



ANNUAL REPORT  
THE ROYAL HOUSE OF DENMARK 2012



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# REPORT ON THE ROYAL HOUSE'S ACTIVITIES

2012 began with the marking of the 40th anniversary of The Queen's reign on 14 - 15 January.

The jubilee was celebrated through a series of events, including a reception in the Danish Parliament, a coach tour through Copenhagen and reception at Copenhagen's City Hall, a festival performance in DR's Concert Hall, a festive religious service in Christiansborg Palace Church, and a Gala Banquet at Christiansborg Palace. The Royal Family laid wreaths at the monument for King Frederik IX's and Queen Ingrid's graves at Roskilde Cathedral, and The Queen participated in the opening of exhibitions at Frederiksborg Palace and the Amalienborg Museum.

On the occasion of the jubilee, The Queen held a press conference at Amalienborg for more than 80 Danish and foreign journalists and photographers. In addition, The Queen gave a series of interviews to various media outlets including CNN, BBC, Hjemmet, and Politiken as well as her first live interview to TV2.

In 2012, the Royal Family engaged in a wide range of activities and events in the areas of business and culture, humanitarian and social initiatives, sport and health, research and education. The Queen and The Prince Consort were the hosts when China's President Hu Jintao and First Lady Liu Yongqing paid the first Chinese state visit to Denmark, and The Crown Prince Couple led three business and cultural promotion campaigns in South Korea, Brazil, and China.

Moreover, the official duties included the reception of audience-seekers and ambassadors, and the conduct of the royal foundations, which in the past year awarded grants to numerous projects of cultural, scientific, educational, social, and humanitarian character.

## STATE VISITS

The year included two incoming state visits from, respectively, China and Slovakia. China's President was accompanied by a delegation of ministers and key Chinese decision-makers, and during the visit a number of agreements were entered into with the government

*On the day of the 40th anniversary of The Queen's reign, the Royal Family greeted the thousands who turned out on Amalienborg Palace Square from Christian IX's Palace.*



*In connection with the jubilee, The Queen held Council of State No. 500 with The Crown Prince and ministers on 15 January 2012.*



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and the Danish business community totalling 18 billion DKK. Included in the programme were, among other things, economic co-operation and sustainability, which the Danish and Chinese sides had chosen to be the focal points of the visit.

The Queen and The Prince Consort received The President and The First Lady in a courtesy visit at Amalienborg, followed by a sailing tour in Copenhagen Harbour on the Royal Yacht Dannebrog, where The President and The First Lady were introduced to elements of Danish environmental and energy policy. The Crown Prince and China's deputy prime minister participated in a Chinese-Danish Business Conference at Moltke's Palace, Copenhagen. The Queen and The Prince Consort hosted a Gala Banquet in honour of The President and The First Lady in the Great Hall at Christiansborg Palace.

Slovakia's President Ivan Gašparovič and First Lady Silvia Gašparovičová paid a state visit to Denmark on 23 – 24 October. The state visit focused on further develop-

ment of economic and commercial relations, especially in the areas of innovation, green technology and energy efficiency, but social topics and Danish architecture were also part of the programme. The Queen and The Prince Consort hosted The Slovakian President and First Lady at a Gala Banquet held at Fredensborg Palace.

Together with The President, The Crown Prince participated in a Danish-Slovakian Innovation and Business Forum at the Confederation of Danish Industry, while The Crown Princess and The First Lady paid a visit to the special school Geelsgårdsskolen in Virum to witness various forms of teaching.

Before both state visits, The Queen and The Prince Consort received media from the visiting countries at press conferences held at Fredensborg Palace.

On the occasion of the diamond jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II, The Prince of Wales and The Duchess of Cornwall were on an official visit to Denmark from 24 – 27 March. The visit was based on the historical and

*On 24 January, Prince Joachim and Princess Marie had a daughter, who was born at Rigshospitalet. The new princess was christened Athena Marguerite Françoise Marie on 20 May in Møgeltønder Church.*

*The Queen and The Prince Consort showed the offshore wind farm at Middelgrunden to China's President Hu Jintao and First Lady Liu Yongqing from the deck of the Royal Yacht Dannebrog.*



diplomatic bonds between the two countries and focused, among other things, on green technology, new opportunities for trade, and Danish-British defence co-operation.

Together with The Crown Prince Couple, The Prince of Wales and The Duchess of Cornwall visited Kastellet (The Citadel), where The Prince and The Crown Prince laid a wreath at the Monument to Denmark's International Efforts and took part in a reception for the Danish soldiers who have served in Afghanistan. The Prince of Wales and The Crown Prince also visited a carbon-neutral day care centre and a nursing home in the residential area Gyldenrisparken on Amager and met members of the residents' council. Afterwards, The Crown Prince and The Prince of Wales were at the Avedøre Power Station to see, among other things, a biomass-driven power plant and sustainable energy projects.

The Crown Princess and The Duchess of Cornwall visited the set used to film the DR TV series *Forbrydelsen* (The Killing), which has gained a lot of popularity

in England. Afterwards, The Duchess and The Crown Princess visited the Center for Clinical and Basic Research in Ballerup for a presentation of its treatment of osteoporosis patients.

The Queen and The Prince Consort held a dinner for The Prince of Wales and The Duchess of Cornwall in Christian VII's Palace, Amalienborg; the Royal Family and invited guests participated.

## EVENTS

In the course of the year, The Queen and The Prince Consort invited various groups from the Danish society to events at the palaces, including a completely new initiative involving a garden party at Fredensborg Palace. In the Orangery garden, The Queen and The Prince Consort held a gathering for more than 1000 representatives of "Det Frivillige Danmark" in appreciation of the many Danes who engage in voluntary efforts.

The year's Fredensborg Concert recognized the entrepreneurial culture and the enthusiasm that

*The photo of The Duchess of Cornwall, who was presented a copy of Sarah Lund's sweater from the TV series *Forbrydelsen* (The Killing), was a big favourite in the British and the Danish media.*



*The Prince Consort in company with volunteers during The Queen and The Prince Consort's garden party for "Det Frivillige Danmark" at Fredensborg Palace.*



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characterizes the entrepreneurial environment in Denmark. Here, The Queen and The Prince Consort invited entrepreneurs and representatives of companies and institutions working to promote innovation and entrepreneurship for the benefit of growth and employment. The music for the concert in Fredensborg Palace Church was presented by young musicians and singers from The Royal Academy of Music – Aarhus/Aalborg, and afterwards there was a supper in the Dome Hall at Fredensborg Palace.

The Queen and The Prince Consort held a dinner at Christiansborg Palace for the diplomatic corps in February and another one for European business organizations in June. In April, The Crown Prince and Prince Joachim, who is patron of The Danish Diabetes Association, hosted a dinner as a prelude to the conference European Diabetes Leadership Forum 2012. As founder and president of World Wildlife Fund Denmark, The Prince Consort laid the framework for WWF Denmark's 40th jubilee dinner in the Orangery on 30 May. In November, The Crown Prince invited the

European energy ministers to visit Frederik VIII's Palace, Amalienborg.

## HUMANITARIAN TASKS

As patron of Save the Children, The Crown Prince visited selected projects focusing on child labour in Dhaka, Bangladesh from 16 – 19 March. The Crown Prince's visit centred upon the living and working conditions of children. During the stay, The Crown Prince was introduced to projects that work for better and more secure circumstances for the children with, among other things, offers of schooling and internship positions.

As patron of CARE Denmark, Prince Joachim travelled to Tanzania and Kenya from 31 August – 11 September to visit the aid organization's development projects dealing with, among others, climate and poverty reduction. It was The Prince's 9th trip to the organization's programme countries, where The Prince has met vulnerable population groups and has visited villages and forest projects.

*The Crown Prince visited Save the Children's project Work2Learn in Bangladesh and followed its teaching in English.*

*During the visit to Mozambique, The Crown Princess was introduced to Dondo District Hospital's work with maternal health in rural areas.*

*Princess Benedikte received 65 Greenlandic and Danish children from the twin municipalities of Sermersooq and Gentofte at Amalienborg in November.*





Princess Marie made her first trip as patron of DanChurchAid from 9 – 12 October. Together with Secretary General Henrik Stubkjær and the organization's local employees, The Princess visited some of DanChurchAid's projects in Cambodia, including a crisis centre for women and an education centre for street children. DanChurchAid's work in Cambodia focuses on building civil society and on preventive efforts in relation to drought and floods. During the visit, The Princess was introduced to activities that help improve the living conditions of poor village residents.

On 4 September, The Crown Princess in her role as patron of the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) became a member of the newly created panel High Level Task Force for ICPD, which will contribute to the global fight against maternal mortality, promote women's reproductive health and rights, and increase women's ability to influence family planning. The panel was launched on 1 October in New York, where The Crown Princess took part in a series of meetings and activities related to the panel's focus areas.

Reproductive health was also the theme for The Crown Princess's trip to Mozambique from 9 – 13 November with development minister Christian Friis Bach. There, The Crown Princess visited organizations that, among other things, fight HIV and support young women who suffer from illnesses caused by premature births. The Crown Princess also visited village clinics to gain insight into the work with health, pregnancy and maternal mortality, and had conversations with local young women and men about the challenges they face in relation to family planning.

#### SOCIAL AND EDUCATIONAL INITIATIVES

From 4 – 7 June, The Crown Princess in her role as chairman of The Mary Foundation visited Greenland because the foundation's anti-bullying programme Kammagiitta – Free from Bullying is now introduced throughout Greenland. From now on, Greenlandic children both in day care centres and schools will work to create healthy communal relations in which security, tolerance, respect, compassion, and courage are the principal values. As patron of Autism Denmark, Princess

*Prince Joachim opened an art exhibition – a part of Destination Southwest Jutland's development project that will build up the experience economy and year-round tourism in the region.*

*On 31 October, The Queen participated in the inauguration of the Defence's operative headquarters in the Arctic, the Arctic Command, Greenland.*



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Marie visited families with autistic children in Helsingør Ferieby on 8 August. Autism Denmark annually sponsors free summer holidays for single supporters of children with autism; every year, 40 families are given the opportunity to take part.

As patron of the Copenhagen Goodwill Ambassador Corps, Prince Joachim participated in a meeting on 11 May with 60 international students who do volunteer work as youth ambassadors to attract more international students to Denmark and more international talent as a labour force for Danish companies.

## BUSINESS AND CULTURAL PROMOTION

From 10 – 15 May, The Crown Prince Couple, accompanied by a business delegation of more than 70 Danish companies, made an official visit to South Korea with the objective of creating visibility around the companies' export and co-operation opportunities in South Korea and strengthening the partnership between the two countries in, among other things, green growth and co-operation in research and development.

The Crown Prince Couple paid an official visit to Brazil from 16 – 21 September to lead a Danish business and cultural promotion campaign, with visits to the cities of São Paulo, Rio de Janeiro, and Belo Horizonte. The programme focused on development of Denmark's opportunities to co-operate with Brazil in, among other areas, the oil and gas industry, bio-fuels, the water sector, the pharmaceutical industry, education and tourism to Denmark. More than 50 companies were represented in the business delegation.

From 6 – 8 December, The Crown Prince and The Crown Princess travelled on an official visit to, respectively, Hong Kong and Beijing, China. The visit focused on business and cultural activities with the goal of strengthening the bilateral relations between Denmark and China. The Crown Prince Couple began the visit by participating in the official opening of the design event Business of Design Week in Hong Kong, where Denmark as a partner country was represented by a Danish pavilion at the exhibition and a number of Danish design contributions. In addition, the programme for

*Princess Marie during a fire prevention exercise at Tønder Primary School. The Princess has completed introductory training with The Danish Emergency Management Agency.*



*The Crown Prince Couple in the Danish pavilion Design Society Denmark during Business of Design Week in Hong Kong, where 25 Danish companies exhibited.*



*The Queen, The Crown Prince, Prince Christian, and Princess Isabella during the Denmark-Sweden handball match at The Olympic Games in London.*





the visit focused on fashion, culture, CSR, and food products.

In the month of June, Princess Benedikte took part in a Danish cultural promotion in Munich, Germany, which focused on Danish architecture, visual art and literature. Here, The Princess presided over the official openings of Henning Larsen's architectural exhibition in the Architecture Gallery Munich and the painting exhibition Hammershøi and Europe at Kunsthalle der Hypo-Kulturstiftung and participated as the guest of honour at a gala dinner at the Kunsthalle.

## THE OLYMPIC GAMES

The Royal Family was, at varying times, present during The Olympic Games in London from 27 July – 12 August to witness the performances by Danish athletes. The Crown Prince had already begun the stay on 25 July to run with the Olympic torch on an approximately 360 metre long route in the Notting Hill area. The Crown Prince in his role as member of the International Olympic Committee took part in a number of activities

with the committee and witnessed the Danish athletes daily, from the opening ceremony to the closing ceremony.

During the stay in London, The Queen held several receptions on the Royal Yacht Dannebrog for the Danish participants in The Olympic Games and for British and Danish companies and cultural representatives. During their attendance at The Olympic Games, the Royal Family lived on board the Royal Yacht Dannebrog, which was docked in London for the whole period.

The Paralympic Games in London in September were attended by The Crown Prince and by Princess Benedikte in her role as patron of The Danish Sports Organization for the Disabled.



**Ove Ullerup**  
*Lord Chamberlain*

*The Queen and The Prince Consort carried out two summer cruises in 2012, which also was the 80th anniversary of the commissioning of the Royal Yacht Dannebrog. The Queen is seen here during the call at Rønne Harbour, Bornholm.*

*In connection with the September summer cruise visit to Skanderborg, The Prince Consort painted with the children at the inauguration of the Hørning BørneUnivers day care centre.*



# 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 employed 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 2012: 6,376,522 DKK.

*On 18 December, The Queen invited the Royal Household's employees to mulled Christmas wine in the Great Hall at Christiansborg Palace.*



## THE CIVIL LIST

*Extract from financial statements*

	2012 DKK	2011 DKK'000
<b>INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT</b>		
<b>INCOME</b>		
Parliamentary allowance	76,068,222	75,292
Other income	2,029,352	2,052
	<b>78,097,574</b>	<b>77,344</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
Staff costs	46,927,319	45,964
Court expenses	12,820,509	10,185
Administrative expenses	4,352,577	5,162
Property expenses	4,678,367	4,548
Depreciations	1,638,581	1,399
The Queen and The Prince Consort's expenditure cap	9,907,886	9,807
	<b>80,325,239</b>	<b>77,065</b>
<b>Net income before financial income and expenditure</b>	<b>- 2,227,665</b>	<b>281</b>
<b>Financial income</b>	<b>447,313</b>	<b>695</b>
<b>Financial expenses</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Net income for the year</b>	<b>- 1,780,352</b>	<b>976</b>

## BALANCE SHEET

<b>ASSETS</b>		
Fixed assets	9,838,058	9,708
Current assets	22,453,831	26,534
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>32,291,889</b>	<b>36,242</b>
<b>RESERVE AND LIABILITIES</b>		
Reserve at 31 December	18,107,280	19,888
Current liabilities	14,184,609	16,354
<b>Total reserve and liabilities</b>	<b>32,291,889</b>	<b>36,242</b>

*Joiner apprentices in Christian X's old riding stable, which now functions as a joinery workshop at Amalienborg.*



*Master of Ceremonies and head office clerk plan table setting for Gala Banquet in connection with state visit.*



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## 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 2012: 1,379,565 DKK.

## THE PARLIAMENTARY ANNUITY

*Extract from financial statements*

	2012 DKK	2011 DKK'000
<b>INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT</b>		
<b>INCOME</b>		
Parliamentary allowance	18,725,922	18,539
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
Staff costs	10,585,164	9,928
Court expenses	2,139,310	3,122
Administrative expenses	420,272	565
Property expenses	1,099,307	889
Depreciations	300,002	266
The Crown Prince and The Crown Princess expenditure cap	3,744,784	3,707
	<b>18,286,839</b>	<b>18,477</b>
<b>Net income before financial income and expenditure</b>	<b>457,085</b>	<b>62</b>
<b>Financial income</b>	<b>2,840</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Net income for the year</b>	<b>459,923</b>	<b>66</b>

*Courier charges up Crown 20. The electric vehicle is used by the Royal Household's employees for trips between Fredensborg Palace and Amalienborg, where charging stations have been set up.*



## BALANCE SHEET

### ASSETS

Fixed assets	2,899,884	2,828
Current assets	1,760,619	1,251
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>4,660,503</b>	<b>4,079</b>

### RESERVE AND LIABILITIES

Reserve at 31 December	569,029	129
Current liabilities	4,091,474	3,950
<b>Total reserve and liabilities</b>	<b>4,660,503</b>	<b>4,079</b>

## 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 5,509,481 DKK and reimbursement of 372,635 DKK value added tax.

*Work group in the Great Hall of Det Gule Palæ in the process of implementing the Royal Household's intranet system.*



*Grooms prepare horses before the day's training. The Kladrubers make up the stock of horses in the Royal Stables today.*







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