

CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

For the 3 Months ended June 30, 2005

Chairman's Report

I am pleased to report a profit attributable to shareholders of US\$32.9 million for the first quarter ended June 30, 2005. This is a 16% increase over the comparable quarter in the previous year.

The Group's core business across all its markets continued to perform well. Total assets increased by US\$387 million or 6% driven by loans and advances which grew by US\$163 million, and the investment securities portfolio which increased by US\$114 million.

The Group's strong earnings momentum is expected to continue, given the consistent growth trend in earning assets experienced in the last two quarters.

Peter J. July

Group Chairman

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

Expressed in US Dollars	UNAUDITED As at 30.06.05 (\$'000)	UNAUDITED As at 30.06.04 (\$'000)	AUDITED As at 31.03.05 (\$'000)
ASSETS			
Cash on hand and due from banks	751,912	437,142	588,326
Balances with central banks	251,563	284,680	258,184
Loans and advances to customers	2,892,217	2,319,399	2,728,948
Originated securities	318,201	332,141	320,686
Investment securities	1,788,155	1,468,739	1,673,666
Investments in associate companies			
and joint venture	30,811	123,004	29,267
Due from associate companies	-	-	2,603
Other assets	577,614	633,473	621,832
TOTAL ASSETS	6,610,473	5,598,578	6,223,512
LIABILITIES			
Due to banks and associate companies	270,731	287,467	378,893
Customers' deposits and other interest bearing liabilities	5,055,077	4,379,361	4,601,858
Other liabilities	613,330	418,681	560,741
TOTAL LIABILITIES	5,939,138	5,085,509	5,541,492
NET ASSETS	671,335	513,069	682,020
Minority interest	8,296	8,000	8,501
Shareholders' Equity			
Share capital	137,288	135,058	136,167
Statutory reserves	60,179	53,538	58,767
Other reserves	104,434	30,743	102,160
Retained earnings	361,138	285,730	376,425
Total Shareholders' Equity	663,039	505,069	673,519
TOTAL EQUITY	671,335	513,069	682,020

CONSOLIDATED PROFIT & LOSS ACCOUNT

Expressed in US Dollars	UNAUDITED 3 Months Ended 30.06.05	UNAUDITED 3 Months Ended 30.06.04	AUDITED Year Ended 31.03.05
Net interest income Other income	69,267 43,303	62,786 37,683	260,387 188,075
Total Net Income Non-interest expenses	112,570 (70,737)	100,469 (65,983)	448,462 (279,588)
Operating Profit Share of profits of associate companies and joint venture before tax	41,833 254	34,486 706	168,874 10,887
Profit before Taxation Taxation	42,087 (8,790)	35,192 (6,372)	179,761 (29,848)
Profit after Taxation Minority Interest	33,297 (385)	28,820 (418)	149,913 (1,468)
Profit Attributable to Shareholders	32,912	28,402	148,445

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

Expressed in US Dollars	Notes	Share Capital (\$'000)	Statutory Reserves (\$'000)	Other Reserves (\$'000)	Retained Earnings (\$'000)	Total Shareholders' Equity (\$'000)
Three months ended 30 June 2005						
Balance at beginning of year Currency translation differences Profit attributable to shareholders Investment securities		136,167	58,767 (1)	102,160 (271)	376,425 32,912	673,519 (272) 32,912
Losses from changes in fair value Gains transferred to net profit Transfer to statutory reserves			1,413	(109) (1,591)	(1,413)	(109) (1,591)
Transfer to general banking risks rese Employee share options Issue of shares Dividends	rve 2 3	392 729		4,245	(4,245)	392 729 (42,541)
Balance at end of period		137,288	60,179	104,434	361,138	663,039
Three months ended 30 June 2004						-
Balance at beginning of year Currency translation differences Profit attributable to shareholders Investment securities		132,847	52,740	22,595 (370)	292,176 (1) 28,402	500,358 (371) 28,402
 Gains from changes in fair value Gains transferred to net profit Transfer to statutory reserves 			798	8,306 (409)	(798)	8,306 (409)
Transfer to general banking risks rese Issue of shares Other reserve movements Dividends	rve	2,211		632 (11)	(632) 215 (33,632)	2,211 204 (33,632)
Balance at end of period		135,058	53,538	30,743	285,730	505,069
Year ended 31 March 2005						
Balance at beginning of year - Effect of adopting IFRS 3, IAS 36(re	vised)	132,847	52,740	22,595	292,176	500,358
& IAS 38 (revised)					2,401	2,401
As adjusted Currency translation differences		132,847	52,740 1	22,595 3,370	294,577 336	502,759 3,707
Profit attributable to shareholders			·	0,0.0	148,445	148,445
Investment securities - Gains from changes in fair value - Gains transferred to net profit Disposal of investment in associate or	ompany			87,526 (2,065) (16,234)	715	87,526 (2,065) (15,519)
Transfer to statutory reserves			6,026	5 704	(6,026)	
Transfer to general banking risks rese Issue of shares	rve	3,320		5,731	(5,731)	3.320
Surplus arising on revaluation of prope	erty	-,0		1,164		1,164
Other reserve movements Dividends				73	364 (56,255)	437 (56,255)
Balance at end of year		136,167	58,767	102,160	376,425	673,519
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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN CASH RESOURCES

Expressed in US Dollars	UNAUDITED 3 Months Ended 30.06.05 (\$'000)	UNAUDITED 3 Months Ended 30.06.04 (\$'000)
Operating Activities Profit before taxation Adjustments for non cash items	42,087 (3,684)	35,192 13,214
Operating Profit Before Changes In Operating Assets and Liabilities	38,403	48,406
Increase in operating assets Increase in operating liabilities Corporation taxes paid	(109,301) 304,912 (9,102)	(178,709) 235,290 (5,441)
Cash Provided by Operating Activities	224,912	99,546
Investing Activities Investment in subsidiary, associate companies and joint venture Net increase in investments and originated securities Additions to premises and equipment Proceeds from sale of premises & equipment	(1,305) (104,941) (4,939) 777	(25,468) (176,037) (5,714) 122
Cash Used In Investing Activities	(110,408)	(207,097)
Financing Activities Issue of shares Other borrowed funds Debt securities in issue Dividends paid Dividends paid to minority interests	729 61,352 30,157 (42,541) (615)	2,211 2,283 - (33,632)
Cash Provided by / (Used In) Financing Activities	49,082	(29,138)
Net Increase / (Decrease) In Cash Resources	163,586	(136,689)
Cash Resources at Beginning of Year	588,326	573,831
Cash Resources at End of Period	751,912	437,142

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies used in the preparation of these financial statements are consistent with those used in the annual financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2005 other than for the adoption of the standard outlined below.

2. ADOPTION OF INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARD (IFRS)

The Group adopted IFRS 2 - Share-based Payment effective April 01, 2005 which requires the recognition of an expense for share options granted on or after November 07, 2002 that were not yet vested at date of adoption.

3. SHARE CAPITAL

The share capital increased by USD \$729,349 as a result of the issue of 270,352 shares under the Group's Share Option Plan. Consequently the total number of shares issued and outstanding increased to 343,123,249 as at June 30, 2005.

4. SEGMENT INFORMATION	Total Revenue		Operating Profit	
For the three months ended	30.06.05 (\$'000)	30.06.04 (\$'000)	30.06.05 (\$'000)	30.06.04 (\$'000)
Trinidad and Tobago	77,660	67,612	24,683	18,565
Other Caribbean Territories	81,316	73,379	17,150	15,921
	158,976	140,992	41,833	34,486