# **EISNERAMPER**

## SECURITY COUNCIL REPORT, INC.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2020 and 2019

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#### **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

The Board of Directors Security Council Report, Inc.

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Security Council Report, Inc. ("SCR"), which comprise the statements of financial position as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for each of the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

SCR's management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the organization's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements 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 organization's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

#### Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Security Council Report, Inc. as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for each of the years then ended, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Eisner Amper LLP

EISNERAMPER LLP New York, New York June 4, 2021

#### **Statements of Financial Position**

	December 31,			
	2020	2019		
ASSETS	* 4 000 405	ф оо <b>г</b> ооо		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,668,435	\$ 895,299		
Grants receivable, net Security deposit	478,900 166,012	1,555,118 166,012		
Prepaid expenses and other assets	44,269	45,397		
	<u>\$ 2,357,616</u>	<u>\$ 2,661,826</u>		
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS				
Liabilities:				
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 170,259	\$ 151,477		
Line of credit	13,463	10,110		
Paycheck Protection Program loan payable	267,300	-		
Deferred rent obligation	149,338	139,023		
Total liabilities	600,360	300,610		
Commitment and Other Uncertainty (Notes E and J)				
Net assets:				
Without donor restrictions (including cumulative foreign currency losses				
of \$64,587 and \$91,861 in 2020 and 2019, respectively)	1,278,356	751,938		
With donor restrictions:				
Time restricted for future periods	68,228	461,330		
Purpose restrictions	410,672	1,147,948		
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Total net assets with donor restrictions	478,900	1,609,278		
Total net assets	1,757,256	2,361,216		
	<u>\$   2,357,616</u>	<u>\$ 2,661,826</u>		

#### **Statements of Activities**

	Year Ended December 31,							
		2020		2019				
	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total		
<b>Public support:</b> Grants and contributions Other income	\$  1,666,358 <u>23,923</u>	\$   221,434 	\$ 1,887,792 <u>23,923</u>	\$ 1,337,043 <u>16,478</u>	\$ 2,440,480 	\$ 3,777,523 16,478		
Total public support before release of restrictions	1,690,281	221,434	1,911,715	1,353,521	2,440,480	3,794,001		
Net assets released from restrictions	1,351,812	<u>(1,351,812</u> )		1,124,153	<u>(1,124,153</u> )	<u> </u>		
Total public support	3,042,093	<u>(1,130,378</u> )	1,911,715	2,477,674	1,316,327	3,794,001		
Expenses: Program services Supporting services:	2,034,157		2,034,157	2,115,508		2,115,508		
Management and general Fund-raising	382,946 <u>125,846</u>	- 	382,946 <u>125,846</u>	359,685 125,922	- 	359,685 125,922		
Total supporting services	508,792	<u>-</u>	508,792	485,607	<u> </u>	485,607		
Total expenses	2,542,949	<u>-</u>	2,542,949	2,601,115		2,601,115		
Change in net assets before foreign currency translation gains Foreign currency translation gains	499,144 27,274	(1,130,378) 	(631,234) 27,274	(123,441) 11,487	1,316,327	1,192,886 11,487		
<b>Change in net assets</b> Net assets, beginning of year	526,418 <u>751,938</u>	(1,130,378) <u>1,609,278</u>	(603,960) <u>2,361,216</u>	(111,954) <u>863,892</u>	1,316,327 <u>292,951</u>	1,204,373 <u>1,156,843</u>		
Net assets, end of year	<u>\$ 1,278,356</u>	<u>\$    478,900</u>	<u>\$ 1,757,256</u>	<u>\$    751,938</u>	<u>\$ 1,609,278</u>	<u>\$ 2,361,216</u>		

### Statements of Functional Expenses

						Year Ended	Dece	ember 31,					
	 2020									201	9		
	Program Services	Supporting Services		Program Services Supporting				g Services					
	formational Product Services		nagement And General		Fund- raising	Total	In	formational Product Services		anagement And General		Fund- raising	 Total
Salaries and benefits	\$ 1,475,719	\$	280,200	\$	112,080	\$ 1,867,999	\$	1,462,312	\$	260,034	\$	111,147	\$ 1,833,493
Occupancy	319,835		49,498		11,423	380,756		315,995		47,510		12,154	375,659
Publications	73,224		-		-	73,224		158,837		-		-	153,837
Insurance	10,890		1,685		389	12,964		10,500		1,579		403	12,482
Professional fees	62,474		11,676		-	74,150		48,901		12,011		-	60,912
Telephone	10,444		1,616		373	12,433		9,946		1,447		370	11,763
Office expenses	8,163		930		215	9,308		12,828		1,523		390	14,741
Information technology	38,264		5,923		1,366	45,553		32,110		4,828		1,235	38,173
Catering expenses	-		-		-	-		-		2,387		-	2,387
Travel	24,658		119		-	24,777		27,390		203		223	27,816
Meetings and conferences	8,130		-		-	8,130		40,689		-		-	40,689
Bad debt expense	-		-		-	-		-		25,159		-	25,159
Other	 2,356		31,299		-	33,655		1,000		3,004			 4,004
Total expenses per statements of activities	\$ 2,034,157	\$	382,946	\$	125,846	\$ 2,542,949	\$	2,115,508	\$	359,685	\$	125,922	\$ 2,601,115

#### **Statements of Cash Flows**

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2020	2019	
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Change in net assets	\$ (603,960)	\$ 1,204,373	
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash	φ (005,500)	ψ 1,204,070	
provided by operating activities:			
Bad debt expense	_	25,159	
Changes in:	-	25,155	
Grants receivable, net	1,076,218	(1,109,566)	
Prepaid expense and other assets	1,128	(16,630)	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	18,781	21,958	
Deferred rent obligation	10,315	21,434	
Deletted tett obligation	10,010	21,404	
Net cash provided by operating activities	502,482	146,728	
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Proceeds under line-of-credit agreement	70,510	61,087	
Principal payments under line-of-credit agreement	(67,156)	(68,390)	
Proceeds from Paycheck Protection Program loan	267,300		
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	270,654	<u>(7,303</u> )	
Increase in cash and cash equivalents	773,136	139,425	
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	895,299	755,874	
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	<u>\$  1,668,435</u>	<u>\$ 895,299</u>	

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2020 and 2019

#### NOTE A - ORGANIZATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### [1] Organization:

Security Council Report, Inc. ("SCR"), a not-for-profit organization incorporated in New York, was established in 2004 to provide timely, accurate and objective information and analysis on the activities of the United Nations Security Council (the "Security Council"). This information and analysis is provided for the benefit of member states of the United Nations, particularly the ten elected members of the Security Council, but also the wider United Nations membership, the United Nations Secretariat and the public.

SCR is incorporated as a not-for-profit corporation and exempt from federal income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code (the "Code") and from state and local taxes under comparable laws.

#### [2] Basis of accounting:

The financial statements of SCR have been prepared using the accrual basis of accounting and conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP"), as applicable to not-for-profit organizations.

#### [3] Use of estimates:

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

#### [4] Cash and cash equivalents:

For financial-reporting purposes, SCR considers all highly liquid investments, with maturities of three months or less, to be cash equivalents.

#### [5] Property and equipment:

Property and equipment are stated at their original costs at the dates of acquisition, or, if contributed, at their appropriate fair values at the dates of donation. SCR capitalizes items of property and equipment that have a cost of \$5,000 or more and a useful life greater than one year, of which there are none as of December 31, 2020 and 2019.

#### [6] Paycheck Protection Program loan payable:

On March 27, 2020, Congress enacted the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act"). The Paycheck Protection Program ("PPP") established by the CARES Act, implemented by the U.S. Small Business Administration ("SBA"), provides businesses, including certain not-for-profit organizations, with funds to pay payroll and qualifying expenditures during the coronavirus ("COVID-19") pandemic. During 2020, SCR applied for and received PPP funds.

There are two acceptable methods for accounting for the PPP funds received under the CARES Act. Entities can elect to treat the funds as a loan or as a conditional contribution. SCR has elected to record the PPP funds as a loan under the Financial Accounting Standards Board's (the "FASB") Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 470, *Debt.* SCR is in the process of applying for loan forgiveness, which will be recognized when the application is formally approved by the bank and the SBA; however, no assurance can be provided that SCR will be eligible for forgiveness, in whole, or in part (see Note F).

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2020 and 2019

#### NOTE A - ORGANIZATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### [7] Accrued vacation:

SCR's employees are entitled to be paid for unused vacation time if they leave SCR. Accordingly, at each year-end, SCR must recognize a liability for the amount that would be incurred if employees with such unused vacation were to leave. The accrued vacation obligation for 2020 and 2019 was approximately \$125,000 and \$108,000, respectively, and is included in accounts payable and accrued expenses, respectively, in the accompanying statements of financial position.

#### [8] Deferred rent:

For financial statement purposes, the difference between rent expense incurred by SCR on an accrual basis and the rent amounts paid in cash, as well as the unamortized portion of rent concessions and landlord contributions to leasehold improvement projects, is reported as deferred rent payable in the accompanying statements of financial position.

#### [9] Net assets:

SCR's net assets and changes therein are classified and reported as follows:

(i) Net assets without donor restrictions:

Net assets without donor restrictions represent those resources that are not subject to donor-imposed restrictions and are available for current operations.

(ii) Net assets with donor restrictions:

Net assets with donor restrictions represent those resources that are subject to donor-imposed restrictions, such as specific purposes and/or the passage of time. When a donor restriction expires, that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends, or a purpose restriction is accomplished, net assets with donor restrictions are reclassified as net assets without donor restrictions and are reported in the accompanying statements of activities as "net assets released from restrictions."

#### [10] Revenue recognition:

The operations of SCR are financed principally by foundation grants and contributions received from foreign governments. Grants and contributions are recognized as revenue upon the receipt of either cash or other assets, or unconditional pledges. Grants and contributions are reported as "with donor restrictions" if they are received with donor stipulations or time considerations as to their use. Conditional grants and contributions are recorded when the conditions have been met, and, if received in advance, are recognized in the statement of financial position as funds received in advance. Grants and contributions to be received over periods longer than a single year are discounted at an interest rate commensurate with the risk involved.

During 2020, SCR received grants from various donors including; \$88,721 from Ireland, \$413,655 from Norway, \$148,719 from Denmark and \$130,000 from Switzerland. During 2019, SCR received grants from various donors including; \$83,232 from Ireland, \$395,679 from Norway, \$248,361 from Denmark and \$130,000 from Switzerland. All funds were disbursed and spent per the respective grant agreement guidelines. These grants are included in the accompanying statements of activities as "grants and contributions."

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2020 and 2019

#### NOTE A - ORGANIZATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### [11] Functional allocation of expenses:

The costs of providing SCR's programs and supporting services have been summarized on a functional basis in the statements of activities. The statements of functional expenses present expenses by natural classification and function. Accordingly, certain costs that are directly attributable to a specific functional area of SCR are reported as an expense to the appropriate program or supporting service. Natural expenses attributable to more than one functional expense category have been allocated among the programs and supporting services based on the time and effort spent by employees and the nature of the expense. The expenses that are allocated include occupancy, publications, professional fees, information technology and meetings and conferences.

#### [12] Income taxes:

SCR is subject to the provisions of the FASB ASC Topic 740, *Income Taxes*, relating to accounting and reporting for uncertainty in income taxes. Because of SCR's general tax-exempt status, management believes ASC Topic 740 has not had, and is not expected to have, a material impact on SCR's financial statements.

#### [13] Foreign currency translation:

The gains or losses on foreign currency translations are the inherent result of the process of translating into U.S. dollars, for financial-reporting purposes, those foreign grants and contributions that SCR receives as stated in their respective functional currencies. Such annual translation adjustments are not included in determining the net change in assets from operations, but they are instead disclosed as a separate component in the accompanying statements of activities. Likewise, the cumulative translation gains or losses continue to be reported as an element of net assets without donor restrictions in the accompanying statements of financial position.

#### [14] Upcoming accounting pronouncement:

In February 2016, the FASB issued its new lease accounting guidance in Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2016-02, *Leases*. ASU 2016-02 will require lessees to recognize for all leases (with terms of more than 12 months) at the commencement date the following: a) a lease liability, which is a lessee's obligation to make lease payments arising from a lease, measured on a discounted basis, and b) a right-of-use asset, which is an asset that represents the lessee's right to use, or control the use of, a specified asset for the lease term. The lease guidance also simplified the accounting for sale and leaseback transactions primarily because lessees must recognize lease assets and lease liabilities. Lessees will no longer be provided with a source of off-balance sheet financing. This ASU is required to be adopted on a modified retrospective basis. As a result of recent deferrals due to COVID-19, ASU 2016-02 will be effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2021. Management is in the process of assessing the impact of this ASU on the financial statements and related note disclosures.

#### [15] Subsequent events:

SCR evaluates subsequent events through June 4, 2021, the date at which the financial statements were available to be issued.

## Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2020 and 2019

#### **NOTE B - GRANTS RECEIVABLE**

At each year-end, grants receivable consisted of the following:

	December 31,			
	2020	2019		
Due in less than one year Due in one to five years	\$   478,900 	\$1,313,742 295,536		
Less allowance for doubtful collection Less: discount to present value,	478,900 -	1,609,278 (25,159)		
at a rate of 5.3% in 2019	<u> </u>	<u>(29,001</u> ) <u>\$ 1,555,118</u>		

During 2020 and 2019, approximately 85% and 83%, respectively, of SCR's total gross grants receivable were due from three grantors.

#### NOTE C - NET ASSETS WITH DONOR RESTRICTIONS

At each year-end, net assets with donor restrictions consisted of the following:

	December 31,				
	2020	2019			
Restricted for future periods	<u>\$ 68,228</u>	<u>\$ 461,330</u>			
Restricted for the following purposes:					
Capacity Building Program	5,000	-			
What's in Blue	126,728	311,619			
Technical Assistance Program	30,132	77,159			
Outreach	84,486	207,747			
Monthly Forecast	164,326	551,423			
	410,672	1,147,948			
	<u>\$ 478,900</u>	<u>\$ 1,609,278</u>			

## Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2020 and 2019

#### NOTE C - NET ASSETS WITH DONOR RESTRICTIONS (CONTINUED)

During each year, net assets with donor restrictions were associated with the following:

	December 31,				
	2020	2019			
Time restrictions satisfied	<u>\$    545,330</u>	<u>\$ 613,261</u>			
Purpose restrictions satisfied:					
Capacity Building Program	-	19,080			
What's in Blue	184,891	243,646			
Technical Assistance Program	111,233	111,846			
Outreach	123,261	136,320			
Monthly Forecast	387,097	<u> </u>			
	806,482	510,892			
	<u>\$ 1,351,812</u>	<u>\$ 1,124,153</u>			

#### **NOTE D - RELATED-PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

Three and four members, respectively, of the SCR Board of Directors in 2020 and 2019, respectively, were also stewards of private foundations and/or foreign governments that are principal contributors of resources to SCR; the total amount contributed by these related parties was approximately \$506,000 and \$1,019,000 for 2020 and 2019, respectively. Total contributions from these related parties represented 27% of total contribution revenues for both 2020 and 2019.

#### NOTE E - COMMITMENT

During 2018, SCR entered into a new lease agreement for office space in New York City for a term that ends in January 2026. As discussed in Note A[8], the aggregate minimum lease payments are being amortized using the straight-line method over the lease term. The cumulative difference between rent expense attributable to SCR and amounts paid by SCR amounted to \$149,338 and \$139,023, as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively, and has been reported as a deferred rent obligation in the accompanying statements of financial position. Future minimum non-cancelable annual lease payments for this space, excluding escalations for operating expense and real estate tax increases, are as follows:

Year Ending December 31,	Amount
2021	\$ 351,012
2022	359,787
2023	375,586
2024	405,386
2025	415,521
Thereafter	<u> </u>
	<u>\$ 1,942,564</u>

## Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2020 and 2019

#### NOTE E - COMMITMENT (CONTINUED)

Rent expense for 2020 and 2019 was \$380,756 and \$375,659, respectively.

SCR's lease security deposit is held by the lessor.

#### NOTE F - PAYCHECK PROTECTION PROGRAM LOAN PAYABLE

On May 3, 2020, SCR received \$267,300 in funds from the PPP and is reported as a Paycheck Protection Program loan payable in the statement of financial position at December 31, 2020. The loan matures on May 3, 2022 and bears interest at a rate of 1%. This loan may be forgiven subject to bank approval in accordance with SBA guidelines. In accordance with SBA guidelines, required monthly principal and interest payments will begin no earlier than the end of the covered period of October 2020. SCR has ten months after the end of the covered period to apply for forgiveness of the loan. Any outstanding principal of the loan that is not forgiven under the PPP loan program at the end of the ten-month deferral period will convert to a term loan with an interest rate of 1% payable in equal installments of principal and interest over the next twenty-four months, beginning in September 2021. Until determination of forgiveness, the scheduled future principal maturities as of December 31, 2020 are as follows:

Year Ending December 31,							
2021	\$ 44,180						
2022	133,426						
2023	89,694						
	<u>\$ 267,300</u>						

#### NOTE G - LINE OF CREDIT

SCR has a business line of credit agreement in the amount of \$35,000 with a bank and is secured by the general assets of SCR. Interest on the line is payable at a variable rate subject to the market rate and the prime rate, which at December 31, 2020 was equivalent to 24.99%. At December 31, 2020 and 2019, the outstanding balances were approximately \$14,000 and \$10,000, respectively.

#### **NOTE H - RISK CONSIDERATIONS**

Financial instruments that potentially subject SCR to concentrations of credit risk consist principally of cash and cash-equivalent accounts deposited in high-credit-quality financial institutions, the balances of which, from time to time, may exceed federal insurance limits. However, due to the high credit quality of these institutions, management believes that SCR does not face a significant risk of loss on these accounts that would be due to the failure of these institutions.

In addition, as a percentage of its total public support in 2020 and 2019, SCR received 81% and 67%, respectively, from nine and eight grantors, respectively.

## Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2020 and 2019

#### NOTE I - LIQUIDITY AND AVAILABILITY OF RESOURCES

The following reflects SCR's financial assets available for general use within one year of the statements of financial position date:

	December 31,			
	2020	2019		
Cash and cash equivalents Grants receivable, net	\$ 1,668,435 <u>478,900</u>	\$    895,299 <u>    1,555,118</u>		
Total financial assets available within one year	2,147,335	2,450,417		
Less: Amounts unavailable for general expenditures within one				
year, due to: Restricted by donors with purpose and time restrictions	(478,900)	(1,609,278)		
Total financial assets available to meet cash general expenditures within one year	<u>\$ 1,668,435</u>	<u>\$ 841,139</u>		

#### Liquidity policy:

SCR has a policy to structure its financial assets to maintain a sufficient level of operating cash to be available as its general expenditures, liabilities and other obligations come due as part of SCR's liquidity management. Additionally, SCR has access to a \$35,000 bank line of credit, as discussed in Note G, which is available for short-term liquidity needs.

#### **NOTE J - OTHER UNCERTAINTY**

The ongoing impact of the COVID-19 outbreak on SCR's operations and services will depend on continuing developments, including the availability of funding, all of which are highly uncertain and cannot be predicted. If SCR's funding is impacted for an extended period, SCR's operations may be materially adversely affected.