

Bahrain Middle East Bank B.S.C.

**INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

31 MARCH 2016 (Reviewed)

REPORT ON REVIEW OF INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF BAHRAIN MIDDLE EAST BANK B.S.C.

Introduction

We have reviewed the accompanying interim condensed consolidated financial statements of Bahrain Middle East Bank B.S.C. ("the Bank") and its subsidiaries (together "the Group") as at 31 March 2016, comprising of the interim consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 March 2016 and the related interim consolidated statements of income, comprehensive income, cash flows and changes in equity for the three-month period then ended and explanatory notes. The Board of Directors of the Bank is responsible for the preparation and presentation of these interim condensed consolidated financial statements in accordance with International Accounting Standard 34 *Interim Financial Reporting* (IAS 34). Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on these interim condensed consolidated financial statements based on our review.

Scope of Review

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

Conclusion

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



12 May 2016
Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain

Bahrain Middle East Bank B.S.C.

INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

31 March 2016 (Reviewed)

	<i>Note</i>	Reviewed 31 March 2016 US\$ '000	Audited 31 December 2015 US\$ '000
ASSETS			
Balances with banks and financial institutions		14,822	28,373
Placements with financial institutions		23,930	19,998
Investments at fair value through profit or loss		1,468	161
Loans and advances	3	119,454	110,705
Available-for-sale investments	4	8,811	9,530
Held-to-maturity investments		209	216
Other assets		2,985	2,889
TOTAL ASSETS		171,679	171,872
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY			
LIABILITIES			
Deposits from financial institutions		125,340	125,098
Deposits from customers		7,630	8,726
Other liabilities		2,438	2,786
Total liabilities		135,408	136,610
EQUITY			
Share capital		60,501	60,501
Accumulated losses		(25,067)	(26,554)
Fair value reserve		837	1,315
Total equity		36,271	35,262
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		171,679	171,872



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Chairman



Ebrahim Bu Hendi
Director



Ritchie Skelding
Chief Executive Officer

The attached notes 1 to 10 form part of these interim condensed consolidated financial statements

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INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME

For the three-month period ended 31 March 2016 (Reviewed)

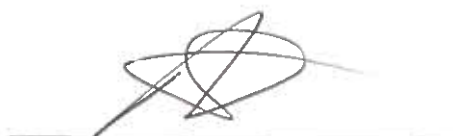
	Note	Three-month period ended 31 March	
		2016	2015
		US\$ '000	US\$ '000
OPERATING INCOME			
Interest income		2,572	2,652
Interest expense		(339)	(336)
Net interest income		2,233	2,316
Investment banking income	6	419	284
Other income		82	93
Foreign exchange (loss) gain		(8)	81
Total operating income		2,726	2,774
OPERATING EXPENSES			
Staff expenses		777	772
Premises expenses		85	88
Other operating expenses		244	306
Total operating expenses		1,106	1,166
NET PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD BEFORE IMPAIRMENT PROVISIONS		1,620	1,608
Impairment provisions - net	5	(133)	(205)
NET PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD		1,487	1,403
BASIC AND DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE (IN US\$ CENTS)		0.61	0.58



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INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the three-month period ended 31 March 2016 (Reviewed)

	<i>Three-month period ended 31 March</i>	
	2016	2015
	US\$ '000	US\$ '000
NET PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD	1,487	1,403
Other comprehensive loss:		
Other comprehensive loss to be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods:		
Fair value reserves (available-for-sale investments):		
Net amount transferred to statement of income on sale/impairment	(29)	(27)
Net changes in fair value during the period	(449)	(315)
Total other comprehensive loss for the period	(478)	(342)
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE PERIOD	1,009	1,061

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INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the three-month period ended 31 March 2016 (Reviewed)

	<i>Three-month period ended 31 March</i>	
	2016	2015
	US\$ '000	US\$ '000
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Net profit for the period	1,487	1,403
Adjustments for:		
Impairment provisions - net (note 5)	133	205
Depreciation and amortisation	14	11
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Investments at fair value through profit or loss	(1,307)	17
Loans and advances	(8,749)	(12,700)
Available-for-sale investments	108	179
Held-to-maturity investments	7	12
Other assets	(110)	(55)
Deposits from financial institutions	242	(529)
Deposits from customers	(1,096)	(782)
Other liabilities	(348)	(121)
Net cash used in operating activities	(9,619)	(12,360)
NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(9,619)	(12,360)
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January	48,371	40,608
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT 31 MARCH	38,752	28,248
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS COMPRISE:		
Balances with banks and financial institutions	14,822	9,940
Placements with financial institutions with original maturities of three months or less	23,930	18,308
	38,752	28,248

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INTERIM CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the three-month period ended 31 March 2016 (Reviewed)

	<i>Share capital</i> US\$ '000	<i>Accumulate losses</i> US\$ '000	<i>Fair value reserve</i> US\$ '000	<i>Total equity</i> US\$ '000
Balance at 1 January 2016	60,501	(26,554)	1,315	35,262
Total comprehensive income (loss) for the period	-	1,487	(478)	1,009
Balance at 31 March 2016	60,501	(25,067)	837	36,271
Balance at 1 January 2015	60,501	(31,633)	2,136	31,004
Total comprehensive income (loss) for the period	-	1,403	(342)	1,061
Balance at 31 March 2015	60,501	(30,230)	1,794	32,065

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NOTES TO THE INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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1 INCORPORATION AND ACTIVITIES

Bahrain Middle East Bank B.S.C. ("the Bank") is a Bahraini Shareholding Company incorporated in the Kingdom of Bahrain. On 9 April 2007, the Central Bank of Bahrain ("the CBB") issued a Conventional Wholesale Banking license to the Bank. The commercial registration ("CR") number of the Bank is 12266. The Bank is listed on the Bahrain Bourse under the ticker 'BMB'. The principal activities of the Bank and its subsidiaries (together "the Group") are trade finance and corporate advisory in the digital media and e-commerce sectors.

The registered office of the Bank is BMB Centre, Building 135, Road 1702, Block 317, Diplomatic Area, Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain.

These interim condensed consolidated financial statements were authorised for issue in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors on 12 May 2016.

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

2.1 Basis of preparation

The interim condensed consolidated financial statements of the Group for the three-month period ended 31 March 2016 are prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standard 34, *Interim Financial Reporting*.

The interim condensed consolidated financial statements do not contain all the information and disclosures required for full financial statements prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards, and should be read in conjunction with the Group's annual consolidated financial statements as at 31 December 2015. In addition, results for the three-month period ended 31 March 2016 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the financial year ending 31 December 2016.

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 Significant accounting policies

The accounting policies used in the preparation of the 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 2015, except for the adoption of new standards and interpretations effective for annual period beginning on or after as of 1 January 2016. The Group has not early adopted any other standard, interpretation or amendment that has been issued but is not yet effective, such as:

- *IFRS 9 Financial Instruments*
- *IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts from Customers*
- *IFRS 16 Leases*

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

2.3 Significant accounting policies (continued)

The below new standards and amendments apply for the first time in 2016. However, they do not have a material impact on the annual consolidated financial statements of the Group or the interim condensed consolidated financial statements of the Group. The nature and the impact of each new standard or amendment is described below:

Amendments to IFRS 10 and IAS 28: Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture

The amendments address the conflict between IFRS 10 and IAS 28 in dealing with the loss of control of a subsidiary that is sold or contributed to an associate or joint venture. The amendments clarify that the gain or loss resulting from the sale or contribution of assets that constitute a business, as defined in IFRS 3, between an investor and its associate or joint venture, is recognised in full. Any gain or loss resulting from the sale or contribution of assets that do not constitute a business, however, is recognised only to the extent of unrelated investors' interests in the associate or joint venture. These amendments must be applied prospectively and are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2016, with early adoption permitted. These amendments are currently being assessed if they have any impact on the Group.

Amendments to IAS 1 Disclosure Initiative

The amendments to IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements clarify, rather than significantly change, existing IAS 1 requirements. The amendments clarify:

- The materiality requirements in IAS 1;
- That specific line items in the statements of profit or loss and OCI and the statement of financial position may be disaggregated;
- That entities have flexibility as to the order in which they present the notes to consolidated financial statements; and
- That the share of OCI of associates and joint ventures accounted for using the equity method must be presented in aggregate as a single line item, and classified between those items that will or will not be subsequently reclassified to profit or loss.

Furthermore, the amendments clarify the requirements that apply when additional subtotals are presented in the statement of financial position and the statements of profit or loss and OCI. These amendments are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2016, with early adoption permitted. These amendments are currently being assessed if they have any impact on the Group.

Amendments to IAS 16 and IAS 38: Clarification of Acceptable Methods of Depreciation and Amortisation

The amendments clarify the principle in IAS 16 and IAS 38 that revenue reflects a pattern of economic benefits that are generated from operating a business (of which the asset is part) rather than the economic benefits that are consumed through use of the asset. As a result, a revenue-based method cannot be used to depreciate property, plant and equipment and may only be used in very limited circumstances to amortise intangible assets. The amendments are effective prospectively for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2016, with early adoption permitted. These amendments are currently being assessed if they have any impact on the Group.

Annual Improvements 2012-2014 Cycle

These improvements are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2016 and are not expected to have a material impact on the Group. They include:

- IFRS 5 Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations
- IFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures
- IAS 19 Employee Benefits
- IAS 34 Interim Financial Reporting

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3 LOANS AND ADVANCES

	<i>Reviewed</i> 31 March 2016 US\$ '000	<i>Audited</i> 31 December 2015 US\$ '000
Trade finance	114,062	104,108
Installment sale receivable (refer note 7)	5,328	6,533
Corporate loan	3,000	3,000
	122,390	113,641
Less: Provision for impairment	(2,936)	(2,936)
	119,454	110,705

The breakup of provision for impairment is as follows:

	<i>Reviewed</i> 31 March 2016 US\$ '000	<i>Audited</i> 31 December 2015 US\$ '000
Specific impairment provision	1,500	1,500
Collective impairment provision	1,436	1,436
	2,936	2,936
Gross amount of loans, individually determined to be impaired	4,162	4,669

4 AVAILABLE-FOR-SALE INVESTMENTS

	<i>Reviewed</i> 31 March 2016 US\$ '000	<i>Audited</i> 31 December 2015 US\$ '000
<i>Equity and managed funds investments:</i>		
Unquoted equity fund investments	6,251	6,638
Unquoted strategic investments	-	237
	6,251	6,875
<i>Debt securities:</i>		
Quoted government sukuk	2,560	2,655
	8,811	9,530

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5 IMPAIRMENT PROVISIONS

	31 March 2016 (Reviewed)		
	Loans and advances US\$ '000	Available-for-sale investments US\$ '000	Total US\$ '000
At 1 January 2016	2,936	10,813	13,749
Charge for the period	-	133	133
Written-off	-	(7,153)	(7,153)
Foreign exchange movements	-	52	52
At 31 March 2016	2,936	3,845	6,781
	31 March 2015 (Reviewed)		
	Loans and advances US\$ '000	Available-for-sale investments US\$ '000	Total US\$ '000
At 1 January 2015	2,066	14,554	16,620
Charge for the period	50	358	408
Reversal on recovery	(203)	-	(203)
Foreign exchange movements	(86)	(182)	(268)
At 31 March 2015	1,827	14,730	16,557
At 31 December 2015	2,936	10,813	13,749

6 INVESTMENT BANKING INCOME

	Reviewed 31 March 2016 US\$ '000	Reviewed 31 March 2015 US\$ '000
Fee and commission income	424	222
Gain from available-for-sale investments - net	34	79
Loss from investments at fair value through profit or loss - net	(39)	(17)
	419	284

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7 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS AND BALANCES

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 entities over which the Bank exercises significant influence, major shareholders, directors, key management personnel of the Bank and entities owned, controlled, jointly controlled or significantly influenced by such parties.

Key management personnel of the Group are those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Group. Key management personnel comprise the Board of Directors, Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Heads of Departments. Transactions entered during the period and balances at the period-end are set out below.

All related party transactions are on terms equivalent to arm's length transactions and are approved by the Board of Directors.

	<i>Key management personnel</i>		<i>Shareholders and their related parties</i>	
	<i>Reviewed 31 March 2016 US\$ '000</i>	<i>Audited 31 December 2015 US\$ '000</i>	<i>Reviewed 31 March 2016 US\$ '000</i>	<i>Audited 31 December 2015 US\$ '000</i>
Liabilities				
Deposits	-	-	153	304
Other liabilities - employee leaving indemnity	202	195	-	-
Statement of income				
Investment banking income	-	-	-	39
Interest expense	-	-	-	92

Key management compensation

Compensation to key management personnel, including directors, included in the consolidated statement of income is as follows:

	<i>Reviewed 31 March 2016 US\$ '000</i>	<i>Reviewed 31 March 2015 US\$ '000</i>
Salaries and other short-term employee benefits	421	420
Employee leaving indemnity	7	7
	<u>428</u>	<u>427</u>
Directors' fees	<u>28</u>	<u>28</u>

Guarantee

The Bank has received a corporate guarantee from a shareholder with regard to the Bank's installment sale receivable (refer note 3), and an additional guarantee from an associate of the shareholder. This additional guarantee is secured by real estate in the Arab Republic of Egypt (registration of the security is in process), and by share securities.

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8 SEGMENT RESULTS**Segment information**

For management purposes, the Group is organised into three major business segments:

Financing	- Financing and trade finance
Investing	- Investments in listed bonds, equities and private equity funds
Other operating segments	- Corporate advisory and building management etc.

The Group's business segments are broken down by key business activities and those with clearly identifiable revenue streams and expenses. The segmentation is in line with segments internally reported to the Chief Executive Officer, who is the chief decision maker.

Segment information for the period ended 31 March 2016 is as follows:

	<i>Three-month period ended 31 March 2016 (Reviewed)</i>			
	<i>Financing</i>	<i>Investing</i>	<i>Others</i>	<i>Total</i>
	<i>US\$ '000</i>	<i>US\$ '000</i>	<i>US\$ '000</i>	<i>US\$ '000</i>
Interest income	2,538	34	-	2,572
Interest expense	(339)	-	-	(339)
Investment banking income	169	(5)	255	419
Other income	-	-	82	82
Foreign exchange loss	-	-	(8)	(8)
Results from operations	2,368	29	329	2,726
Impairment provisions - net (note 5)	-	(133)	-	(133)
Unallocated corporate expenses	-	-	-	(1,106)
Net profit (loss) for the period	2,368	(104)	329	1,487
Reportable segment assets	160,335	10,520	824	171,679
Reportable segment liabilities	134,225	-	1,183	135,408
Equity				36,271
Total liabilities and equity				171,679

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8 SEGMENT RESULTS (continued)

	<i>Three-month period ended 31 March 2015 (Reviewed)</i>			
	<i>Financing</i>	<i>Investing</i>	<i>Others</i>	<i>Total</i>
	<i>US\$ '000</i>	<i>US\$ '000</i>	<i>US\$ '000</i>	<i>US\$ '000</i>
Interest income	2,651	1	-	2,652
Interest expense	(336)	-	-	(336)
Investment banking income	-	62	222	284
Other income	-	-	93	93
Foreign exchange gain	-	-	81	81
Results from operations	2,315	63	396	2,774
Impairment provisions - net	153	(358)	-	(205)
Unallocated corporate expenses	-	-	-	(1,166)
Net profit for the period	2,468	(295)	396	1,403
Reportable segment assets	163,210	8,731	532	172,473
Reportable segment liabilities	139,316	284	808	140,408
Equity				32,065
Total liabilities and equity				172,473

9 FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Group's financial instruments are accounted for under the historical cost convention except for the measurement at fair value of investments at fair value through profit or loss and available-for-sale investments. Fair value is the price that would be received upon the sale of an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Consequently, differences can arise between the book amounts and the fair value estimates.

Fair value hierarchy

IFRS 7 specifies a hierarchy of valuation techniques based on whether the inputs to those valuation techniques are observable or unobservable. Observable inputs reflect market data obtained from independent sources; unobservable inputs reflect the Group's market assumptions. These two types of inputs have created the following fair value hierarchy:

Level 1 - Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2 - Valuation techniques based on observable inputs, either directly or indirectly. This category includes instruments valued using quoted market prices in active markets for similar instruments, quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are considered less than active or other valuation techniques where all significant inputs are directly or indirectly observable from market data.

Level 3 - Valuation techniques using significant unobservable inputs. This category includes all instruments where the valuation technique includes inputs not based on observable data and the unobservable inputs have a significant effect on the instrument's valuation (i.e. net asset value received from administrator / fund managers).

This hierarchy requires the use of observable market data when available. The Group considers relevant and observable market prices in its valuations where possible.

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9 FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

The following table shows the carrying amounts and fair values of financial instruments, including their levels in the fair value hierarchy. It does not include fair value information for financial instruments not measured at fair value if the carrying amount is a reasonable approximation of fair value:

	<i>Three-month period ended 31 March 2016 (Reviewed)</i>				
	<i>Level 1</i>	<i>Level 2</i>	<i>Level 3</i>	<i>Total fair</i>	<i>Total</i>
	<i>US\$</i>	<i>US\$ '000</i>	<i>US\$ '000</i>	<i>US\$ '000</i>	<i>US\$ '000</i>
<i>Financial assets measured at fair value</i>					
Investments at fair value through profit or loss	1,307	-	161	1,468	1,468
Available-for-sale investments	2,560	-	6,251	8,811	8,811
<i>Financial assets not measured at fair value</i>					
Held-to-maturity investments	-	-	176	176	209
<i>31 December 2015 (Audited)</i>					
	<i>Level 1</i>	<i>Level 2</i>	<i>Level 3</i>	<i>values</i>	<i>carrying</i>
	<i>US\$</i>	<i>US\$ '000</i>	<i>US\$ '000</i>	<i>US\$ '000</i>	<i>US\$ '000</i>
<i>Financial assets measured at fair value</i>					
Investments at fair value through profit or loss	-	-	161	161	161
Available-for-sale investments	2,655	-	6,875	9,530	9,530
<i>Financial assets not measured at fair value</i>					
Held-to-maturity investments	-	-	176	176	216

Management has assessed that the fair values of financial assets comprising of balances with banks and financial institutions, placements with financial institutions, loans and advances and other assets, and financial liabilities comprising of deposits from financial institutions, deposits from customers and other liabilities approximate their carrying amounts.

For held-to-maturity investments, fair value is lower than the carrying amount; however this shortfall in fair value is not relevant except in a forced sale situation since the Bank has the intention to hold held-to-maturity investments until maturity when it would recover full nominal amounts.

The fair value of held-to-maturity investments is based on last quoted market prices at the reporting date or on the present value of future cash flows.

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9 FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

Movements in level 3 fair value hierarchy of investments:

	<i>Reviewed</i> 31 March 2016 <i>US\$ '000</i>	<i>Audited</i> 31 December 2015 <i>US\$ '000</i>
At 1 January	7,036	9,029
Net fair value movement	(354)	(291)
Additions	-	150
Exits (at cost)	(116)	(577)
Fair value transferred to statement of income on disposals / impairment	(154)	(1,275)
	6,412	7,036

Level 3 available-for-sale investments represent private equity funds where the underlying fund managers exercise judgements in valuation of investments.

During the period, there were no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 fair value hierarchy, and no transfers into and out of Level 3 fair value hierarchy.

10 COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The outstanding commitments and contingent liabilities of the Bank are as follows:

	<i>Reviewed</i> 31 March 2016 <i>US\$ '000</i>	<i>Audited</i> 31 December 2015 <i>US\$ '000</i>
Undrawn investment commitments in equity funds	4,944	4,929
Other commitments	2,579	2,579
Assets under management	45,656	42,626