Bank Alkhair B.S.C. (c)

INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 March 2017 (REVIEWED)



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REVIEW REPORT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF BANK ALKHAIR B.S.C. (c)

Introduction

We have reviewed the accompanying interim consolidated statement of financial position of Bank AlKhair B.S.C.(c) (the "Bank") and its subsidiaries ("the Group") as of 31 March 2017, and the related interim consolidated statements of income, cash flows and changes in owners' equity 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 the accounting policies disclosed in note 2. 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 the 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 the accounting policies disclosed in note 2.

Emphasis of matter

Without qualifying our conclusion, we draw attention to note 2 to the interim condensed consolidated financial statements which discusses certain matters relating to the Group's liquidity position and regulatory capital adequacy requirements, implications of these matters for the basis of preparation of the interim condensed consolidated financial statements and management's action plans to deal with these matters. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Other Matters

The consolidated financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2016 and the interim condensed consolidated financial statements for the three month period ended 31 March 2016 were audited by another auditor who expressed an unmodified audit opinion dated 26 March 2017 on those consolidated financial statements.

13 June 2017

Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain

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INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION As at 31 March 2017 (Reviewed)

		Reviewed 31 March	Audited 31 December
	••	2017	2016
ASSETS	Note	US\$ '000	US\$ '000
Cash and balances with banks		46 450	45 470
Placements with financial institutions		16,153	15,479
Financing receivables	4	11,034 11,684	8,402 16,075
Investment securities	5	64,934	61,603
Investment in associates	6	124,277	124,994
Investments in real estate	7	224,448	224,448
Other assets	8	33,475	29,226
Equipment		9,212	9,466
TOTAL ASSETS	•	495,217	489,693
LIABILITIES AND OWNERS' EQUITY			
Liabilities			
Due to financial institutions		86.437	87,566
Due to customers		153,615	151,034
Other liabilities	9	58,363	53,017
Total flabilities		298,415	291,617
Owners' equity			
Share capital		207,962	207,962
Statutory reserve		664	664
Fair value reserve		554	151
Foreign currency translation reserve		(6,243)	(6,469)
Accumulated losses		(101,619)	(98,478)
Equity attributable to the shareholders of the Bank		101,318	103,830
Non-controlling interests		95,484	94,246
Total owners' equity	-	196,802	198,076
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND OWNERS' EQUITY		495,217	489,693
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Yousef Abdullah Al-Shelash Chairman

Majid Al Qasem Vice Chairman

INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME

For the three months period ended 31 March 2017 (Reviewed)

		Three month	
	Note	2017 US\$ '000	2016 US\$ '000
Income from non-banking operations		7,460	8,017
Fees and commission		2,264	1,837
Income / (loss) from investment securities	10	1,073	(1,118)
Rental income		606	606
Finance income		336	884
Share of (loss) / income from associates, net		(1,381)	242
Foreign exchange loss		(9)	(124)
Total income	·	10,349	10,344
Expenses of non-banking operations		4,817	5.380
Staff cost		3,563	3,408
Finance cost		2,742	2,996
Depreciation		566	379
Legal and professional expenses		460	462
Premises cost		229	283
Business development expenses		54	115
Other operating expense	_	815	1,328
Total expenses	•	13,246	14,351
Loss for the period before impairment provision	•	(2,897)	(4,007)
Reversal of impairment		994	-
Loss for the period		(1,903)	(4,007)
Attributable to:	· ·		
Shareholders of the Bank		(3,141)	(4,999)
Non-controlling interests		1,238	992
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Yousef Abdullah Al-Shelash Chairman

Majid Al Qasem Vice Chairman

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INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN OWNERS' EQUITY
For the three months period ended 31 March 2017 (Reviewed)

		Equity at	Equity attributable to the shareholders of the Bank	shareholders	of the Bank			
	Share	Statutory	Investments fair value	Foreign currency translation	Accumulated		Non- controlling	Total
	capital US\$ '000	reserve US\$ '000	reserve US\$ '000	reserve US\$ '000	ooo, \$SA	Total US\$ '000	interests US\$ '000	000, \$SN
As at 1 January 2017	207,962	664	151	(6,469)	(98,478)	103,830	94,246	198,076
Loss for the period	ı	•	ı	1	(3,141)	(3,141)	1,238	(1,903)
Foreign currency translation differences	1	ı	ı	Ξ	•	£	ı	3
Share of changes in reserves of investment in associates	•	•	403	227		630	ı	630
As at 31 March 2017	207,962	664	554	(6,243)	(101,619)	101,318	95,484	196,802
As at 1 January 2016	207,962	664	(249)	(15,290)	(58,478)	134,609	90,185	224,794
Loss for the period	•	•	•	•	(4,999)	(4,999)	992	(4,007)
Foreign contently damstation differences Share of changes in	ı	•	•	33	ŧ	33	ı	33
reserves of investment in associates	,	1	35	114	•	149	•	149
As at 31 March 2016	207,962	664	(214)	(15,143)	(63,477)	129,792	91,177	220,969

The notes 1 to 14 form an integral part of these condensed consolidated interim financial information.

INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the three months period ended 31 March 2017 (Reviewed)

	Three month 31 Mai	
	2017 US\$ '000	2016 US\$ '000
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Loss for the period Adjustments for:	(1,903)	(4,007)
Gain on sale of investment securities	(100)	150
Fair value changes in investment securities Share of loss / (income) from associates	(959)	981
Depreciation and amortisation	1,381 566	(242) 379
Sukuk amortisation	(5)	(13)
Impairment allowance	(994)	*
	(2,014)	(2,752)
Changes in: Financing receivables	5,385	12,238
Other assets	(4,328)	(4,237)
Due to financial institutions	777	180
Due to customers	2,581	(30,946)
Other liabilities	5,346	31,951
Net cash generated from operating activities	7,747	6,434
INVESTING ACTIVITIES		100
Purchase of equipment, net	(233)	(56)
Proceeds from sale of investment securities Purchase of investment securities	8,423 (10,690)	17,518 (28,522)
Purchase of investments in real estate	-	(42)
Net cash used in investing activities	(2,500)	(11,102)
FINANCING ACTIVITY		
Repayment of financing liabilities	(1,940)	(1,940)
Net cash used in financing activity	(1,940)	(1,940)
INCREASE / (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	3,307	(6,608)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(1)	33
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period	23,881	26,669
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE PERIOD	27,187	20,094
Cash and cash equivalents comprise:		
Cash and balances with banks	16,153	13,577
Placements with financial institutions	11,034	6,517
	27,187	20,094

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1 INCORPORATION AND PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

Bank Alkhair B.S.C. (c) ("the Bank") was incorporated in the Kingdom of Bahrain and registered with the Ministry of Industry and Commerce under Commercial Registration No. 53462 on 29 April 2004 and operates under a wholesale Islamic banking license granted by the Central Bank of Bahrain (CBB). The Bank's registered office is at the 26th floor, West Tower Bahrain Financial Harbour, Building No. 1459, Road No. 4626, Manama Sea Front 346, Kingdom of Bahrain.

The Bank and its subsidiaries (together referred to as "the Group") aim to provide a full range of investment banking products and services that are compliant with Shari'ah principles. The principal products and services offered by the Group are:

- financial advisory services;
- private equity, equity structuring, private placements and initial public offerings;
- facility structuring, restructuring and placement including project finance, securitisation and Sukuk;
- structuring and marketing of both open and closed end mutual funds as well as client portfolio management and brokerage services that aim to meet investor driven return and asset criteria;
- advisory and investment services for takaful (Islamic insurance) and retakaful (Islamic reinsurance) providers; and
- mergers and acquisitions, including deal sourcing, structuring, valuations and advisory.

The interim condensed consolidated financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 13 June 2017.

2 BASIS OF PREPARATION AND ACCOUNTING POLICIES

2.1 Basis of Preparation

The interim condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards ("FAS") issued by the Accounting and Auditing Organisation for Islamic Financial Institutions ("AAOIFI"). In line with the requirement of AAOIFI and the CBB Rule Book, for matters that are not covered by FAS, the Group uses guidance from the relevant International Financial Reporting Standards. Accordingly, the interim condensed consolidated financial statements have been presented in condensed form in accordance with the guidance provided by International Accounting Standard 34 – *'Interim Financial Reporting'*. The interim condensed consolidated financial statements do not include all of the information required for full annual consolidated financial statements and should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2016. However, selected explanatory notes are included to explain events and transactions that are significant to an understanding of the changes in the Group's financial position and performance since the last annual consolidated financial statements as at and for the year ended 31 December 2016.

Going concern

As at 31 March 2017, the current contractual liabilities of the Group exceeded its liquid assets. As a result, the ability of the Group to meet its obligations when due depends on its ability to roll over short term liabilities and timely disposal of assets. Further, the Bank's capital adequacy ratio as of 31 March 2017 was below the minimum regulatory capital requirements. These factors indicate the existence of material uncertainties, which may cast doubt about the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. To address these, the management has taken a number of initiatives including discussions with creditors who have shown willingness in the past to roll over short term placements, putting together a robust assets sales plan and support from major shareholders who have also in the past provided support when it was needed. The Board of Directors has reviewed these initiatives and is satisfied with the appropriateness of the going concern assumption for preparation of the interim condensed consolidated financial statements".

2.2 Accounting convention

The interim condensed consolidated financial statements are prepared on historical cost basis, except for investment in real estate and equity-type instruments carried at fair value through income and through equity that have been measured at fair value.

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2 BASIS OF PREPARATION AND ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.2 Accounting convention (continued)

The interim condensed consolidated financial statements have been presented in United States Dollars ("US\$"), being the functional and presentation currency of the Group. All values are rounded to the nearest thousand (US\$ '000) except when indicated otherwise.

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.

The following are the principle subsidiaries of the Bank, which are consolidated in these interim condensed consolidated financial statements:

Subsidiaries	Ownership for 2017	Ownership for 2016	Year of Incorporation/ Acquisition	Country of incorporation	
Alkhair International Islamic Bank Malaysia Berhad	100%	100%	2004	Malaysia	
Alkhair Capital Menkul Degerler A.S.	95.8%	95.8%	2007	Turkey	
Alkhair Portfoy Yonetimi A.S.	98.9%	98.9%	2007	Turkey	
Al-Tajamouat for Touristic Projects Co Pie	50.6%	50.6%	2013	Jordan	
Tintoria International Limited	52.1%	52.1%	2014	UAE	
Alkhair Capital Saudi Arabia	53.3%	53.3%	2009	Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	

2.4 Significant accounting policies

These interim condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared using accounting policies, which are consistent with those used in the preparation of the annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2016.

3 SEASONALITY

Due to nature of the Group's business, the three months results reported in the interim condensed consolidated financial statements may not represent a proportionate share of the overall annual results.

4 FINANCING RECEIVABLES

	Reviewed	Audited
	31 March	31 December
	2017	2016
	US\$ '000	US\$ '000
Gross murabaha receivables	24,314	29,733
Less: Deferred profits	(131)	(165)
Net murabaha receivables	24,183	29,568
Less: Specific impairment allowances	(11,685)	(12,679)
Less: Collective impairment allowances	(814)	(814)
	11,684	16,075

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5 INVESTMENT SECURITIES

	Reviewed 31 March	Audited 31 December
	2017	2016
	US\$ '000	US\$ '000
Equity type instruments At fair value through income statement:		
- Unquoted equity securities	15,839	15,840
- Quoted funds	15,679	14,105
- Unquoted funds	29,778	28,822
Total equity type instruments	61,296	58,767
Debt type instruments At amortised cost :		
- Sukuk	3,638	2,836
	64,934	61,603

The fair value of the investments carried at amortised cost at 31 March 2017 is US\$ 3,606 thousands (31 December 2016: US\$ 2,809 thousands).

6 INVESTMENT IN ASSOCIATES

	31 March 2017 US\$ '000	31 December 2016 US\$ '000
BFC Group Holdings Ltd. T'azur Company B.S.C. (c)	114,570 9,707 124,277	115,606 9,388 ———————————————————————————————————

T'azur Company B.S.C (c) has a commitment to provide a qard hassan to the extent of the accumulated deficit in the participants' fund of US\$ 35.1 million. The Group's share of the commitment is US\$ 9.1 million.

7 INVESTMENTS IN REAL ESTATE

	Reviewed	Audited
	31 March	31 December
	2017	2016
	US\$ '000	US\$ '000
Land and building – Jordan	185,927	185,927
Land and building – Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	38,521	38,521
	224,448	224,448

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8 OTHER ASSETS

	Reviewed	Audited
	31 March	31 December
	2017	2016
	US\$ '000	US\$ '000
Rental income receivable	16,501	10,264
Prepayments and advances	7,379	7,061
Fees and expenses recoverable	2,597	3,240
Accounts receivable	4,240	6,509
Intangible assets	3	11
Others	5,024	4,410
*	35,744	31,495
Less: Provision for impairment	(2,269)	(2,269)
	33,475	29,226
9 OTHER LIABILITIES		
	Reviewed	Audited
	31 March	31 December
	2017	2016
	US\$ '000	US\$ '000
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Advance received for partial sale of a subsidiary*	20,143	20,143
Advance rental income	14,760	20,143 9,310
Advance rental income Trade and other payables	14,760 10,582	20,143 9,310 10,552
Advance rental income Trade and other payables Deal-related payables	14,760 10,582 4,725	20,143 9,310 10,552 4,725
Advance rental income Trade and other payables Deal-related payables Accruals and other provisions	14,760 10,582 4,725 4,430	20,143 9,310 10,552 4,725 4,828
Advance rental income Trade and other payables Deal-related payables Accruals and other provisions Staff-related payables	14,760 10,582 4,725 4,430 3,104	20,143 9,310 10,552 4,725 4,828 2,840
Advance rental income Trade and other payables Deal-related payables Accruals and other provisions Staff-related payables Restructuring provision	14,760 10,582 4,725 4,430 3,104 419	20,143 9,310 10,552 4,725 4,828 2,840 419
Advance rental income Trade and other payables Deal-related payables Accruals and other provisions Staff-related payables	14,760 10,582 4,725 4,430 3,104	20,143 9,310 10,552 4,725 4,828 2,840

^{*} This represents advance received for sale of 33% of a subsidiary in which Group owns 53%. The sale is pending regulatory approvals.

10 INCOME / (LOSS) FROM INVESTMENT SECURITIES

Revie	wed
31 March	31 March
2017	2016
Fair value gain / (loss) on investment 959	(981)
Gain / (loss) on sale of investment 97	(148)
Sukuk income	
- Sukuk profit 14	13
- Gain / (loss) on sale of Sukuk 3	(2)
1,073	(1,118)

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11 COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

	Reviewed 31 March 2017 US\$ '000	Audited 31 December 2016 US\$ '000
Commitment to invest Guarantees Lease commitments	10,030 5,127 323	10,030 5,131 404
	15,480	15,565

Litigations and claims

The Group has filed a number of legal cases against the former Chief Executive Officer before the Civil and Criminal Courts of the Kingdom of Bahrain and the UK. The former CEO has also filed a counter court case in the Bahraini courts for wrongful dismissal. The Bahraini Courts have ruled in favour of the Group in a number of the civil and criminal cases. The case in the UK was filed by the Group to remedy the damages resulting from defamation and unlawful conspiracy. The case is currently in progress and the ultimate outcome of the matter cannot presently be determined and, accordingly, no provision for any effects on the Group that may result has been made in the interim condensed consolidated financial statements. In 2015, the Group paid US\$ 8 million to the UK court, of which US\$ 4 million was utilised to pay legal expenses of the counterparties and the balance is included under "prepayment and advances" pending outcome of the case.

A number of employment claims have been filed against the Group by former employees. The Group's external legal counsel has confirmed that the Group has strong grounds to successfully defend itself against these claims. No disclosure regarding contingent liabilities arising from the employment claims has been made as the directors of the Group believe that such disclosures may be prejudicial to the Group's legal position.

The Group's share of commitments arising from its investment in associates is disclosed in note 6.

12 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Parties are considered to be related if one party has the ability to control the other party or exercise significant influence over the other party in making financial and operating decisions. Related parties include significant shareholders and entities over which the Group and shareholders exercise significant influence, directors, members of Shari'ah Supervisory Board, executive management and external auditors of the Group.

Compensation of key management personnel

Key management personnel of the Group comprise of the Board of Directors and key members of management having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Group. The key management personnel compensation during the period is as follows:

	Reviewed		
	31 March	31 March	
	2017	2016	
	US\$ '000	US\$ '000	
Short term employee benefits	1,885	1,971	
Post-employment benefits		185	
	2,107	2,156	

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12 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (continued)

The significant related party transactions and balances included in the interim condensed consolidated financial statements are as follows:

		31 March 2017 (Reviewed)	r (Reviewed)			31 December 2016 (Audited)	716 (Audited)	
	Associates US\$ '000	Significant shareholders/ entities in which directors have interest US\$ '000	Key management US\$ '000	Other entities US\$ '000	Associates US\$ '000	Significant shareholders/ entities in which directors have interest US\$ '000	Key management US\$ '000	Other entities US\$ '000
Assets Financing receivables Investment securities	41,128			986 10,991	40,171			986 13,013
Investment in associates	124,277	•	• (• •	124,994	•	• 6	' (
Other assets	1,549	1	566	1,218	1,580	1	623	1,179
Liabilities Due to financial institutions	8,979	•	•	1	14,708	1	ı	•
Due to customers	918	144,609	•	•	918	131,690	•	•
Other liabilities	28	749	2,093	-	•	599	2,109	58
	Three mo	onths ended 31 I	Three months ended 31 March 2017 (Reviewed)	ewed)	Three	Three months ended 31 March 2016 (Reviewed)	farch 2016 (Revi	ewed)
	Associates	Significant shareholders/ entities in which directors have interest	Key management	Other entities	Associates	Significant shareholders/ entities in which directors have interest	Key management	Other entities
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Income / (expenses) Income from investment securities	266	ı	•	105	(986)	ı	•	27
Fees and commission	565	•	1	5 8	619	•	•	5 6
Net finance income / (expense)	(96)	(2,419)	•	Ξ	(131)	(476)	•	186
associates	(1,381)	1	•	1	242	1	ı	•
Directors and Shari an board remuneration and expenses	,	(171)	•	(25)	•	(86)	•	(26)

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13 SEGMENT INFORMATION

For the	three months e	nded 31 Mar	ch 2017 (Rev	iewed)
Investment Banking & Alkhair Capital Menkul Degerler A.S US\$ '000	Alkhair Internationa I Islamic Bank Malaysia Berhad US\$ '000	Alkhair Capital Saudi Arabia US\$ '000	Inter- company US\$ '000	Total US\$ '000
(2,598)	192	-	-	(2,406)
•		5	-	1,073
598	6	1,660	-	2,264
(1,381)	-	-	-	(1,381)
• • •				
7,460	-	-	-	7,460
-	-	606	-	606
(10)	1	-	-	(9)
(63)	63	-		•
5,062	274	2,271	•	7,607
(7,836)	(516)	(2,152)	-	(10,504)
-	994	-	-	994
(2,774)	752	119	-	(1,903)
124,277	:	-		124,277
397,180	45,547	70,500	(18,010)	495,217
285,190	24,452	6,783	(18,010)	298,415
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13 SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

	For the	three months er	nded 31 Marc	h 2016 (Revi	ewed)
	Investment Banking & Alkhair Capital Menkul Degerler A.S US\$ '000	Alkhair International Islamic Bank Malaysia Berhad US\$ '000	Alkhair Capital Saudi Arabia US\$'000	Inter- company US\$ '000	Total US\$ '000
External revenue					
Net finance (expense) / income Expense from investment securities Fees and commission Share of gain from investment in associates Income from non- banking operations Rental income Foreign exchange (loss) / gain Inter-segment income Total income	(2,497) (981) 653 242 8,017 (136) (68) 5,230	385 (1) 81 - - 12 68 - 545	(136) 1,103 - - 606 - - 1,573	-	(2,112) (1,118) 1,837 242 8,017 606 (124) -
Total operating expenses	(8,713)	(598)	(2,044)	•	(11,355)
Impairment allowance	31	(31)	-	-	
Loss for the period	(3,452)	(84)	(471)	-	(4,007)
As at 31 December 2016					
Investment in associates	124,994	:	<u>.</u>	<u> </u>	124,994
Segment assets	392,738	47,489	70,146	(20,680)	489,693
Segment liabilities	278,601	27,151	6,545	(20,680)	291,617

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14 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Fair values

The Group's financial instruments are accounted for under the historical cost method with the exception of investment securities. By contrast, the fair value represents the price that would be received to sell an asset, or paid to transfer a liability, in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Differences therefore can arise between book values under the historical cost method and fair value estimates. Underlying the definition of fair value is the presumption that the Group is a going concern without any intention or requirement to curtail materially the scale of its operation or to undertake a transaction on adverse terms. Generally accepted methods of determining fair value include reference to quoted prices and the use of valuation techniques such as discounted cash flow analysis.

Set out below is a comparison of the carrying amounts and fair values of financial instruments:

31 March 2017 (Reviewed)	Carrying amount US\$ '000	Fair Value US\$ '000
Financial assets:		
Balances with banks	16,153	16,153
Placements with financial institutions	11,034	11,034
Financing receivables	11,684	11,684
Investment securities	64,934	64,901
Other financial assets	30,439	30,439
	134,244	134,211
Financial liabilities:		
Due to financial institutions	86,437	86,437
Due to customers	153,615	153,615
Other financial liabilities	58,363	58,363
=	298,415	298,415
31 December 2016 (Audited)	Carrying	
•	amount	Fair Value
	US\$ '000	US\$ '000
Financial assets:		
Balances with banks	15,479	15,473
Placements with financial institutions	8,402	8,402
Financing receivables	16,075	16,075
Investment securities	61,603	61,576
Other financial assets	26,215	23,382
_	127,774	124,908
Financial liabilities:		
Due to financial institutions	87,566	87,566
Due to customers	151,034	151,034
Other financial liabilities	53,017	53,017
=	291,617	291,617

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14 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

Valuation techniques

Fair value is the amount for which an asset could be exchanged, or a liability settled, between knowledgeable, willing parties in an arm's length transaction on the measurement date.

Investment securities

The Group measures the fair value of quoted investments using the market bid-prices in an active market for that instrument. A market is regarded as active if quoted prices are readily and regularly available and represent actual and regularly occurring market transactions on an arm's length basis.

If a market for a financial instrument is not active or the instrument is not quoted, the Group establishes fair value using a valuation technique. Valuation techniques include using recent arm's length transactions between knowledgeable, willing parties (if available), discounted cash flow analyses and other valuation models with accepted economic methodologies for pricing financial instruments.

Sensitivity analysis

Unquoted securities and funds - Investment securities carried at fair value through income statement:

The effect on profit as a result of a change in the fair value of equity instruments due to a reasonable possible change (i.e. +/-15%) in the value of individual investments, with all other variables held constant, is US\$ 6.8 million. The effect of decrease in the value of individual investments is expected to be equal and opposite to the effect of an increase.

Financing receivables

The fair values of financing receivables are principally estimated at their carrying amount less impairment provisions as these are for short term (i.e. less than 12 months). Hence, the present value of expected future cash flows is not expected to be different from their carrying values.

Other financial instruments

Placements with financial institutions, due to financial institutions and due to customers are for short term tenure hence their carrying value is not different from the fair value. Fair value of other financial assets and liabilities are not significantly different from their carrying values due to their short term nature.

Fair value hierarchy

The table below analyses the financial instruments carried at fair value, by valuation method. The different levels have been defined as follows:

Level 1: quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets and liabilities.

Level 2: inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices).

Level 3: inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

As at 31 March 2017 (Reviewed)

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Fair value hierarchy

The following table shows an analysis of financial instruments recorded at fair value by level of the fair value hierarchy:

31 March 2017 (Reviewed)	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Investment securities				
Equity type instruments carried at fair value				
through statement of income	15,679	41,128	4,489	61,296
	15,679	41,128	4,489	61,296
31 December 2016 (Audited)	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Investment securities				
Equity type instruments carried at fair value				
through statement of income	14,105	40,172	4,490	58,767
	14,105	40,172	4,490	58,767

The following table analyses the movement in Level 3 financial assets during the period:

	31 March 2017 (Reviewed)	31 March 2016 (Reviewed)
At 1 January (Loss) / gain recognised in income statement	4,490 (1)	4,499 2
	4,489	4,501