

Arab Banking Corporation (B.S.C.)

INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

30 JUNE 2021 (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 30 June 2021, comprising of the interim consolidated statement of financial position as at 30 June 2021 and the related interim consolidated statements of profit or loss and comprehensive income for the three-month period and six-month period then ended, and interim consolidated statements of cash flows and changes in equity for the six-month period then ended and explanatory notes. The Bank's 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), as modified by the Central Bank of Bahrain [the "CBB"]. 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 and, consequently, 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 as modified by the CBB.

Other matters

Due to the outbreak of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) in early 2020, the CBB vide its circular OG/124/2020 dated 30 March 2020 had exempted all public shareholding companies and locally incorporated banks from preparation and publication of interim condensed financial statements for the three-month period ended 31 March 2020. Accordingly, we have not reviewed the comparative information for the three-month period ended 30 June 2020 presented in these interim condensed consolidated financial information which have been extracted from management accounts and, we do not express any review conclusion on them.

10 August 2021

Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain

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INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

30 June 2021 (Reviewed)

All figures in US\$ Million

		Reviewed	Audited
		30 June	31 December
A CODETTO	Notes	2021	2020
ASSETS		1 005	1 752
Liquid funds		1,995 452	1,752 171
Trading securities Placements with banks and other financial institutions		452 1,999	1,803
Securities bought under repurchase agreements		699	1,823
Non-trading investments	4	7,283	6,696
Loans and advances	5	15,930	15,656
Other assets	3	2,370	2,305
Premises and equipment		211	201
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TOTAL ASSETS		30,939	30,407
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LIABILITIES			
Deposits from customers		17,767	17,173
Deposits from banks		3,852	3,596
Certificates of deposit		546	494
Securities sold under repurchase agreements		841	1,151
Taxation		113	80
Other liabilities		1,925	1,974
Borrowings	<u>_</u>	1,613	1,795
Total liabilities	_	26,657	26,263
EQUITY			
Share capital		3,110	3,110
Treasury shares		(6)	(6)
Statutory reserve		520	520
Retained earnings		1,022	965
Other reserves		(756)	(822)
EQUITY ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF	_	2.000	2.7.7
THE PARENT		3,890	3,767
Non-controlling interests	_	392	377
Total equity	_	4,282	4,144
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	_	30,939	30,407
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These interim condensed consolidated financial statements were authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 10 August 2021 and signed on their behalf by the Chairman, Deputy Chairman and the Group Chief Executive Officer.

Saddek El Kaber Chairman Mohammad Abdulredha Saleem Deputy Chairman Khaled Kawan Group Chief Executive Officer

INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS

Six-month period ended 30 June 2021 (Reviewed)

All figures in US\$ Million

			nths ended June	Six months en	ded
	Notes	2021	2020 Unreviewed	2021 Reviewed	2020
OPERATING INCOME					
Interest and similar income Interest and similar expense		206 (68)	289 (174)	475 (215)	683 (431)
Net interest income		138	115	260	252
Other operating income (expense)	6	87	23	147	(12)
Total operating income		225	138	407	240
OPERATING EXPENSES					
Staff		78	65	156	152
Premises and equipment Other		13 37	11 38	23 74	21 74
Total operating expenses		128	114	253	247
NET OPERATING PROFIT (LOSS) BEFORE CREDIT LOSS EXPENSE AND TAXATION		97	24	154	(7)
Credit loss expense	7	(29)	(54)	(49)	(174)
PROFIT (LOSS) BEFORE TAXATION		68	(30)	105	(181)
Taxation (charge) reversal on foreign operations		(35)	26	(36)	124
PROFIT (LOSS) FOR THE PERIOD		33	(4)	69	(57)
Profit attributable to non-controlling interests		(8)	(1)	(14)	(10)
PROFIT (LOSS) ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF THE PARENT		25	(5)	55	(67)
BASIC AND DILUTED EARNINGS (LOSS) PER SHARE (EXPRESSED IN US\$)		0.01	(0.00)	0.02	(0.02)

Saddek El Kaber Chairman

Mohammad Abdulredha Saleem Deputy Chairman Khaled Kawan Group Chief Executive Officer

INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

Six-month period ended 30 June 2021 (Reviewed)

All figures in US\$ Million

		nths ended June	Six months ended 30 June		
	2021 Reviewed	2020 Unreviewed	2021 Review	2020 red	
PROFIT (LOSS) FOR THE PERIOD	33	(4)	69	(57)	
Other comprehensive income (loss): Other comprehensive income (loss) that will be reclassified (or recycled) to profit or loss in subsequent periods:					
Foreign currency translation:					
Unrealised income (loss) on exchange translation in foreign subsidiaries	118	(49)	41	(275)	
Debt instruments at FVOCI:					
Net change in fair value during the period	36	176	42	(155)	
Other comprehensive income (loss) for the period	154	127	83	(430)	
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE					
INCOME (LOSS) FOR THE PERIOD	187	123	152	(487)	
Attributable to:					
Shareholders of the parent	137	138	121	(396)	
Non-controlling interests	50	(15)	31	(91)	
	187	123	152	(487)	

INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Six-month period ended 30 June 2021 (Reviewed)

All figures in US\$ million

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2021	2020
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Profit (loss) for the period	69	(57)
Adjustments for:		
Credit loss expense	49	174
Depreciation and amortisation	24	22
Gain on disposal of non-trading debt investments - net	(17)	(26)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Treasury bills and other eligible bills	(10)	(21)
Trading securities	(291)	(215)
Placements with banks and other financial institutions	(365)	(307)
Securities bought under repurchase agreements	826	(397)
Loans and advances	(1,926)	155
Other assets	(223)	(1,290)
Deposits from customers	1,948	728
Deposits from banks	799	492
Securities sold under repurchase agreements	(291)	277
Other liabilities	140	1,070
Other non-cash movements		(153)
Net cash from operating activities	806	452
INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of non-trading investments	(2,585)	(3,743)
Sale and redemption of non-trading investments	2,011	3,690
Purchase of premises and equipment	(26)	(20)
Sale of premises and equipment	4	2
Investment in subsidiaries - net		16
Net cash used in investing activities	(586)	(55)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Issue (repayment) of certificates of deposit - net	54	(112)
Proceeds from borrowings	-	9
Repayment of borrowings	(94)	(177)
Dividend paid to non-controlling interests	(7)	(5)
Net cash used in financing activities	(47)	(285)
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	173	112
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	60	(47)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period	1,752	1,657
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF THE PERIOD*	1,985	1,722

^{*}Cash and cash equivalents comprises of liquid funds excluding treasury and other eligible bills with original maturities of more than three months amounting to US\$ 10 million (30 June 2020: US\$ 238 million).

INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

Six-month period ended 30 June 2021 (Reviewed)

All figures in US\$ Million

			Equity attrib	utable to the s	hareholders	s of the parent				Non- controlling interests	Total equity
						Other re	eserves				
	Share capital	Treasury shares	Statutory reserve	Retained earnings*	General reserve	Foreign exchange translation adjustments	Cumulative changes in fair value	Pension fund reserve	Total		
At 31 December 2020	3,110	(6)	520	965	100	(902)	20	(40)	3,767	377	4,144
Profit for the period Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	55	-	-	-	-	55	14	69
for the period	-	-				24	42	-	66	17	83
Total comprehensive income for the period Other equity movements	-	-	-	55	-	24	42	-	121	31	152
in subsidiaries	-	-		2	-	-			2	(16)	(14)
At 30 June 2021 (reviewed)	3,110	(6)	520	1,022	100	(878)	62	(40)	3,890	392	4,282

^{*} Retained earnings include non-distributable reserves arising from consolidation of subsidiaries amounting to US\$ 477 million (31 December 2020: US\$ 482 million).

INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

Six-month period ended 30 June 2021 (Reviewed)

All figures in US\$ Million

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			Equity attrib	utable to the s	hareholders	s of the parent				controlling interests	Total equity
						Other re	eserves				
	Share capital	Treasury shares	Statutory reserve	Retained earnings	General reserve	Foreign exchange translation adjustments	Cumulative changes in fair value	Pension fund reserve	Total		
At 31 December 2019	3,110	(6)	520	1,051	100	(754)	42	(32)	4,031	458	4,489
(Loss) profit for the period Other comprehensive loss	-	-	-	(67)	-	-	-	-	(67)	10	(57)
for the period	-	-	-	-	-	(174)	(155)	-	(329)	(101)	(430)
Total comprehensive loss for the period	-	-	-	(67)	-	(174)	(155)	-	(396)	(91)	(487)
Other equity movements in subsidiaries		<u>-</u>	-	2			-	-	2	(12)	(10)
At 30 June 2020 (reviewed)	3,110	(6)	520	986	100	(928)	(113)	(32)	3,637	355	3,992

30 June 2021 (Reviewed)

All figures in US\$ million

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 "CBB"). 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, Commerce and Tourism, 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, Islamic Banking and the digital, mobile-only banking space named "ila Bank" within retail consumer banking services. 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 consolidated financial statements of the Group are prepared in accordance with applicable rules and regulations issued by the CBB including the CBB circular on regulatory concessionary measures in response to COVID-19. These rules and regulations, in particular CBB circular OG/226/2020 dated 21 June 2020, require the adoption of all International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB), except for:

- (a) recognition of modification losses on financial assets arising from payment holidays provided to customers impacted by COVID-19 without charging additional interest, in equity instead of profit or loss as required by IFRS 9 Financial Instruments (IFRS 9). Any other modification gains or losses on financial assets are recognised in accordance with the requirements of IFRS 9; and
- (b) recognition of financial assistance received from the government and / or regulators in response to its COVID-19 support measures that meets the government grant requirement, in equity instead of profit or loss. This will only be to the extent of any modification loss recorded in equity as a result of (a) above, and the balance of the amount to be recognised in profit or loss. Any other financial assistance is recognised in accordance with the requirements of IAS 20, "Accounting for government grants and disclosure of government assistance".

The above framework for basis of preparation of the annual financial statements is hereinafter referred to as 'IFRS as modified by the CBB'.

The interim condensed consolidated financial statements of the Group are presented in condensed form in accordance with the guidance provided by International Accounting Standard 34 – 'Interim Financial Reporting' (IAS 34), using the IFRS as modified by the CBB framework. Hence, the framework used in the preparation of the interim condensed consolidated financial statements of the Group is hereinafter referred to as 'IAS 34 as modified by the CBB'.

These interim condensed consolidated financial statements do not contain all information and disclosures required in the annual consolidated financial statements, and should be read in conjunction with the Group's annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020. In addition, results for the six-month period ended 30 June 2021 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the financial year ending 31 December 2021.

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

2.2 Comparative information

During 2020 as a result of COVID-19, the CBB issued various circulars on regulatory concessionary measures including circular OG/124/2020 dated 30 March 2020, in which the CBB exempted all public shareholding companies and locally incorporated banks from preparation and publication of interim condensed financial statements for the three-month period ended 31 March 2020. Accordingly, the Group did not publish interim condensed consolidated financial statements for the period ended 31 March 2020 and therefore the comparative information for the three month period ended 30 June 2020 included in these interim condensed consolidated financial statements have been extracted from management accounts on which neither an audit opinion nor a review conclusion was issued.

2.3 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.

2.4 Directives issued by the CBB and Government assistance

The Group had provided payment holidays to certain customers on the basis of regulatory directives issued by the CBB as concessionary measures to mitigate the impact of COVID-19 and requests received. As of 30 June 2021, the outstanding balance of customers to whom such payment holidays have been provided amounted to US\$ 595 million (year ended 31 December 2020: US\$ 894 million). However, this did not result in any modification loss.

Further, the Group did not receive any financial assistance from the Government during the current period (2020: US\$ 4 million) and had no modification loss during current and prior period.

2.5 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 2020, except for adoption of new standards or certain amendments to existing standards that have become applicable to the Group effective from 1 January 2021. The Group has not early adopted any standard, interpretation or amendment that has been issued but is not yet effective.

Several amendments apply for the first time in 2021, but do not have an impact on the interim condensed consolidated financial statements of the Group except for those disclosed below.

2.5.1 Interest Rate Benchmark Reform – Phase 2: Amendments to IFRS 9, IAS 39, IFRS 7, IFRS 4 and IFRS 16

On August 27, 2020, the IASB issued Interest Rate Benchmark Reform – Phase 2, Amendments to IFRS 9, IAS 39, IFRS 7, IFRS 4 and IFRS 16 (the amendments). The amendments introduce various practical expedients with respect to changes arising due to interest rate benchmark reform (IBOR reform) as explained below:

- A practical expedient to require contractual changes, or changes to cash flows that are directly required by the IBOR reform, to be treated as changes to a floating interest rate, equivalent to a movement in a market rate of interest. In such a case, the Group does not derecognise or adjust the carrying amount of financial instruments for modifications required by IBOR reform but instead updates the effective interest rate to reflect the change in the interest rate benchmark. After that, the Group applies the policies on accounting for modifications set out in Note 4 of the Group's consolidated financial statements for the year 2020 to the remaining modifications.
- Permit changes required by IBOR reform to be made to hedge designations and hedge documentation without the hedging relationship being discontinued. This is applied in cases where the basis for determining the contractual cash flows of existing hedge relationship changes as a result of IBOR reform, the Group may amend the hedge documentation without discontinuing the hedging relationship.
- Provide temporary relief when determining the hedged risk, the Group may designate an alternative benchmark rate risk component that is not currently separately identifiable, as long as it is reasonable to expect that the alternative benchmark rate will become separately identifiable within a 24-month period.

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

2.5.1 Interest Rate Benchmark Reform – Phase 2: Amendments to IFRS 9, IAS 39, IFRS 7, IFRS 4 and IFRS 16 (continued)

These amendments had no impact on the hedging activities or interim condensed consolidated financial statements of the Group.

3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies, estimates and assumptions used in the preparation of these interim condensed consolidated financial statements are consistent with those used in the preparation of the annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020 except for adoption of new standards and amendments effective from 1 January 2021 as explained in Note 2.5 to the interim condensed consolidated financial statements.

4 NON-TRADING INVESTMENTS	Reviewed	Audited
	30 June	31 December
	2021	2020
Debt securities		
At amortised cost	1,428	1,213
At FVOCI	5,945	5,574
	7,373	6,787
ECL allowances	(100)	(100)
Debt securities - net	7,273	6,687
Equity securities		
At FVOCI	10	9
Equity securities	10	9
	7,283	6,696

Following are the stage wise break-up of debt securities as of 30 June 2021 and 31 December 2020:

	30 June 2021 (Reviewed)					
	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total		
Debt securities, gross ECL allowances	7,284 (14)	-	89 (86)	7,373 (100)		
	7,270	-	3	7,273		
	3.	1 December 202	0 (Audited)			
	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total		
Debt securities, gross	6,698	-	89	6,787		
ECL allowances	(15)		(85)	(100)		
	6,683	-	4	6,687		

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5 LOANS AND ADVANCES

	30 June 2021 (Reviewed)				
	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total	
Loans and advances, gross ECL allowances	15,082 (74)	850 (86)	878 (720)	16,810 (880)	
	15,008	764	158	15,930	
		31 December 2	020 (Audited)		
	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total	
Loans and advances, gross ECL allowances	14,782 (67)	880 (95)	864 (708)	16,526 (870)	
	14,715	785	156	15,656	

An analysis of movement in the ECL allowances during the periods ended 30 June 2021 and 30 June 2020 are as follows:

Reviewed	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
As at 1 January 2021	67	95	708	870
Net transfers between stages	-	(1)	1	-
Amounts written-off	-	-	(35)	(35)
Charge (reversal) for the period - net	8	(8)	40	40
Exchange adjustments and other movements	(1)	-	6	5
As at 30 June 2021	74	86	720	880
Reviewed	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
As at 1 January 2020	58	67	492	617
Net transfers between stages	(1)	5	(4)	-
Amounts written-off	-	-	(17)	(17)
Charge for the period - net	23	27	102	152
Exchange adjustments and other movements	(5)	(4)	(17)	(26)
As at 30 June 2020	75	95	556	726

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All figures in US\$ million

6 OTHER OPERATING INCOME (EXPENSE)

	30 June	30 June
	2021	2020
Fee and commission income - net*	76	73
Bureau processing income	14	14
Income (loss) from trading book - net	62	(45)
(Loss) gain on dealing in foreign currencies - net	(38)	42
Gain (loss) on hedging foreign currency movements**	7	(129)
Gain on disposal of non-trading debt investments - net	17	26
Others - net	9	7
- -	147	(12)

^{*}Included in the fee and commission income is US\$ 7 million (30 June 2020: US\$ 7 million) of fee income relating to funds under management.

7 CREDIT LOSS EXPENSE

	30 June	30 June
	2021	2020
Non-trading debt investments	-	12
Loans and advances	40	152
Credit commitments and contingent items	9	10
	49	174

8 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 and treasury activities of the Brazilian subsidiary Banco ABC Brasil S.A., focusing on the corporate and middle market segments in Brazil; and
- Others includes activities of Arab Financial Services Company B.S.C. (c) and ila Bank.

^{**}Loss on hedging foreign currency movements relate to a transaction which has an offsetting impact on the tax expense for the period.

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

30 June 2021 (Reviewed)

All figures in US\$ million

8 **OPERATING SEGMENTS (continued)**

Six-month period ended 30 June 2021 Net interest income	MENA subsidiaries 60	International wholesale banking 86	Group treasury 35	ABC Brasil 78	Others 1	Total 260
Other operating income	18	35	20	62	12	147
Total operating income	78	121	55	140	13	407
Total operating expenses	(50)	(53)	(12)	(51)	(35)	(201)
Profit (loss) before taxation, credit loss and unallocated operating expenses Credit loss expense Taxation charge on foreign operations	28 (11)	68 (20)	43	89 (17)	(22) (1)	206 (49)
Unallocated operating expenses	(9)	(2)	-	(25)	-	(36) (52)
Profit for the period					_	69
Operating assets as at 30 June 2021	3,665	8,927	9,917	8,164	266	30,939
Operating liabilities as at 30 June 2021	3,093		16,190	7,122	252	26,657
		International				
Six-month period ended 30 June 2020	MENA subsidiaries	wholesale banking	Group treasury	ABC Brasil	Others	Total
Net interest income	60	75	28	75	14	252
Other operating income (expense)	16	32	24	(96)	12	(12)
Total operating income (loss)	76	107	52	(21)	26	240
Total operating expenses	(50)	(53)	(13)	(50)	(23)	(189)
Profit (loss) before taxation, credit loss and unallocated operating expenses Credit loss expense Taxation (charge) reversal on operations Unallocated operating expenses	26 (15) (8)	54 (129) (1)	39 -	(71) (29) 133	3 (1)	51 (174) 124 (58)
Loss for the period						(57)
Operating assets as at 31 December 2020	3,648	8,542	10,310	7,745	162	30,407
Operating liabilities as at 31 December 2020	3,053	-	16,309	6,739	162	26,263

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9 FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The following tables provides the fair value measurement hierarchy of the Group's financial assets and financial liabilities measured at fair value in these financial statements.

Quantitative disclosure of fair value measurement hierarchy for assets as at 30 June 2021:

Financial assets measured at fair value:

	Level 1	Level 2	Total
Trading securities	452	-	452
Non-trading investments	5,532	324	5,856
Loans and advances	-	543	543
Derivatives held for trading	496	490	986
Derivatives held as hedges	-	9	9

Quantitative disclosure of fair value measurement hierarchy for liabilities as at 30 June 2021:

Financial liabilities measured at fair value:

	Level 1	Level 2	Total
Derivatives held for trading	452	429	881
Derivatives held as hedges	-	119	119

Quantitative disclosure of fair value measurement hierarchy for assets as at 31 December 2020 :

Financial assets measured at fair value:

	Level 1	Level 2	Total
Trading securities	171	-	171
Non-trading investments	5,229	255	5,484
Loans and advances	-	514	514
Derivatives held for trading	349	633	982
Derivatives held as hedges	-	1	1

Quantitative disclosure of fair value measurement hierarchy for liabilities as at 31 December 2020:

Financial liabilities measured at fair value:

	Level 1	Level 2	Total
Derivatives held for trading	309	565	874
Derivatives held as hedges	-	163	163

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9 FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

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.

	Reviewed		Audited	
	30 June 2	30 June 2021		2020
	Carrying	Fair	Carrying	Fair
	value	value	value	value
Financial assets				
Non-trading debt investments				
at amortised cost - gross	1,427	1,429	1,213	1,213
Financial liabilities				
Borrowings	1,613	1,615	1,795	1,796

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.

Financial instruments in level 1

The fair value of financial instruments traded in active markets is based on quoted market prices at the reporting 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.

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 current and prior period.

10 CREDIT COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT ITEMS

a) Exposure (after applying credit conversion factor) and ECL by stage

	30 June 2021			
	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
Credit commitments and contingencies	3,113	171	78	3,362
ECL allowances	11	12	38	61
	31 December 2020			
	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
Credit commitments and contingencies	2,758	202	61	3,021
ECL allowances	12	13	32	57

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10 CREDIT COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT ITEMS (continued)

a) Exposure (after applying credit conversion factor) and ECL by stage (continued)

An analysis of movement in the ECL allowances during the period are as follows:

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	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
As at 1 January 2021	12	13	32	57
ECL movements for the period - net	(1)	(1)	6	4
As at 30 June 2021	11	12	38	61
	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
As at 1 January 2020	14	13	11	38
ECL movements for the period - net	-	(1)	4	3
As at 30 June 2020	14	12	15	41
b) Credit commitments and contingencies				
			30 June 2021	31 December 2020
Short-term self-liquidating trade and transaction-relate	ed contingent item	ne.	3,185	2,148
Direct credit substitutes, guarantees	ed contingent item	15	2,849	3,041
Undrawn loans and other commitments			1,923	1,865
			7,957	7,054
Credit exposure after applying credit conversion factor	or	_	3,362	3,021
Risk weighted equivalents			2,840	2,619
c) Derivatives The outstanding notional amounts at the reporting dat	e were as follows:	_		'
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			30 June 2021	31 December 2020
Interest rate swaps			13,089	12,790
Currency swaps Forward foreign exchange contracts			651 5,904	405 5,990
Options			31,666	7,086
Futures			5,297	5,722
		_	56,607	31,993
Risk weighted equivalents (credit and market risk)		-	2,179	1,895

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11 RISK MANAGEMENT

Liquidity risk

The Group is required to comply with the liquidity requirements as stipulated by its regulator, the CBB. These requirements relate to maintaining a minimum of 100% (reduced to 80% upto 31 December 2021) for liquidity coverage ratio (LCR) and net stable funding ratio (NSFR). LCR is calculated as a ratio of its stock of HQLA and net outflows over the next 30 calendar days. NSFR is calculated as a ratio of 'available stable funding' to 'required stable funding'. As at 30 June 2021, the Group's LCR and NSFR were at 241% (31 December 2020: 324%) and 122% (31 December 2020: 122%) respectively.

12 TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES

Related parties represent the ultimate parent, major shareholders, associates, directors and key management personnel of the Group and entities controlled, jointly controlled or significantly influenced by such parties. Pricing policies and terms of these transactions are approved by the Group's management.

The period-end and year-end balances in respect of related parties included in the interim consolidated statement of financial position are as follows:

	Ultimate parent	Major share- holder	Directors	30 June 2021
Deposits from customers	3,222	700	9	3,931
Borrowings	1,505	-	-	1,505
Short-term self-liquidating trade and transaction-related contingent items	681	-	-	681
		Major		
	Ultimate	share-		31 December
	parent	holder	Directors	2020
Deposits from customers	3,274	700	8	3,982
Borrowings	1,505	-	-	1,505
Short-term self-liquidating trade and				
transaction-related contingent items	171	-	-	171

The income and expenses in respect of related parties included in the interim consolidated statement of profit or loss are as follows:

	30 June	30 June
	2021	2020
Commission income	4	3
Interest expense	26	53

13 IMPACT OF COVID-19

On 11 March 2020, the World Health Organisation declared the COVID-19 outbreak a global pandemic. Many countries' governments, including the Kingdom of Bahrain and other countries where the Group operates, implemented restrictions aimed at limiting the rate of its spread which have had immediate impact on people, businesses and economies. Additionally, governments and central banks of economies where the Group operates have launched economic support and relief measures (including payment reliefs) to minimise the impact on individuals and corporates.

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13 IMPACT OF COVID-19 (continued)

The Group continues to closely monitor the situation to ensure operational resilience and continuity of its operations. The Bank has activated its business continuity planning and other risk management practices to manage the potential impact of the business disruption due to COVID-19 outbreak, on its operations and financial performance.

Further, banking and accounting regulators have continued to provide guidance on the appropriate provisioning treatment relative to the support provided to customers as a result of the COVID-19 crisis. Accordingly, the Group has performed an assessment of COVID-19 implications on its financial results, expected credit loss (ECL) methodology, use of forward looking information and judgements for the period ended 30 June 2021. The ECL methodology has largely remained unchanged from 31 December 2020 which included the changes to factor into account COVID-19 impacts. Significant inputs used for ECL calculation for the period are described below.

a) Reasonableness of forward looking information and probability weights

The Group uses a range of macro-economic factors in ECL assessment relevant to multiple jurisdictions of operations considering its global footprint under three scenarios, upward, base and downward case. The Group reviews and updates selected economic series on regular basis and applies its judgement in determining what constitutes reasonable and forward-looking estimates.

During the second quarter of 2021, the Group has used the Moody's latest macroeconomic data which has been reviewed and approved by the management and considered as fit for use for the purpose of ECL modelling. In making estimates, the Group assessed a range of possible outcomes by stressing the macroeconomic factors (that includes upward, base and downward case scenarios), and has kept the scenario weightages of upward, base and downward cases unchanged at 30%, 40% and 30% respectively from 31 December 2020.

b) Support for customers and associated ECL treatment

Obligors seeking forbearance in the form of a deferral of repayments or interest as a result of the impact of COVID-19 have been treated in line with local regulatory guidelines in each jurisdiction. The staging and ECL estimation for such customers and any associated reporting are also done in line with regulatory guidance.

c) Application of overlays to specific industry and customer portfolios

Considering the current scenario, the Group has applied overlays on the ECL estimates based on internal stress testing analysis (alongside significant judgements). While estimating the overlays, considerations were given to potential severity and duration of the economic shock, including the mitigating effects of government support actions, as well the potential trajectory of the subsequent recovery. The Group also considered the likely differential impacts on portfolio and sector classes, including pronouncements from different regulatory bodies regarding IFRS 9 application in the context of COVID-19. The Group will continue to reassess these overlays and scenario weightages on an ongoing basis.

Consistent with requirements of IFRS 9, the Group has considered both quantitative and qualitative information in the assessment of a significant increase in risk.

As with any economic forecasts, the projections and likelihood of the occurrence are subject to a high degree of inherent uncertainty and therefore the actual outcomes may be significantly different to those projected.

d) Modification of financial assets

The CBB issued several circulars with respect to COVID-19 outbreak to banks in the Kingdom of Bahrain with respect to deferral of repayments of principal and interest due for affected sectors, pursuant to which the Group has assessed the deferral requests received on a case to case basis in compliance with CBB circulars. As the Group has not granted any interest waiver requests, no modification loss has been recognised during the period ended 30 June 2021 and 30 June 2020.

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13 IMPACT OF COVID-19 (continued)

e) Subsequent events impact on ECL

The implications of the COVID-19 pandemic are ongoing and the outcome of this event cannot still be estimated with reasonable certainty. Hence, "non-adjusting events" in line with IAS 10 "Subsequent events" cannot be reasonably quantified at the date of issuance of these interim condensed consolidated financial statements.

14 SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

On 15 January 2021, the Bank has entered into a sale and purchase agreement with BLOM Bank SAL, Lebanon, to acquire its 99.4% stake of BLOM Bank Egypt at a proposed cash consideration valuing the Blom Bank Egypt's 100% ownership at EGP 6,700 million. As part of the agreement, there are various conditions for the completion of acquisition, obtaining control and appointment of the Bank's representatives on the Board of Directors of Blom Bank Egypt. These conditions include, among others, various regulatory approvals in the Kingdom of Bahrain, Egypt and Lebanon and completion of capital increase of Blom Bank Egypt so that at completion the paid-up share capital is EGP 3 billion. As of 30 June 2021, the Group has not complied with all of the conditions precedent.