

Income Statement

	Gr	oup	E	Bank
	01.01.08 to	01.01.07 to	01.01.08 to	01.01.07 to
	30.06.08	30.06.07	30.06.08	30.06.07
	€ 000	€ 000	€ 000	€ 000
Interest receivable and similar income				
 on loans and advances, balances with Central Bank of Malta and treasury bills 	11,794	10,531	11,735	10,533
- on debt and other fixed income instruments	2,140	2,243	2,091	2,243
Interest expense	(7,179)	(6,620)	(7,234)	(6,622)
Net interest income	6,755	6,154	6,592	6,154
Fee and commission receivable	800	608	789	599
Fee and commission payable	(43)	(14)	(42)	(14)
Net fee and commission income	757	594	747	585
Postal sales and service revenues	10,413	-	-	-
Dividend income	44 143	42 345	44 179	42 345
Net trading income	143	345	179	345
Net gains on disposal of non-trading financial instruments	69	18	_	18
Other operating income	709	24	- 184	24
Total operating income	18,890	7,177	7,746	7,168
Employee compensation and benefits	(7,186)	(1,815)	(2,000)	(1,815)
Other operating costs	(4,020)	(990)	(1,030)	(963)
Depreciation and amortisation	(606)	(135)	(145)	(135)
Provision for liabilities and other charges	131	(9)	(9)	(9)
Net impairment reversals	551	410	551	410
Operating profit	7,760	4,638	5,113	4,656
Share of profit of equity accounted investee (net of tax)	-	228		-
Profit before taxation	7,760	4,866	5,113	4,656
Taxation	(2,722)	(1,661)	(1,808)	(1,661)
Profit for the period	5,038	3,205	3,305	2,995



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	30.06.08	30.06.07	30.06.08	30.06.07
	€ 000	€ 000	€ 000	€ 000
Attributable to:				
Equity holders of the Bank	4,351	3,210	3,305	2,995
Minority interest	687	(5)	-	-
	5,038	3,205	3,305	2,995
Earnings per share	12.6c	9.4c	9.5c	8.8c



Balance Sheet

At 30 June 2008

	Gro	oup	Ba	nk
	30.06.08 € 000	31.12.07 € 000	30.06.08 € 000	31.12.07 € 000
Assets				
Balances with Central Bank of Malta, treasury bills and cash	42,156	75,183	42,004	75,183
Cheques in course of collection	1,550	2,230	1,550	2,230
Investments	55,289	54,893	51,605	51,081
Loans and advances to banks	83,845	88,974	80,528	82,932
Loans and advances to customers	284,534	260,285	284,534	260,285
Investment in subsidiaries	-	-	5,883	5,883
Intangible assets	1,249	1,287	-	-
Property and equipment	10,638	10,463	8,035	7,730
Investment property	745	745	745	745
Deferred tax assets	2,109	2,055	1,912	1,856
Inventories	948	804	391	235
Trade receivables and other assets	3,972	3,937	131	7
Prepayments and accrued income	5,931	3,606	3,409	3,244
Total assets	492,966	504,462	480,727	491,411
Liabilities				
Amounts owed to banks	1,222	735	1,222	735
Amounts owed to customers	404,222	418,205	408,012	419,676
Current tax payable	3,648	1,641	2,306	1,194
Provisions for liabilities and other charges	2,104	2,262	509	527
Other liabilities	14,654	20,431	9,868	13,746
Accruals and deferred income	9,088	6,686	5,531	4,786
Total liabilities	434,938	449,960	427,448	440,664



Balance Sheet At 30 June 2008

	Gro	oup	Ba	nk
	30.06.08 € 000	31.12.07 € 000	30.06.08 € 000	31.12.07 € 000
Equity				
Called up share capital	8,762	5,025	8,762	5,025
Share premium	15,137	13,590	15,137	13,590
Property revaluation reserve	2,288	2,288	2,288	2,288
Investment revaluation reserve	356	587	308	518
Retained earnings	27,955	29,551	26,784	29,326
Equity attributable to equity holders of the Bank Minority interest	54,498 3,530	51,041 3,461	53,279 -	50,747
Total equity	58,028	54,502	53,279	50,747
Total liabilities and equity	492,966	504,462	480,727	491,411
Memorandum items				
Contingent liabilities	7,713	6,507	7,713	6,507
Commitments	70,765	60,593	70,765	60,593



Statement of Changes in Equity For the Period 1 January 2008 to 30 June 2008

	Group Attributable to equity holders of the Bank									
At 1 January 2007	Called Up Issued Share Capital € 000 4,969	Share Premium € 000 12,495	Property Revaluation Reserve € 000 2,288	Investment Revaluation Reserve € 000 620	Retained Earnings € 000 24,093	Total € 000 44,465	Minority Interest € 000 68	Total Equity € 000 44,533		
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Net losses on available-for-sale assets	-	-	-	(54)	-	(54)	-	(54)		
Release of net gains on disposal of available-for-sale assets	-	-	-	(5)	-	(5)	-	(5)		
Deferred tax on revalued investment	-	-	-	19	-	19	-	19		
Profit for the period	-	-	-	-	3,210	3,210	(5)	3,205		
Dividends payable	-	-	-	-	(1,614)	(1,614)	-	(1,614)		
Rights issue of ordinary shares	56	1,095	-	-	-	1,151	-	1,151		
At 30 June 2007	5,025	13,590	2,288	580	25,689	47,172	63	47,235		



Statement of Changes in Equity For the Period 1 January 2008 to 30 June 2008

			Attrib	Group utable to equity	y holders of th	e Bank		
	Called Up Issued Share Capital € 000	Share Premium € 000	Property Revaluation Reserve € 000	Investment Revaluation Reserve € 000	Retained Earnings € 000	Total € 000	Minority Interest € 000	Total Equity € 000
At 1 January 2008	5,025	13,590	2,288	587	29,551	51,041	3,461	4,502
Net losses on available-for-sale assets	-	-	-	(293)	-	(293)	21	(272)
Release of net gains on disposal of available-for-sale assets	-	-	-	(51)	-	(51)	(18)	(69)
Deferred tax on revalued investment	-	-	-	113	-	113	-	113
Profit for the period	-	-	-	-	4,351	4,351	687	5,038
Dividends payable	-	-	-	-	(2,243)	(2,243)	(559)	(2,802)
Increase in nominal value of paid-up share capital	3,604	-	-	-	(3,604)	-	-	-
Rights issue of ordinary shares	133	1,547	-	-	-	1,680	-	1,680
Change in minority interest from changes in shareholding in subsidiary	-	-	-	-	(100)	(100)	(62)	(162)
At 30 June 2008	8,762	15,137	2,288	356	27,955	54,498	3,530	58,028



Statement of Changes in Equity For the Period 1 January 2008 to 30 June 2008

	Bank								
	Called Up Issued Share Capital € 000	Share Premium € 000	Property Revaluation Reserve € 000	Investment Revaluation Reserve € 000	Retained Earnings € 000	Total Equity € 000			
At 1 January 2007	4,969	12,495	2,288	547	24,249	44,548			
Net losses on available-for-sale assets Release of net gains on disposal of available-for-sale assets	-	-	-	(54)	-	(54)			
Deferred tax on revalued investment	-	-	-	(5) 19	-	(5) 19			
Profit for the period	-	-	-	- 19	2,995	2,995			
Dividends payable	-	-	-	-	(1,614)	(1,614)			
Rights issue of ordinary shares	56	1,095	-	-	-	1,151			
At 30 June 2007	5,025	13,590	2,288	507	25,630	47,040			



Statement of Changes in Equity

	Bank								
-	Called Up Issued Share Capital € 000	Share Premium € 000	Property Revaluation Reserve € 000	Investment Revaluation Reserve € 000	Retained Earnings € 000	Total Equity € 000			
At 1 January 2008	5,025	13,590	2,288	518	29,326	50,747			
Net losses on available-for-sale assets	-	-	-	(323)	-	(323)			
Release of net gains on disposal of available-for-sale assets	-	-	-	-	-	-			
Deferred tax on revalued investment	-	-	-	113	-	113			
Profit for the period	-	-	-	-	3,305	3,305			
Dividends payable	-	-	-	-	(2,243)	(2,243)			
Increase in nominal value of paid-up share capital	3,604	-	-	-	(3,604)	-			
Rights issue of ordinary shares	133	1,547	-	-	-	1,680			
At 30 June 2008	8,762	15,137	2,288	308	26,784	53,279			



Cash Flow Statement

	Gro	up	Ва	nk
	01.01.08 to	01.01.07 to	01.01.08 to	01.01.07 to
	30.06.08	30.06.07	30.06.08	30.06.07
	€ 000	€ 000	€ 000	€ 000
Cash flows from operating activities				
Interest and commission receipts	12,257	11,729	12,306	11,726
Cash receipts from customers	41,728	263	1,053	263
Interest and commission payments	(6,381)	(5,770)	(6,434)	(5,770)
Payments to employees and suppliers	(43,499)	(2,858)	(3,238)	(2,833)
Operating profit before changes in operating assets and liabilities	4,105	3,364	3,687	3,386
(Increase)/decrease in operating assets:				
Treasury bills	(10,424)	(2,280)	(10,424)	(2,280)
Deposits with Central Bank of Malta	12,713	3,235	12,713	3,235
Loans and advances to banks and customers	(21,423)	(24,538)	(21,959)	(24,538)
Other receivables	401	(391)	401	(391)
Increase/(decrease) in operating liabilities:				
Amounts owed to customers Other payables	(13,984) (3,878)	(10,335) 3,741	(11,664) (3,878)	(10,359) 3,741
Net cash used in operations Tax paid	(32,490) (706)	(27,204) (608)	(31,124) (639)	(27,206) (608)
Net cash used in operating activities	(33,196)	(27,812)	(31,763)	(27,814)



Cash Flow Statement

	Group		Bank		
	01.01.08 to 30.06.08	01.01.07 to 30.06.07	01.01.08 to 30.06.08	01.01.07 to 30.06.07	
	€ 000	€ 000	€ 000	€ 000	
Cash flows from investing activities					
Dividends received	44	42	44	42	
Interest received from investments	2,186	2,115	2,016	2,115	
Proceeds on maturity/disposal of investments	351	1,721	116	1,721	
Purchase of investments	(1,053)	(512)	(1,050)	(512)	
Purchase of property and equipment	(732)	(294)	(450)	(294)	
Acquisition of minority interest	(163)	-	-	-	
Net cash flows from investing activities	633	3,072	676	3,072	
Cash flows from financing activities					
Dividend and capital return by subsidiaries to minority holders	(559)	-	-	-	
Dividends paid	(564)	(464)	(564)	(464)	
Cash used in financing activities	(1,123)	(464)	(564)	(464)	
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(33,686)	(25,204)	(31,651)	(25,206)	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	136,058	173,846	130,554	173,846	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	102,372	148,642	98,903	148,640	



Segment Information

	Banking S	ervices	Postal Services		Total	
	01.01.08	01.01.07	01.01.08	01.01.07	01.01.08	01.01.07
	to	to	to	to	to	to
	30.06.08	30.06.07	30.06.08	30.06.07	30.06.08	30.06.07
	€ 000	€ 000	€ 000	€ 000	€ 000	€ 000
Segment operating income Depreciation and amortisation	7,826 (146)	7,177 (135)	11,064 (460)	-	18,890 (606)	7,177 (135)
Impairment allowances	551	410	-	-	551	410
Other segment costs	(3,043)	(2,814)	(8,032)	-	(11,075)	(2,814)
Segment result	5,188	4,638	2,572	-	7,760	4,638
Share of profit of regulatory accounted investment					-	228
Profit before taxation	5,188	4,638	2,572	_	7,760	4,866



Segment Information For the Period 1 January 2008 to 30 June 2008

	Banking S	Banking Services		rvices	Total	
	30.06.08 € 000	31.12.07 € 000	30.06.08 € 000	31.12.07 € 000	30.06.08 € 000	31.12.07 € 000
Segment total assets	474,860	484,314	18,106	20,149	492,966	504,463
Segment total liabilities	427,252	433,627	7,686	16,336	434,938	449,963
Segment total equity	53,199	50,687	4,829	3,813	58,028	54,500

The activities of the Group are generally performed in Malta and are subject to risks and returns mainly pertaining to the domestic economic and social environment.



Statement pursuant to Listing Rule 9.44k.3 issued by the Listing Authority

I confirm that to the best of my knowledge:

- the condensed Interim Financial Statements, prepared in accordance with IAS 34 give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 30 June 2008, financial performance and cash flows for the period then ended, and conform with the requirements of the accounting standards adopted for use in the EU for interim financial statements, including adopted IAS 34: *Interim Financial Reporting* for the Group; and,
- the commentary includes a fair review of the information required in terms of Listing Rule 9.44k.2.



Joseph Said *Chief Executive Officer*