INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

30 JUNE 2020 (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 2020, comprising of the interim consolidated statement of financial position as at 30 June 2020 and the related interim consolidated statements of profit or loss, comprehensive income, cash flows and changes in equity for the six-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), 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.

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14 August 2020 Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain

INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

30 June 2020 (Reviewed)

All figures in US\$ Million

	Notes	Reviewed 30 June 2020	Audited 31 December 2019
ASSETS			
Liquid funds		1,960	1,874
Trading securities		582	507
Placements with banks and other financial institutions		2,259	2,051
Securities bought under repurchase agreements		1,467	1,398
Non-trading investments	4	5,873	5,836
Loans and advances	5	14,583	16,452
Other assets		2,712	1,767
Premises and equipment		187	183
TOTAL ASSETS		29,623	30,068
LIABILITIES			
Deposits from customers		15,989	16,666
Deposits from banks		3,876	3,897
Certificates of deposit		283	399
Securities sold under repurchase agreements		1,276	1,008
Taxation		168	63
Other liabilities		2,154	1,466
Borrowings		1,885	2,080
Total liabilities		25,631	25,579
EQUITY			
Share capital		3,110	3,110
Treasury shares		(6)	(6)
Statutory reserve		520	520
Retained earnings		986	1,051
Other reserves		(973)	(644)
EQUITY ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF			4.024
THE PARENT		3,637	4,031
Non-controlling interests		355	458
Total equity		3,992	4,489
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		29,623	30,068

These interim condensed consolidated financial statements were authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 14 August 2020 and signed on their behalf by the Chairman, Deputy Chairman and the Group Chief Executive Officer.

Saddek El Kaber Chairman

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Khaled Kawan Group Chief Executive Officer

Mohammad Abdulredha Saleem Deputy Chairman

INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS

Six-month period ended 30 June 2020 (Reviewed)

All figures in US\$ Million

		Reviewed	d
		Six months e	nded
		30 June	
	Notes	2020	2019
OPERATING INCOME			
Interest and similar income		683	745
Interest and similar expense		(431)	(466)
Net interest income		252	279
Other operating (expense) income	6	(12)	158
Total operating income		240	437
Credit loss expense	7	(174)	(21)
NET OPERATING INCOME AFTER CREDIT LOSS EXPENSE		66	416
OPERATING EXPENSES			
Staff		152	170
Premises and equipment		21	20
Other		74	67
Total operating expenses		247	257
(LOSS) PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION		(181)	159
Taxation reversal (charge) on foreign operations		124	(24)
(LOSS) PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD		(57)	135
Profit attributable to non-controlling interests		(10)	(23)
(LOSS) PROFIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE			110
SHAREHOLDERS OF THE PARENT		(67)	112
BASIC AND DILUTED (LOSS) EARNINGS PER SHARE			
(EXPRESSED IN US\$)		(0.02)	0.04
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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 2020 (Reviewed)

All figures in US\$ Million

	Reviewe	ed
	Six months	ended
	30 June	
	2020	2019
(LOSS) PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD	(57)	135
Other comprehensive (loss) income:		
Other comprehensive (loss) income that will be reclassified		
(or recycled) to profit or loss in subsequent periods:		
Foreign currency translation:		
Unrealised (loss) gain on exchange translation in		
foreign subsidiaries	(275)	22
Debt instruments at FVOCI:		
Net change in fair value during the period	(155)	29
	(430)	51
Other comprehensive income that will not be reclassified		
(or recycled) to profit or loss in subsequent periods:		
Net change in pension fund reserve	-	-
Net change in fair value of equity securities		
during the period	-	-
	-	-
Other comprehensive (loss) income for the period	(430)	51
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE (LOSS) INCOME FOR THE PERIOD	(487)	186
Attributable to:		
Shareholders of the parent	(396)	159
Non-controlling interests	(91)	27
	(487)	186

INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Six-month period ended 30 June 2020 (Reviewed)

Six-month period ended 50 June 2020 (Reviewed)	All figures in US\$ milli			
	Reviewed Six months ended			
	30 June			
	2020	2019		
OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
(Loss) profit for the period	(57)	135		
Adjustments for:				
Credit loss expense	174	21		
Depreciation and amortisation	22	18		
Gain on disposal of non-trading debt investments - net	(26)	(6)		
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:				
Treasury bills and other eligible bills	(21)	(22)		
Trading securities	(215)	29		
Placements with banks and other financial institutions	(307)	609		
Securities bought under repurchase agreements	(397)	(113)		
Loans and advances	155	(115)		
Other assets	(1,290)	(280)		
Deposits from customers	728	(140)		
Deposits from banks	492	(534)		
Securities sold under repurchase agreements	277	(209)		
Other liabilities	1,070	351		
Other non-cash movements	(153)	(70)		
Net cash from (used in) operating activities	452	(326)		
INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Purchase of non-trading investments	(3,743)	(1,491)		
Sale and redemption of non-trading investments	3,690	1,209		
Purchase of premises and equipment	(20)	(18)		
Sale of premises and equipment	2	2		
Investment in subsidiaries - net	16	4		
Net cash used in investing activities	(55)	(294)		
FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
(Repayment) issue of certificates of deposit - net	(112)	366		
Issue of borrowings	9	162		
Repayment of borrowings	(177)	(89)		
Repurchase of borrowings	-	(3)		
Dividend paid to the Group's shareholders	-	(93)		
Dividend paid to non-controlling interests	(5)	(14)		
Purchase of treasury shares - net	-	(1)		
Net cash (used in) from financing activities	(285)	328		
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	112	(292)		
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(47)	5		
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period	1,657	1,341		
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF THE PERIOD*	1,722	1,054		
*Cash and each equivalents comprises of liquid funds evaluating transury s	and other aligible bills	th original		

*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\$ 238 million (30 June 2019: US\$ 288 million).

INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

Six-month period ended 30 June 2020 (Reviewed)

All figures in US\$ Million

	_		Equity attrib	utable to the s	shareholder	s of the parent				Non- controlling interests	Total equity
						Other r	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 for the period	-	-	-	(67)	-	- (174)	- (155)	-	(67) (329)	10 (101)	(57) (430)
-				-	-	(174)	(155)		(329)	(101)	(430)
Total comprehensive loss for the period Other equity movements	-	-	-	(67)	-	(174)	(155)	-	(396)	(91)	(487)
in subsidiaries	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	2	(12)	(10)
At 30 June 2020 (reviewed)	3,110	(6)	520	986	100	(928)	(113)	(32)	3,637	355	3,992

* Retained earnings include non-distributable reserves arising from consolidation of subsidiaries amounting to US\$ 482 million (31 December 2019: US\$ 479 million).

INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

Six-month period ended 30 June 2020 (Reviewed)

All figures in US\$ Million

Non-

			Equity attribu	<i>stable to the s</i>	shareholder	s of the parent				controlling interests	Total equity
						Other r	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 2018	3,110	(4)	501	966	100	(744)	(37)	(30)	3,862	454	4,316
Profit for the period Other comprehensive income for the period	-	-	-	112	-	- 18	- 29	-	112 47	23 4	135 51
Total comprehensive income for the period Dividend Purchase of treasury shares - net Other equity movements in subsidiaries	-	- (1) -	- - -	112 (93) - 1		18 - -	29 - -	- - -	159 (93) (1) 1	27 - - (10)	186 (93) (1) (9)
At 30 June 2019 (reviewed)	3,110	(5)	501	986	100	(726)	(8)	(30)	3,928	471	4,399

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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 "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

These interim condensed consolidated financial statements for the six-month period ended 30 June 2020 have been prepared in accordance with applicable rules and regulations issued by the CBB including the recently issued CBB circulars on regulatory concessionary measures in response to novel coronavirus ("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 gain or loss on financial assets are recognised in accordance with the requirements of IFRS 9. Refer to note 2.3 for further details; 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 2.1(a) above, and the balance amount to be recognized 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' (IAS 20). Refer to note 2.3 for further details.

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

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

The accounting policies, estimates and assumptions used in the preparation of annual consolidated financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2019 were in accordance with IFRS as issued by IASB. However, except for the modifications to accounting policies as mentioned above and in note 3 that have been applied retrospectively, all other accounting policies remain the same and have been consistently applied in these interim condensed consolidated financial statements. The retrospective application of the change in accounting policies did not result in any change to the consolidated financial statements reported for the comparative period.

These interim condensed consolidated financial statements do not contain all information and disclosures required for 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 2019. Further, results for the six-month period ended 30 June 2020 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the financial year ending 31 December 2020. Refer to note 13 for further details as well.

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

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 Directives issued by the CBB and Government assistance

During the period ended 30 June 2020, based on a regulatory directive issued by the CBB (refer note 2.1 above) as concessionary measures to mitigate the impact of COVID-19 and customer requests received, the Group provided payment holidays to certain customers as part of its support to impacted customers. Such support provided to customers with outstanding exposure amounting to US\$ 984 million as of 30 June 2020 did not result in any modification loss or any increase in credit risk for the purpose of calculation of ECL.

Further, an amount of US\$ 4 million (representing amount of financial assistance received) has been recognised in profit or loss during the current period as the Group had no modification losses to be recorded in equity (in line with note 2.1). The amount was recorded as a deduction from related expenses in the interim consolidated statement of profit or loss.

2.4 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 2019, except for the two modifications set out earlier and adoption of new standards effective as of 1 January 2020.

For the accounting policies with respect to prior year comparative figures, refer to the annual consolidated financial statements for year ended 31 December 2019.

The following new and amended accounting standards became effective in 2020 and have been adopted by the Group in preparation of these interim condensed consolidated financial statements as applicable.

2.4.1 Amendments to IFRS 3: Definition of a Business

The amendment to IFRS 3 clarifies that to be considered a business, an integrated set of activities and assets must include, at a minimum, an input and a substantive process that together significantly contribute to the ability to create output. Furthermore, it clarified that a business can exist without including all of the inputs and processes needed to create outputs. These amendments had no impact on the interim condensed consolidated financial statements of the Group, but may impact future periods should the Group enter into any business combinations.

2.4.2 Amendments to IFRS 7, IFRS 9 and IAS 39: Interest Rate Benchmark Reform

The amendments to IFRS 9 and IAS 39 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement provide a number of reliefs, which apply to all hedging relationships that are directly affected by interest rate benchmark reform. A hedging relationship is affected if the reform gives rise to uncertainties about the timing and or amount of benchmark-based cash flows of the hedged item or the hedging instrument. These amendments had no impact on the interim condensed consolidated financial statements of the Group.

2.4.3 Amendments to IAS 1 and IAS 8: Definition of Material

The amendments provide a new definition of material that states "information is material if omitting, misstating or obscuring it could reasonably be expected to influence decisions that the primary users of general purpose financial statements make on the basis of those financial statements, which provide financial information about a specific reporting entity."

The amendments clarify that materiality will depend on the nature or magnitude of information, either individually or in combination with other information, in the context of the financial statements. A misstatement of information is material if it could reasonably be expected to influence decisions made by the primary users. These amendments had no impact on the interim condensed consolidated financial statements of, nor is there expected to be any future impact to the Group.

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

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

There were no new standards, interpretations and amendments that are issued as of 1 January 2020 which are applicable and not yet effective up to the date of issuance of the Group's interim condensed consolidated financial statements.

3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

In addition to the change in accounting policy as disclosed in note 2.1, the Group has applied below accounting policy retrospectively during the period ended 30 June 2020. The application of below accounting policy did not result in any change to the comparative financial information.

Government grants

Government grants are recognised where there is reasonable assurance that the grant will be received and all attached conditions will be complied with. When the grant relates to an expense item, it is recognised as income on a systematic basis over the periods that the related costs, for which it is intended to compensate, are expensed. When the grant relates to an asset, it is recognised as income in equal amounts over the expected useful life of the related asset.

When the Group receives grants of non-monetary assets, the asset and the grant are recorded at nominal amounts and released to profit or loss over the expected useful life of the asset, based on the pattern of consumption of the benefits of the underlying asset by equal annual instalments.

4 NON-TRADING INVESTMENTS

	30 June 2020	31 December 2019
Debt securities	2020	2019
At amortised cost	885	912
At FVOCI	5,082	5,005
	5,967	5,917
ECL allowances	(103)	(91)
Debt securities - net	5,864	5,826
Equity securities		
At FVOCI	9	10
Equity securities	9	10
	5,873	5,836

Following are the stage wise break-up of debt securities as of 30 June 2020 and 31 December 2019:

		30 June 2020			
	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total	
Debt securities, gross	5,845	33	89	5,967	
ECL allowances	(19)	(4)	(80)	(103)	
	5,826	29	9	5,864	

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4 NON-TRADING INVESTMENTS (continued)

		<i>31 December 2019</i>			
	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total	
Debt securities, gross	5,788	55	74	5,917	
ECL allowances	(13)	(4)	(74)	(91)	
	5,775	51	-	5,826	

5 LOANS AND ADVANCES

	30 June 2020					
	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total		
Loans and advances, gross ECL allowances	13,429 (75)	1,155 (95)	725 (556)	15,309 (726)		
	13,354	1,060	169	14,583		
		31 Decem	ber 2019			
	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total		
Loans and advances, gross	15,575	859	635	17,069		
ECL allowances	(58)	(67)	(492)	(617)		
	15,517	792	143	16,452		

An analysis of movement in the ECL allowances during the periods ended 30 June 2020 and 30 June 2019 are as follows:

	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
	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
As at 1 January 2019	47	88	429	564
Net transfers between stages	-	(16)	16	-
Amounts written-off	-	-	(20)	(20)
Charge (reversal) for the period - net	4	(2)	22	23
Exchange adjustments and other movements	-	-	22	22
As at 30 June 2019	51	70	469	589

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6 OTHER OPERATING (EXPENSE) INCOME

	30 June 2020	30 June 2019
Fee and commission income - net*	73	101
Bureau processing income	14	17
(Loss) income from trading book - net	(45)	3
Gain on dealing in foreign currencies - net	42	15
(Loss) gain on hedging foreign currency movements**	(129)	3
Gain on disposal of non-trading debt investments - net	26	6
Others - net	7	13
	(12)	158

*Included in the fee and commission income is US\$ 7 million (30 June 2019: US\$ 6 million) of fee income relating to funds under management.

**(Loss) gain on hedging foreign currency movements relate to a transaction which has an offsetting impact on the tax expense for the period.

7 CREDIT LOSS EXPENSE

	30 June	30 June
	2020	2019
Non-trading debt investments	12	(1)
Loans and advances	152	23
Credit commitments and contingent items	10	(1)
	174	21

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
- Other includes activities of Arab Financial Services B.S.C. (c).

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8 **OPERATING SEGMENTS (continued)**

		International				
Six-month period ended	MENA	wholesale	Group	ABC		
30 June 2020	subsidiaries	banking	treasury	Brasil	Other	Total
Net interest income	60	75	28	75	14	252
Other operating (expense) income	16	32	24	(96)	12	(12)
Total operating income (loss)	76	107	52	(21)	26	240
Profit (loss) before credit losses, taxation and unallocated						
operating expenses	26 (15)	54 (120)	39	(71)	3	51
Credit loss expense	(15)	(129)	-	(29)	(1)	(174)
Profit (loss) before taxation and unallocated operating	11	(75)	20	(100)	2	(122)
expenses Taxation (charge) reversal on	11	(75)	39	(100)	2	(123)
operations	(8)	(1)	-	133	-	124
Unallocated operating expenses	(-)					(58)
Loss for the period						(57)
Operating assets						
as at 30 June 2020	3,502	9,438	9,092	7,532	59	29,623
Operating liabilities as at 30 June 2020	2,942		16,003	6,583	103	25,631
		International				
Six-month period ended	MENA	wholesale	Group	ABC		
30 June 2019	subsidiaries	banking	treasury	Brasil	Other	Total
Net interest income	58	85	17	85	34	279
Other operating income	21	41	17	68	11	158
Total operating income	79	126	34	153	45	437
Profit before credit losses,						
taxation and unallocated	20	71	22	00	24	227
operating expenses Credit loss expense	30 (7)	71	22	88 (14)	26	237 (21)
Profit before taxation and				()		()
unallocated operating						
expenses	23	71	22	74	26	216
Taxation charge on foreign						
operations	(7)	(3)	-	(14)	-	(24)
Unallocated operating expenses						(57)
Profit for the period						135
Operating assets						
as at 31 December 2019	3,558	10,132	8,198	8,113	67	30,068
Operating liabilities as at 31 December 2019	3,041		15,572	6,923	43	25,579

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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.

Quantitative disclosure of fair value measurement hierarchy for assets as at 30 June 2020:

Financial assets measured at fair value:

	Level 1	Level 2	Total
Trading securities	582	-	582
Non-trading investments	4,722	271	4,993
Loans and advances	9	341	350
Derivatives held for trading	669	629	1,298
Derivatives held as hedges	-	1	1

Quantitative disclosure of fair value measurement hierarchy for liabilities as at 30 June 2020:

Financial liabilities measured at fair value:

	Level 1	Level 2	Total
Derivatives held for trading	597	607	1,204
Derivatives held as hedges	-	3	3

Quantitative disclosure of fair value measurement hierarchy for assets as at 31 December 2019:

Financial assets measured at fair value:

	Level 1	Level 2	Total
Trading securities	507	_	507
Non-trading investments	4,762	165	4,927
Loans and advances	11	192	203
Derivatives held for trading	213	302	515
Derivatives held as hedges	-	3	3

Quantitative disclosure of fair value measurement hierarchy for liabilities as at 31 December 2019:

Financial liabilities measured at fair value:

	Level 1	Level 2	Total
Derivatives held for trading	150	313	463
Derivatives held as hedges	-	57	57

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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.

	30 June 2019		31 December 2019	
	Carrying value	Fair value	Carrying value	Fair value
Financial assets				
Non-trading debt investments				
at amortised cost - gross	885	887	912	913
Financial liabilities				
Borrowings	1,885	1,885	2,080	2,079

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 period and prior year.

10 CREDIT COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT ITEMS

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

	30 June 2020			
	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
Credit commitments and contingencies	2,726	250	28	3,004
ECL allowances	(14)	(12)	(15)	(41)
	31 December 2019			
	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
Credit commitments and contingencies	3,789	289	25	4,103
ECL allowances	(14)	(13)	(11)	(38)

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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:

	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
As at 1 January 2020 ECL movements for the period - net	14	13 (1)	11 4	38 3
As at 30 June 2020	14	12	15	41
	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
As at 31 December 2018 ECL movements for the period - net	14	22 (12)	16 (2)	52 (14)
As at 30 June 2019	14	10	14	38

b) Credit commitments and contingencies

	30 June	31 December
	2020	2019
Short-term self-liquidating trade and transaction-related contingent items	2,179	2,449
Direct credit substitutes, guarantees	2,776	3,349
Undrawn loans and other commitments	1,664	2,416
	6,619	8,214
Credit exposure after applying credit conversion factor	3,004	4,103
Risk weighted equivalents	2,540	3,059

c) Derivatives

The outstanding notional amounts at the reporting date were as follows:

	30 June 2020	31 December 2019
Interest rate swaps	12,683	14,163
Currency swaps	418	663
Forward foreign exchange contracts	5,782	5,447
Options	12,933	8,373
Futures	4,061	4,234
	35,877	32,880
Risk weighted equivalents (credit and market risk)	2,179	2,226

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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% 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 2020, the Group's LCR and NSFR were at 215% (31 December 2019: 303%) and 121% (31 December 2019: 115%) 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 2020
Deposits from customers	3,143	700	8	3,851
Borrowings	1,505	-	-	1,505
Short-term self-liquidating trade and				
transaction-related contingent items	172	-	-	172
		Major		
	Ultimate	share-		31 December
	parent	holder	Directors	2019
Deposits from customers	3,161	700	8	3,869
Borrowings	1,505	-	-	1,505
Short-term self-liquidating trade and				
transaction-related contingent items	348	-	-	348

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

	30 June 2020	30 June 2019
Commission income	3	4
Interest expense	53	82

13 IMPACT OF COVID-19

On 11 March 2020, the spread of the COVID-19 virus around the world was declared a pandemic by the World Health Organisation. Many countries' governments, including the Kingdom of Bahrain and other countries where the Group operates, have implemented restrictions aimed at limiting the rate of its spread which have had immediate impacts 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 is closely monitoring the situation and 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 provided 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, ECL methodology, use of forward looking information and judgements for the period ended 30 June 2020, and these are described below.

a) Support for customers and associated ECL treatment

For wholesale obligors, a framework has been introduced to categorise in a consistent manner, obligors which have sought forbearance in the form of a deferral of repayments or interest as a result of the impact of COVID-19.

The Bank has assessed each forbearance request to determine whether it complies with the regulatory requirements to avoid being classified as subject to a Significant Increase in Credit Risk (SICR) as defined under IFRS 9 and the associated increase in the Expected Credit Loss (ECL) charge. For those obligors that do not meet the regulatory requirements the Bank continues to assess such obligors as experiencing an SICR and applies the associated increase in ECL and staging adjustment.

Retail obligors are treated in the same way, where an obligor can be classified as being compliant with regulatory guidelines when seeking forbearance it is not subject to a SICR classification and an increase in ECL or staging change. If the obligor is not compliant with the guidelines on requesting forbearance it is considered subject to an SICR with an associated change in ECL and staging.

b) 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.

Amid COVID-19 global economy, both in terms of individuals and businesses, have been adversely affected by the unprecedented economic and social disruption. The impact of COVID-19 has led to significant government interventions in the form of relief and stimulus packages.

Additionally, the Group has also reviewed the potential impact of COVID-19 considering the exceptional circumstances on inputs and assumptions for IFRS 9 ECL measurement. Accordingly, levels of uncertainty and volatility significantly increased during Q2 2020. There is currently limited observable data available to inform a supportable, fully-modelled view on how the economic impacts of COVID-19 will affect its customers. Therefore, the Group has not updated its macro-economic factors while modeling the ECL numbers for 30 June 2020, instead the Group has used macro-economic factors as of 31 December 2019. Further, the Group has applied management judgement to current modelled outcomes, hence, re-assessed the scenario weightings to reflect the impact of current uncertainty in measuring the ECL for the period ended 30 June 2020. In making estimates, the Group assessed a range of possible outcomes by stressing the macroeconomic factors of (that includes upward, base and downward case scenarios) and changed the weightings of base, upward and downward cases to 50%, 0% and 50% respectively (31 December 2019: 40%, 30% and 30% respectively for base, upward and downward cases).

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13 IMPACT OF COVID-19 (continued)

c) Application of overlays to specific industry and customer portfolios

After reviewing relevant sources of external data available, it was concluded by the management that leveraging established internal stress testing analysis was the most reliable and supportable source of information on which to base the ECL overlays (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. These overlays and scenario weightages will be further reviewed, as more information becomes available to support an update to the base case, incorporating alternative economic scenarios.

As a result of the COVID-19 event, the Group reviewed its entire portfolio of obligors and associated exposures. As part of the process, it divided the portfolio sectors into four categories; highly impacted sectors, those subject to secondary impact, those subject to minor or lesser impact and finally those sectors that could benefit from the event. The obligors in the high and secondary risk sectors were reviewed on an individual basis to assess whether or not there was an increased probability of a SICR. For those obligors where an SICR was considered as being probable in the short-term, the Group sought to reflect the change in risk through imposing overlays including lowering the respective credit rating which could result in a reclassification in staging.

In the retail sector, the Group imposed an overlay of 5% on the LGD on mortgage loans to reflect an across the board potential reduction in the value of residential property.

As with any economic forecasts, the projections and likelihoods 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 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 2020.

e) Subsequent events

The implications of the COVID-19 pandemic are ongoing and the outcome of this event is unknown and therefore the impact on the Group for conditions that arose after the period end i.e., "non-adjusting events" in line with IAS 10 "Subsequent events" cannot be reasonable quantified at the date of issuance of these interim condensed consolidated financial statements. The effect of COVID-19 on the Group as and when known will be incorporated into the determination of the Group's estimates relating to SICR, inputs, macro-economic variables and weightages applied to scenarios in the ECL model and fair valuation of financial assets in the interim condensed consolidated financial statements for the periods ending 30 September 2020 as well as the annual consolidated financial statements for the year ending 31 December 2020.