits to foreign countries, and when the royal family visit the regions in Denmark

State visits and official visits

The year's incoming state visit took place the days of 17-19 March, when Turkey's president, HE Abdullah Gül, and First Lady Hayrünnisa Gül paid a visit to Denmark. A Turkish business delegation accompanied the Presidential Couple during the state visit, which focused on green growth and technology, health care and welfare, and the food production and agro-foodstuff industries. The visit involved several activities that presented Danish business, and The Crown Prince participated with the President in a Turkish-Danish trade and investment forum at the Confederation of Danish Industry. On 18 March, HRH The Crown Princess hosted a luncheon for the First Lady, where selected projects under The Mary Foundation were presented, and, following that, they visited victims of domestic violence at the crisis centre Danner for women and their children exposed to violence. Here, The Mary Foundation distributes rucksacks with personal items, such as toys for children arriving at the



The Queen and The Prince Consort at The Forbidden City in connection with the state visit in China.

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centre. On the visit's first day, The Queen and The Prince Consort hosted a gala banquet at Amalienborg, and the visit concluded with a Turkish-hosted reciprocal dinner.

35 years after the first state visit in China, The Queen and The Prince Consort, from 24-28 April, paid the second state visit to the country. The official welcome took place in The Great Hall of the People in Beijing, and, as the conclusion on the day of arrival, the President held a state banquet in The Western Hall. The headline was sustainability with focus on the broad Danish-Chinese cooperation in the areas of, among others, energy and environment, innovation, investment and Danish design. Under this heading, The Queen and The Prince Consort, on 25 April, participated in, among other things, the opening of the Danish-Chinese partnership conference "Sustainability in China and Denmark" and, in the following days, participated in the opening of a conference focused on environmentally sound urbanization as well as a Danish-Chinese innovation and investment seminar. During the visit, The Queen and The Prince Consort had the opportunity to visit several Danish companies represented in the Chinese market.

Cultural enterprises and Danish design were on the programme when, on 25 April, The Queen, together with the First Lady, participated in the launch of the Danish-Chinese Culture Year at the Museum for Women and Children, where The Queen read aloud from one of H.C. Andersen's fairy tales in Danish, while the First Lady recited the fairy tale in Chinese.

An accompanying business delegation including representatives of more than 160 companies participated in

several of the visit's activities and was, among other things, invited along on The Queen and The Prince Consort's sailing tour on the Huangpu River, which runs through Shanghai, where representatives of the Danish and Chinese shipping industries took part in marking the 40th year of Danish-Chinese shipping cooperation.

The Crown Prince Couple, from 12-14 May, paid an official visit to Poland's capital, Warsaw, and to Stettin, where they led a Danish business promotional campaign. With the objective of promoting Danish-Polish trade in agriculture and food products, fashion and design, energy and environment, and health care, the Crown Prince Couple participated in a number of activities putting into place the conditions for knowledge sharing between Danish and Polish companies. On 12 May, the Crown Prince Couple participated in a "Grand Opening" of Danish business initiatives, after which The Crown Prince, in the course of the following days, took part in several seminars on effective development of, among other things, wind and hydropower in country and city areas. During the visit The Crown Princess participated in several activities connected with the promotion of health, including a seminar on lifestyle diseases and a visit at a local hospital. The Crown Princess also visited a kindergarten for children with autism and later took part in a round-table meeting on Danish experiences with cooperation between the public and private parts of the health care sector as well as a seminar concerning improvement of quality of life. The visit in Stettin dealt with, not least, environmentally-sound solutions, and The Crown Prince took part in seminars dealing with wind energy and



The Crown Prince Couple during the official welcome at the Polish presidential palace in connection with the official visit in Poland.

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waste management, while The Crown Princess, among other things, was shown furniture made of recycled materials. The visit was concluded with a reception on the frigate Niels Juel.

From 17-19 September, the Crown Prince Couple visited Canada with the objective of strengthening the relations between Denmark and Canada and the partnerships between Danish and Canadian companies. The programme focused on trade in the areas of health care, food products, architecture and green construction as well as design and fashion. The Crown Prince Couple participated in, among other things, the official opening of the business promotional campaign in which a contract between Danish companies and Canadian companies was signed and in which Danish companies afterwards displayed products to the Canadian food product and retail industries. Danish design, architecture and fashion were the starting point for several of the visit's activities, just as the area of health care was in focus when the Crown Prince Couple took part in the seminar "Danish Innovation for Canadian Healthcare" dealing with the health-related challenges in the two countries.

From 21-24 October, The Queen and The Prince Consort made a state visit to Croatia, with visits at the Danish companies in the country and participation in activities including, among others, the areas of health care, energy and environment as well as archaeology. During the visit, The Queen attended, among other things, the opening of a regional diabetes forum, while The Prince Consort gave a speech at a business forum in which approximately 30 Danish companies and business organizations participated. In addition, The Queen and The Prince Consort visited the Danish company Hartmann, which produces egg cartons. During the visit, The Queen and The Prince Consort were shown the company's charity work, where blind and visually-impaired people participated in a workshop and decorated eggs made of moulded cardboard packaging. In the old city hall in Split, The Queen and The Prince Consort participated in the opening of an exhibition about the Danish archaeologist Ejnar Dyggve, who, in1922-23, took part in the extensive excavations of the historic town Salona near Split. The exhibition's opening focused on the substantial Danish contribution to the preservation of the shared European cultural heritage, and the visit was concluded with a signing ceremony that marked the cultural heritage cooperation between Denmark and Croatia.



The Queen and The Prince Consort arrive at Livø Harbour.

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Dannebrog cruises

The Queen and The Prince Consort carried out two summer cruises aboard the Royal Yacht Dannebrog around the country. The first summer cruise began in Aalborg on 18 June, followed by visits in Odense and Marstal on 19 and 20 June. The second summer cruise took place from 1-5 September, when The Queen and The Prince Consort visited Thyborøn, Ringkøbing, Livø, Nykøbing Mors and Vesthimmerland Municipality.

From 1-8 August, the Crown Prince Couple, together with their four children, THR Prince Christian, Princess Isabella, Prince Vincent and Princess Josephine, paid the family's first official visit to Greenland. The tour began with the Royal Yacht Dannebrog in Southern Greenland in Igaliko, Narsaq, Aalluitsup Paa, Nanortalik and Qaqortoq and concluded in Western Greenland with visits in Paamiut, Qeqertarsuatsiaat and Nuuk. In his farewell speech, The Crown Prince offered thanks for the warm reception the family received from the people of Greenland and said that the visit had given an even better insight into the Greenlandic reality.

150th anniversary of the Battle at Dybbøl

The royal family participated in several events that marked the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Dybbøl. On 18 April, THR The Queen, The Prince Consort and Prince Joachim



During the military memorial ceremony, The Queen and The Prince Consort laid a wreath at the mass graves.

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participated in a wreath-laying at the war graves at Dybbøl Banke, followed by a civilian ceremony in Kongeskansen, where The Queen gave a speech. The Queen, The Prince Consort and Prince Joachim were shown the exhibition "People in the War 1864" at Sønderborg Castle, and Prince Joachim visited an exhibition at Dybbøl Banke History Centre. In the evening, THR Prince Joachim and Princess Marie took part in a dinner and culture event "1864@2014" in Alsion.

On June 9, The Prince Consort participated in the marking of the 150th anniversary of the battle at Helgoland on Fregatten Jylland (the Frigate Jutland) in connection with Navy Day, which every year marks the Danish navy's last sea battle from the island of Helgoland. The same day, The Crown Princess, together with HRH Crown Princess Mette-Marit of Norway, took part in a commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the battle at Helgoland in Kristiansand, Norway. It was in Kristiansand that the Danish fleet put into port after the battle at Helgoland, and where 55 wounded sailors were treated and the 18 sailors who died during the battle were buried. With the participation of both the Norwegian and Danish royal houses, it demonstrated the close bonds that continue to exist between Norway and Denmark.

Business

Haandværkerforeningen's medals are awarded once a year to newly trained journeymen in skilled trades who, during the

test at the end of their apprenticeship, have produced work worthy of reward, and, on 13 May, The Queen participated in Haandværkerforeningen's annual medal presentation at Copenhagen's City Hall.

As patron of the Danish-Chinese Business Forum, The Prince Consort, from 3-7 November, took part in a trip to China, where The Prince Consort visited various Danish companies in China and handed out Prince Henrik's Honours Medals.

On 14 April, The Crown Prince presided over the prize presentation at the entrepreneur competition "Next Step Challenge" in Musikhuset Esbjerg and, on 25 August, paid an entrepreneur visit to Silicon Valley, USA, including Innovation Centre Denmark and Stanford University. On 29 October in Copenhagen, The Crown Prince presented Børsen's Gazelle Prizes, in which the business newspaper Dagbladet Børsen selected "gazelle companies" under the theme "From growth to volume", which challenges the companies in the areas of growth and job creation in Denmark. On 19 November, The Crown Prince was in charge of the prize presentation at the international Creative Business Cup final in Copenhagen, where participants from various countries compete to win a prize for the best business idea within the creative industries.

The Crown Princess presided over the 6 October prize presentations at Børsen in Copenhagen during FSR -



The Crown Princess with prize recipients at FSR - danske revisorer's award presentation for Denmark's best CSR reporting.

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Prince Joachim presents the FoodTech Award at the opening of the trade fair FoodTech 2014.

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danske revisorer's awards ceremony for Denmark's best CSR reporting, in which the objective is to focus on best practices in how companies report social responsibility.

As patron of the Copenhagen Fashion Summit, The Crown Princess presided over the official opening of the 2014 conference in the Opera House, Copenhagen on 24 April. The Crown Princess gave the opening speech for the international conference on sustainability in the fashion industry that brings together key persons from the fashion industry, business life and politics. Before the opening of Copenhagen Fashion Summit, The Crown Princess hosted a dinner on 23 April in Frederik VIII's Palace for players in the field of sustainable fashion, in which The Crown Prince also participated.

In his role as patron, Prince Joachim took part at High:five's business conference at the cultural institution Fængslet in Horsens on 6 March and gave a speech at the opening. High:five's objective is to assist the country's companies in establishing job and training positions for former criminals. On 15 March, Prince Joachim participated at The Medal Fund for the Confederation of Danish Industry and Craftsmanship in East Jutland's medal presentation at Aarhus City Hall and, on 22 August, at the opening of Danish Crown's new cattle abattoir in Holsted. Later in the year, on 28 October, the Prince, in his role as patron, took part in the opening of the trade fair FoodTech 2014 in Messecenter Herning, which is northern Europe's largest trade fair for food product technology with more than 275 exhibitors.

HRH Princess Benedikte paid an official visit on 7 April at the Industrial Supply Fair in Hannover, Germany, which, with more than 6500 exhibitors, is the world's largest trade industries fair. The Princess was in charge of the opening of the joint Danish stand.

Humanitarian and social duties

On 4 July, The Prince Consort opened the "Therapeutic Gardens" at Hammel Neurorehabilitation and Research Centre, which treats patients with acquired brain injury. Back in 2011, The Prince Consort, in his role as patron, presented the Lion's Prize for the "Therapeutic Gardens", and the financial help was used to establish therapeutic outdoor environments as a part of the rehabilitation process for patients at the neurocentre.

As president of the World Wide Fund for Nature in Denmark, The Prince Consort took part in a trip with the organization to Madagascar from 29 November – 10 December to visit various WWF projects that focus on forest preservation and protection of threatened animal species. The Prince Consort visited, among other places, a factory that develops new food cooking ovens for local households that use less wood and charcoal than ordinary ovens.

On the occasion of the 150 anniversary of the Red Cross, The Prince Consort, in his role as patron, made the Orangery at Fredensborg Palace available for a charity dinner. The Queen and The Prince Consort, together with the Crown Princess, Prince Joachim and Princess Marie, participated in the charity dinner on 11 September. Since



The Prince Consort is shown around in the "Therapeutic Gardens".

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The royal family participated in the Red Cross charity dinner in the Orangery on the occasion of the organization's 150th anniversary. Seen here are secretary general of the Danish Red Cross Anders Ladekarl and vice president Hanna Line Jakobsen with the royal family during the arrival at the dinner.

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2001, The Prince Consort has been the patron of the Red Cross, whose first action was during the Battle of Dybbøl in 1864, when aid workers for the first time bore the armband with the red cross.

As patron of the UN's Population Fund (UNFPA) and the Danish Refugee Council, The Crown Princess travelled from 10 -12 January in Myanmar together with Minister for Development and Cooperation Rasmus Helveg Petersen. The visit focused on the difficult conditions for women in the impoverished south-east Asian country, where, after 50 years of a military junta, chances for democratic reforms, international development cooperation and foreign investments have opened up.

As a member of the international panel High Level Task Force for ICPD, The Crown Princess paid a visit in New York from 10-11 March to take part in activities in connection with the UN Commission on the Status of Women's 58th gathering. With the starting point in her global work for the health and rights of young girls and women, The Crown Princess took part in the first day of the assembly, whose focus was "Challenges and achievements in the implementation of the UN's 2015 goals for girls and women". On 18 August, The Crown Princess participated in the arrangement "Invest in Women and Girls: Everybody Wins" at Christiansborg Palace, during which it was

announced that Denmark will be the host country for the global conference on women's health and rights "Women Deliver 2016". A conference which The Crown Princess, via her international engagement in the area, has favoured to be held on Danish soil.

In her role as patron of the WHO Regional Office for Europe, The Crown Princess visited Tajikistan from 23-25 October. The visit focused on, among other things, health among mothers and children and an increased effort to vaccinate the population in WHO's European region. Earlier in the year, on 15 September, The Crown Princess gave a speech at the opening ceremony of the WHO European Region's 64th regional committee meeting in Copenhagen.

The Crown Princess, together with trade and development cooperation minister Mogens Jensen, visited South Africa from 2-5 November. The trip focused on sexual and reproductive health and rights, including the right to decide about one's own body and choose use of contraception as well as the right to give birth under proper conditions.

In continuation of the sojourn in South Africa, The Crown Princess paid a visit to Geneva, Switzerland on 6 November to participate in meetings and give a speech at the opening of the UNECE/UNWOMEN conference "Gender Equality and Empowerment of Women and Girls for Sustainable Development in the ECE Region", which focused on women's and girls' particular rights and challenges in crises and conflict situations.



In South Africa, The Crown Princess visited the LoveLife Youth Centre that works with education and knowledge on HIV/AIDS among young people.

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In Ethiopia, Princess Marie visited the village Jibri to see the local school's new water collection facility, which ensures that periods of drought and water shortage do not keep the students away from schooling.

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Back in Denmark, The Crown Princess spoke at an international conference at Christiansborg Palace on 11 November on the circumcision of girls. At the conference, international global stakeholders participated and shared information about political progress, newest research results and experiences as well as continuing challenges. In connection with the conference, The Crown Princess was the host at a dinner in Frederik VIII's Palace, Amalienborg.



On 13 July, Princess Benedikte, in her role as patron, opened the "Alzheimer's Association International Conference" in Copenhagen.

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As patron of CARE Denmark, Prince Joachim travelled in Laos from 11-18 November to visit the organization's development projects in the country. The Prince was introduced to the challenges and solutions in relation to climate changes in Laos, where CARE works to prepare poor villagers against climate catastrophes that increasingly threaten the basis of their lives by destroying crops. The local people are introduced to the cultivation methods and crops that can withstand the climate changes better. The Prince also visited a Danish textile factory that operates with social responsibility.

Princess Marie, as the patron of DanChurchAid, visited Ethiopia from 27-31 January to follow the development work that DanChurchAid carries out in the country. The Princess visited several villages in the Bale Zone and saw how the project staff and the local residents work with the cultivation of soil, preparedness in connection with climate changes, livestock breeding, health and nutrition.

As patron of Autism Denmark, Princess Marie participated in the organization's run on 2 April on the occasion of World Autism Awareness Day and, on 13 October, visited the Children and Youth Psychiatric Centre in Risskov and, later in the day, presided over the opening of Hinnerup Kollegiet's new special surroundings for seniors with autism.

On the occasion of World AIDS Vaccine Day, Princess Marie, as patron, hosted The AIDS Foundation's HIV vaccine briefing on 20 May in Christian VIII's Palace, Amalienborg. The Princess gave the opening address at the briefing, which was organized by The AIDS Foundation in cooperation with The International AIDS Vaccine Initiative and dealt with both progress and the potential for a vaccine that can prevent HIV infection.

In her role as patron of the Danish National Commission for UNESCO, Princess Marie took part on 21 May in the world heritage arrangement about Danish and Lebanese school cooperation and in the launching of learning material on the world heritage site of Roskilde Cathedral. The day after, the Princess presided over the Danish students' presentation of their participation in UNESCO's Arts Education week in DR Koncerthuset in Copenhagen.

Princess Benedikte is the patron of SOS Children's Villages Denmark and, on 15 November, participated in SOS Children's Villages Denmark's seminar for volunteer staff and a jubilee celebration in Odense that marked the organization's 50th jubilee in Denmark. In her speech at the arrangement, the Princess thanked the volunteers for their work in helping the world's vulnerable and orphaned children. On the occasion of the jubilee, the Princess also took part in SOS Children's Villages Denmark's 50th anniversary arrangement on 13 December at Herlufsholm School, where a Christmas bazaar for SOS Children's Villages was held.

Climate and environment

The environment and climate have been in focus during the year's state visits and official visits, in which Danish solutions in the area of sustainable energy have been presented to foreign countries, but some of the year's other arrangements have also dealt with environment and sustainability. Thus, on 27 February, The Crown Prince for the third time was in charge of the presentation of The Construction Industry's Climate, Energy and Environment Prizes at the trade fair BYGGERI '14. The prizes were presented to fair exhibitors that could particularly document energy efficiency and CO₂ reduction in the production or the use of construction materials. The Crown Prince also took part in the official opening of the Green Tech Centre in Vejle on 24 June and in the opening of The Energy Tower in Roskilde on 2 September. Events that focused on development of green energy technology and energy utilization of the resources in waste respectively. On 9 September, Prince Joachim turned the first sod in connection with the construction of ENVO Biogas Tønder.

The Crown Prince's visit to Abu Dhabi from 20-21 January

had energy and sustainability solutions as the theme. During the visit, The Crown Prince gave a speech at the Danish event "The United Arab Emirates and Denmark – Partners for Global Sustainability", which concluded with the signing of a cooperation agreement between Denmark and The United Arab Emirates. Later in the year, on 22 September, The Crown Prince participated in the official opening of the exhibition "House of Green" at the Danish Cleantech Hub as part of the climate week in New York. The year before, The Crown Prince opened "House of Green" at the House of Industry in Copenhagen, and the exhibition now displays the Danish climate solutions for foreign interests in New York.

In connection with the holding of the international climate event Global Green Growth Forum, which this year took place in Copenhagen, The Crown Prince took part in an official dinner in the Opera House on 20 October and was the host himself the following evening at a dinner in Frederik VIII's Palace before participating in the forum.

Research and education

On 22 June, The Queen presided over the opening of the conference EuroScience Open Forum 2014 in Copenhagen, and later in the year, on 23 September, The Queen, in her role as patron, was present for the opening of the Danish Technological Institute's new research domicile for the Danish Meat Research Institute (DMRI) in Taastrup, which will make its mark as the world's largest knowledge centre



The Crown Prince presided over the opening of The Energy Tower in Roskilde.

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The Queen was introduced to healthy meat products during a visit at the Danish Meat Research Institute.

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The Crown Princess took part in a town walking tour with two school classes in Næstved in connection with "School for 200 Years".

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for research and innovation in animal food products.

As patron of the 200th anniversary of Almueskoleloven of 1814, The Crown Princess participated in a number of events that marked the jubilee. On 3 February, The Crown Princess presided over the official opening in Copenhagen, where the exhibition "Lærer for Livet" ("Teacher for Life") was opened. On 11 April, The Crown Princess took part in the jubilee activities "Skolernes Sangdag" in DR's Koncertsal and a school visit at Sønderbro Skole in Copenhagen. Later in the year, on 6 October, The Crown Princess visited Næstved to participate in a walk around town with two classes from Lille Næstved Skole. The town tour took place in connection with Uge200, in which primary schools in Denmark celebrated that it had been 200 years since compulsory education was instituted. On 10 October, The Crown Princess paid a visit at Arenaskolen in Greve on The Schools' Exercise Day, where The Crown Princess started Arenaskolen's run.

On 19 February, The Crown Princess gave a speech at the opening ceremony for Birkerød Gymnasium's Model United Nations Conference, BIGMUN. The international conference is a simulated UN summit meeting, in which the approximately 350 participating gymnasium students get the opportunity to discuss and negotiate as UN delegates. At the conference, students from, among others, Denmark, Germany, the USA, Turkey and Holland took part, and the topic of women's rights was discussed.

Princess Marie collaborates with the University of Southern Denmark (SDU) to strengthen the knowledge of the university's education programmes, research and other efforts, and, in this connection, the Princess presided over the opening of the University of Southern Denmark's Children's Language Conference in Odense on 20 January. On 26 November, the Princess and a delegation from SDU visited the world's largest women's university, Princess Nora Bint Abdulrahman University in Riyadh, where more than 200 students are taught in bachelor's programmes based on the Danish university's concepts. The SDU is the first university in Denmark to sell education programmes to a foreign university. During the visit, the Princess gave a speech, sat in at a lecture and met with students and staff at the Saudi Arabian university.

On 13 August, Princess Marie, together with Minister of Education Christine Antorini, visited Tønder HTX, where there is targeted work with creating a "girl-friendly environment" in IT education, and was introduced to an education course. On 27 August, Princess Marie was in charge of the official opening of European School Copenhagen, which the Princess entered into cooperation with in 2014 to assist in strengthening the familiarity of the school's educational offers and other efforts. European School Copenhagen is a new multilingual and multicultural international school with focus on language and science from the introductory schooling age up to and including



The Princess visited dental students training on dummies at Princess Nora Bint Abdulrahman University in Riyadh.

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gymnasium. On 30 October, Princess Marie took part in the celebration of the 125th jubilee of Den Danske Urmagerskole (a watchmaking school) in Ringsted. During the visit, the Princess had the opportunity to inspect the school and see active workshops manned by the school's students. Annually, 15-20 new watchmakers are trained for Danish and foreign industries.

Prince Joachim participated in a Welcome Dinner as patron of CBS Case Competition in Copenhagen on 24 February. CBS Case Competition is held annually in February for bachelor's degree students, who come with solution proposals for problems posed by the business community. On 29 April, the Prince, in his role as patron, took part in the prize presentation at the final for "Unge Forskere", which is Denmark's biggest scientific talent competition for students from primary schools and out-of-school education programmes from all over Denmark, in which young research talents demonstrate their take on the future's medicines, machines, forms of energy and other scientific contributions for a better world.

Sport and health

As a member of the International Olympic Committee, The Crown Prince attended the Olympic Winter Games in Sochi, Russia from 4-8 and 17-22 February. Prior to the games, The Crown Prince took part in the IOC's 126th session. The Crown Prince also attended the official opening and competitions in which Danish athletes participated. The Crown Prince also participated in meetings with the committee from 29 April-1 May in PyeongChang, South Korea and in September in Lausanne, Switzerland. In December, The Crown Prince took part in the 127th IOC session in Monaco.

The World Half Marathon Championships were held for the 21st time in 2014 and took place in Copenhagen, Denmark. The Crown Prince kicked off the half marathon at Christiansborg Palace Square on 29 March and, the day before, took part in the official dinner on the occasion of the run. On 5 April, The Crown Prince, together with The Crown Princess, Prince Christian and Princess Isabella, participated in the annual fitness run known as "Find vej Dagen" (the "Find your way Day") in Rude forest.

The Crown Prince was also present at events affiliated with the nationwide School Olympic Games, in which local school classes across the country can qualify for a final



The Crown Prince during the warm-up for the School Olympic Games in Korsør.

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meet. Here, The Crown Prince took part in the warm-up at the School Olympic Games on 6 May in Korsør, where 400 students from nine schools in Slagelse municipality competed in athletics. And, on 17 June, The Crown Prince was on hand when students competed in the School Olympic Games disciplines at Østerbro Stadium in Copenhagen. On 31 October, The Crown Prince presided over the opening of the project "Idræt for Alle" ("Sports for All") at Roskilde grass-roots sport schools and took part in sport activities with the 350 intermediate-level students who were present.

Princess Marie, as patron of the Danish Ski Federation, took part in the federation's ski event on 4 October at Bispetorv in Aarhus. On 4 August, Princess Benedikte attended the world championships in wheel chair rugby at Arena Fyn, Odense.

In addition to that, the royal family were engaged in several other arrangements in the area of health care in 2014. As patron of the Danish Kidney Association, The Crown Princess participated in "Kidney Day" on 3 May and was present on 28 October at an arrangement in connection with the establishment of Healthcare Denmark's ambassador network.

As patron, Prince Joachim visited the Danish Diabetes Association's European Diabetes Leadership Forum in Brussels on 4 March and, in April, took part in the Diabetes Association's distribution of research grants at Ny Carlsberg Glyptoteket, Copenhagen. Also, Princess Benedikte participated in diabetes arrangements and, from 12-18 May, headed a trip with the World Diabetes Foundation to Bhutan,



Princess Benedikte greets guides from The Green Girl Guides of Denmark and The Danish Guide and Scout Association in connection with her reception in Christian VIII's Palace on the occasion of the Princess's 70th birthday.

PHOTO: BIRGER STORM, BILLED-BLADET ©

where the Princess met staff and patients at a diabetes clinic.

Princess Benedikte visited Malaysia from 11-16 January in her role as patron of the Olave Baden-Powell Society and took part in, among other things, the society's board meeting in Kuala Lumpur. The Olave Baden-Powell Society supports the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts, which is a global volunteer organization for girl guides. On 11 March and 21 May, the Princess, as chairman, held meetings of the Joint Committee of Girl Guides.

Culture

When the Sea Stallion from Glendalough, which is described as the world's largest reconstruction of a Viking ship, was launched in 2004, it happened with The Queen in attendance. 10 years later, The Queen again visited the ship, which this time was moored in Berlin on the occasion of the exhibition "Die Wikinger". The Queen was shown the ship together with Germany's President Joachim Gauck and Ms Daniela Schadt on 9 September and, in the evening, presided over the official opening of the exhibition. Earlier in the year, on 6 March, The Queen presided over the opening of "Vikings: life and legend" at the British Museum in London. Both exhibitions were based on the Danish National Museum's exhibition from 2013, VIKING, which

dealt with the Viking era from the 8th century to the 11th century and, among other things, included the preserved remains of the 37 metre long warship Roskilde 6, which was excavated in Roskilde Fjord.

On 29 July, The Queen was present when a new church and cultural centre were opened at the State Prison in Renbæk near Vojens. The state prison was the only prison in Denmark that did not have a space for religious ceremonies, and the new building has, in addition to church space, a library and an artist retreat attached. In Aarhus, The Queen participated in an arrangement on 30 August in the Mint Master's Mansion in Den Gamle By and, on the same occasion, attended the Aarhus Sommeropera's performance of "Rosa og Evigheden" on the occasion of Den Gamle By's 100th jubilee. On 11 September, The Queen visited the new Danish Music Museum at Frederiksberg and there saw, among other things, Det Klingende Museum, where school students can explore different musical instruments. As the patron of Moesgaard Museum, The Queen took part in the 10 October opening of the museum's new exhibition building, which houses new archaeological and ethnographic exhibitions and a collection of anatomically correct reconstructions of human species.

In 2014, The Prince Consort was the patron of the year's Tunø Festival and visited the island on 3 July to attend the



During the visit in Berlin, The Queen, German President Joachim Gauck and Ms Daniela Schadt were shown the Viking ship "Sea Stallion".

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The Prince Consort visited Tunø Festival on 3 June.

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opening of the festival with entertainment from, among others, the local children. The island's festival was first held in 1987 and has its musical starting point in jazz and folk music.

The Crown Prince attended the 9 May opening of the new cultural institution Brandts in Odense and, on 13 June, took part as patron in the opening of a New York exhibition and a following party at Kunstforeningen GL STRAND in Copenhagen.

Prince Joachim and Princess Marie attended the 10 January New Year's concert with the South Denmark Philharmonic in Musik og Teaterhuset in Aabenraa.

Prince Joachim and Princess Marie were hosts together with Minister of the Environment Kirsten Brosbøl at a reception at Schackenborg Castle on 4 August on the occasion of the addition of the Wadden Sea to UNESCO's world heritage list. In the afternoon, Prince Joachim, who is patron of the Wadden Sea Centre and presided over the opening of the Wadden Sea national park back in 2010, participated in the marking of the nature area's inclusion on the world heritage list at an event at the Port of Esbjerg. As the patron of the Danish National Commission for UNESCO, Princess Marie gave a speech at the reception. On 21 October, the Princess visited Stevns Klint in connection with marking its inclusion on UNESCO's list of the world's natural heritage sites.

On 6 August, Prince Joachim participated in the opening of the museum "Mosede Fort, Danmark 1914-18" and the museum exhibition "På kanten af krig – neutralitet mellem krig og velfærd" in Greve. Mosede Fort was built in 1913 to protect Danish neutrality, but it was emphasized at the opening that the fort now has been rebuilt into a modern museum.

As patron, Princess Benedikte attended the Copenhagen Girls' Choir's 40th jubilee concert in the concert hall in the old broadcasting house at Frederiksberg on 25 May.

Norway's 200th anniversary

In 2014, the royal family participated in several official arrangements in connection with the 200th anniversary of Norway's first free constitution, Eidsvollgrundloven. With the adoption of the constitution, Denmark and Norway separated in 1814 after 434 years of national coexistence. From 17 to 18 May, The Queen and The Prince Consort participated in the official celebration in Oslo, the gala performance in Eidsvoll and the unveiling of the statue of Christian Frederik in front of the Norwegian Parliament.

The 200th anniversary was also marked on Danish soil, and, on 21 May, The Crown Prince visited the Norwegian frigate KNM Helge Ingstad at Langelinie in Copenhagen and later in the day participated in the opening of the special exhibition "Under a Common Flag" at The Royal Danish



TRH The Crown Prince and Crown Prince Haakon laid wreaths at Christian VIII's coffin in Roskilde Cathedral in connection with the 200th anniversary of the Norwegian constitution.

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Naval Museum. On 23 May, The Crown Prince and HRH Crown Prince Haakon participated in a memorial ceremony in Roskilde Cathedral, and later the same day there was a gala performance in the Opera House attended by The Queen and The Prince Consort, the Crown Prince Couple, Prince Joachim and Princess Marie, Princess Benedikte, HM Queen Sonja and HRH Crown Prince Haakon. The following day, The Queen and Queen Sonja presided over a festival meeting and seminar at Schæffergården.

The Defence

On the occasion of the 70th anniversary of the Allied invasion of Normandy, The Queen participated in a memorial ceremony on 6 June at Sword Beach, Ouistreham, France. The Queen and the French interior minister Bernard Cazeneuve presided over a Danish ceremony at the monument for Danish seamen in Sainte Marie du Mont. Afterwards, The Queen and the French interior minister visited Utah Beach Museum, where an exhibition documented the story of the Danish wartime sailors' efforts in connection with the liberation of Europe, and The Queen gave a speech.

On 26 September, The Queen held a Medal Dinner for army officers at Fredensborg Palace in which The Crown Prince and Prince Joachim also participated. The Queen and The Prince Consort attended the 17 November celebration of the Hussar Guard Regiment's 400th jubilee in Slagelse, where



The Queen at the memorial ceremony on the occasion of the 70th anniversary of the Allied invasion of Normandy.

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The Crown Prince Couple participated in a wreath-laying ceremony at Kastellet, Copenhagen.

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The Queen and The Prince Consort participated in a service in Sct. Mikkels Kirke and attended the jubilee parade at the Hussar Guard barracks. Later, The Queen took part in the Hussar Guard Regiment's gala dinner on the occasion of the jubilee.

In his role as patron of "le Souvenir Français", The Prince Consort attended the wreath-laying ceremony on 11 November at the French soldier graves on the occasion of the 100th anniversary of the First World War's outbreak. The wreath-laying ceremony took place at Assistens Cemetery, Copenhagen.

On the occasion of the Army's 400th jubilee, The Crown Prince, as patron, participated in Hærens Idrætsstævne (the Army's sports meet) in Oksbøl on 8 May. At the sports event, soldiers competed in eight military disciplines and in a 15 kilometre march, in which participants competed for the title "the Army's best subdivision". During the visit, The Crown Prince got a tour around the terrain and took part in the discipline biathlon, which combines orienteering with shooting. In the evening, The Crown Prince presided over the prize presentation.

On 10 and 11 September, The Crown Prince paid a visit at the Invictus Games in London and attended the 10 September opening ceremony at Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park, where, among other things, there was a parade with the event's more than 400 military men and women who have been wounded in war. On 11 September, The Crown Prince took part in a joint breakfast with the Danish participants and afterwards attended an athletics event in

Lee Valley Athletics Centre.

In connection with the solemnization of the flag-flying day on 5 September for Denmark's military personnel and others officially sent abroad, the Crown Prince Couple participated in a wreath-laying ceremony at Kastellet, in a service at Holmens Kirke and in a parade at Christiansborg Palace Square.

In her role as patron of the YMCA in Denmark's Soldatermission, The Crown Princess was present for the opening of the YMCA's SoldaterRekreation in Høvelte, Birkerød, on 5 April. SoldaterRekreationen has nine residences for veterans and soldiers with needs for special support. The nine residences are meant to be used by soldiers who have returned home from international missions and are established in direct connection with the existing soldiers' recreation centre.

On 25 April, Prince Joachim, in his role as patron, took part at the Reserve Forces Association of Denmark's anniversary at Kastellet, Copenhagen. Princess Marie participated in home visits about fire prevention with the Danish Emergency Management Agency in Andelsboligforeningen Birkegården's communal residence, Herlev. The visit took place on the occasion of the nationwide fire prevention week in Week 40, when the new concept "Fireproof Home" was commenced. During the event, the Princess participated by, among other things, engaging in a fire prevention home visit with two senior citizens together with representatives of the emergency management agency and by setting up smoke alarms in the residences.

Foundation and prize distributions

On 2 June, The Prince Consort presided over the prize distribution from HRH The Prince Consort's Foundation, which has the objective of promoting the quality of life in Denmark and increasing Denmark's prestige culturally, commercially and in the area of research. The prize recipients were director Thomas Vinterberg, researcher Thomas Skov, actor Danica Curci, musician Teitur Lassen and actor Niels Arestrup. As patron, The Prince Consort on 23 June presented the Lions Prize 2014 to the Danish Association of the Blind and to Foreningen Hjernebarnet, which assists families with brain damaged children. The Danish Association of the Blind received 455,000 DKK for the project "Et vigtigt skridt mod en sikker færden" ("An

important step towards safe movements"), which takes its form in the establishment of a course in which the blind and visually-impaired can train under realistic conditions. Foreningen Hjernebarnet received 200,000 DKK for a book project that will communicate matter-of-fact information about home training to families with brain-damaged children as well as decision-makers in the public system.

On 26 June, The Prince Consort and Prince Joachim took part in the presentation of the Danish Europa Nostra Prize 2014 to Søren Vadstrup and Arne Høi, respectively the former and current leader of the Center for Bygningsbevaring, who received the prize for their importance to the specialist environment around building preservation. The Prince Consort is the former president and Prince Joachim is the current patron of Europa Nostra Denmark. The same day, The Prince Consort presented the King Frederik IX's Honour Prize for meritorious efforts regarding Danish exports on the Royal Yacht Dannebrog. The Honour Prize was established in 1970 with the objective of promoting, supporting and encouraging the export of Danish goods and services.

On 27 September, The Crown Prince Couple, for the tenth time, presented The Crown Prince Couple's Prizes, which in 2014 took place in Musikkens Hus in Aalborg. Here, designer Cecilie Manz received The Crown Prince Couple's



The Prince Consort and Prince Joachim on the Royal Yacht Dannebrog after presentation of the Danish Europa Nostra Prize 2014.

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On 6 June, The Crown Prince presented grants from the Crown Prince Frederik Fund to Anders Møller Jakobsen, August Bundegaard Aggebo and Gustav Petersen Nedergaard. The fund's objective is to give financial support to students in the social sciences for a year of study at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard in the USA.



Culture Prize, TUBA (a group that provides therapy and counselling for young people who are children of alcohol abusers) received The Crown Prince Couple's Social Prize, and photographer Lærke Posselt and actor Johanne Louise Schmidt each received The Crown Prince Couple's Stardust Prizes.

HRH The Prince Consort's 80th birthday

The Prince Consort turned 80 on 11 June, and the birthday was celebrated at several events in May and June and was also marked during the summer cruises on visits to Danish cities and towns. On 28 May, The Queen and The Prince Consort, together with Prince Joachim and Princess Marie, were present at the opening of the exhibition "Prince Henrik of Denmark – H.R.H. The Prince Consort 1934-2014" at Frederiksborg Palace in Hillerød, which portrayed The Prince Consort's life, background and work. On 1 June, the royal family attended a gala concert in DR Koncerthus on the occasion of the birthday, and The Queen and The Prince Consort held a reception on 2 June in the Orangery at Fredensborg Palace.



In connection with the 80th birthday, the royal family posed for photographing at Château de Cayx, France.

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EXTRACTS FROM THE ANNUAL REPORT

The royal finances are presented here in summary form. The full text is contained in the Danish version of the annual report, which has been audited by the independent accountants KPMG.

GENERAL

The financial statements of the Civil List and the Parliamentary Annuity paid to The Crown Prince are presented in accordance with the provisions regarding class A enterprises under the Danish Financial Statements Act.

In accordance with the Danish Personal Tax Act and the Danish Act on the Registration of Motor Vehicles, The Queen and The Prince Consort, The Crown Prince and The Crown Princess, Prince Joachim, Princess Marie and Princess Benedikte are not subject to income tax or registration tax in relation to motor vehicles, etc., but they are subject to the normal tax rules governing inheritances, gifts and property. Value added tax is reimbursed in accordance with the rules that also apply for state institutions, and the annual reimbursement is limited to a percentage of the parliamentary allowance corresponding to the current rate of value added tax.

THE CIVIL LIST

The annual Parliamentary allowance to The Queen is laid down in The Civil List Act, as last amended in 2001.

That allowance is adjusted in accordance with movements in the pay index for employees in the state sector. The state has pension liabilities in respect to Court officials employes under the terms of the Civil List (employed by The Queen), and pension contributions equivalent to the pension contributions paid by government ministries and state agencies are paid to the Ministry of Finance from the Civil List.

The Parliamentary allowance is provided to meet the expenses of The Queen and The Prince Consort and the expenses of Princess Benedikte incurred in carrying out official engagements.

Total VAT rebate for 2014: 6,705,586 DKK.

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INCOME		
Parliamentary allowance	77,735,721	77,195
Other income	2,584,553	2,514
	80,320,274	79,709
EXPENDITURE		
Staff costs	48,966,688	47,244
Court expenses	10,149,637	9,246
Administration expenses	4,583,793	6,231
Property expenses	3,501,689	4,791
Depreciations	1,688,475	1,595
The Queen and The Prince		
Consort's expenditure cap	10,125,078	10,055
	79,015,360	79,162
Net income before financial		
	1,304,914	547
income and expenditure Financial income	265,643	200
Financial expenses	200,043	200
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Net income for the year	1,570,557	/4/

THE CIVIL LIST BALANCE SHEET

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ASSETS

Total assets	37,099,562	35,187
Current Assets	29,353,116	26,064
Fixed assets	7,746,446	9,123

RESERVE AND LIABILITIES

Total reserve and liabilities	37,099,562	35,187
Current liabilities	16,674,019	16,332
Reserve at 31 December	20,425,543	18,855

THE CROWN PRINCE

The Parliamentary annuity paid to The Crown Prince and The Crown Princess is laid down in the Act on the Annual Allowance to Crown Prince Frederik of 2004. The adjustment of that allowance and the reimbursement of value added tax follow the same principles which are applied to the Civil List.

Total VAT rebate for 2014: 1,670,871 DKK

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INCOME		
Parliamentary allowance	19,134,371	19,001
Other income	1,518	3
	19,135,889	19,004
EXPENDITURE		
Staff costs	11,014,599	10,533
Court expenses	2,444,123	2,318
Administration expenses	382,346	441
Property expenses	1,156,619	1,120
Depreciations	266,713	408
The Crown Prince and The		
Crown Princess expenditure		
сар	3,826,874	3,799
	19,091,274	18,619
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Net income before financial		
income and expenditure	44,615	385
Financial income	4,883	3
Net income for the year	49,498	388

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ASSETS		
Fixed assets	1,844,398	2,311
Current Assets	3,661,945	2,455
Total assets	5,506,343	4,766
RESERVE AND LIABILITIES		
Reserve at 31 December	1,006,989	957
Current liabilities	4,499,354	3,809
Total reserve and liabilities	5,506,343	4,766

PRINCE JOACHIM

The Parliamentary annuity paid to Prince Joachim and Princess Marie is laid down in the Act on the Annual Allowance to Prince Joachim, as last amended in 2008. The adjustment of that allowance and the reimbursement of value added tax follow the same principles which are applied to the Civil List.

Prince Joachim received an annual annuity of 3,382,028 DKK and reimbursement of 269,376 DKK value added tax.