

## BLOCK LISTING SIX MONTHLY RETURN

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**To:**

*Listing Applications, Irish Stock Exchange*  
**The FSA**

**Date:** 1 October 2009

AVS No:					
Name of <i>applicant</i> :		Independent News & Media PLC			
Name of scheme:		Share Option Scheme 1999			
Period of return:	From:	1 April 2009	To:	30 Sept 2009	
Balance under scheme from previous return:		1999 1,421,819			
The amount by which the block scheme has been increased, if the scheme has been increased since the date of the last return:					
Number of <i>securities</i> issued/allotted under scheme during period:					
Balance under scheme not yet issued/allotted at end of period		1,421,819			
Number and <i>class</i> of <i>securities</i> originally listed and the date of admission		Ordinary shares of €0.30 each Sept 2002 3,000,000      Nov 2004 1,000,000 Nov 2004 3,000,000      June 2005 2,000,000 June 2005 2,000,000      Nov 2006 1,000,000 Jan 2006 5,000,000      Feb 2007 2,000,000 Nov 2006 3,000,000      Apr 2007 2,000,000 Oct 2007 373,626      Oct 2007 1,000,000			
Total number of <i>securities</i> in issue at the end of the period		839,595,903 (excluding treasury shares)			

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Name of *applicant*

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