INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 MARCH 2015 (REVIEWED)



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REPORT ON REVIEW OF INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF ARAB BANKING CORPORATION (B.S.C.)

Introduction

We have reviewed the accompanying interim condensed consolidated financial statements of Arab Banking Corporation (B.S.C.) [the Bank] and its subsidiaries [together the Group] as at 31 March 2015, comprising of the interim consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 March 2015 and the related interim consolidated statements of income, comprehensive income, changes in equity and cash flows for the three-month period then ended and explanatory notes. The Board of Directors is responsible for the preparation and presentation of these interim condensed consolidated financial statements in accordance with International Accounting Standard 34 Interim Financial Reporting (IAS 34). Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on these interim condensed consolidated financial statements based on our review.

Scope of Review

We conducted our review in accordance with International Standard on Review Engagements 2410, Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity. A review of interim financial information consists of making inquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with International Standards on Auditing. Consequently, it does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

Conclusion

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the accompanying interim condensed consolidated financial statements are not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with IAS 34.

30 April 2015

Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain

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INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

31 March 2015 (Reviewed)

All figures in US\$ million

	Reviewed 31 March 2015	Audited 31 December 2014
ASSETS		
Liquid funds	1,077	909
Trading securities	601	539
Placements with banks and other financial institutions	5,204	5,870
Securities bought under repurchase agreements	1,607	987
Non-trading securities	4,891	4,627
Loans and advances	13,885	14,819
Interest receivable	409	387
Other assets Premises and equipment	838 124	1,090 128
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TOTAL ASSETS	28,636	29,356
LIABILITIES		
Deposits from customers	13,461	13,945
Deposits from banks and other financial institutions	5,432	5,668
Certificates of deposit	37	47
Securities sold under repurchase agreements	105	87
Interest payable	296	319
Taxation	45	51
Other liabilities	1,145	922
TERM NOTES, BONDS AND OTHER TERM FINANCING	3,953	3,891
Total liabilities	24,474	24,930
EQUITY		
Share capital	3,110	3,110
Reserves	680	896
EQUITY ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE SHAREHOLDERS		
OF THE PARENT	3,790	4,006
Non-controlling interests	372	420
Total equity	4,162	4,426
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		· -
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These interim condensed consolidated financial statements were authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 30 April 2015 and signed on their behalf by the Chairman, Deputy Chairman and the Group Chief Executive Officer.

Saddek El Kaber Chairman Hilal Mishari Al Mutairi Deputy Chairman Khaled Kawan Group Chief Executive Officer

INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME

Three-month period ended 31 March 2015 (Reviewed)

All figures in US\$ million

	Reviewed		
	Three months ended 31 March 2015 201		
OPERATING INCOME	2015	2014	
Interest and similar income Interest and similar expense	363 (237)	272 (140)	
Net interest income	126	132	
Other operating income	42	94	
Total operating income	168	226	
Impairment provisions - net	(9)	(8)	
NET OPERATING INCOME AFTER PROVISIONS	159	218	
OPERATING EXPENSES			
Staff	72	73	
Premises and equipment Other	8 24	9 21	
		-	
Total operating expenses	104	103	
PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION	55	115	
Taxation on foreign operations	12	(29)	
PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD	67	86	
Income attributable to non-controlling interests	(15)	(15)	
PROFIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE		74	
SHAREHOLDERS OF THE PARENT		71	
BASIC AND DILUTED EARNINGS			
PER SHARE (EXPRESSED IN US\$)	0.02	0.02	

Saddek El Kaber Chairman

Hilal Mishari Al Mutairi Deputy Chairman Khaled Kawan Group Chief Executive Officer

INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

Three-month period ended 31 March 2015 (Reviewed)

All figures in US\$ million

	Review	red
	Three months ende 31 March	
	2015	2014
PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD	67	86
Other comprehensive income:		
Other comprehensive income that could be reclassified (or recycled) to profit or loss in subsequent periods:		
Net fair value movements during the period after impairment effect Amortisation of fair value shortfall on	5	17
reclassified securities Unrealised (loss) gain on exchange translation	1	2
of foreign subsidiaries	(181)	32
	(175)	51
Other comprehensive income that cannot be reclassified (or recycled) to profit or loss in subsequent periods:		
Net change in pension fund reserve	(1)	1
	(1)	1
Total other comprehensive (loss) income for the period	(176)	52
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE (LOSS) INCOME FOR THE PERIOD	(109)	138
Total comprehensive loss (income) attributable to non-controlling interests	48	(26)
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE (LOSS) INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS		
OF THE PARENT	(61)	112

INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Three-month period ended 31 March 2015 (Reviewed)

All figures in US\$ million

	Reviewed	
	Three month	
	31 Mar 2015	<u>2014</u>
	2015	2014
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Profit for the period	67	86
Adjustments for:		
Impairment provisions - net	9	8
Depreciation and amortisation	3	3
Gain on disposal of non-trading securities - net	(9)	(4)
Amortisation of fair value shortfall on reclassified securities	1	2
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:	404	(400)
Treasury bills and other eligible bills	104	(133)
Trading securities Placements with banks and other financial institutions	(146) 543	(166)
Securities bought under repurchase agreements	(869)	(234)
Loans and advances	(49)	(525)
Interest receivable and other assets	123	`(98)
Deposits from customers	62	798
Deposits from banks and other financial institutions	471	174
Securities sold under repurchase agreements	20	72
Interest payable and other liabilities Other non-cash movements	290 (22)	(36) 22
Net cash from (used in) operating activities	598	(31)
INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of non-trading securities	(1,147)	(590)
Sale and redemption of non-trading securities	828	768
Purchase of premises and equipment	(6)	(2)
Sale of premises and equipment Additional investment in a subsidiary	1 (2)	1 (9)
Additional investment in a subsidiary		(9)
Net cash (used in) from investing activities	(326)	168
FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
(Issue) redemption of certificates of deposit - net	(6)	1
Issue of term notes, bonds and other term financing	54	-
Dividend paid to non-controlling interests	(4)	(4)
Net cash from (used in) financing activities	44	(3)
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	316	134
Effect of exchange rate changes on liquid funds	(43)	5
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period	759	866
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF THE PERIOD	1,032	1,005
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INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

Three-month period ended 31 March 2015 (Reviewed)

All figures in US\$ million

									Non- controlling	Total
		Attributable to shareholders of the parent				interests	equity			
	Share capital	Statutory reserve	General reserve	Retained earnings*	Foreign exchange translation adjustments	Cumulative changes in fair value	Pension fund reserve	Total		
At 31 December 2014	3,110	426	100	684	(284)	(7)	(23)	4,006	420	4,426
Profit for the period Other comprehensive (loss) income for the period	-	-	-	52 -	- (118)	6	- (1)	52 (113)	15 (63)	67 (176)
Total comprehensive income (loss) for the period	-	-	-	52	(118)	6	(1)	(61)	(48)	(109)
Dividend**	-	-	-	(156)	-	-	-	(156)	-	(156)
Other equity movements in subsidiaries	<u> </u>	<u> </u>					<u> </u>	1		
At 31 March 2015 (reviewed)	3,110	426	100	<u>581</u>	(402)	(1)	(24)	3,790	372	4,162
At 31 December 2013 Profit for the period Other comprehensive income for the period	3,110 - -	400 - -	150 - -	555 71	(224) - 21	(32) - 19	(19) - 1	3,940 71 41	419 15 11	4,359 86 52
Total comprehensive income for the period	-		-	71	21	19	1	112	26	138
Dividend**	-	-	-	(156)	-	-	-	(156)	-	(156)
Transfers during the period Other equity movements in subsidiaries	<u>-</u>	-	(50)	50 1	-	- -	-	1	(7)	(6)
At 31 March 2014 (reviewed)	3,110	400	100	521	(203)	(13)	(18)	3,897	438	4,335

^{*} Retained earnings include non-distributable reserves arising from consolidation of subsidiaries amounting to US\$ 408 million (31 December 2014: US\$ 406 million).

The attached notes 1 to 5 form part of these interim condensed consolidated financial statements

^{**} A dividend of US\$ 0.05 per share (2014: US\$ 0.05 per share) has been approved for payment at the Annual General Meeting held on 22 March 2015 (2014: 23 March 2014).

NOTES TO THE INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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1 INCORPORATION AND ACTIVITIES

Arab Banking Corporation (B.S.C.) [the Bank] is incorporated in the Kingdom of Bahrain by an Amiri decree and operates under a wholesale banking licence issued by the Central Bank of Bahrain. The Bank is a Bahraini Shareholding Company with limited liability and is listed on the Bahrain Bourse. The Central Bank of Libya is the ultimate parent of the Bank and its subsidiaries (together 'the Group').

The Bank's registered office is at ABC Tower, Diplomatic Area, P.O. Box 5698, Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain. The Bank is registered under commercial registration number 10299 issued by the Ministry of Industry and Commerce, Kingdom of Bahrain.

The Group offers a range of international wholesale banking services including Corporate Banking & Financial Institutions, Project & Structured Finance, Syndications, Treasury, Trade Finance services and Islamic Banking. Retail banking services are only provided in the MENA region.

2 BASIS OF PREPARATION AND CHANGES TO THE GROUP'S ACCOUNTING POLICIES

2.1 Basis of preparation

The interim condensed consolidated financial statements for the three-month period ended 31 March 2015 have been prepared in accordance with IAS 34 *Interim Financial Reporting*.

The interim condensed consolidated financial statements do not contain all information and disclosures required in the annual financial statements, and should be read in conjunction with the Group's annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2014. In addition, results for the three-month period ended 31 March 2015 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the financial year ending 31 December 2015.

2.2 Basis of consolidation

These interim condensed consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of the Bank and its subsidiaries after elimination of inter-company transactions and balances.

2.3 New standards, interpretations and amendments adopted by the Group

The accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the interim condensed consolidated financial statements are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the Group's annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2014, except for the adoption of new standards and interpretations effective as of 1 January 2015.

The following amended accounting standards became effective in 2015 and have been adopted by the Group in preparation of these interim condensed consolidated financial statements as applicable. Whilst they did not have any material impact on these interim condensed consolidated financial statements, they may require additional disclosures in the annual consolidated financial statements for the year ending 31 December 2015:

Amendments to IAS 19 Defined Benefits Plans : Employee Contributions

Annual Improvement Cycle - 2010-2012 Annual Improvement Cycle - 2011-2013

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2 BASIS OF PREPARATION AND CHANGES TO THE GROUP'S ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.4 New standards, interpretations and amendments issued but not yet effective

The standards and interpretations that are issued, but not yet effective, up to the date of issuance of the Group's financial statements are disclosed below. The Group intends to adopt these standards, if applicable, when they become effective.

Topic	Effective date
IFRS 9 Financial Instruments	1 January 2018
IFRS 14 Regulatory Deferral Accounts	1 January 2016
IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers	1 January 2017
Amendments to IFRS 11 Joint Arrangement: Accounting for	
acquisition of interest	1 January 2016
Amendments to IAS 16 and IAS 38: Clarification of acceptable methods of	
depreciation and amortization	1 January 2016
Amendments to IAS 27: Equity method in separate financial statements	1 January 2016

The Group is assessing the impact of implementation of these standards.

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3 OPERATING SEGMENTS

For management purposes, the Group is organised into five operating segments which are based on business units and their activities. The Group has accordingly been structured to place its activities under the distinct divisions which are as follows:

- MENA subsidiaries cover retail, corporate and treasury activities of subsidiaries in North Africa and Levant;
- **International wholesale banking** encompasses corporate and structured finance, trade finance, Islamic banking services and syndications;
- **Group treasury** comprises treasury activities of Bahrain Head Office, New York and London;
- **ABC Brasil** primarily reflects the commercial banking activities of the Brazilian subsidiary Banco ABC Brasil S.A., focusing on the corporate and middle market segments in Brazil; and
- Other includes activities of Arab Financial Services B.S.C. (c).

International						
Three-month period ended 31 March 2015	MENA subsidiaries	wholesale banking	Group treasury	ABC Brasil	Other	Total
Net interest income	31	27	11	57	-	126
Other operating income	12	22	3	(1)	6	42
Total operating income	43	49	14	56	6	168
Profit before impairment provisions	21	34	9	26	1	91
Impairment (provisions) writeback - net	(2)	(1)	6	(12)	-	(9)
Profit before taxation and unallocated operating expenses	19	33	15	14	1	82
Taxation on foreign operations	(6)	(1)	-	19	-	12
Unallocated operating expenses						(27)
Profit for the period					,	67
Operating assets						
as at 31 March 2015	3,610	8,836	9,321	6,805	64	28,636
Operating liabilities						
as at 31 March 2015	2,993		15,574	5,897	10	24,474

Arab Banking Corporation (B.S.C.) NOTES TO THE INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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3 **OPERATING SEGMENTS (continued)**

	I	nternational				
Three-month period ended	MENA	wholesale	Group	ABC		
31 March 2014	subsidiaries	banking	treasury	Brasil	Other	Total
Net interest income	31	27	15	59	-	132
Other operating income	11	28	15	33	7	94
Total operating income	42	55	30	92	7	226
Profit before impairment provisions	20	39	26	60	2	147
Impairment (provisions) writeback - net	(3)	5	-	(10)	-	(8)
Profit before taxation and unallocated operating expenses	17	44	26	50	2	139
Taxation on foreign operations Unallocated operating expenses	(5)	(3)	(1)	(20)	-	(29) (24)
Profit for the period						86
Operating assets						
as at 31 December 2014	3,603	9,091	9,247	7,352	63	29,356
Operating liabilities as at 31 December 2014	2,981		15,643	6,296	10	24,930

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4 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The following table provides the fair value measurement heirarchy of the Group's financial assets and financial liabilities.

Quantitative disclosure of fair value measurement hierarchy for assets as at 31 March 2015:

Financial assets measured at fair value:

	Level 1	Level 2	Total
Trading securities	500	101	601
Non-trading securities - available-for-sale			
Quoted debt securities	3,144	-	3,144
Unquoted debt securities	-	723	723
Quoted equity shares	4	-	4
Unquoted equity shares	-	-	-
Derivatives held for trading			
Interest rate swaps	-	32	32
Currency swaps	-	16	16
Forward foreign exchange contracts	-	83	83
Options	1	209	210
Futures	7	-	7
Derivatives held as hedges			
Interest rate swaps	-	2	2
Forward foreign exchange contracts	-	15	15

Quantitative disclosure of fair value measurement hierarchy for liabilities as at 31 March 2015:

Financial liabilities measured at fair value:

	Level 1	Level 2	Total
Derivatives held for trading			
Interest rate swaps	-	28	28
Currency swaps	-	68	68
Forward foreign exchange contracts	-	116	116
Options	5	208	213
Futures	8	-	8
Derivatives held as hedges			
Interest rate swaps	-	1	1
Forward foreign exchange contracts	-	-	-

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4 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

Quantitative disclosure of fair value measurement hierarchy for assets as at 31 December 2014:

Financial assets measured at fair value:

	Level 1	Level 2	Total
Trading securities	466	73	539
Non-trading securities - available-for-sale			
Quoted debt securities	3,013	-	3,013
Unquoted debt securities	-	779	779
Quoted equity shares	4	-	4
Unquoted equity shares	-	-	-
Derivatives held for trading			
Interest rate swaps	-	27	27
Currency swaps	-	9	9
Forward foreign exchange contracts	-	131	131
Options	1	296	297
Futures	17	-	17
Derivatives held as hedges			
Interest rate swaps	-	3	3
Forward foreign exchange contracts	-	136	136

Quantitative disclosure of fair value measurement hierarchy for liabilities as at 31 December 2014:

Financial liabilities measured at fair value:

	Level 1	Level 2	Total
Derivatives held for trading			
Interest rate swaps	-	23	23
Currency swaps	-	25	25
Forward foreign exchange contracts	-	104	104
Options	2	297	299
Futures	29	-	29
Derivatives held as hedges			
Interest rate swaps	-	-	-
Forward foreign exchange contracts	-	-	_

Fair values of financial instruments not carried at fair value

Except for the following, the fair value of financial instruments which are not carried at fair value are not materially different from their carrying value.

	31 March 2015		31 December 2014	
	Carrying value	Fair value	Carrying value	Fair value
Financial assets Other non-trading securities	992	998	803	809
Financial liabilities Term notes, bonds and other term financing	3,953	3,931	3,891	3,890

For financial instruments that are recognised at fair value on a recurring basis, the Group determines whether transfers have occurred between Levels in the hierarchy by re-assessing categorisation at the end of each reporting period.

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4 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

Financial instruments in level 1

The fair value of financial instruments traded in active markets is based on quoted market prices at the balance sheet date. A market is regarded as active if quoted prices are readily and regularly available from an exchange, dealer, broker, industry group, pricing service, or regulatory agency, and those prices represent actual and regularly occurring market transactions on an arm's length basis. The quoted market price used for financial assets held by the Group is the current bid price. These instruments are included in Level 1. Instruments included in Level 1 comprise primarily DAX, FTSE 100 and Dow Jones equity investments classified as trading securities or available for sale.

Financial instruments in level 2

The fair value of financial instruments that are not traded in an active market (for example, over-the-counter derivatives) is determined by using valuation techniques. These valuation techniques maximise the use of observable market data where it is available and rely as little as possible on entity specific estimates. If all significant inputs required to fair value an instrument are observable, the instrument is included in level 2.

Transfers between level 1 and level 2

There were no transfers between level 1 and level 2 during the period ended 31 March 2015 (31 December 2014: none).

5 CREDIT COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT ITEMS

a) Credit commitments and contingencies

	31 March 2015	31 December 2014
Short-term self-liquidating trade and transaction-related contingent items	2,953	3,333
Direct credit substitutes, guarantees	3,069	3,603
Undrawn loans and other commitments	1,948	2,070
	7,970	9,006
Risk weighted equivalents	2,675	2,989

b) Derivatives

The outstanding notional amounts at the consolidated statement of financial position date were as follows:

	31 March	31 December
	2015	2014
Interest rate swaps	3,850	2,866
Currency swaps	431	368
Forward foreign exchange contracts	6,251	8,048
Options	839	1,211
Futures	2,696	3,364
	14,067	15,857
Risk weighted equivalents (credit and market risk)	1,886	2,135