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On 6 February 2010 **ABN AMRO Bank N.V.** (registered with the Dutch Chamber of Commerce under number 33002587) changed its name to **The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V.** and all references in the attached document to "**ABN AMRO Bank N.V.**" should be read as references to "**The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V.**".

The name change is not a change of the legal entity which issued your securities and it does not affect any of the terms and conditions of your securities. For further information on The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. or its holding company, ABN AMRO Holding N.V., and their financial status please refer to the current Registration Document for ABN AMRO Holding N.V. and The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., which is available at <http://markets.rbs.com/bparchive/> and to the documents on file at <http://www.sec.gov>.

From 6 February 2010 onwards, the name ABN AMRO Bank N.V. will be used by a separate legal entity (registered with the Dutch Chamber of Commerce under number 34334259) which will ultimately be owned by the State of the Netherlands. Neither the new entity named ABN AMRO Bank N.V. nor the State of the Netherlands will, in any way, guarantee or otherwise support the obligations under your securities unless otherwise expressly stated in the terms and conditions of your securities.

In data 6 febbraio 2010 **ABN AMRO Bank N.V.** (registrata presso la Camera di Commercio olandese al n. 33002587) ha modificato il proprio nome in **The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V.** e tutti i riferimenti a "**ABN AMRO Bank N.V.**" nel documento qui allegato sono da considerare riferimenti a "**The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V.**".

La modifica del nome non è una modifica della persona giuridica che ha emesso i vostri strumenti finanziari e non ha alcun impatto sui termini e sulle condizioni dei vostri strumenti finanziari. Per ulteriori informazioni su The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. o la sua *holding*, ABN AMRO Holding N.V., e la loro situazione finanziaria, vorrete cortesemente far riferimento al Registration Document per ABN AMRO Holding N.V. e The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V., che è disponibile sul sito <http://markets.rbs.com/bparchive/> e ai documenti presentati sul sito <http://www.sec.gov>.

Dal 6 febbraio 2010 in avanti, il nome ABN AMRO Bank N.V. sarà utilizzato da una distinta persona giuridica (registrata presso la Camera di Commercio olandese al n. 34334259) che sarà di proprietà dello Stato olandese. Nè la nuova persona giuridica denominata ABN AMRO Bank N.V., nè lo Stato olandese, in alcun modo, garantiranno o supporteranno in altro modo gli obblighi rivenienti dai vostri strumenti finanziari, salvo ciò sia espressamente dichiarato nei termini e nelle condizioni dei vostri strumenti finanziari.

27 NOVEMBER 2009

FIFTH SUPPLEMENT TO THE REGISTRATION DOCUMENT



ABN AMRO HOLDING N.V.
(Registered at Amsterdam, The Netherlands)

ABN AMRO BANK N.V.
(Registered at Amsterdam, The Netherlands)

Registration Document

1. This Supplement dated 27 November 2009 (the **Supplement**) constitutes the fifth supplement to the Registration Document dated 30 June 2009 (the **Registration Document**) published by ABN AMRO Holding N.V. (**Holding**) and ABN AMRO Bank N.V. (**Bank**) approved by the Netherlands Authority for the Financial Markets (*Stichting Autoriteit Financiële Markten*, the **AFM**) on 30 June 2009, as supplemented on 8 July 2009, 11 August 2009, 28 August 2009 and 19 October 2009.
2. This Supplement constitutes a supplemental prospectus to the Registration Document for the purposes of Article 5:23 of the Financial Supervision Act (*Wet op het financieel toezicht*).
3. This Supplement is supplemental to, and should be read in conjunction with, the Registration Document and any other supplements thereto issued by Holding and/or Bank.
4. Holding and Bank accept responsibility for the information contained in this Supplement. To the best of the knowledge of Holding and Bank (having taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case), the information contained in this Supplement is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.
5. On 25 November 2009, Holding issued a press release reporting its third quarter financial results for the 3 months ended 30 September 2009 (the **Press Release**).
6. A copy of the Press Release has been filed with the AFM and, by virtue of this Supplement, the Press Release is incorporated into, and forms part of, the Registration Document.
7. Copies of all documents incorporated by reference in the Registration Document are accessible on www.abnamro.com and can be obtained, on request, free of charge, by writing go, or telephoning,

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8. To the extent that there is any inconsistency between (a) any statement in this Supplement or any statement incorporated by reference into the Registration Document by this Supplement and (b) any other statement in or incorporated by reference in the Registration Document, the statements in (a) above will prevail.
9. Save as disclosed in this Supplement, there has been no other significant new factor, material mistake or inaccuracy relating to information included in the Registration Document since the publication of the Registration Document.

ABN AMRO Holding N.V.

ABN AMRO Bank N.V.

19 OCTOBER 2009

FOURTH SUPPLEMENT TO THE REGISTRATION DOCUMENT



ABN AMRO HOLDING N.V.
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ABN AMRO BANK N.V.
(Registered at Amsterdam, The Netherlands)

Registration Document

1. This Supplement dated 19 October 2009 (the **Supplement**) constitutes the fourth supplement to the Registration Document dated 30 June 2009 (the **Registration Document**) published by ABN AMRO Holding N.V. (**Holding**) and ABN AMRO Bank N.V. (**Bank**) approved by the Netherlands Authority for the Financial Markets (*Stichting Autoriteit Financiële Markten*, the **AFM**) on 30 June 2009, as supplemented on 8 July 2009, 11 August 2009 and 28 August 2009.
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3. This Supplement is supplemental to, and should be read in conjunction with, the Registration Document and any other supplements thereto issued by Holding and/or Bank.
4. Holding and Bank accept responsibility for the information contained in this Supplement. To the best of the knowledge of Holding and Bank (having taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case), the information contained in this Supplement is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.
5. On 30 September 2009, Bank published a press release (the **Demerger Press Release**) announcing that on that date it filed documentation with the Amsterdam Chamber of Commerce in respect of a legal demerger in The Netherlands and Belgium (the **Demerger Proposals**). The Demerger Proposals outline the legal process for the transfer of the majority of the Dutch State acquired businesses into a separate legal entity, which will remain wholly owned by Holding until it is legally transferred out of ABN AMRO Group.

6. On 30 September 2009, Bank also published pro forma financial information as of 31 December 2008 and 30 June 2009 reflecting the impact of the legal transfers and demergers on Bank and pro forma financial information for the same dates on ABN AMRO Bank II N.V. (to be renamed ABN AMRO Bank N.V.) (the **Pro Forma Financial Information**)
7. On 7 October 2009, Bank published a further press release setting out the proposed timeline of the separation process (the **Timeline Press Release**).
8. The following wording regarding the Demerger Proposals, proposed timeline of the separation process and update on debt instrument allocation is hereby inserted into the Registration Document at the end of the section titled "Information on the Company":

"Announcement of legal demerger process

ABN AMRO Group has chosen a two-step approach to effect the legal separation of the assets and liabilities acquired by the Dutch State:

Step 1 – "Legal Demerger": Transferring the majority of the Dutch State acquired businesses from Bank (the **Demerging Company**) to a new legal entity, ABN AMRO II N.V. (the **Acquiring Company**) Some subsidiaries and assets and liabilities are separately transferred to the new legal entity, mostly before the planned legal demerger date. Following the demergers and the transfer of the Dutch State acquired businesses into the new bank, the Demerging Company will be renamed The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. The Acquiring Company comprising the Dutch State acquired businesses will then be renamed ABN AMRO Bank N.V.

Step 2 – "Legal Separation": Transferring the shares of the renamed ABN AMRO Bank N.V. from Holding to a new holding company fully owned by the Dutch State and independent of Holding (which will be renamed RBS Holdings N.V.)

Until legal separation, ABN AMRO Group will continue to be governed by the Holding Managing Board and Supervisory Board and regulated on a consolidated basis with capital adequacy, liquidity measures and exposures being reported to and regulated by the Dutch Central Bank.

Proposed Timeline

Upon completion of the legal demerger procedures, ABN AMRO plans to complete the legal demerger as early as possible in the first quarter of 2010. The group plans to legally separate within two months of effecting the legal demerger.

Update on debt issuance programme allocation

The following allocation of the Bank's debt issuance programmes has been made in the course of the demerger process, which allocation will be effective on, and subject to, completion of the Legal Demerger as described under "Step 1" above:

- (a) the LaunchPAD Programmes will remain with Demerging Company, which will be renamed The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V.; and
- (b) the EUR 25,000,000,000 Covered Bond Programme (together with any and all assets, liabilities, rights, obligations and legal relationships, including without limitation any agreements and security rights) of ABN AMRO Bank N.V. will be transferred to the Acquiring Company (which will be renamed ABN AMRO Bank N.V.)."

9. Copies of the following documents have been filed with the AFM and, by virtue of this Supplement, are incorporated into, and form part of, the Registration Document:
- The Demerger Press Release including Appendix 1 thereto (Update on Separation Process);
 - The Timeline Press Release; and
 - The Pro Forma Financial Information.
10. The complete demerger filing, including all the appendices to the description of assets and liabilities to be transferred, is available for consultation at the Amsterdam Chamber of Commerce.
11. Copies of all documents incorporated by reference in the Registration Document are accessible on www.abnamro.com and can be obtained, on request, free of charge, by writing go, or telephoning, ABN AMRO Group Press Office, Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, PO Box 283, 1000 EA Amsterdam, The Netherlands, telephone (+31) 0(20) 628 8900, e-mail pressrelations@nl.abnamro.com
12. To the extent that there is any inconsistency between (a) any statement in this Supplement or any statement incorporated by reference into the Registration Document by this Supplement and (b) any other statement in or incorporated by reference in the Registration Document, the statements in (a) above will prevail.
13. Save as disclosed in this Supplement, there has been no other significant new factor, material mistake or inaccuracy relating to information included in the Registration Document since the publication of the Registration Document.

ABN AMRO Holding N.V.

ABN AMRO Bank N.V.

THIRD SUPPLEMENT TO THE REGISTRATION DOCUMENT



ABN AMRO HOLDING N.V.
(Registered at Amsterdam, The Netherlands)

ABN AMRO BANK N.V.
(Registered at Amsterdam, The Netherlands)

Registration Document

1. This Supplement dated 28 August 2009 (the **Supplement**) constitutes the third supplement to the Registration Document dated 30 June 2009 (the **Registration Document**) published by ABN AMRO Holding N.V. (**Holding**) and ABN AMRO Bank N.V. (**Bank**) approved by the Netherlands Authority for the Financial Markets (*Stichting Autoriteit Financiële Markten*, the **AFM**) on 30 June 2009, as supplemented on 8 July 2009 and 11 August 2009.
2. This Supplement constitutes a supplemental prospectus to the Registration Document for the purposes of Article 5:23 of the Financial Supervision Act (*Wet op het financieel toezicht*).
3. This Supplement is supplemental to, and should be read in conjunction with, the Registration Document and any other supplements thereto issued by Holding and/or Bank.
4. Holding and Bank accept responsibility for the information contained in this Supplement. To the best of the knowledge of Holding and Bank (having taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case), the information contained in this Supplement is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.
5. On 26 August 2009, Holding published its Interim Financial Report for the 6 months ended 30 June 2009 and a Press Release associated therewith.
6. A copy of the Interim Financial Report and Press Release have been filed with the AFM and, by virtue of this Supplement, the Interim Financial Report and Press Release are incorporated into, and form part of, the Registration Document.

7. Copies of all documents incorporated by reference in the Registration Document are accessible on www.abnamro.com and can be obtained, on request, free of charge, by writing go, or telephoning, ABN AMRO Bank N.V., Investor Relations Department, Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, PO Box 283, 1000 EA Amsterdam, The Netherlands, telephone (+31) 0(20) 628 7835.
8. To the extent that there is any inconsistency between (a) any statement in this Supplement or any statement incorporated by reference into the Registration Document by this Supplement and (b) any other statement in or incorporated by reference in the Registration Document, the statements in (a) above will prevail.
9. Save as disclosed in this Supplement, there has been no other significant new factor, material mistake or inaccuracy relating to information included in the Registration Document since the publication of the Registration Document.

ABN AMRO Holding N.V.

ABN AMRO Bank N.V.

11 August 2009

SECOND SUPPLEMENT TO THE REGISTRATION DOCUMENT



ABN AMRO HOLDING N.V.

(Registered at Amsterdam, The Netherlands)

ABN AMRO BANK N.V.

(Registered at Amsterdam, The Netherlands)

Registration Document

1. This Supplement dated 11 August 2009 (the **Supplement**) constitutes the second supplement to the Registration Document dated 30 June 2009 (the **Registration Document**) published by ABN AMRO Holding N.V. (**Holding**) and ABN AMRO Bank N.V. (**Bank**) approved by the Netherlands Authority for the Financial Markets (*Stichting Autoriteit Financiële Markten*, the **AFM**) on 30 June 2009, as supplemented on 8 July 2009.
2. This Supplement constitutes a supplemental prospectus to the Registration Document for the purposes of Article 5:23 of the Financial Supervision Act (*Wet op het financieel toezicht*).
3. This Supplement is supplemental to, and should be read in conjunction with, the Registration Document and any other supplements thereto issued by Holding and/or Bank.
4. Holding and Bank accept responsibility for the information contained in this Supplement. To the best of the knowledge of Holding and Bank (having taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case), the information contained in this Supplement is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.
5. In a press release dated 4 August 2009, the ratings agency Moody's Investors Service (**Moody's**) announced that it has lowered the long-term credit ratings of Bank to Aa3 from Aa2 and those of Holding to A1 from Aa3. At the same time, Moody's affirmed the short-term rating of Bank as being Prime-1. However, Moody's indicated that the long-term ratings of the Bank and Holding remain on review for possible further downgrade.

6. This rating action reflects Moody's view that the current ratings are no longer consistent with either Bank's current financial condition or the likely future financial profile of Bank resulting from Bank's pending demerger.
7. To the extent that there is any inconsistency between (a) any statement in this Supplement or any statement incorporated by reference into the Registration Document by this Supplement and (b) any other statement in or incorporated by reference in the Registration Document, the statements in (a) above will prevail.
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ABN AMRO Holding N.V.

ABN AMRO Bank N.V.

8 July 2009

FIRST SUPPLEMENT TO THE REGISTRATION DOCUMENT



ABN AMRO HOLDING N.V.
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ABN AMRO BANK N.V.
(Registered at Amsterdam, The Netherlands)

Registration Document

1. This Supplement dated 8 July 2009 (the **Supplement**) constitutes the first supplement to the Registration Document dated 30 June 2009 (the **Registration Document**) published by ABN AMRO Holding N.V. (**Holding**) and ABN AMRO Bank N.V. (**Bank**) approved by the Netherlands Authority for the Financial Markets (*Stichting Autoriteit Financiële Markten*, the **AFM**) on 30 June 2009.
2. This Supplement constitutes a supplemental prospectus to the Registration Document for the purposes of Article 5:23 of the Financial Supervision Act (*Wet op het financieel toezicht*).
3. This Supplement is supplemental to, and should be read in conjunction with, the Registration Document and any other supplements thereto issued by Holding and/or Bank.
4. Holding and Bank accept responsibility for the information contained in this Supplement. To the best of the knowledge of Holding and Bank (having taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case), the information contained in this Supplement is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.
5. The following debt instruments issued by the Bank are incorrectly stated in the Registration Document as having been economically allocated to Dutch State acquired businesses as at 31 December 2008, as set out on page 12 of the Registration Document:

PKR 800 million floating rate subordinated notes 2012

MYR 200 million subordinated notes 2017

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TRY 60 million floating rate callable subordinated notes 2017 (callable 2012)

They have in fact been economically allocated to RBS acquired businesses of ABN AMRO by virtue of this Supplement, reference to these debt instruments shall be deemed to be deleted from the list on page 12 (in respect of the Dutch State acquired businesses) and to appear in the list on page 11 (in respect of the RBS acquired businesses).

6. On 2 July 2009, ABN AMRO Group issued a press release regarding an update on capital actions (the **Press Release**).
7. A copy of the Press Release has been filed with the AFM and, by virtue of this Supplement, the Press Release is incorporated into, and forms part of, the Registration Document.
8. Copies of all documents incorporated by reference in the Base Prospectus are accessible on www.abnamro.com and can be obtained, on request, free of charge, by writing to, or telephoning, ABN AMRO Bank N.V., RBS Investor Relations Department, 280 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4RB, United Kingdom, telephone +44 (0)207 672 1758.
9. To the extent that there is any inconsistency between (a) any statement in this Supplement or any statement incorporated by reference into the Registration Document by this Supplement and (b) any other statement in or incorporated by reference in the Registration Document, the statements in (a) above will prevail.
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ABN AMRO Holding N.V.

ABN AMRO Bank N.V.

30 JUNE 2009

REGISTRATION DOCUMENT

ABN AMRO HOLDING N.V.

(Registered at Amsterdam, The Netherlands)

And

ABN AMRO BANK N.V.

(Registered at Amsterdam, The Netherlands)

REGISTRATION DOCUMENT PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 14 OF COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) NO 809/2004 (THE **EU PROSPECTUS REGULATION**) FOR ABN AMRO HOLDING N.V. AND ABN AMRO BANK N.V.

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1. OPERATING REVIEW

INTRODUCTION

Certain definitions

Throughout this Registration Document, '**Holding**' means ABN AMRO Holding N.V. The terms '**ABN AMRO**,' and 'the **Group**' refer to Holding and its consolidated subsidiaries. The '**Bank**' means ABN AMRO Bank N.V. and its consolidated subsidiaries. The term '**BU**' refers to Business Unit. '**EUR**' refers to euros, while '**USD**' refers to US dollars.

The terms '**Consortium**' and '**Consortium Members**' refer to the banks The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc (**RBS**), Fortis N.V., Fortis SA/NV (**Fortis**) and Banco Santander S.A. (**Santander**) who jointly acquired ABN AMRO Holding N.V. on 17 October 2007 through RFS Holdings B.V. (**RFS Holdings**). On 3 October 2008 the State of the Netherlands (**Dutch State**) acquired Fortis Bank Nederland (Holding) N.V., including the interest in RFS Holdings that represents the acquired activities of ABN AMRO and effectively became the successor of Fortis in the Consortium Shareholder Agreement.

Responsibility

Holding and the Bank accept responsibility for the information contained in this Registration Document. To the best of the knowledge and belief of Holding and the Bank (having taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case) the information contained in this Registration Document is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

Presentation of information

Unless otherwise indicated, the financial information contained in this Registration Document has been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (**IFRS**) as adopted by the European Union and IFRS as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (**IASB**) which vary in certain significant respects from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, or 'US GAAP'.

A body of generally accepted accounting principles such as IFRS is commonly referred to as 'GAAP'. A 'non-GAAP financial measure' is defined as one that measures historical or future financial performance, financial position or cash flows but which excludes or includes amounts that would not be so adjusted in the most comparable GAAP measure. This Registration Document presents certain non-GAAP financial measures as a result of excluding the consolidation effects of ABN AMRO's private equity holdings. In accordance with applicable rules and regulations, ABN AMRO has presented definitions and reconciliations of non-GAAP financial measures to the most comparable GAAP measures in the paragraph 'Operating and Financial Review and Prospects' in this Registration Document. The non-GAAP financial measures described in this Registration Document are not a substitute for GAAP measures, for which management has responsibility.

All annual averages in this Registration Document are based on month-end figures. Management does not believe that these month-end averages present trends materially different from those that would be presented by daily averages.

Certain figures in this Registration Document may not sum up exactly due to rounding. In addition, certain percentages in this Registration Document have been calculated using rounded figures.

Incorporation by Reference

The following documents shall be deemed to be incorporated in, and to form part of, this Registration Document:

- (a) the publicly available consolidated financial statements of Holding in respect of the financial years ended 31 December 2008 and 31 December 2007 respectively and the auditor's reports for the respective years, as included in the annual report for those financial years;
- (b) the publicly available press release in connection with the ABN AMRO Group first quarter 2009 financial results, dated 25 May 2009;
- (c) the Articles of Association (statuten) of each of Holding and the Bank as in force and effect on the date of this Registration Document; and
- (d) the terms of reference of the Audit Committee as set out in the Rules Governing the Supervisory Board's Principles and Best Practices dated 19 February 2008.

Copies of these documents as well as any annual and interim accounts to be published in the future are accessible via ABN AMRO's corporate website at www.abnamro.com (the information found at this website is not incorporated by reference into this Registration Document). Copies of these documents are also available on request, free of charge, by writing or telephoning us at:

ABN AMRO Bank N.V., RBS Investor Relations Department, 280 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4RB, United Kingdom, +44 (0)207 672 1758.

Cautionary statement on forward-looking statements

Certain sections in this Registration Document contain 'forward-looking statements' as that term is defined in the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, such as statements that include the words 'expect', 'estimate', 'project', 'anticipate', 'should', 'intend', 'plan', 'probability', 'risk', 'Value-at-Risk (**VaR**)', 'target', 'goal', 'objective', 'will', 'endeavour', 'outlook', 'optimistic', 'prospects' and similar expressions or variations on such expressions.

In particular, this Registration Document includes forward-looking statements relating, but not limited, to ABN AMRO's potential exposures to various types of market risks, such as counterparty risk, interest rate risk, foreign exchange rate risk and commodity and equity price risk. Such statements are subject to risks and uncertainties. For example, certain of the market risk disclosures are dependent on choices about key model characteristics and assumptions and are subject to various limitations. By their nature, certain of the market risk disclosures are only estimates and, as a result, actual future gains and losses could differ materially from those that have been estimated.

Other factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those estimated by the forward looking statements contained in this Registration Document include, but are not limited to:

- the extent and nature of the financial crisis as it unfolds in Europe, the US and the other major markets where ABN AMRO operates including the effect on ABN AMRO's capital of write downs in respect of credit market exposures;
- risks related to ABN AMRO's transition and separation process following its acquisition by the Consortium;
- general economic conditions in the Netherlands and in other countries in which ABN AMRO has significant business activities or investments, including the United Kingdom and the United States

including the impact of recessionary economic conditions on ABN AMRO's revenues, liquidity and balance sheet;

- the actions taken by governments and their agencies to support individual banks and the banking system;
- the monetary and interest rate policies of the European Central Bank, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and other G-7 central banks;
- inflation or deflation;
- unanticipated turbulence in interest rates, foreign currency exchange rates, commodity prices and equity prices;
- changes in Dutch and foreign laws, regulations and taxes;
- changes in competition and pricing environments;
- natural and other disasters;
- the inability to hedge certain risks economically;
- the adequacy of loss reserves;
- technological changes;
- changes in consumer spending and saving habits; and
- the success of ABN AMRO in managing the risks involved in the foregoing.

Factors that could also adversely affect ABN AMRO's results or the accuracy of forward-looking statements in this Registration Document, and the factors discussed here or in the paragraph 'Risk factors' should not be regarded as a complete set of all potential risks or uncertainties. ABN AMRO has economic, financial market, credit, legal and other specialists who monitor economic and market conditions and government policies and actions. However, because it is difficult to predict with complete accuracy any changes in economic or market conditions or in governmental policies and actions, it is hard for ABN AMRO to anticipate the effects that such changes could have on ABN AMRO's financial performance and business operations.

The forward-looking statements made in this Registration Document speak only as at the date of publication of this Registration Document. ABN AMRO does not intend to publicly update or revise these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this Registration Document, and ABN AMRO does not assume any responsibility to do so. The reader should, however, take into account any further disclosures of a forward-looking nature ABN AMRO may make in ABN AMRO's interim reports.

INFORMATION ON THE COMPANY

General Information

The legal and commercial name for Holding is ABN AMRO Holding N.V. The legal name for the Bank is ABN AMRO Bank N.V. and its commercial name is ABN AMRO. Both Holding and Bank are public limited liability companies incorporated under Dutch law on May 30, 1990 and February 7, 1825 respectively. Holding is registered with the Trade Register in Amsterdam under no. 33220369. The Bank is registered with the Trade Register in Amsterdam under no. 33002587. Holding and Bank have their registered offices in Amsterdam, the Netherlands and their office address is Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP

Amsterdam. The mailing address for Holding and Bank in the Netherlands is Post Office Box 283, 1000EA Amsterdam. Holding and Bank's telephone number is (31-20) 628 9393. Their home website is www.abnamro.nl for the Netherlands and www.abnamro.com for the rest of the world. Information on the website does not form part of this Registration Document, unless expressly stated otherwise. Further, please refer to the accounting policies section of the consolidated financial statements.

Holding is a prominent international banking group offering a wide range of banking products and financial services on a global basis. Holding was previously listed on Euronext Amsterdam by NYSE Euronext, Eurolist by Euronext Brussels, Eurolist by Euronext Paris and the New York Stock Exchange but has delisted from these stock exchanges with effect from 25 April 2008, 26 April 2007, 11 June 2007 and 25 April 2008 respectively.

Bank is the result of the merger of Algemeen Bank Nederland N.V. and Amsterdam-Rotterdam Bank N.V. in 1990. Prior to the merger, these banks were respectively, the largest and second-largest bank in the Netherlands. Bank traces its origin to the formation of the Nederlandsche Handel-Maatschappij, N.V. in 1825, pursuant to a Dutch Royal Decree of 1824.

Following the acquisition of ABN AMRO by the Consortium in October 2007, RBS has assumed the lead responsibility for managing ABN AMRO with respect to all regulatory requirements. Accordingly, ABN AMRO's financial results are also reported as a fully consolidated part of the RBS Group's Annual Report, published 26 February 2009.

Update on ownership

On 17 October 2007, Holding was acquired through RFS Holdings by a consortium consisting of RBS, Fortis and Santander. Holding was delisted on 25 April 2008 from Euronext Amsterdam and the New York Stock Exchange and a 'squeeze-out' procedure to buy out minority shareholders was completed on 22 September 2008, after which RFS Holdings became the sole shareholder in ABN AMRO. After the sale to Santander of Banco Real and other Santander acquired businesses, Santander continues to hold an economic interest in ABN AMRO on Central Items through RFS Holdings B.V. On 3 October 2008, the State of the Netherlands (**Dutch State**) acquired all Fortis' businesses in the Netherlands, including the Fortis share in RFS Holdings held by Fortis Bank Nederland (Holding) N.V. in the Fortis Group.

In November 2008, the Dutch State announced its strategy for the acquired businesses of ABN AMRO and Fortis. On 24 December 2008, the Dutch State purchased from Fortis Bank Nederland its investment in RFS Holdings, to become a direct shareholder in RFS Holdings.

ABN AMRO is separately governed by its Managing Board and Supervisory Board and regulated by the Dutch Central Bank and the Netherlands Authority for the Financial Markets.

Update on separation

In 2007 the consortium members agreed and validated a base-line plan for achieving synergies and for separating and transferring of the ABN AMRO businesses to the respective banks. The businesses to be acquired by each of the banks of the consortium and in which each have an interest through their share holdings in RFS Holdings B.V. equal to the banks funding commitments, are:

RBS: Business Unit North America, Business Unit Global Clients (excluding Latin America) and Dutch wholesale clients and wholesale clients in Latin America (excluding Brazil), Business Unit Asia (excluding interest in Saudi Hollandi Bank) and Business Unit Europe (excluding Antonveneta).

Fortis: Business Unit Netherlands (excluding former Dutch wholesale clients), Business Unit Private Clients (excluding Latin America) and Business Unit Asset Management.

The Fortis share in RFS Holdings held by Fortis Bank Nederland (Holding) N.V. has been acquired by the Dutch State on 3 October 2008.

Santander: Business Unit Latin America (excluding wholesale clients outside Brazil), Antonveneta, Asset Management Antonveneta and Private Clients business in Latin America. On 8 November 2007 Santander announced it had reached an agreement with Banco Monte dei Paschi di Siena with respect to the sale of Antonveneta.

Furthermore the consortium participate proportionally to their funding commitment in the shared assets as reported in the segment Central Items which include: central functions including Head Office functions, the private equity portfolio, the Group's investment in Saudi Hollandi Bank, the central investment portfolio and debt issuances. During the reorganisation, the consortium members will retain a shared economic interest in all central functions (including Head Office functions) that provide support to the ABN AMRO businesses. The non-core assets are expected to be disposed of over a period of time with a view to maximising their value.

Substantially all assets and liabilities with shared ownership by the Consortium have either been sold or economically allocated to a Consortium Member. In particular in April 2008, the majority of the Group Asset and Liability Management portfolios were economically allocated to individual Consortium Members. Remaining shared assets are included within Central Items and consist of head office functions and items that are not allocated to individual Consortium Members such as the majority of the private equity portfolio and the investment in Saudi Hollandi Bank. Interest on settlement amounts accruing to Santander are also included within Central Items as stated in the segment reporting note to the financial statements on page 92 of this document.

The sale of Business Unit Asset Management to Fortis was concluded on 1 April 2008. The sale of Banco Real and other businesses acquired by Santander was concluded in July 2008. The transfer of business and client activities in Business Unit Asia, Business Unit Europe, and Business Unit North America to RBS began in the first half of 2008 and is well underway and many businesses have been re-branded as RBS. Group Functions have been scaled down in line with the separation of businesses.

The main disposal of an ABN AMRO business outside the Consortium was the sale of Banca Antonveneta to Banca Monte dei Paschi di Siena, which was concluded in May 2008. In July 2008, to comply with conditions laid down by the European Commission for the integration of Fortis and ABN AMRO in the Netherlands, ABN AMRO agreed to sell some of its commercial banking activities in the Netherlands to Deutsche Bank, subject to a number of conditions including approval by the Dutch Central Bank. At the end of the stipulated period for completing this sale, 31 October 2008, these conditions had not been fulfilled and the sale did not proceed. ABN AMRO and the Dutch State continue to review options for satisfying the concerns of the European Commission.

A number of businesses and client activities were transferred to RBS during 2008 and many ABN AMRO businesses have been re-branded as RBS. For details of the RBS businesses and results description, reference is made to the 2008 RBS Annual Results documents as published on 26 February 2009 and the 2008 RBS Group Annual Report.

As the transfer of businesses to Santander is substantially complete, ABN AMRO consists now of the remaining RBS acquired businesses, the Dutch State acquired businesses and some residual shared assets, reported as part of Central Items.

Separation activity in 2009

RBS, Santander and the Dutch State continue to work on a joint plan for legally separating the Dutch State acquired businesses from the residual RBS acquired business into two separate banks. This includes ensuring adequate capitalisation post legal separation and access to the capital and money markets for both banks.

RBS continues to plan and execute the strategy for its acquired businesses, which has been communicated on 26 February 2009 as part of the RBS strategic review aimed at restoring the RBS standalone strength. The RBS Group 2008 Annual Results announced the commencement of a strategic restructuring plan of RBS which includes the creation of a “non-core” division of RBS. RBS expect to either run off or dispose of the businesses, assets and portfolios within this structure during the next three to five years. This strategic plan is still under discussion with regards to the potential ABN AMRO businesses that may be contained within this new structure. Therefore disclosure of which businesses this may affect is not possible at this time. An update on the RBS strategic plan will be presented to the market in conjunction with the interim results on 7 August 2009. Shortly following the RBS interim results announcement ABN AMRO will issue its interim results and as part of that an update, to the extent applicable to ABN AMRO, will be made. At the same date RBS Group confirmed its intended participation in H.M. Treasury’s Asset Protection Scheme, in conjunction with an additional GBP 13 billion capital raising.

Following the separation of the Dutch State acquired businesses, the existing ABN AMRO Bank N.V. will be renamed "the Royal Bank of Scotland N.V." (**RBS N.V.**). The future RBS N.V. will be part of RBS and will principally contain the international lending and international transaction services of RBS. The transfer of business to RBS, in line with obtaining synergies and combining risk management, will continue in 2009. This process will reduce the scope of operations conducted by ABN AMRO.

The Dutch State acquired businesses will be transferred into a new legal entity, to be named "ABN AMRO Bank N.V.", under a separate banking licence. The preparation of the banking licence application and legal separation documentation including pro-forma financial information is in progress and planned for submission to the Dutch Central Bank and the Chamber of Commerce respectively in the summer of 2009. Legal separation is expected to be finalised by the end of 2009.

The intention is that the new bank comprising the Dutch State acquired businesses will target its three current client segments, being Dutch commercial clients (SMEs and corporates), Dutch consumer clients, and international private clients, with a complete product range ensuring continuity for its clients. In addition, the new bank will continue to service its clients in the international diamonds and jewellery business. The focus of the new bank will be to protect its current market position by building on existing strengths in the preparation for the integration with Fortis Bank Nederland. The bank intends to maintain a relatively conservative risk profile, while adhering to a cost conscious management approach. The smooth separation of these businesses from ABN AMRO therefore remains a priority for the Managing Board and is targeted for completion by the end of 2009 in line with our original plans. The bank is pursuing the sale of part of the Dutch commercial clients activities included in HBU and selected regional branch offices to comply with the requirements of the European Commission. This is subject to approval by the shareholder and the European Commission.

The shared economic interest in the segment Central Items will remain until such time the shareholders agree on allocation, dispose of the items or come to another agreement.

On 26 June 2009, the Minister of Finance of the Netherlands (the **Minister**) as part of an update letter to the Dutch Lower House of Parliament on the strategy, risk policy, legal structure and separation plan, requested approval for specific capitalisation actions and to make any necessary commitments relating to the EU remedy.

With regards to the capital actions, the Minister asked the Lower House to approve a capital relief instrument (**CRI**) and a mandatory convertible note (**MCN**) with a positive capital impact of in total EUR 2.5 billion. This requirement is in preparation of the separation of the Dutch State acquired businesses of ABN AMRO as provided for in the shareholders’ agreement with RBS and Santander. ABN AMRO Group continues to be adequately capitalised and any capital repatriation to any shareholder – including to Santander as referred to in the Minister’s letter – is part of an overall capital plan authorised within the governance of ABN AMRO and agreed between all Consortium Members and is subject to regulatory approval. Accordingly these capital actions are not necessary for ABN AMRO Group to remain adequately capitalised.

Under the CRI (releasing EUR 1.7 billion of Tier 1 capital support based on a ratio of 9%), the Dutch State will take over part of the credit risk in a specific, high-quality Dutch mortgage portfolio, reducing the bank's risk-weighted assets by approximately EUR 19 billion. The MCN of EUR 0.8 billion is a convertible instrument, with a coupon of 10%, that will be automatically converted into share capital upon legal separation in the new bank and will continue to qualify as Tier 1 capital.

Further capital may be required as a result of the sale of part of the Dutch commercial clients activities included in HBU and selected regional branch offices to comply with the requirements of the European Commission. The Minister also asked the Lower House of Parliament for a mandate to make any necessary commitments relating to the EU remedy.

RBS will continue to ensure that its businesses included in the future RBS N.V. are appropriately capitalised. RBS would not have to raise new capital for this, as any required capital transfers have already been factored into RBS Group's capital plan. Any capital transfers from RBS Plc to RBS N.V. are subject to oversight by the Financial Services Authority.

The Dutch State and RBS capital injections described above are still subject to regulatory as well as, in case of the Dutch State, parliamentary approvals.

Governance until legal separation

Until the final legal separation, ABN AMRO will continue to be governed by its Managing Board and Supervisory Board and be regulated on a consolidated basis with capital ratios and liquidity measures and exposures of the Group being reported to and regulated by its supervisor, the Dutch Central Bank.

Any future capital repatriations to individual Consortium Members are part of an overall capital plan agreed between all Consortium Members and are subject to regulatory approval.

Results of operations in 2008

In 2008, ABN AMRO recorded a profit after tax of EUR 3.6 billion comprising a loss after tax of EUR 12.9 billion from continuing operations offset by a gain after tax on disposals of discontinued operations of EUR 16.5 billion. The result from continuing operations was materially impacted by difficult trading and market conditions. The majority of losses arising from market turmoil were experienced in the global markets business acquired by RBS. This is predominately reflected in the results of Business Unit Europe, which was also impacted by the transfer of business to RBS. The transfer of some business activities, along with their related assets and liabilities, has resulted in substantial disposal losses for ABN AMRO. In addition, new business is increasingly originated in RBS rather than in the RBS acquired business of ABN AMRO. For these reasons, RBS acquired businesses can not be fully evaluated on a stand alone basis.

The businesses acquired by the Dutch State were profitable for the full year. However, the level of profit was impacted by an increase in loan impairment charges and pressure on interest rate margins in Business Unit Netherlands and lower fee income in Business Unit Private Clients in line with a decline in Assets under Management.

Central Items reported a loss primarily due to valuation losses on the private equity portfolio and on other equity investments.

Results of operations in the first quarter of 2009

ABN AMRO recorded a loss after tax of EUR 886 million for the first quarter 2009. A loss after tax of EUR 889 million from continuing operations was offset by a gain after tax on discontinued operations of EUR 3 million. The Group's total loss after tax comprises of a loss after tax of EUR 928 million attributable to the Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc (RBS) acquired businesses, a gain after tax of EUR 87 million attributable to the Dutch State acquired businesses, a loss after tax of EUR 48 million attributable to the

Group's Central Items and a gain after tax of EUR 3 million attributable to Banco Santander S.A. (Santander)'s remaining acquired businesses in ABN AMRO Group classified as discontinued operations.

Despite reporting a loss, the result from continuing operations improved significantly compared with the latter half of 2008. The majority of the improvement is attributable to the RBS acquired businesses where the large valuation losses and losses on transfers of portfolios and activities to RBS recorded in 2008 have not reoccurred in the 1st quarter 2009 at the 2008 level.

Rating downgrade

In a Research Update dated 19 December 2008 the Ratings agency Standard & Poor's (**S&P**) made public that it had lowered the credit ratings of ABN AMRO to A+ (long term) and to A-1 (short-term).

This downgrade follows S&P's rating action on 12 U.S. and European financial institutions, including RBS and reflects the expectation that, by the end of 2009, ABN AMRO and the majority of its obligations will be absorbed by RBS.

ABN AMRO provides the rating reports for information purposes only. ABN AMRO does not endorse S&P's, or any other rating agency's, ratings or views and does not accept any responsibility for their accuracy.

A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be revised or withdrawn by the relevant rating agency at any time.

For clarification on S&P ratings reference is made to www.standardandpoors.com.

Capital, liquidity and funding

ABN AMRO continues to be well funded and capitalised. At 31 March 2009, the Group's tier 1 was 12.7% (31 December 2008: 10.9%) and the total capital ratio was 16.8% (31 December 2008: 14.4%). This reflects a reduction in risk weighted assets in the first quarter and a EUR 3 billion capital injection by RBS. Our capital ratios continue to exceed the minimum tier 1 and total tier capital ratios of 9% and 12.5% respectively set by the Dutch Central Bank during the separation period of ABN AMRO Group. ABN AMRO continues to comfortably maintain the regulatory liquidity requirements.

The capitalisation initiatives requested on 26 June 2009 by the Minister of Finance of the Netherlands to the Dutch Lower House of Parliament, will improve the capital ratios of ABN AMRO as follows.

The planned CRI will reduce the bank's risk-weighted assets by approximately EUR 19 billion. In comparison with the published capital ratios as at 31 March 2009 and on the basis of the terms and conditions as disclosed in the letter of 26 June 2009, this will represent an improvement of the Tier 1 ratio with approximately 170 basis points and the total capital ratio with approximately 225 basis points. The proposed MCN will qualify as Tier 1 capital and will improve both the Tier 1 capital ratio and total capital ratio as at 31 March 2009 by approximately 50 basis points. The combined favourable impact of both capital instruments compared with the situation as at 31 March 2009 will be on the Tier 1 ratio approximately 220 basis points and on the total capital ratio approximately 275 basis points.

ABN AMRO's timely response to the dislocation of the financial markets and ABN AMRO related events, in combination with effective liquidity management and the actions of the Dutch State, enabled ABN AMRO to continue to meet the regulatory liquidity requirements throughout 2008 and during the first quarter of 2009.

Issued debt instrument allocation

As part of the separation process the Consortium Members have come to an agreement on the economic allocation of issued debt instruments within ABN AMRO to the individual Consortium Members' acquired businesses. All Santander allocated instruments were transferred as part of the business transfers carried out

in 2008. The economic allocation of the instruments listed below, however, may change in the period leading up to the legal separation of the Dutch State acquired business.

The following table lists the debt instruments issued by ABN AMRO/ABN AMRO Bank N.V. and economically allocated to RBS acquired businesses as at 31 December 2008:

	ISIN
EUR182 million 6.00% subordinated notes 2009	NL0000121564
EUR182 million 6.13% subordinated notes 2009	NL0000121614
EUR800 million 6.25% subordinated notes 2010	2010NL0000118024
EUR1,500 million floating rate Bermudan callable subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2015 (callable June 2010)	XS0221082125
EUR5 million floating rate Bermudan callable subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2015 (callable October 2010)	XS0233906808
EUR7 million 7.38% subordinated notes 2016	2016XS0067976364
EUR26 million 7.42% subordinated notes 2016	2016XS0067935253
EUR100 million 5.125% flip flop Bermudan callable subordinated notes 2017(callable December 2012)	XS0159771327
EUR250 million 4.70% CMS linked subordinated notes 2019	2019NL0000122505
EUR15 million CMS linked floating rate subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2020	2020XS0214553348
EUR13 million zero coupon subordinated notes 2029 (callable June 2009)	XS0098392755
EUR170 million floating rate sinkable subordinated notes 2041	2041XS0123050956
GBP42 million amortising MTN subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2010	2010XS0072183204
GBP25 million amortising MTN subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2011	2011XS0073571761
AUD175 million floating rate Bermudan callable subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2018 (callable May 2013)	AU0000ABOHH0AUD
AUD575 million 6.50% Bermudan callable subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2018 (callable May 2013)	AU0000ABOHG2
USD1,500 million floating rate Bermudan callable subordinated notes 2015 (callable March 2010)	XS0213858243
USD500 million 4.65% subordinated notes 2018	2018USN02627AR30
USD165 million 6.14% subordinated notes 2019	2019XS0088804504
USD72 million 5.98% subordinated notes 2019	2019XS0093450608
USD1,285 million 5.90% Trust Preferred V	VUS00372P2039

USD200 million 6.25% Trust Preferred VI	VIUS00080V2034
USD1,800 million 6.08% Trust Preferred VII	VIIUS00372Q2012

All senior unsecured debt has been economically allocated to RBS acquired businesses of ABN AMRO.

The LaunchPad Programmes, Limited Recourse Notes and the notes issued under the MTN Programme have been economically allocated to RBS acquired businesses of ABN AMRO.

The following table lists the debt instruments issued by ABN AMRO/ABN AMRO Bank N.V. and economically allocated to Dutch State acquired businesses as at 31 December 2008:

	ISIN
EUR1,150 million 4.625% subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2009	NL0000122463
EUR500 million floating rate Bermudan callable subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2018 (callable May 2013)	XS0256778464
EUR1,000 million floating rate Bermudan callable subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2016 (callable September 2011)	XS0267063435
EUR82 million floating rate subordinated notes 2017	XS0113243470
EUR103,4 million floating rate subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2020	XS0114072423
EUR65 million floating rate Bermudan callable subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2015 (callable October 2010)	PP550NBC4
USD100 million floating rate Bermudan callable subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2015 (callable October 2010)	PP550NBB6
USD36 million floating rate Bermudan callable subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2015 (callable October 2010)	PP550NB42
USD1,000 million floating rate Bermudan callable subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2017 (callable January 2012)	XS0282833184
USD250 million 7.75% subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2023	US00077TAA25
GBP750 million 5% Bermudan callable perpetual subordinated upper tier 2 notes issued for an indefinite period (callable February 2016)	XS0244754254
EUR1,000 million 4.310% perpetual Bermudan callable subordinated tier 1 notes (callable March 2016)	XS0246487457
PKR 800 million floating rate subordinated notes 2012	
MYR 200 million subordinated notes 2017	EG5294632
TRY 60 million floating rate callable subordinated notes 2017 (callable 2012)	
EUR 11,2 million 4.0% bank bonds 2009	NL0000071942
EUR 73,3 million 5.0% bank bonds 2009	NL0000071983

EUR 124,0 million 5.5% bank bonds 2010	NL0000065423
EUR 148,3 million 5.75% bank bonds 2010	NL0000071991
EUR 64,7 million 5.0% bank bonds 2012	NL0000065456
EUR 122,4 million 4.5% bank bonds 2013	NL0000066231
EUR 154,1 million 4.5% bank bonds 2014	NL0000066249
NLG 372,7 million 6.5% bank bonds 2011	NL0000065936
NLG 105,7 million 6.5% bank bonds 2017	NL0000066025

All current debt outstandings under the Covered Bond Programme and the Bouwfonds Secured Debt programme of the Bank have been economically allocated to the Dutch State acquired businesses of ABN AMRO.

Any future issues out of the Covered Bond programme will include in the final terms an indication of the legal entity to which it is intended to economically allocate the issue.

The following debt instrument has not been economically allocated to any consortium member and is therefore held centrally and reported in Central Items:

USD 150 million 7.13% subordinated notes 2093	US00077TAB08
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SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

The selected financial data set out below has been derived from ABN AMRO's audited consolidated financial statements for the periods indicated. ABN AMRO's consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2008 have been audited by Deloitte Accountants B.V., the consolidated financial statements for each of the years ended 2007, 2006, 2005 and 2004 have been audited by Ernst & Young Accountants LLP, both independent auditors. The selected financial data is only a summary and should be read in conjunction with and is qualified by reference to the consolidated financial statements and notes included elsewhere in this Registration Document and the information provided in this Section.

Selected Consolidated Income Statement

	As at 31 December					
	2008 ⁽¹⁾	2008	2007	2006	2005 ⁽²⁾	2004 ⁽²⁾
	(in millions of USD)	(in millions of euros)				
Net interest income	8,516	5,783	4,595	4,223	8,785	8,525
Net fee and commission income	3,871	2,629	3,852	3,641	4,691	4,485
Net trading income	(13,730)	(9,324)	1,119	2,627	2,621	1,309
Results from financial transactions	(2,480)	(1,684)	1,134	767	1,281	905
Share of result in equity accounted investments	156	106	223	186	263	206
Other operating income	451	306	1,239	873	1,056	745
Income of consolidated private equity holdings	2,542	1,726	3,836	5,313	3,637	2,616
Operating income	(674)	(458)	15,998	17,630	22,334	18,791
Operating expenses	17,124	11,629	14,785	14,702	16,301	15,180
Loan impairment and other credit risk provisions	4,989	3,387	717	668	635	607
Total expenses	22,113	15,016	15,502	15,370	16,936	15,787
Operating profit/(loss) before tax	(22,787)	(15,474)	496	2,260	5,398	3,004
Tax	(3,800)	(2,580)	(458)	213	1,142	715
Profit/(loss) from continuing operations	(18,987)	(12,894)	954	2,047	4,256	2,289
Profit from discontinued operations net of tax	24,281	16,489	9,021	2,733	187	1,651
Profit for the year	5,294	3,595	9,975	4,780	4,443	3,940
Attributable to shareholders of the parent company	5,272	3,580	9,848	4,715	4,382	3,865
Dividends on ordinary shares	28,292	19,213	1,071	2,153	2,050	1,665

- (1) Solely for the convenience of the reader, euro amounts have been translated into US dollars at an exchange rate of 1 USD = EUR 0.6791, which is the rate equal to the average of the month-end rates for 2008.
- (2) Selected financial data for 2005 and 2004 has not been restated for discontinued operations arising in 2008 and 2007. Income statement figures for 2007 and 2006 have been restated for discontinued operations in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

Selected Consolidated Balance Sheet Data

	As at 31 December					
	2008 ⁽¹⁾	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
	(in millions of USD)	(in millions of euros)				
Assets						
Financial assets held for trading	296,810	212,653	242,277	205,736	202,055	167,035
Financial investments	93,600	67,061	96,435	125,381	123,774	102,948
Loans and receivables – banks	105,471	75,566	175,696	134,819	108,635	83,858
Loans and receivables – customers	377,560	270,507	398,331	443,255	380,248	320,022
Total assets	930,709	666,817	1,025,213	987,064	880,804	727,454
Liabilities						
Financial liabilities held for trading	268,105	192,087	155,476	145,364	148,588	129,506
Due to banks	132,066	94,620	239,334	187,989	167,821	133,529
Due to customers	291,717	209,004	330,352	362,383	317,083	281,379
Issued debt securities	155,341	111,296	174,995	202,046	170,619	121,232
Capitalisation						
Equity attributable to shareholders of the parent company	23,835	17,077	29,575	23,597	22,221	14,815
Equity attributable to minority interests	64	46	1,134	2,298	1,931	1,737
Subordinated liabilities	18,911	13,549	15,616	19,213	19,072	16,687
Group capital	42,810	30,672	46,325	45,108	43,224	33,239

(1) Solely for your convenience, euro amounts have been translated into US dollars at an exchange rate of 1 USD = EUR 0.7165, which is the year-end rate for 2008.

Selected Ratios ⁽¹⁾

	At or for the year ended 31 December				
	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
	(in percentages)				
Profitability ratios					
Net interest margin ⁽²⁾	0.7	0.5	0.5	1.1	1.2
Non-interest income to total operating income	-	71.3	76.0	60.7	54.6
Efficiency ratio ⁽³⁾	-	92.4	83.4	73.0	80.8
Capital ratios					
Average ordinary shareholders equity on average total assets	3.83	2.82	2.87	2.24	1.84
Tier 1 Capital ratio ⁽⁴⁾	10.88	12.42	8.45	10.62	8.46
Total Capital ratio ⁽⁴⁾	14.43	14.61	11.14	13.14	11.06
Credit quality ratios					
Provision for loan losses to private sector loans ⁽⁵⁾	1.35	0.64	0.45	0.23	0.26
Provision for loan losses to private and public sector loans ⁽⁵⁾	1.30	0.62	0.43	0.22	0.25
Non-performing loans to private sector loans (gross) ⁽⁵⁾⁽⁶⁾	2.37	1.43	2.31	1.72	2.28
Non-performing loans to private and public sector loans (gross) ⁽⁵⁾⁽⁶⁾	2.29	1.40	2.23	1.68	2.22
Allowance for loan loss to private sector loans ⁽⁵⁾	1.82	1.12	1.15	1.09	1.36
Allowance for loan loss to private and public sector loans ⁽⁵⁾	1.76	1.10	1.11	1.06	1.32
Allowance for loan losses to non-performing loans (gross) ⁽⁶⁾	77.04	78.16	50.03	63.07	59.47
Write-offs to private sector loans (gross) ⁽⁵⁾	0.35	0.52	0.36	0.39	0.53
Write-offs to private and public sector loans (gross) ⁽⁵⁾	0.33	0.51	0.35	0.38	0.51
Consolidated ratio of earnings to fixed charges (<i>ratio</i>)					
Excluding interest on deposits ⁽⁷⁾	-	1.05	1.27	1.78	1.76
Including interest on deposits ⁽⁷⁾	0.05	1.03	1.15	1.25	1.22

- (1) According to IFRS the income statement figures of 2007 and 2006 have been restated for the qualifying discontinued operations arising in 2008. In accordance with IFRS the 2008 balance sheet figures of 2007 and 2006 are not restated for the effect of discontinued operations in 2008. The 2005 and 2004 figures have not been restated for discontinued operation arising in 2008 and 2007. As a result the applicable ratios throughout the years are not comparable.
- (2) Net interest income as a percentage of average interest earning assets.
- (3) Operating expenses as a percentage of net interest income and total non-interest income. Negative efficiency ratios have been excluded.
- (4) Tier 1 capital and total capital as a percentage of risk-weighted assets. For more information on ABN AMRO's capital ratios, please refer to our Capital ratios discussion further on in this section.
- (5) Excludes professional transactions (2008: EUR 13 billion; 2007: EUR 98 billion; 2006: EUR 94 billion; 2005: EUR 75 billion; 2004: EUR 59 billion) because these primarily consist of reverse repurchase agreements with limited credit risk and balances held by multi seller conduits (2008: EUR 5 billion; 2007: EUR 29 billion; 2006: EUR 26 billion; 2005: 26 billion; 2004: 24 billion).
- (6) Non-performing loans are doubtful loans for which there is objective evidence that not all contractually agreed amounts will be collected and for which an allowance for loan losses has been established. For more information on non-performing loans please refer to Section 7 (Additional Information).
- (7) Deposits include banks and total customer accounts. Negative ratios have been excluded.

RISK FACTORS

Set forth below are certain risk factors that could have a material adverse effect on ABN AMRO's future business, operating results or financial condition. These risk factors and the other information in this Registration Document should be carefully considered before making investment decisions. Additional risks not currently known to ABN AMRO or that ABN AMRO now deems immaterial may also harm ABN AMRO and affect your investment.

Market Conditions Risk Factor Update

Since mid 2007, the global financial system has experienced difficult credit and liquidity conditions and disruptions leading to less liquidity, greater volatility, general widening of spreads and, in some cases, lack of price transparency on interbank lending rates.

In September 2008 global financial markets deteriorated sharply following the bankruptcy filing by Lehman Brothers. Thereafter it became apparent that a number of other major financial institutions, including some of the largest commercial banks, investment banks, mortgage lenders, mortgage guarantors and insurance companies in the United States were experiencing difficulties. In response, the United States Government has intervened on an unprecedented scale to prevent the failure of some of these institutions and to provide support to the money market mutual fund industry. Governments in Europe and the United Kingdom have nationalised a number of financial institutions. The Dutch Government introduced a guarantee scheme of EUR 200 billion in October 2008 to assist banks, insurance companies and pension funds with financing problems as a result of the inadequate functioning of the market for loans without collateral. In January 2009 the United Kingdom Government has established an asset protection scheme under which it will insure, for a commercial fee, certain bank assets against losses. United Kingdom banks, including RBS Group, the parent company of ABN AMRO, have been in discussions with the Tripartite Authorities about the scheme's terms. Central banks worldwide have agreed to act in concert to increase liquidity in the financial markets by taking measures such as increasing temporary reciprocal currency arrangement (or **swap lines**) by many billions of euros. Despite these measures, investor confidence remains very low.

In a further effort to bolster the financial markets and provide relief to financial institutions, on 2 October 2008 the United States legislature passed a bill giving the Secretary of the Treasury the power to use public funds to provide support to distressed financial institutions. Global government support is currently ongoing as new plans are being approved and implemented. It remains unclear whether and when this and other active measures taken by governments around the world will have their desired impact on the market. Market conditions generally, and for financial institutions in particular, are expected to remain extremely challenging for 2009.

The first quarter of 2009 continues to reflect the economic recession and the negative impact of lower interest rates. We expect credit conditions to continue to deteriorate over the next few quarters consistent with these trends, and that there will be a slow-down in financial market activity compared with the buoyant conditions seen in the first quarter of 2009.

ABN AMRO continues to remain subject to the risks posed by the impact of the credit crisis on the global financial system and the economies in which the Group operates, some of which are unknown and the vast majority of which are outside our control.

Markets may continue to experience periods of high volatility accompanied by reduced liquidity, which may lead to market risk losses and adversely influence the Group's ability to hedge its risks effectively

The financial and credit markets have been experiencing a sustained period of high volatility, severe dislocations and liquidity disruptions. Financial markets are susceptible to severe events evidenced by rapid depreciation in asset values accompanied by a reduction in asset liquidity.

Under these extreme conditions, hedging and other risk management strategies may not be as effective at mitigating trading risks as they would be under more normal market conditions. Moreover, under these conditions market participants are particularly exposed to trading strategies employed by many market participants simultaneously and on a large scale, such as crowded trades. ABN AMRO's risk management and monitoring processes seek to quantify and mitigate risk to more extreme market moves. Severe market events have historically been difficult to predict, however, and ABN AMRO could realise significant losses if extreme market events were to persist for an extended period of time.

The valuation of securities and obligations may be subject to increased model risk if relevant financial markets become illiquid

The valuation of securities and obligations has, particularly in recent months, become increasingly complex and subject to significant uncertainty in light of the illiquidity of certain of the underlying obligations, with financial institutions applying different valuation models to reflect both the actual and perceived underlying risk profiles of such securities or obligations when market prices are not available. Valuations may vary significantly according to the particular valuation models and assumptions applied to holdings of such securities and obligations. Such valuation models and assumptions may need to be changed to reflect more current information relating to the underlying risk profiles of those holdings, possibly resulting in significant write downs in the value attributed to those holdings with a consequent impact on the balance sheet and income statements of such institutions.

In addition, the values of many of the other instruments ABN AMRO holds and invests in are sensitive to dislocations and disruptions in the credit markets (such as leveraged loans) and the valuation of certain of those instruments has become both more uncertain and more difficult due to volatility and lack of liquidity. As more hedge funds, financial guarantors, banks and other institutions are negatively affected by these market disruptions, ABN AMRO's results may be further affected.

ABN AMRO funds its activities in several markets: any or all of these markets may become illiquid, which could affect the Group's ability to meet expected and unexpected cash flow and collateral needs

In light of the current situation, with regards to observed disruptions in financial markets, the Group's access to these markets may be limited as investors may withdraw from these markets due to the investments no longer meeting their risk appetite. Illiquid markets could affect the Group's funding liquidity position and its ability to meet expected and unexpected cash flow and collateral needs and may have an adverse effect on ABN AMRO's operating results, financial condition and cash flows.

Defaults by another large financial institution could adversely affect financial markets and other financial institutions to which ABN AMRO is exposed

The financial soundness of many financial institutions may be closely interrelated as a result of credit, trading, clearing or other relationships between the institutions. As a result, concerns about, or a default or threatened default by, one institution could lead to significant market-wide liquidity problems, and financial losses at many financial institutions. It may even lead to further defaults of other financial institutions. This is sometimes referred to as 'systemic risk'. A systemic risk event may adversely affect financial intermediaries, such as clearing agencies, clearing houses, banks, securities firms and exchanges, to which ABN AMRO is exposed and may, therefore, lead to material losses for ABN AMRO.

ABN AMRO is subject to credit risk: the associated credit losses may increase, in particular during an economic downturn

ABN AMRO is exposed to credit risk in its banking and trading book operations. This may result in credit losses, the magnitude of which is uncertain. In 2008 many of the world's economies have entered into a recession, including in the Netherlands and the rest of Europe and this has continued in the first quarter of 2009. This has led to increasing numbers of companies and individuals to default on their obligations and, more in general, has increased the likelihood of default of many companies and individuals. The economic downturn has continued in the first quarter of 2009, although the large valuation losses as recorded in 2008 have not reoccurred. Therefore the Group's credit losses may increase due to defaulting obligors and counterparties and due to lower market values of financial instruments valued at fair value.

ABN AMRO has been assigned a rating by rating agencies; in the event of a rating downgrade, this may negatively affect the Group's earnings and increase the Group's liquidity risk

Rating agencies assess the creditworthiness of ABN AMRO and assign a rating to ABN AMRO and some of the financial instruments it has issued. This information is available to many investors and clients of the Group. Any downgrade in ABN AMRO's ratings may increase ABN AMRO's borrowing costs, limit ABN AMRO's access to capital markets and adversely affect the ability of ABN AMRO's businesses to sell or market their products, engage in business transactions (particularly longer-term and derivatives transactions) and retain ABN AMRO's current customers. This, in turn, could increase ABN AMRO's funding and/or liquidity risks and have an adverse effect on ABN AMRO's operating results and financial condition. ABN AMRO has placed additional collateral with certain counterparties following its downgrade in 2008 as a result of reaching trigger levels contained in contracts with these counterparties based on industry standard documentation.

Increases in ABN AMRO's allowances for loan losses may have an adverse effect on ABN AMRO's results

ABN AMRO's banking businesses establish provisions for loan losses, which are reflected in the loan impairment and other credit risk provisions on ABN AMRO's income statement, in order to maintain ABN AMRO's allowance for loan losses at a level that is deemed to be appropriate by management based upon an assessment of prior loss experiences, the volume and type of lending being conducted by each bank, industry standards, past due loans, economic conditions and other factors related to the collectability of each entity's loan portfolio. Although management uses its best efforts to establish the allowances for loan losses, that determination is subject to significant judgement, and ABN AMRO's banking businesses may have to increase or decrease their allowances for loan losses in the future as a result of increases or decreases in non-performing assets or for other reasons. For further detail please refer to the section 'Accounting Policies' in Section 5 (Financial Statements). Any increase in the allowances for loan losses, any loan losses in excess of the previously determined provisions with respect thereto or changes in the estimate of the risk of loss inherent in the portfolio of non-impaired loans could have an adverse effect on ABN AMRO's results of operations and financial condition.

ABN AMRO's transition and break up creates additional risks for ABN AMRO's business and stability

ABN AMRO is going through a period of transition and change, which is expected to last to the end of 2009 and which poses additional risks to ABN AMRO's business including ABN AMRO's ability and that of ABN AMRO's shareholder to manage the break up of the Group in a controlled manner while minimising the loss of business, ABN AMRO's ability to retain key personnel during the transition and enhanced operational and regulatory risks during this period.

ABN AMRO's results can be adversely affected by general economic conditions and other business conditions

Changes in general economic conditions, the performance of financial markets, interest rate levels, the policies and regulations of central banks, including the requirements of the Basel II framework or other business conditions may negatively affect ABN AMRO's financial performance by affecting the demand for ABN AMRO's products and services, reducing the credit quality of borrowers and counterparties, putting pressure on ABN AMRO's loan loss reserves, changing the interest rate margin between ABN AMRO's lending and borrowing costs, changing the value of ABN AMRO's investment and trading portfolios.

Changes in interest rate and foreign exchange rates may adversely affect ABN AMRO's results

Fluctuations in interest rates and foreign exchange rates influence ABN AMRO's performance. The results of ABN AMRO's banking operations are affected by ABN AMRO's management of interest rate sensitivity. Interest rate sensitivity refers to the relationship between changes in market interest rates and changes in net

interest income. A mismatch of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities in any given period may, in the event of changes in interest rates, have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of ABN AMRO's business or results from operations and cash flows. In addition, ABN AMRO publishes ABN AMRO's consolidated financial statements in euros. Fluctuations in the exchange rates used to translate other currencies into euros affect ABN AMRO's reported consolidated financial condition, results of operations and cash flows from year to year.

For an overview of how interest rate risk and foreign exchange rate fluctuation risk is managed, see 'Market risk in the trading book' in this Section as well as Note 38 in Section 5 (Financial Statements).

ABN AMRO's performance is subject to substantial competitive pressures that could adversely affect ABN AMRO's results of operations

There is substantial competition for the types of banking and other products and services that ABN AMRO provides in the regions in which ABN AMRO conducts large portions of ABN AMRO's business. The intensity of this competition is affected by consumer demand, technological changes, the impact of consolidation, regulatory actions and other factors. In addition, technological advances and the growth of e-commerce have made it possible for non-depository institutions to offer products and services that were traditionally banking products and for financial institutions to compete with technology companies in providing electronic and internet-based financial solutions. If ABN AMRO is unable to provide attractive product and service offerings that are profitable, ABN AMRO may lose market share or incur losses on some or all of ABN AMRO's activities.

Regulatory changes or enforcement initiatives could adversely affect ABN AMRO's business

ABN AMRO is subject to banking and financial services laws and government regulation in each of the jurisdictions in which ABN AMRO conducts business. Banking and financial services laws, regulations and policies currently governing ABN AMRO and ABN AMRO's subsidiaries may change at any time, and as a result of the current financial crisis, there is an increased possibility of such regulatory action. Changes to the relevant regulations and policies may have an adverse effect on ABN AMRO's business. If ABN AMRO fails to address, or appear to fail to address, these changes or initiatives in an appropriate way, ABN AMRO's reputation could be harmed and ABN AMRO could be subject to additional legal risk. This could, in turn, increase the size and number of claims and damages asserted against ABN AMRO or subject ABN AMRO to enforcement actions, fines and penalties. As previously disclosed, the United States Department of Justice has been conducting a criminal investigation into the Group's dollar clearing activities, Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) compliance procedures and other Bank Secrecy Act compliance matters all relating to activities before the Consortium Members acquired ABN AMRO. Both before and after the change of control, the Group has co-operated and continues to co-operate fully with the investigation. Although no written agreement has yet been reached and negotiations are ongoing, in April 2007 the Bank reached an agreement in principle with the Department of Justice.

The precise terms of the deferred prosecution agreement are still under negotiation. Refer to 'Ongoing Investigations'. The ultimate resolution of the Department of Justice investigation and the nature and severity of possible additional sanctions cannot be predicted, but regulatory and law enforcement authorities have been imposing severe and significant monetary and other penalties against a number of banking institutions for violations of the Bank Secrecy Act and related statutes.

There is operational risk associated with ABN AMRO's businesses which, if realised, may have an adverse impact on ABN AMRO's results

ABN AMRO, like all financial institutions, is exposed to many types of operational risk, including the risk of fraud or other misconduct by employees or outsiders, unauthorised transactions by employees and operational errors, including clerical or record keeping errors or errors resulting from faulty computer or telecommunications systems. ABN AMRO may also be subject to disruptions of ABN AMRO's operating systems, arising from events that are wholly or partially beyond ABN AMRO's control (including, for

example, computer viruses or electrical or telecommunication outages), which may give rise to losses in service to customers and to loss or liability to ABN AMRO. ABN AMRO is further exposed to the risk that external vendors may be unable to fulfil their contractual obligations to ABN AMRO, and to the risk that their business continuity and data security systems prove to be inadequate. ABN AMRO also faces the risk that the design of ABN AMRO's controls and procedures prove to be inadequate or are circumvented. Although ABN AMRO maintains a system of controls designed to keep operational risk at appropriate levels, there can be no assurance that ABN AMRO will not suffer material losses from operational risk in the future.

ABN AMRO depends on the accuracy and completeness of information about customers and counterparties

In deciding whether to extend credit or enter into other transactions with customers and counterparties, ABN AMRO may rely on information furnished to the Group by or on behalf of the customers and counterparties, including financial statements and other financial information. ABN AMRO also may rely on the audit report covering those financial statements. ABN AMRO's financial condition and results of operations could be negatively affected by relying on financial statements that do not comply with generally accepted accounting principles or that are materially misleading.

ABN AMRO is subject to legal risk, which may have an adverse impact on our results

In the ordinary course of business ABN AMRO is involved in a number of legal proceedings. Furthermore, periods of market dislocation, characterised by sharply deteriorating financial markets, are generally accompanied by an increase in investor litigation against intermediaries such as banks and investment advisors. It is inherently difficult to predict the outcome of many of the litigations, regulatory proceedings and other adversarial proceedings involving our businesses, particularly those cases in which the matters are brought on behalf of various classes of claimants, seek damages of unspecified or indeterminate amounts or involve novel legal claims. In presenting our consolidated financial statements, management may make estimates regarding the outcome of legal, regulatory and arbitration matters and takes a charge to income when losses with respect to such matters are probable and can be reasonably estimated. Changes in our estimates may have an adverse effect on ABN AMRO's results.

There may be difficulties enforcing US civil judgements against ABN AMRO

ABN AMRO Holding N.V. is incorporated under the laws of the Netherlands and the members of its Supervisory Board, with one exception, and its Managing Board, with one exception, are residents of countries outside the United States. Substantially all of the assets of Holding and of the members of the Supervisory Board and the Managing Board are located outside the United States. As a result, it may not be possible for investors to affect service of process upon Holding or upon these persons, or to enforce judgements of US courts predicated upon the civil liability provisions of US securities laws against Holding or these persons. The United States and the Netherlands do not currently have a treaty providing for reciprocal recognition and enforcement of judgements in civil and commercial matters. Therefore, a final judgement for the payment of money rendered by any federal or state court in the United States based on civil liability, whether or not predicated solely upon US federal securities laws, would not be enforceable in the Netherlands. However, a Dutch court may, under current practice, recognise the final judgement that has been rendered in the United States and may grant the same claim without rehearing the merits under certain circumstances, unless the consequences of the recognition of such judgement would contravene public policy in the Netherlands.

GROUP ORGANISATION STRUCTURE

Organisational Structure

From 1 January 2008 the management and control structure of ABN AMRO has been aligned with the consortium ownership of the Group. RBS acquired businesses consist of the business units Europe (which includes RBS acquired businesses in the Netherlands), and business units Americas and Asia. The Dutch State acquired businesses comprise of the Netherlands (excluding RBS acquired businesses) and Private Clients. Central Items includes head office functions and other items centrally managed. All Santander acquired businesses and the former business unit Asset Management are classified as discontinued.

The former regional client business unit Netherlands is no longer managed as a single component. To reflect the consortium ownership, the operating unit Netherlands within the Dutch State acquired businesses now excludes the Dutch wholesale client business. This has been added to the business unit Europe.

The redirection of client activity to RBS along with the transfer of risk positions and inventory from ABN AMRO to RBS reduces significantly the ongoing business and exposures of ABN AMRO. This redirection is facilitated through an agency agreement between RBS and ABN AMRO such that new transactions are increasingly entered into by RBS. As a result the financial performance is increasingly unrepresentative of the business performance of the originally acquired businesses.

The comparative figures of 2007 and 2006 have been restated to reflect the current organisation structure except for the Group Asset and Liability Management portfolio allocation as explained above.

The organisational business units of ABN AMRO are described as follows:

Europe

This business unit provides a range of wholesale financial products and transaction banking services to commercial and global clients. It combines activities in 28 countries: 23 countries in Europe along with Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Egypt, United Arab Emirates and South Africa. Dutch wholesale clients are included in this operating unit as well as the Group Asset and Liability Management portfolios allocated to the RBS acquired businesses.

Asia

This business unit operates in 16 countries and territories through branches and offices. The client base includes both commercial and consumer clients.

Americas

This business unit includes the activities of North America and RBS acquired Latin America operations. The North American activities cover a broad range of services that support a multinational client base and a limited number of specialty banking services. The core of North America was LaSalle Bank, which was sold to Bank of America Corporation in 2007 and therefore is presented as discontinued operations.

Netherlands

This business unit serves a diverse client base comprised of consumer and commercial clients. It offers a broad range of commercial and retail banking products and services via its multi-channel service model consisting of a network of branches, internet banking facilities, customer contact centres and ATMs throughout the Netherlands and increasingly focuses on mass affluent customers and commercial mid-market clients. It also includes the ABN AMRO Hypotheken (**Mortgage**) Groep and the International Diamond &

Jewelry Group and the Group Asset and Liability Management portfolios allocated to the Dutch State acquired businesses.

Private Clients

This business unit offers private banking services to wealthy individuals and institutions with net investable assets of EUR 1 million or more. In the past few years, the Business Unit Private Clients built up an onshore private banking network mainly in continental Europe through organic growth in the Netherlands and France, and through the acquisition of Delbrück Bethmann Maffei in Germany and Bank Corluy in Belgium. It also includes the insurance joint venture Neufelize Vie.

Central Items

Central Items includes activities that do not qualify as a business activity including the head office functions and items that are not allocated to individual Consortium Members such as the private equity portfolio and the investment in Saudi Hollandi Bank. Interest on settlement amounts accruing to Santander are also included.

2. RISK AND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

This risk and capital management section sets out the regulatory environment faced by ABN AMRO Group worldwide, explains how the Group manages risk and describes some of the risk factors affecting ABN AMRO which should be considered before making investment decisions.

REGULATION AND SUPERVISION

Regulation in the Netherlands

General

ABN AMRO and all its subsidiaries are regulated in the Netherlands by the Dutch Central Bank (**DNB**) and the Netherlands Authority for the Financial Markets (**AFM**).

ABN AMRO's regulatory system in the Netherlands is a comprehensive system based on the provisions of the new Financial Supervision Act which came into effect on 1 January 2007. The Financial Supervision Act has replaced, amongst others, the Act on the Supervision of the Credit System 1992 without affecting the existing supervisory system. The Financial Supervision Act sets out rules regarding prudential supervision (by the **DNB**) and supervision of conduct (by the **AFM**). Prudential supervision focuses on the solidity of financial undertakings and contributes to the stability of the financial sector. Supervision of conduct focuses on orderly and transparent financial market processes, clear relations between market participants and due care in the treatment of clients (including supervision of the securities and investment businesses).

ABN AMRO is a 'universal bank' under the terms of the Financial Supervision Act because it is engaged in the banking business as well as the securities business. Some of the provisions of the Financial Supervision Act may restrict a bank's ability to make capital contributions or loans to subsidiaries and to make distributions.

Supervision of credit institutions

In general, credit institutions are supervised by the DNB under the Financial Supervision Act. No enterprise or institution established in the Netherlands may pursue the business of a credit institution unless it has obtained prior authorisation from the DNB. Its supervisory activities under the Financial Supervision Act focus on supervision of solvency, liquidity and administrative organisation, including risk management and internal control. If, in the opinion of the DNB, a credit institution fails to comply with the rules and regulations regarding the above mentioned subjects, the DNB will notify the credit institution and may instruct the credit institution to behave in a certain manner. If the credit institution does not respond to any such instructions to the satisfaction of the DNB, the DNB is allowed to exercise additional supervisory measures that may include the imposition of fines.

The Financial Supervision Act provides that each supervised credit institution must submit periodic reports to the DNB. In accordance with this requirement the Group files quarterly and monthly reports with the DNB. At least one submission for each given year must be certified by an external auditor. The report to be certified is selected by an external auditor at his or her discretion.

On 1 July 2008, a decree pursuant to the Financial Supervision Act was extended to incorporate the requirements for eligibility of covered bonds. Dutch issuers of covered bonds now have the opportunity to register their programs with the DNB. The new legislation is designed to protect the interest of covered bondholders through special supervision by the DNB of the recognised covered bond programs. An issuer must comply with several conditions when submitting a program for recognition and demonstrate

compliance to these conditions through the provision of specific documentation and information. Once a program is registered, the issuer will have ongoing administration and reporting obligations to adhere to.

In 2005, prior to the introduction of this legislation, ABN AMRO launched the first Dutch covered bond under its newly established EUR 25 billion Covered Bond Program. In the absence of a specific covered bond act, the programme replicated the typical characteristics of a covered bond issued under a legal framework. The program helps the Group to manage more effectively its debt maturity profile, credit curve and long-term liquidity position, while also bringing greater diversification to its global investor base. ABN AMRO has applied for registration of the ABN AMRO Covered Bond Programme with the DNB. Once registered, ABN AMRO covered bonds will become legislative Covered Bonds and benefit from preferred risk-weighting due to CRD compliance and full UCIT's eligibility.

Solvency supervision

Capital adequacy framework (Basel)

In 2004, the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision endorsed the publication of the 'International Convergence of Capital Measurement and Capital Standards: a Revised Framework', commonly referred to as Basel II. The Capital Requirements Directive, representing the translation of Basel II to EU legislation and replacing the Capital Adequacy Directive, was approved by the European Parliament in 2005. This acceptance by the European Parliament cleared the way in Europe for the implementation of the Capital Requirements Directive, with a published compliance date of 1 January 2008.

The implementation process of Basel II into Dutch legislation (Financial Supervision Act) and regulation was completed in December 2006 when the DNB published its supervisory rules.

Basel II provides three approaches of increasing sophistication to the calculation of credit risk capital: the Standardised Approach, the Internal Ratings Based Foundation Approach, and the Internal Ratings Based Advanced Approach. Basel II also introduces capital requirements for operational risk for the first time. Basel II is structured around three 'pillars':

Pillar 1 sets out minimum regulatory capital requirements, that is, the minimum amount of capital banks must hold against credit, operational and market risks.

Pillar 2 sets out the key principles for supervisory review of an institution's risk management framework and, ultimately, its capital adequacy. It sets out specific oversight responsibilities for the Board and senior management, thus reinforcing principles of internal control and other corporate governance practices. Pillar 2, in the new regulation, requires that the institutions conduct an internal capital adequacy assessment process.

Pillar 3 aims to bolster market discipline through enhanced disclosure by banks.

ABN AMRO's transitional agreement and current compliance with the Basel II capital adequacy framework

ABN AMRO Holding N.V. and its consolidated subsidiaries are fully owned by RFS Holdings B.V. which is controlled by The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc, incorporated in the United Kingdom. Consequently, ABN AMRO is under the supervision of the United Kingdom Financial Services Authority (FSA) as its home regulator, and the DNB as its host regulator, for Basel II compliance. For all other matters the DNB remains the home regulator.

ABN AMRO, subsequent to its acquisition by RFS Holdings in October 2007, received approval for a transitional period from its host, as well as its home regulator, for compliance to Basel II capital rules. ABN AMRO has agreed with the DNB and the FSA to continue to report figures on the basis of Basel I until 31 December 2009. In accordance with this, revised minimum requirements have been set for the Tier 1 and

total capital ratios, including the requirement to treat capital deductions in the same manner as required under Basel II. The minimum Tier 1 ratio required is 9% and the minimum total capital ratio is 12.5%.

During the agreed transition period, ABN AMRO continues to operate internally based on its economic capital guidelines which served as its capital adequacy framework prior to and in preparation of the Basel II framework, notwithstanding the fact that the underlying calculation methodologies are migrating to those of the relevant Consortium Member.

The solvency rules for Basel I require that ABN AMRO maintains a minimum level of total capital to support the risk-weighted total value of balance sheet assets and off-balance sheet items. These off-balance sheet items include guarantees, documentary credits, the credit equivalent of interest and currency-related contracts, unused portions of committed credit facilities with an original maturity of over one year, note issuance facilities and revolving underwriting facilities, as well as the market risk for financial instruments in the trading book. This minimum level of total capital is called the Capital Adequacy Ratio. The risk-weighting considers the debtor's risk, which depends on the debtor's classification, whether or not security is provided, and the country of origin of the debtor.

For ABN AMRO, total capital consists of core capital (Tier 1 capital) and secondary capital (upper and lower Tier 2 capital). ABN AMRO is also permitted to maintain an additional form of regulatory capital, Tier 3 capital, to support the market risk of financial instruments in ABN AMRO's trading book and foreign exchange risk of all business activities. The amount of lower Tier 2 capital may not exceed 50% of the amount of Tier 1 capital, and the amount of Tier 2 capital included in total capital may not exceed the amount of Tier 1 capital. In addition, Tier 3 capital may not exceed 250% of the amount of Tier 1 capital that is necessary to support market and foreign exchange risk and the sum of Tier 2 and Tier 3 capital may not exceed Tier 1 capital. Goodwill and interests of more than 10% in non-consolidated banking and financial subsidiaries are deducted from Tier 1 capital and total capital.

Exposure supervision

The DNB has issued specific rules with respect to large exposures to a single borrower or group of interconnected borrowers, or in relation to certain other businesses that involve a concentration of risk. Large exposures generally include all assets and off-balance sheet items of a credit institution with respect to a single borrower or group of interconnected borrowers which exceed 10% of a credit institution's total capital. Large exposures must be reported once every quarter to the DNB. There is a limit of 25% of total capital for a single large exposure as part of the banking book. Trading book positions may exceed this limit subject to additional solvency requirements. The aggregate amount of all large exposures of a credit institution may not exceed 800% of its total capital. In 2008, there were no exposures exceeding these thresholds.

Liquidity supervision

Banks are required to report on a consolidated level on their liquidity position to the DNB monthly, on the basis of the liquidity supervision directive. The liquidity directive seeks to ensure that banks are in a position to cope with an acute short term liquidity shortage under the assumption that banks would remain solvent. In principle, the DNB liquidity directive covers all direct domestic and foreign establishments (subsidiaries/branches), including majority participations. The regulatory report also takes into consideration the liquidity effects of derivatives and the potential drawings under committed facilities.

The directive places emphasis on the short term in testing the liquidity position over a period of up to one month with a separate test of the liquidity position in the first week. For observation purposes, several additional maturity bands are included in the liquidity report (one to three months, three to six months, six months to one year and beyond one year).

Available liquidity must always exceed required liquidity. Available liquidity and required liquidity are calculated by applying weighting factors to the relevant on- and off-balance sheet items, i.e. irrevocable

commitments. The liquidity test includes all currencies. Compliance reports concerning liquidity requirements of foreign subsidiaries are submitted to the appropriate foreign regulatory authorities as required. At a consolidated level, and in every country in which ABN AMRO operates, the Group adheres to the liquidity standards imposed by the applicable regulatory authorities.

Structural supervision

Pursuant to the Financial Supervision Act, banks are prohibited to hold, acquire or increase a qualifying holding or exercise any control relating to a qualifying holding in a bank in the Netherlands, except if it has obtained a Declaration of No Objection (**DNO**) from the DNB (or in certain specified cases from the Dutch Minister of Finance). Qualifying holding means a participation of at least 10% in the issued share capital of the related voting rights or similar influence. The DNO would be issued unless the qualifying holding in the bank concerned would lead to an influence which might jeopardise sound and prudent operations or the qualifying holding could or would lead to an undesirable development of the financial sector.

The DNB or the Dutch Minister of Finance can, on request, grant so-called bandwidths, umbrella and group-DNOs in respect of qualifying holdings. The DNO is not required in case of a qualifying holding by a bank in a company whose assets consist of more than 90% liquid assets.

According to Dutch regulation a DNO will not be issued regarding qualifying holdings if the value of the equity participation would exceed 15% of a bank's total capital or if the participation would cause the value of the credit institution's aggregate qualifying holdings in non-financial institutions to exceed 60% of its total capital. Certain types of participations will be approved in principle, although in certain circumstances a DNO will have a limited period of validity, such as in the case of a debt rescheduling or rescue operation or when the participation is acquired and held as part of an issue underwriting operation. Generally the approval will be given where the value of the non-financial institution concerned or the value of the participation does not exceed certain threshold amounts.

Supervision of the securities and investment businesses

The Group is also subject to supervision of its activities in the securities business. The Financial Supervision Act, which has replaced the Act on the Supervision of the Securities Trade 1995 together with the decrees and regulations promulgated thereunder, provides a comprehensive framework for the conduct of securities trading in or from the Netherlands. The AFM is charged by the Dutch Minister of Finance with supervision of the securities industry.

ABN AMRO and/or certain subsidiaries of ABN AMRO are also active as managers and/or custodians of collective investment plans, which comprise both investment funds and investment companies. Collective investment plans are subject to supervision by the DNB and the AFM.

Regulation in the European Union

The Financial Services Action Plan 1999-2005 laid the foundations for a single financial market in the EU and has brought about many changes. In its strategy on Financial Services for 2005-2010, the European Commission sets out its objectives to achieve an integrated, and competitive EU financial market by removing any remaining barriers, especially in the retail area so that financial services can be provided and capital can circulate freely throughout the EU at the lowest possible cost, resulting in high levels of financial stability, consumer benefits and consumer protection.

The financial services sector includes three major areas for which European regulatory policies apply: banking, capital markets, and asset management.

A new capital requirements framework was adopted in June 2006 as the Capital Requirements Directive. The Capital Requirements Directive is the legal vehicle pursuant to which the Basel II framework has been implemented into EU law. The Consolidated Banking Directive lays down rules concerning the taking up

and pursuant to the business of credit institutions and their prudential supervision. Under this Directive, a bank can offer banking on the basis of a single banking licence (**European passport**) through the establishment of a branch or cross-border provision of services in all the EU countries. The Capital Requirements Directive lays down the capital adequacy requirements applying to investment firms and credit institutions. Refer to Solvency supervision section for more information.

In October 2008, the Commission adopted proposals to amend the Capital Requirements Directive in light of the financial crisis. Proposals address items such as large exposures, supervisory arrangements and crisis management and securitisation. In another action taken in response to the crisis, in October 2008, the Commission adopted a proposal for amendments to the Deposit Guarantee Schemes Directive. In December 2008, the European Parliament adopted in first reading, 1) an increased minimum cover level from EUR 20,000 to EUR 50,000 with a further increase to EUR 100,000 by 31 December 2010 and 2) a reduction in the payout time. The amended Directive should be transposed into national law by 30 June 2009. Also refer to the Solvency supervision section for more information.

In the area of securities legislation, the Market Abuse Directive prohibits market manipulation and insider dealing in all securities admitted to trading on an EU regulated market. This Directive is likely to be reviewed in 2009. The same applies to the Prospectus Directive that regulates the process and the disclosure requirements for public offerings in and admissions to trading on an EU regulated market of securities, and allows European public offerings with one single prospectus. The Transparency Directive harmonises the transparency requirements for information about issuers whose securities are admitted to trading on an EU regulated market.

The other important piece of legislation in this area is the Markets in Financial Instruments Directive, which came into force on 1 November 2007. It regulates amongst others the cross-border provision of investment services and regulated markets and replaces the 1993 Investment Services Directive which established the single passport for investment firms. The Markets in Financial Instruments Directive provides a harmonised regime for investment services and aims at increasing competition and reinforcing investor protection. It streamlines supervision on the basis of home country control and enhances the transparency of markets. It harmonises conduct of business rules, including best execution, conflicts of interests and client order handling rules. The Directive abolishes the concentration rule, and thus leads towards a more competitive regime between order execution venues. It also imposes market transparency rules for investment firms, regulated markets and multilateral trading systems for both pre- and post-trading for equities.

For post-trading, the European Commission has directed the industry to agree on a Code of Conduct for Clearing and Settlement, which was signed by the stock exchanges in November 2006. The Code aims at enhancing price transparency and increasing competition across the EU post-trading market. In April 2008, the Commission adopted a proposal to amend the Financial Collateral Arrangements Directive and the Settlement Finality Directive. The proposal which has been adopted strengthens the protection of settlement systems and financial collateral arrangements and enables them to adapt to the new market conditions created by the Markets in Financial Instruments Directive and the Code of Conduct for Clearing and Settlement. Member States will have to adopt the appropriate legislation within 18 months and apply the rules 24 months after the entry into force of the directive.

Likewise, political initiatives in the area of retail financial services and payment services have been launched. In April 2008, the EU institutions adopted a Directive on Consumer Credit. The Directive covers personal loans of between EUR 200 and 75,000 repayable after more than one month. The Directive introduces consumer protection provisions and at the same time aims at the creation of a single market for consumer credit in the EU. The most significant changes are with respect to 1) the provision of standardised pre-contractual and contractual information; 2) the right of withdrawal; 3) early repayment and 4) the standardisation of methods for calculating the annual percentage rate of charges. Mortgages and deferred debit cards are explicitly excluded from the Directive's scope. The Directive came into force on 11 June 2008 and EU Member States will have two years to incorporate the new rules into their national legislation. In respect of mortgage credit, the European Commission adopted a White Paper on the Integration of EU Mortgage Markets. The White Paper presents measures to improve the efficiency and the competitiveness of

these markets. The Commission is consulting with stakeholders on the best approach to deliver the necessary added value.

In November 2008, the European Banking Industry Committee, a committee of the European Commission, adopted the industry's voluntary code of conduct for switching accounts within the same country, the Common Principles for Bank Account Switching. National banking associations are expected to implement them in each Member State by 1 November 2009.

In October 2007, the EU institutions formally adopted the Payment Services Directive. This Directive will open up the payment services to competition from new licensed payments institutions and increase consumer protection by introducing information requirements and uniform operational rules for payment service providers. This Directive, applicable in the EU to all payments in Euro and other Member States currencies, lays the basis for the creation of a Single Market in payments and constitutes the legal framework for the Single Euro Payments Area. The deadline for implementation of the Directive into national law is 1 November 2009. On 28 January 2008, the SEPA Credit Transfer Scheme went live, thus completing the first phase of the Single Euro Payments Area which is scheduled to be fully operative by 2010. In October 2008, the Commission adopted a proposal for a new regulation replacing Regulation 2560/2001 on cross-border payments in Euro. The proposal aims at extending the principle of equality of charges to direct debits, enhancing consumer protection and reducing the burden of statistical reporting. This proposal has been adopted by the European Parliament in first reading and awaits the Council decision.

In October 2008, the Commission proposed a new e-money Directive to facilitate take-up in the e-money market. The proposal has been adopted by the European Parliament in first reading and awaits the Council decision.

In the area of asset management, the EU has enacted legislation on pension and investment products. On investment funds, there are two Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities Directives (UCITS), the first regulating the product (e.g., types of assets in which to invest) and the second one giving management companies a 'European passport' to operate throughout the EU. The Commission initiated a review of the UCITS framework with the aim of increasing the efficiency of the European investment fund industry. In the field of supplementary pensions, a Directive has liberalised the market for supplementary pension schemes by allowing pension providers to operate on an EU-wide basis and establishing 'prudent person principles' for asset allocation.

The third Anti-Money Laundering Directive, adopted in November 2005, was required to be implemented into national law of Members States by December 2007. The aim of the Directive is to transpose the Financial Action Task Force's forty recommendations. It follows a risk-based approach under which all measures aimed at preventing money laundering must be applied on a proportionate basis, depending on the type of customer, business and other considerations.

On 1 January 2007, the Regulation which transposes the Financial Action Task Force Special Recommendation VII (SR VII) on 'wire transfers' into EU legislation came into force. It lays down rules on information on the payer accompanying transfers of funds, in order to allow basic information to be immediately available to the authorities responsible for combating money laundering and terrorist financing.

Regulation in the United States

ABN AMRO's operations in the United States are subject to extensive regulation and supervision by both federal and state banking authorities. ABN AMRO is a bank holding company within the meaning of the US Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, which restricts its non-banking activities in the United States. However, ABN AMRO Holding N.V. elected to become a financial holding company on 11 March 2000, and as such is permitted to engage in an expanded range of non-banking activities subject to applicable laws and regulations.

Regulation in the rest of the world

Our operations elsewhere in the world are subject to regulation and control by local supervisory authorities, and our offices, branches and subsidiaries in such jurisdictions are subject to certain reserve, reporting and control and other requirements imposed by the relevant central banks and regulatory authorities.

RISK MANAGEMENT

Risk management and capital adequacy

ABN AMRO has implemented a combination of advanced and standardised approaches for Credit, Market and Operational risks as allowed under the regulatory framework and is using this in the management of its business. With regards to market risk, ABN AMRO uses an internal Value at Risk (**VaR**) model for calculating capital requirements for the majority of the trading book market risks. Refer to the Group Risk Framework and Governance section of this Registration Document for further discussion of these risks.

Capital adequacy and risk management are closely aligned. ABN AMRO undertakes a regular assessment of its internal capital requirement based on a quantification of the material risks to which it is exposed. This assessment includes the use of stress tests to assess whether the Group's capital resources are adequate to remain above minimum requirements during specified scenarios. The results of this internal capital assessment are reviewed by the Policy Group Risk Committee (**Policy GRC**) and the Group Asset and Liability Committee (**Group ALCO**) and are used to ensure the adequacy of the Group's available capital resources, based on target and minimum capital requirements as set in the risk appetite framework. This framework is detailed further under the Group Risk Framework and Governance section below.

The main risks facing the Group are:

- Credit risk: the risk arising from the possibility that the Group will incur losses from the failure of customers to meet their obligations.
- Funding liquidity risk: the risk to earnings and capital arising from the Group's potential inability to meet its obligations as they fall due.
- Market risk: the risk the Group is exposed to because of positions held in its trading portfolios and its non-trading businesses. Market risk encompasses equity, currency, interest rate and market liquidity risks.
- Operational risk: the risk arising from the Group's people, processes, systems, physical assets and external events.
- Compliance and regulatory risk: the risk arising from failing to meet the requirements and expectations of the Group's many regulators, or from a failure to address or implement any change in these requirements or expectations.
- Legal risk: the risk from failure to comply with statutory or regulatory obligations and from uncertainty due to legal actions or uncertainty in the applicability or interpretation of contracts, law or regulations.
- Financial reporting risk: the risk of a lack of fair presentation and as a result of material misstatements in one or more of the financial statement amounts or disclosures.
- Reputational risk: the risk of potential losses arising from negative public opinion.
- Business risk: the risk that operating income is lower than expected because of lower than expected revenues or higher than expected costs.

The allocation of capital resources to businesses is determined as part of the annual business and financial planning process, and it is based upon an assessment of the abovementioned risks.

The Capital Management process is governed by the Group ALCO. It is responsible for the development of the Group's policies on liquidity risk, the hedging of capital invested in countries, managing capital ratios and the total capital requirement, and assessing new capital and debt issuance needs.

The Group Asset and Liability Management department is responsible for the management of the Group's asset and liability management policies and prepares a monthly capital outlook for the Group and its separate parts.

To ensure a smooth separation, management has adjusted the Group ALCO governance framework, aligning it with the planned transition of the Consortium Members' acquired businesses. It includes the allocation of appropriate capital and setting of liquidity limits for each Consortium acquired business as part of the total capital and liquidity requirements.

Capital resources and minimum capital requirement information

ABN AMRO is fully consolidated for regulatory reporting within the RBS Group. Pillar 3 information for ABN AMRO is included within the RBS Group Pillar 3 disclosures. Detailed Pillar 3 reports which include ABN AMRO are available at www.rbs.com.

The table below summarises the capital position of the ABN AMRO Holding N.V., complying with Pillar 3 disclosures for a significant subsidiary of an EU parent.

Regulatory Capital resources as at 31 December 2008

<i>(in millions of euros)</i>	2008
Tier 1 Capital Resources	
Permanent share capital	1,852
Profit and loss account and other reserves (taking into account interim net losses)	10,854
Share premium account	5,343
Investment in own shares	-
Intangible assets	(309)
Minority interests	38
Core Tier 1 Capital	17,778
Perpetual non-cumulative preference shares	3,318
Other Tier 1 Capital	3,318
Excess limits for non innovative Tier 1 instruments	-
Excess limits for innovative Tier 1 instruments	-
Net losses on equities held in available-for-sale financial asset category	-
Material holdings	-
50:50 Tier 1 deductions	(1,943)
Total Tier 1 capital after deductions	19,153
Tier 2 Capital Resources	
Tier 2 capital instruments	7,924
50:50 Tier 2 deductions	(1,943)
Other Tier 2 deductions	-
Total Tier 2 capital after deductions	5,981
Total Tier 3 Capital	272
Deductions for Tiers 1 & 2 capital	-
Expected loss amounts and other negative amounts	-

<i>(in millions of euros)</i>	2008
Total capital resources after deductions	25,405
Total Risk Weighted Assets	176,028
Tier 1 ratio	10.88%
Total Tier ratio	14.43%

The tables below set out the minimum capital requirements and associated risk weighted assets for ABN AMRO with separate disclosures for the credit risk, market risk and operational risk requirements. All figures are as at 31 December 2008, unless otherwise stated.

Minimum Capital Requirements

<i>(in millions of euros)</i>	2008
Credit risk	11,282
Market risk	1,045
Operational risk	1,756
Total	14,083

Risk Weighted Assets

<i>(in millions of euros)</i>	2008
Credit risk	141,011
Market risk	13,069
Operational risk	21,948
Total	176,028

Credit risk: Minimum Capital Requirements by approach

<i>(in millions of euros)</i>	2008
Basel II – Advanced Internal Rating-Based (IRB)	-
Basel II – Standardised	-
Basel II – using Basel I as a proxy	11,282
Total	11,282

Credit risk: Standardised Minimum Capital Requirements by standardised exposure class

<i>(in millions of euros)</i>	Exposure value	Risk weighted assets	Minimum required capital
Central governments and central banks	63,368	2,279	182
Institutions	129,414	10,815	865
Corporates	276,101	102,839	8,226
Retail	30,105	12,794	1,023
Secured by real estate property	66,485	22,459	1,797
Other ⁽¹⁾	83,431	(10,598)	(845)
Securitisation positions standardised approach	6,232	422	34
Total	655,136	141,011	11,282

⁽¹⁾ Includes capital relief on securitisation

Market risk: Trading Book and other Business Minimum Capital Requirements

<i>(in millions of euros)</i>	2008
Total capital requirement for trading book risks	1,045
Total trading book capital requirements	1,045
Total trading book notional risk weighted assets	13,069

Operational risk: Minimum Capital Requirements calculated as per the Basic Indicator Approach

<i>(in millions of euros)</i>	2008
Pillar 1 operational risk minimum capital requirement	1,756

The Risk Management and Capital Adequacy section also relates to the qualitative public disclosure as required by Basel II Pillar 3 in accordance with the Capital Requirement Directive.

Group Risk Framework and Governance

The Group's risk management framework is based on 'the principle of three lines of defence'. The first line of defence is the business, which is accountable for the ownership, day-to-day management and control of all risks at an operational level and for implementing processes and testing key controls in compliance with Group policies. The second line of defence is Group Functions, primarily consisting of Group Risk Management, Group Compliance and Group Finance including Group Asset and Liability Management. These functions are responsible for the implementation and maintenance of the operational risk framework, tools and methodologies, and for oversight and challenge on the adequacy of the risk and control processes operating in the business. The third line of defence is Group Audit, which is responsible for independently assessing the adequacy and effectiveness of key controls and ensuring compliance with Group policies.

Following its acquisition by RFS Holdings, ABN AMRO is subject to the RBS Group's high level controls and oversight by RBS's control functions. Although its risk systems are not yet integrated with those of the RBS Group, data relating to ABN AMRO is presented on a consistent basis as part of RBS Group data. ABN AMRO data is analysed between businesses acquired by RBS and those acquired by the Dutch State.

The main responsibilities of Group Risk Management and the risk management functions of the Business Units are to:

- oversee all credit, market and operational risk matters and ensure compliance with local laws;
- implement review and control policies on all risk portfolios;
- at portfolio level manage concentrations by setting limits;
- manage single event/single obligor risk by setting limits;
- set provisions for loan losses within their delegated authority; and
- establish and maintain operational risk control discipline.

A key component of risk management is ensuring that ABN AMRO's reputation is preserved and enhanced through choosing to engage responsibly in the right business activities with the right clients.

The Group Asset and Liability Management (**ALM**) function is structured outside the risk management function. ALM supports the capital management process which is governed by the Group ALCO. ALM is responsible for the development of the Group's policies for liquidity risk, the hedging of foreign exchange exposures of capital investments abroad, managing capital ratios, and the Group wide capital requirement.

The compliance function within the Group performs the independent oversight role, on behalf of the Managing Board, with respect to those core processes, related policies and procedures that seek to ensure the Group is in conformity with industry specific laws and regulations in letter and spirit.

Group Finance responsibilities include the preparation of the budget, performance reporting and the process to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with IFRS.

The Group uses various models to value financial instruments, and to assess and manage risks. To limit the model risk that is inherent in models, the Group has the models that are subject to material model risk validated independently from the business which uses these models. Within the governance framework of the Group, validation activities are performed by RBS for models used by RBS acquired business.

ABN AMRO's Risk Philosophy

ABN AMRO's risk philosophy is about the establishment and execution of bank wide criteria for the acceptance, monitoring, control and management of risk. Its purpose is the creation of value by ensuring:

- Risk Awareness: Risks are identified, understood and measured at all levels in the organisation.
- Defined Risk Appetite: Risk accepted by the institution is within the tolerance level set by the Managing Board in accordance with the Group Strategy, existing capital constraints, sustainable earnings and maintenance of desired credit rating for the Group.
- Clarity and Transparency: Risk decisions are clear, explicit and consistent with strategic business objectives.
- Risk-Reward Alignment: Risk decisions are based upon the appropriate risk-reward balance.
- Compliance: Decisions that may legally and morally commit the Group must be in compliance with internal approval procedures and the regulations of the countries the Group and its subsidiaries operate in.

Risk appetite framework

The risk philosophy of ABN AMRO states that risk is managed within a defined risk appetite. Risk appetite is measured as the maximum level of retained risk the Group will accept to deliver its business objectives. Risk appetite is generally defined through both quantitative and qualitative techniques including stress testing, risk concentration, Value-at-Risk and risk underwriting criteria, ensuring that appropriate principles, policies and procedures are in place and applied. The responsibility for formulating the underpinning objectives for the risk appetite framework lies with the Managing Board.

The risk appetite framework includes all risks taken by the Group. The risk limits are set at a Group level as well as at lower levels, such as Business Unit (BU) level. BUs are free to set additional limits as they see fit as long as consistency with the overall framework is maintained.

The Managing Board's objectives include a fluent transition process with emphasis on strong control and risk management. Furthermore, in respect of the Consortium acquisition, the Group's risk appetite is as much as possible aligned with the risk appetite of the relevant Consortium Member.

In the following paragraphs a description is given of the risk types and the way ABN AMRO measures and manages these within the Group. These methods have been aligned with those of the Consortium Members.

Credit risk

Credit risk is the Group's most material risk and is managed in accordance with the Group's comprehensive risk management framework.

Credit risk and country risk

ABN AMRO defines credit risk as the risk of loss from default by debtors (including bond issuers) or counterparties. This covers actual payment defaults as well as losses in value resulting from a decrease in the credit quality of the counterparty or issuer.

ABN AMRO defines country risk as the risk of loss due to country specific events or circumstances. Country risk can materialise by way of credit, market and operational losses. With respect to credit risk, a specific country risk is that the government imposes transfer and/or convertibility measures that prevent an obligor to repay its foreign currency obligations to the Group. Hence the risk of non or late payment may be caused by the inability of an obligor (credit risk) or by government measures (transfer and convertibility risk). Given the relationship between credit and country risk the two are managed in an integrated manner.

ABN AMRO manages credit risk at two levels. Firstly at portfolio level to manage concentrations by the following dimensions: geography, industry and product or segment and, secondly at individual level to manage single event and single obligor.

Concentration risk is managed actively during the transition period based on limits, outstandings, average Probability of Default and Expected Loss by relevant country and industry cluster. Any change is discussed in Policy Group Risk Committee. Additionally, notional limits are put in place for cross-border risk and sovereign risk. Notional limits are also set on a number of portfolios as a straightforward and practical way to manage the maximum exposure in these portfolios (for example leveraged finance).

Single event or single obligor limits are individually set. Single obligor risk is managed by setting limits on Loss at Default. Loss at Default is the amount that the Group expects to lose when a counterparty defaults. Authorities for credit decisions involving commercial clients are primarily based on Global One Obligor Exposure. This is the combination of all direct and contingent credit limits to a given relationship globally.

There are lending programmes in place for standard loans granted to consumers and small-sized enterprises. A programme lending approach contains standard risk acceptance criteria and loan processing practices in order to optimise the efficiency and risk and rewards of those portfolios.

Credit risk is managed to achieve sustainable and superior risk and reward performance whilst maintaining exposures within acceptable risk appetite parameters. This is achieved through the combination of governance, policies, systems and controls, underpinned by sound commercial judgement as described below.

- **Policies and risk appetite:** policies provide clarity around the required bank framework for the assessment, approval, monitoring and management of credit risk where risk appetite sets the tolerance of loss. Limits are used to manage concentration risk by single name, sector and country.
- **Decision makers:** credit authority is granted to independent persons or committees with the appropriate experience, seniority and commercial judgement. Credit authority is not extended to relationship managers. Specialist internal credit risk departments independently oversee the credit process and make credit decisions or recommendations to the appropriate credit committee.
- **Models:** credit models are used to measure and assess risk decisions and to aid on-going monitoring. Measures, such as Probability of Default, Exposure at Default, Loss Given Default and Expected Loss are calculated using duly authorised models. All credit models are subject to independent review prior to implementation and existing models are frequently reviewed.

- **Mitigation techniques to reduce the potential for loss:** credit risk may be mitigated by the taking of financial or physical security, the assignment of receivables or the use of credit derivatives, guarantees, risk participations, credit insurance, set off or netting.
- **Risk systems and data quality:** systems are well organised to produce timely, accurate and complete inputs for risk reporting and to administer key credit processes.
- **Analysis and reporting:** portfolio analysis and reporting are used to ensure the identification of emerging concentration risks and adverse movements in credit risk quality.
- **Stress testing:** stress testing forms an integral part of portfolio analysis, providing a measure of potential vulnerability to exceptional but plausible economic and geopolitical events which assists management in the identification of risk not otherwise apparent in more benign circumstances. Stress testing informs risk appetite decisions.
- **Portfolio management:** active management of portfolio concentrations as measured by risk reporting and stress testing, where credit risk may be mitigated through promoting asset sales, buying credit protection or curtailing risk appetite for new transactions.
- **Credit stewardship:** customer transaction monitoring and management is a continuous process, ensuring performance is satisfactory and that documentation, security and valuations are complete and up to date.
- **Problem debt identification:** policies and systems encourage the early identification of problems and the employment of specialised staff focused on collections and problem debt management.
- **Provisioning:** independent assessment using best practice models for collective and latent loss. Professional evaluation is applied to individual cases, to ensure that such losses are comprehensively identified and adequately provided for.
- **Recovery:** maximising the return to the Group through the recovery process.

Please refer to Note 38 in Section 5 (Financial Statements) for quantitative information on maximum credit exposure and credit risk concentrations from loans and receivables.

Funding liquidity risk

Complementing the capital adequacy framework, risk appetite is also expressed through the liquidity risk framework employed by the Group. This framework is used to manage liquidity risk.

ABN AMRO defines liquidity risk as the risk arising from the Group's potential inability to meet its obligations when they become due, without incurring unacceptable losses. Conversely, liquidity risk also manifests itself in the form of opportunity losses due to holding excess liquidity relative to liabilities.

ABN AMRO's approach to liquidity is that its business as usual liquidity profile should be sufficient for the Group to continue for at least 30 days under a very severe firm specific crisis, such as no access to wholesale funding and drawings under committed facilities.

ABN AMRO takes a two-tiered approach to liquidity risk management with additional measures taken due to separation activities. Going concern liquidity management is the management of the day-to-day liquidity position within specified parameters to ensure all liabilities can be met on a timely basis. Event risk liquidity management ensures that in the event of either a firm-specific or general market event, the Group is able to generate sufficient liquidity to withstand a short term liquidity crisis. Due to the current process of separation additional objectives and restrictions have been added to ensure a smooth transition process.

The objective of the organisation is to keep the overall liquidity texture of the balance sheet at such a level, that the Group is able to survive and resume its business after a crisis. A variety of tools are used to manage this going concern liquidity management objective. They involve liquidity profile management through setting liquidity ratio limits (stable funding to non-liquid assets). Additional limits in terms of size and liquidity profile are imposed on a number of global markets product types. Trading books are required to limit any liquidity mismatch by limiting the amount of short term funding from money markets to trading desks. Funds transfer pricing and internal transactions are required to be executed at arm's length pricing and fully reflect appropriate costs, including market related liquidity premium. Diversification of funding sources complements the tools to achieve liquidity management objectives.

In response to a firm-specific or general market crisis, event risk liquidity management involves stress testing through quantitative analysis of the liquidity impact of such an event. The Group keeps a liquidity buffer which mitigates this event risk through the provision of standby liquidity in the form of unencumbered, central bank eligible, collateral. Group wide contingency funding plans describe the steps and procedures taken in the event of a crisis. Their effectiveness is tested with periodic dry-runs.

The monitoring and control of liquidity risk on an ongoing basis involves balance sheet ratio analysis and the measurement of cash flow gap and stress positions. By measuring the relationship between the sub-components of the balance sheet at a given point in time this indicates the underlying balance sheet liquidity. Measurement of the cash flow gap quantifies the gap between expected cash inflows and outflows determined within a series of time brackets. The measurement of the stress position involves an analysis of funding sources and funding needs due to a liquidity stress situation.

Liquidity regulatory compliance is detailed in the section 'Regulation and supervision'. For further details regarding liquidity risk measurement and control refer to Note 38 in Section 5 (Financial Statements).

Market risk in the trading book

ABN AMRO defines market risk as the risk that movements in financial market prices will decrease the value of ABN AMRO's trading portfolios. ABN AMRO is exposed to market risk through ABN AMRO's trading activities, which are carried out both for customers and on a proprietary basis. For trading related to customer facilitation ABN AMRO warehouse market risk, while for proprietary trading ABN AMRO actively positions itself in the financial markets.

There are several major sources of market risk including interest rate, foreign exchange, equity price, commodity price, credit spread, volatility risks and correlation risks. Market risk includes market liquidity risk, which is the risk that a firm cannot easily offset or eliminate a position without significantly affecting the market price because of inadequate market depth or market disruption.

In any trading activity, market risk arises both from open (unhedged) positions and from imperfect correlation between market positions that are intended to offset one another. The overall objective of managing market risk is to avoid unexpected losses due to changes in market prices and to optimise the use of market risk capital.

ABN AMRO manages market risk primarily through the use of a set of historical and hypothetical scenarios, stressing relevant risk factors and estimating the potential profit and loss under stress, as well as through the calculation of the 99-percentile loss (or Value at Risk) on open positions. The Group then looks to manage these potential exposures on a daily basis within pre-defined limits for each of the major types of market risk.

This quantitative approach, combined with qualitative analytical approaches, is designed to control ABN AMRO's exposure to movements in the financial markets.

Other control measures used in the market risk management process include limits on net open positions in terms of their sensitivities to changes in interest rate, credit spreads, volatilities and so on. Alongside these

sensitivities, ABN AMRO also monitors position concentrations and position ageing. These non-statistical measures help to monitor and control liquidity risk in trading books.

The Value at Risk (**VAR**) is reported on a daily basis per trading portfolio, per product line and for the Group as a whole. It is reported daily to the senior management of the BUs, Group Risk Management and the responsible members of the Managing Board. Please refer to Note 38 in Section 5 (Financial Statements) for the quantification of Value at Risk per risk category.

VaR is a technique that produces estimates of the potential change in the market value of a portfolio over a specified time horizon at given confidence levels. The Group uses historical simulation models in computing Value at Risk in common with most Value at Risk models. The limitations of VaR models include:

- Historical data may not provide the best estimate of the joint distribution of risk factor changes in the future and may fail to capture the risk of possible extreme adverse market movements which have not occurred in the historical window used in the calculations.
- VaR using a one-day time horizon does not fully capture the market risk of positions that cannot be liquidated or hedged within one day.
- VaR using a 99% confidence level does not reflect the extent of potential losses beyond that percentile.

This limitation of Value at Risk models means that ABN AMRO must supplement it with other measurements of risk. These include a series of stress scenarios that shed light on the behaviour of ABN AMRO's portfolio and the impact on ABN AMRO's financial results under extreme market movements. Stress scenarios have been developed internally to reflect specific characteristics of the Group's portfolios and are performed on a daily basis for each trading portfolio and at several aggregation levels. These stress scenarios include stepped movements in one or more risk factors (e.g. parallel shifts in interest rate curves) and multiple factor tests that are based on actual historical events or plausible hypothetical scenarios.

Market risk in the banking book

The principal market risks arising from ABN AMRO's non-trading activities are interest rate risk, currency risk and equity risk.

ABN AMRO defines interest rate risk as the risk that the interest income of the Group changes due to a change of interest rates and that the change in value of the Group's financial assets in the banking book, representing financial assets other than those categorised as trading assets does not match the change in value of the Group's liabilities due to a changes in interest rates. Interest rate risk arises primarily from the fact that re-pricing period of the Group's assets typically exceeds the re-pricing period of the Group's liabilities (an **interest maturity mismatch**).

Treasury activity and mismatches between the re-pricing of assets and liabilities in its retail and commercial banking operations account for most of the non-trading interest rate risk.

Several tools are used to monitor and limit the interest rate risk exposures in ABN AMRO's banking book. The methods used to measure the risk include earnings simulation, duration and the 'Present Value per Basis Point' ladder.

The Group uses estimation techniques to calculate a set of forward-looking pre-defined interest rate scenarios, such as movements in the yield curve level and shape. In combination with Balance Sheet simulation models the Group calculates 'Earnings at Risk' and the 'Change in Value of Equity'. These model-based scenario analyses require assumptions about client behaviour. ABN AMRO uses statistical and mathematical models to express this behaviour in ABN AMRO's simulation. ABN AMRO's position is

managed to ensure these two metrics are within defined limits under the pre-defined scenarios. Any required corrective action is taken through steering the underlying portfolio.

Non-trading currency risk derives from the Group's investments in overseas subsidiaries, associates and branches. ABN AMRO's strategic investments are the principal sources of non-trading equity price risk. ABN AMRO does not maintain material non-trading open currency positions other than the structural foreign currency translation exposures arising from its investments in foreign subsidiaries and associated undertakings and their related currency funding.

ABN AMRO applies various hedging strategies to manage and minimise any adverse effects from these exposures. The Group's policy in relation to structural positions is to selectively hedge the structural foreign currency exposure arising from net asset value, including goodwill, in foreign subsidiaries, equity accounted investments and branches, except where doing so would materially increase the sensitivity of the Group's regulatory capital ratios to currency movements. Thus, for the US dollar exposure, the Group hedges its US dollar capital ratio. The policy requires structural and capital ratio foreign exchange positions to be reviewed regularly by the Group Asset and Liability Management committee. Foreign exchange differences arising on the translation of foreign operations are recognised directly in equity together with the effective portion of foreign exchange differences arising on hedging instruments.

Operational risk

ABN AMRO defines operational risk as the risk of loss resulting from inadequate or failed internal processes and/or systems, human behaviour or from external events. This risk includes operational risk events such as IT problems, shortcomings in the organisational structure, missing or inadequate internal controls, human error, fraud, and external threats.

The guiding principle in operational risk management is that management, at all levels in the organisation, is responsible for directing and managing operational risks. Operational risk management managers are assigned throughout ABN AMRO to assist line management in fulfilling this responsibility.

Line management needs information to enable it to identify and analyse operational risk, implement mitigating measures and determine the effectiveness of these mitigating measures. ABN AMRO has implemented a number of programmes and tools to support line management. These include:

Risk self-assessment: A structured approach that helps line management to identify and assess risks and take mitigating actions for risks which are identified as unacceptable. Risks are assessed with the assistance of facilitators, who are usually operational risk management staff.

Internal and external loss data: ABN AMRO registers operational risk loss on a firm-wide basis.

Operational risk assessment process: A comprehensive approval process that includes an explicit assessment of the operational risk associated with change, irrespective whether the change relates to a new business proposal, a change to the organisation, the implementation of a system or some other change. The process includes sign-off by relevant parties (including Group Compliance, Group Legal and Group Finance) and approval by an appropriate committee.

Key risk indicators: An approach used to indicate possible changes in the operational risk profile. Key risk indicators allow for a trend analysis over time and trigger actions if required.

Compliance and regulatory risk

ABN AMRO defines compliance risk as the risk of legal or regulatory sanctions, material financial loss, or reputational harm ABN AMRO may suffer as a result of its failure to comply with relevant laws, regulations, principles and rules, standards and codes of conduct applicable to its activities in letter and spirit.

The Group Compliance function concentrates its activities on specific elements of financial services legislation and its associated rules, regulations, codes of conduct and market standards. These are predominantly "conduct of business" requirements.

Risk based compliance monitoring plans are prepared based on the results obtained using a compliance risk assessment methodology. The business obtains compliance advice where required in preparing their transactions. Senior management is regularly updated on compliance issues and their follow up.

Legal risk

ABN AMRO defines legal risk as the risk from failure to comply with statutory or regulatory obligations and from uncertainty due to legal actions or uncertainty in the applicability or interpretation of contracts, law or regulations.

The Group Legal function oversees ABN AMRO's legal risks worldwide and acts as a central reporting point for ABN AMRO's teams of in-house lawyers. A Global Legal Mandate helps the business make the most effective use of the Group's legal resources, specifying the areas requiring the mandatory involvement of Group Legal.

Financial reporting risk

Management must provide financial statements that fairly present the Group's financial position, results of operations and cash flows in accordance with IFRS. ABN AMRO defines financial reporting risk as the risk of a lack of fair presentation and as a result of material misstatements in one or more of the financial statement amounts or disclosures. A material misstatement is defined as an omission or misstatement that could influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial statements.

ABN AMRO's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with IFRS.

ABN AMRO's internal control over financial reporting includes policies and procedures that:

- Pertain to the maintenance of records that in reasonable detail accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of ABN AMRO and its consolidated entities.
- Provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with IFRS, and that receipts and expenditures of ABN AMRO are being made only in accordance with authorisations of management and directors of ABN AMRO.
- Provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorised acquisition, use or disposition of ABN AMRO's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Due to its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

ABN AMRO's financial statements comply with sections 404 and 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and the Act on Financial Supervision in relation to the sign off of the accounts.

ABN AMRO's management assesses the effectiveness of the Group's internal control over financial reporting. In making this assessment, ABN AMRO uses the criteria established by the Committee of Sponsoring Organisations of the Treadway Commission (**COSO**) in Enterprise Risk Management -

Integrated Framework. ABN AMRO's assessment includes documenting, evaluating and testing of the design and operating effectiveness of its internal control over financial reporting. Management of ABN AMRO reviews the results of its assessment with the Supervisory Board and its Audit Committee.

Reputational risk

ABN AMRO defines reputational risk as the risk of potential losses arising from negative public opinion, irrespective of whether this opinion is based on facts or merely public perception. The losses may result from incurring increased funding costs as well as from not generating expected revenues.

The Group believes that ABN AMRO's pursuit of business sustainability and value creation requires proper conduct of ABN AMRO's business activities in accordance with ABN AMRO's Corporate Values and Business Principles and with laws and regulations.

A key component of risk management is ensuring that ABN AMRO's reputation is preserved and enhanced through choosing to engage responsibly in the right business activities with the right clients.

The Group's client-facing staff has the first-line responsibility for applying sustainability criteria to business selection. The Group implemented tools to support ABN AMRO's staff to perform this task adequately.

Alongside ABN AMRO's legal and compliance policies, the Group has developed several reputational risk policies to identify, assess and manage the non-financial issues present within ABN AMRO's business engagements. These policies and standards are referred to as Environmental, Social and Ethical Risk Management policies, and currently include: Forestry and Tree plantations; Oil & Gas; Mining & Metals; Defense industry; Gambling; Human Rights, Dams, Tobacco and Animal Testing. Each of these policies contains client and transaction acceptance criteria, including appropriate filters. Such filters have been developed to assess whether an engagement could present potential environmental, social or ethical issues and thereby translate into reputational risk.

In applying this philosophy, ABN AMRO has developed an approach to policy development that is based on applicable international industry norms and conventions and which incorporates consultation with non governmental organisations, clients, peers and ABN AMRO's client-facing staff.

Business risk

ABN AMRO defines business risk as the risk that operating income is lower than expected because of lower than expected revenues (e.g. lower margins, lower market share, and market downturn) or higher than expected costs, not being caused by one of the other risk types.

Business risk is driven by the volatility of the revenue stream and the extent to which costs are fixed or vary with revenues. Business risk is managed by way of the regular budget and investment processes.

The Value at Risk model that the Group has developed to measure business risk has as its key factors the volatility of revenues and the cost structure of the BU or activity.

LEGAL AND REGULATORY PROCEEDINGS

ABN AMRO is involved in a number of legal proceedings in the ordinary course of ABN AMRO's business in a number of jurisdictions. In presenting ABN AMRO's consolidated financial statements, management makes estimates regarding the outcome of legal, regulatory and arbitration matters, and takes a charge to income when losses with respect to such matters are probable. Charges, other than those taken periodically for costs of defence, are not established for matters when losses cannot be reasonably estimated. ABN AMRO cannot guarantee that these proceedings will be concluded in a manner favourable to ABN AMRO and should ABN AMRO's assessment of the risk change, ABN AMRO's view on changes to income will also change.

On the basis of information currently available, and having taken legal counsel with advisors, the Group is of the opinion that the outcome of these proceedings is unlikely to have a material adverse effect on the consolidated financial position and the consolidated profit of the Group.

As far as Holding and Bank are aware, there are no other governmental, legal or arbitration proceedings (including any such proceedings which are pending or threatened), which may have, or have had in the previous twelve months, significant effects on their and/or Group's financial position or profitability.

REGULATORY SANCTIONS

On 10 September 2008 the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, the New York State Banking Department and the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, have lifted the Cease & Desist Order dated 19 December 2005. De Nederlandsche Bank terminated their direction in relation to the Cease and Desist Order on 27 July 2007. The Cease & Desist Order included a Written Agreement, dated 23 July 2004, issued by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, the New York State Banking Department and the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation.

The Cease and Desist Order (and related enforcement actions) was undertaken by the Dutch and US regulators principally as a result of prior weaknesses in the compliance programme and anti-money laundering controls in the US dollar clearing operations of the New York Branch as well as deficiencies at ABN AMRO's Dubai Branch related to compliance with rules issued by the US Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control.

ONGOING INVESTIGATIONS

As previously disclosed, the United States Department of Justice has been conducting a criminal investigation into ABN AMRO's dollar clearing activities, OFAC compliance procedures and other Bank Secrecy Act compliance matters. ABN AMRO has co-operated and continues to co-operate fully with the investigation. Although no written agreement has yet been reached and negotiations are ongoing, in April 2007 ABN AMRO reached an agreement in principle with the Department of Justice.

Under the terms of the agreement, in principle, ABN AMRO would also agree to continue co-operating in the United States' ongoing investigation and to settle all then known civil and criminal claims currently held by the United States for the sum of USD 500 million. A charge for USD 500 million was recorded in the first half of 2007. The precise terms of the deferred prosecution agreement are still under negotiation.

In consideration for the foregoing provisions, as well as ABN AMRO's extensive remedial actions to date and its willingness to demonstrate future good conduct and full compliance with all applicable federal laws, the United States Department of Justice would recommend to the United States District Court that the prosecution of the Bank under the information be deferred for a fixed period. At the end of that fixed period, provided ABN AMRO is in full compliance with all of its obligations under the deferred prosecution agreement, the United States would seek dismissal with prejudice of the information filed against the ABN AMRO. The precise terms of the deferred prosecution agreement and agreed factual statement are still under negotiation.

TREND INFORMATION

The composition of ABN AMRO's revenues and the structure of ABN AMRO's assets and liabilities are affected by changing economic conditions and changing conditions in financial markets.

The financial and credit markets have been experiencing a sustained period of high volatility, severe dislocations and liquidity disruptions. Financial markets are susceptible to severe events evidenced by rapid depreciation in asset values accompanied by a reduction in asset liquidity. We expect these conditions to remain in 2009.

The transfer of business to RBS, in line with obtaining synergies and combining risk management, will continue in 2009. This process will reduce the scope of operations by ABN AMRO. The core activities expected to remain will include global transaction services and local market functions.

For further discussion of some of these challenges please refer to our 'Risk Factors' section in Section 1 (Operating Review).

OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS

ABN AMRO has no off-balance sheet exposures that are reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on liquidity or on the availability of or the requirement for capital resources, and ABN AMRO's hedging activities are non-speculative. For a discussion of the impact of off-balance sheet commitments and contingent liabilities see Note 34 in Section 5 (Financial Statements).

3. GOVERNANCE

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

ABN AMRO Holding N.V. and ABN AMRO Bank N.V. are companies with limited liability incorporated under the laws of the Netherlands. Both companies have a two-tier system of corporate governance; consisting of a Supervisory Board and a Managing Board. The day to day management of the companies is vested with the Managing Board.

The memberships of the Supervisory Boards of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. and ABN AMRO Bank N.V. are the same, as are the memberships of the Managing Boards of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. and ABN AMRO Bank N.V.

ABN AMRO Bank N.V. and ABN AMRO Bank Holding N.V. are not obliged to comply with the principles of the Dutch Corporate Governance Code, but do so in accordance with market practice.

SUPERVISORY BOARD

Responsibilities of the Supervisory Board

ABN AMRO Holding N.V.'s Supervisory Board supervises the Managing Board, as well as the Company's general course of affairs and its business. In addition, it is charged with assisting and advising management. In performing their duties, the members of the Supervisory Board are guided by the interests of the Company and the enterprise connected with it and shall take into account the relevant interests of the Company's shareholder. Certain powers are vested with the Supervisory Board, including the approval of certain resolutions by the Managing Board.

The Supervisory Board is an independent body. Members of the Supervisory Board are appointed by the General Meeting of Shareholders. The Supervisory Board nominates one or more candidates for each vacant seat.

Under the Dutch Corporate Governance Code, all members of the Supervisory Board must be independent. ABN AMRO is currently deviating from that standard. ABN AMRO has three Supervisory Board members who can not be considered to be independent within the scope of the Dutch Corporate Governance Code: Juan Rodriguez-Inciarte, Michael Enthoven and Miller McLean.

Supervisory Board members are appointed for a term of four years and may be re-appointed after that term. Members of the Supervisory Board may serve a maximum term of 12 years from the date of their first appointment. As a principle, each member agrees to retire by the day on which the annual General Meeting of Shareholders is held in the year in which he or she reaches the age of 70.

Candidates recommended for appointment or re-appointment to the Supervisory Board should meet the criteria of the membership profile, which are set out in the Rules Governing the Supervisory Board's Principles and Best Practices of ABN AMRO Holding N.V.

In case of a (potential) conflict of interest of material significance between a member of the Supervisory Board and the Company, the Chairman of the Supervisory Board shall be notified.

Details of the Supervisory Board's remuneration package can be found in Note 43 in Section 5 (Financial Statements).

The Chairman and Vice Chairman are appointed by the Supervisory Board from among its members. The Supervisory Board also appoints from its members the Audit Committee of at least four members, the Nomination & Compensation Committee of at least three members and the Compliance Oversight Committee of at least three members. The committee members are appointed until further notice.

The Rules Governing the Supervisory Board's Principles and Best Practices of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. are available on ABN AMRO's website at www.abnamro.com. These rules also include the terms of reference of the Audit Committee, the Nomination & Compensation Committee and the Compliance Oversight Committee.

On ABN AMRO's website you may also find detailed curriculum vitae of each of the Supervisory Board members.

Composition of the Supervisory Board

At the Annual General Meeting of shareholders on 11 April 2008 Trude Maas-de Brouwer and André Olijslager were re-appointed for a term of four years. On 1 July 2008 Jean Paul Votron resigned as a member of the Supervisory Board. At the Extraordinary General Meeting of shareholders on 22 September 2008 Herman Verwilt was appointed to the Supervisory Board for a term of four years. On 17 October 2008 he stepped down as a result of the decisions taken by the Ministry of Finance concerning the divestment of the ABN AMRO business acquired by Fortis. At the Extraordinary General Meeting of shareholders on 21 November 2008 Michael Enthoven was appointed to the Supervisory Board for a term of four years. He succeeded Herman Verwilt. On 5 February 2009 Sir Fred Goodwin resigned as a member of the Supervisory Board. On 16 February 2009 the shareholder appointed Miller McLean as a member of the Supervisory Board.

As at 30 June 2009, the composition of the Supervisory Board of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. and ABN AMRO Bank N.V. was as follows, including relevant information about the members:

Name	Term expires	Principal occupation	Other relevant positions
Arthur Martinez; 1, 2, 3 (69, American, M) Chairman	2002; 4 2010; 5	Former Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Sears, Roebuck & Co. Inc.	Non-Executive Director International Flavors and Fragrances, Inc. Non-Executive Director Liz Claiborne, Inc Non-Executive Director PepsiCo., Inc. Non-Executive Director IAC/Interactive Corp. Chairman of HSN. Inc.
André Olijslager; 1 (65, Dutch, M) Vice Chairman	2004; 4 2012; 5	Former Chairman of the Board of Management of Royal Friesland Foods N.V.	Vice Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Avebe U.A. Member of the Supervisory Board of Center Parcs N.V. Member of the Investment Committee of NPM Capital N.V. Member of the Management Board of Foundation N.V. Trust Office Unilever Non-Executive Director of Tourism Real Estate Property (TREP) Holding SE Chairman Dutch Private Equity and

Name	Term expires	Principal occupation	Other relevant positions
			Venture Capital Association (NVP) Chairman of Stichting Maatschappij en Onderneming (SMO) Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Friesland College Chairman of the Advisory Board of 'Lifelines' (UMC Groningen) Member of the Advisory Board of Stichting Nyenrode Member of the Supervisory Board of Fries Museum/Prinsessehof
Trude Maas-de Brouwer; 2, 3 (62, Dutch, F)	2000; 4 2012; 5	Former President of Hay Vision Society	Member of the Supervisory Board of Schiphol Group Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Royal Philips Electronics Netherlands (PEN) Member of the Supervisory Board of Arbo Unie Member of the Supervisory Board of Twijnstra Gudde Management Consultants B.V. Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Nuffic (Netherlands Organisation for International Cooperation in Higher Education) Chairman of Opportunity in Bedrijf (network and knowledge centre for diversity issues) Chairman of the Bernard van Leer Foundation Member of the Governing Council of Van Leer Group Foundation Member of the curatorium of VNO NCW Chairman of the Advisory Board of the Dutch Data Protection Authority
Rob van den Bergh; 3 (58, Dutch, M)	2005; 4 2009; 5	Former Chairman of the Executive Board and Chief Executive officer of VNU N.V.	Chairman of the Supervisory Board of N.V. Deli Universal Member of the Supervisory Board of Pon Holdings, B.V. Member of the Supervisory Board of NPM Capital N.V. Member of the Supervisory Board of the Nationale Postcode Loterij Member of the Supervisory Board of Tom-Tom Member of the Supervisory Board of Luzac College

Name	Term expires	Principal occupation	Other relevant positions
Anthony Ruys; 2 (61, Dutch, M)	2005; 4 2009; 5	Former Chairman of the Executive Board of Heineken N.V.	Member of the Supervisory Board of Lottomatica S.p.A. Non-Executive Director of British American Tobacco Ltd. Vice chairman of the Supervisory Board of Schiphol Group Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Foundation the Rijksmuseum Chairman of the Supervisory Board of the Stop Aids Now! Foundation Member of the Board of the Netherlands Society for International Affairs Member of the Supervisory Board of Janivo Holding B.V. Chairman of Foundation Madurodam
Gert-Jan Kramer 1 (66, Dutch, M)	2006; 4 2010; 5	Former Chairman of Fugro N.V.	Vice-chairman of the Supervisory Board of Damen Shipyards Group Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Scheuten Solar Holding B.V. Member of the Supervisory Board of Fugro N.V. Member of the Supervisory Board of Trajectum B.V. (Mammoet B.V.) Member of the Supervisory Board of N.V. Bronwaterleiding Doorn Member of the Supervisory Board of Energie Beheer Nederland B.V. Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Delft University of Technology Chairman of IRO (Association of Dutch Suppliers of the Oil and Gas Industry) Member of the Board of Nederland Maritiem Land Vice-chairman of St. Preferente Aandelen Arcadis N.V. Chairman of the Board of Amsterdam Sinfonietta Member of the Board of Stichting Het Concertgebouw Fonds Member of the Board of Stichting Pieterskerk, Leiden
Ana Maria Llopis Rivas 1 (58, Spanish, F)	2007; 4 2011; 5	Founder and former CEO of Open Bank (the branchless internet bank of the Spanish Santander Group)	Member of the Advisory Board on e-administration to the Minister of Public Administration, Spain Non-Executive Director of British American Tobacco Personal strategic and business advisor to Peter Wood, Chairman and CEO of esure (internet insurer)

Name	Term expires	Principal occupation	Other relevant positions Executive Chairman ideas4all.com
Juan Rodriguez-Inciarte (56, Spanish, M)	2007, 4 2011, 5	Executive Board Member of Grupo Santander	Managing Director of RFS Holdings B.V. Member of the US-Spain Councila and Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Bankers in Scotland Vice Chairman of the Board of Abbey National plc, a fully owned unit of Santander Member of the Board of Spanish oil company CEPSA
Michael Enthoven 1, 2, 3 (57, Dutch, M)	2008, 4 2012, 5	Advisor at the Ministry of Finance	Managing Director of RFS Holdings B.V. Member of the Supervisory Board of Fortis Bank Nederland N.V. and Fortis Bank Nederland (Holding) N.V. Treasurer of the Leids Universitair Fonds
Miller M McLean (59, British, M)	2009, 4 2013, 5	Group General Counsel and Group Secretary of RBS Group	Managing Director of RFS Holdings B.V. Chairman to the Board of the Whitehall and Industry Group Director at Adam & Company Group plc Director at Ulster Bank Group Limited Chairman of the Trustee of the RBS Pension Fund Chairman of the Trustee of the RBS Insurance Pension Fund

Age, nationality and gender shown in brackets

1 Member of the Audit Committee.

2 Member of the Nomination & Compensation Committee.

3 Member of the Compliance Oversight Committee.

4 Year of appointment.

5 Current term expires.

Activities of the Supervisory Board

The Supervisory Board met on 13 occasions during the 2008 financial year. Meetings took place in person, by telephone and the members were also asked to give their approval on a few matters via email procedure.

During its executive sessions, the Supervisory Board evaluated the functioning of the Managing Board.

The Chairman and the Company Secretary prepared the agenda for the meetings of the Supervisory Board in close co-operation with the Chairman of the Managing Board.

The Supervisory Board reviewed and adopted the 2007 results and the dividend proposal at its February meeting and reviewed and approved the half-year financial report 2008 in August 2008. Next to that the

Board reviewed in these meetings regulatory, control and audit issues, including Sarbanes-Oxley Act 404 compliance.

The financial performance of ABN AMRO was extensively discussed in a number of Supervisory Board meetings. Relevant executives discussed findings of internal and external auditors. These meetings were preceded by meetings of the Audit Committee, which advised the full Supervisory Board on the approval of the financial results. Comprehensive information provided by the Managing Board and reviewed by the Audit Committee gave the Supervisory Board a clear picture of the Bank's risks, results, and capital and liquidity position. All Supervisory Board committees continued to report their deliberations and findings to the full Board for further discussion and, where appropriate, decisions.

The Board nominated new Managing and Supervisory Board members. At the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders on 11 April 2008 and the Extraordinary General Meetings of shareholders on 22 September 2008 and 21 November 2008 these nominations were adopted by the shareholders.

The Annual General Meeting of shareholders has withdrawn Ernst & Young Accountants LLP as the external accountant of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. for the 2008 financial year. At the same meeting Deloitte Accountants B.V. were appointed as the external accountant of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. for the 2008 financial year.

The Board received regular updates on the transition program, discussed and approved the demerger of a number of assets, disposals and requests for Declaration of No Objection (DNO) connected to the transition.

Contacts with Dutch Central Works Council

Contrary to the covenant concluded in 2003 with the Dutch Central Works Council, members of the Supervisory Board did not attend by rotation meetings of the Central Works Council in 2008. On 18 September 2008, the Central Works Council agreed that a discussion on the appointment of Herman Verwilt would take place after 22 September 2008. As he stepped down on 17 October 2008, the actual discussion did not take place due to the short time span between the date on which the above agreement was made and his subsequent resignation. In relation to the appointment of Michael Enthoven, discussions with both the Dutch Central Works Council and the European Staff Council took place on 12 and 18 November 2008 respectively, prior to his appointment on 21 November 2008. The Dutch Central Works Council was consulted on the nomination of the following new Managing Board members: David Cole, Johan van Hall and Chris Vogelzang in October 2008, Gerrit Zalm in December 2008 and Ron Teerlink in February 2009.

Supervisory Board committees

The Supervisory Board has three standing committees: the Audit Committee, the Nomination and Compensation Committee and the Compliance Oversight Committee.

MANAGING BOARD

Responsibilities of the Managing Board

The members of the Managing Board of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. collectively manage the Company and are responsible for its strategy, structure and performance. The members are appointed by the General Meeting of Shareholders. The Supervisory Board nominates one or more candidates for each vacant seat. If the Supervisory Board nominates two or more candidates for a vacant seat, the nomination list is binding. The members of the Managing Board are accountable both collectively and individually for all decisions taken by the Managing Board.

The Chairman of the Managing Board leads the Board in its overall management of the Company to achieve its performance goals and ambitions. The Chairman is the main point of liaison with the Supervisory Board. The Chief Financial Officer is responsible for the financial affairs of the Company, and the Chief Risk

Officer is responsible for the Company's risk management and operational risk control. Alongside their overall corporate responsibilities, the members of the Managing Board are responsible for the management of the BUs, Group Functions and Services. The Managing Board has delegated certain tasks to committees.

Composition of the Managing Board

At the Extraordinary General Meeting of shareholders on 22 September 2008 Donald Workman was appointed to the Managing Board for a term of four years. Karel De Boeck and Paul Dor stepped down from the Managing Board on 4 October 2008 and John Hourican stepped down as a member of the Managing Board on 14 October 2008.

Gerrit Zalm was appointed as Vice Chairman of the Managing Board at the Extraordinary General Meeting of shareholders held on 23 December 2008. On 30 December 2008 Jan Peter Schmittmann stepped down as a member of the Managing Board. On 27 February 2009 Mark Fisher resigned as the Chairman of Managing Board. On 28 February 2009 the shareholder appointed Ron Teerlink as Vice-Chairman of the Managing Board. In addition, David Cole, Johan van Hall and Chris Vogelzang were appointed as members of the Managing Board. On 28 February 2009 Gerrit Zalm succeeded Mark Fisher and became the Chairman of the Managing Board.

According to the Consortium Shareholder Agreement RBS had the right to put forward a candidate for the Managing Board after Mark Fisher decided to resign from the Managing Board. RBS nominated Ron Teerlink in the role of Vice Chairman of ABN AMRO. Ron Teerlink will also remain as Chief Executive Group Manufacturing RBS.

As at 30 June 2009, the composition of the Managing Board of Holding and Bank was as follows:

Name	Term expires	Principal responsibilities 2009
Gerrit Zalm (56, Dutch, M)	2008 ² 2012 ^{3,4}	Chairman Human Resources, Communications and Group Audit
Ron Teerlink (48, Dutch, M)	2009 ² 2013 ^{2,4}	Vice Chairman Transition Management Committee
David Cole (47, Dutch and American, M)	2009 ² 2013 ^{2,4}	Chief Financial Officer Chief Risk Officer Group Finance Group Risk Group Legal Group Compliance
Javier Maldonado (46, Spanish, M)	2007 ² 2011 ^{3,4}	The shared assets included in Central Items
Michiel de Jong (47, Dutch, M)	2008 ² 2012 ^{3,4}	Global Transaction Services Regional markets Asia and Europe
Brad Kopp (57, American, M)	2008 ² 2012 ^{3,4}	BU Americas
Donald Workman (56, British, M)	2008 ² 2012 ^{3,4}	Global Banking and Markets
Johan van Hall (49, Dutch, M)	2009 ² 2013 ^{3,4}	Integration and Services
Chris Vogelzang (46, Dutch, M)	2009 ² 2013 ^{3,4}	BU Netherlands BU Private Clients International Diamond & Jewellery Group

Age, nationality and gender shown in brackets

¹ Managing Board members are appointed until reaching the contractually agreed mandatory retirement age of 65, unless otherwise indicated.

² Year of appointment.

3 Current term expires.

4 In line with the Dutch Corporate Governance Code these members have been appointed for a maximum period of four years and may be reappointed for a term of not more than four years at a time.

Curriculum vitae of Managing Board members

Managing Board members as at 30 June 2009.

Gerrit Zalm is the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of ABN AMRO as of 28 February 2009. He was appointed to the Managing Board on 23 December 2008 in the role of Vice Chairman. Gerrit Zalm is the Board Member responsible for the ABN AMRO businesses acquired by the Dutch state. In 1975 he started working for the Ministry of Finance as an employee of the Economic Affairs section of the Budget Preparation Division. In 1977 he was appointed Head of that section and in 1978 he became Head of the Division. In 1981 he was appointed the Deputy Director for Budgetary Affairs. Two years later Mr Zalm was appointed as the Deputy Director for General Economic Policy at the Ministry for Economic Affairs, and in 1985, he eventually became Director. From 1988, Mr Zalm was employed at the Central Planning Bureau, first as Deputy Director and later as Director. From 1990 he also began teaching Economic Policy at the Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam. Mr Zalm was Minister of Finance during the first and second terms of Dutch Prime Minister Kok from 22 August 1994 until 22 July 2002. During 2002 and 2003, he was a Member of the Dutch Parliament and Chairman of his party's parliamentary group VVD. From 27 May 2003 until 22 February 2007, Mr Zalm was Minister of Finance and Deputy Prime Minister in the second and third terms of Prime Minister Balkenende. After leaving the Dutch Government in February 2007, Mr Zalm was the CFO and Chief Economist at DSB Bank until December 2008. After completing his secondary education, he studied General Economics at the Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam. He graduated in 1975.

Ron Teerlink is the Vice Chairman of ABN AMRO. He is the Managing Board member responsible for Transition Management. He was appointed to the Managing Board in January 2006. He stepped down from the Managing Board on 1 April 2008 to become CEO Group Manufacturing at RBS. On 28 February 2009 he was re-appointed to the Managing Board. From 2006 till April 2008 he was responsible for the Business Unit (BU) Latin America and expansion of the mid-market strategy in that region; the BU Transaction Banking; Services; and the Consumer Client Segment. He is also responsible for EU Affairs & Market Infrastructure. Mr Teerlink was named Chief Executive Officer of Group Shared Services (GSS) in 2004. Under his leadership, the GSS programme was accelerated and contracts signed with vendors for the partial outsourcing, multi-vendor strategies and off-shoring of IT services. Mr Teerlink was appointed Chief Operating Officer Wholesale Clients business in 2002; Senior Executive Vice President in 2002; and Managing Director Wholesale Clients business/Operations Europe in 2001. Mr Teerlink joined ABN AMRO in 1986 as IT/System analyst, appointed head Project and Development ASI in 1992; International/Director Administration & Organisation, Cologne in 1994; and Director Administration and Organisation in Frankfurt in 1995. From 1999, he was responsible for International Organisation and Information, Amsterdam and Europe/Operations in 2000. He has a Masters degree in Economics, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam in 1986. Other principal activities outside the ABN AMRO group of companies are Chief Administrative Officer and member of the Executive Committee of RBS Group.

David Cole is the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) and Chief Risk Officer (CRO). He is also responsible for Group Finance, Group Risk, Group Legal and Group Compliance. He was appointed to the Managing Board on 28 February 2009. Mr Cole joined ABN AMRO in Amsterdam in 1984 as a corporate client relationship manager. He held a series of credit and relationship management positions over the next 15 years in New York, Houston, Chicago and Amsterdam before being appointed Executive Vice President and Regional Head of Risk Management for Latin America in 1999, where he was based in Sao Paulo, Brazil. In 2001, Mr Cole returned to Amsterdam to undertake Corporate Centre responsibility within GRM for Credit Portfolio Management. Later that year he was appointed Managing Director and Head of Wholesale Clients (WCS) Change Management. In 2002 Mr Cole became CFO of WCS and in 2004 he was appointed Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of WCS. Mr Cole was appointed Head of Group Risk Management (GRM) for ABN AMRO in January 2006. GRM is responsible for the management of credit, country, market, operational and reputational risk across the bank. He studied at the University of Georgia

where he graduated in 1984 (Bachelor of Business Administration). He also studied International Business at Nijenrode University in the Netherlands.

Javier Maldonado is the Managing Board member responsible for the shared assets included in Central Items. He was appointed to the Managing Board in November 2007. Prior to the board appointment, Mr Maldonado worked from 2004 to 2007 at Abbey National plc as Chief Executive of the Wealth Management Division, which includes James Hay, Cater Allen, Abbey International and Abbey Share dealing. He was responsible for the development and delivery of objectives set for the Wealth Management Division which includes: managing over 800 people; development of the structure and organisation of the Wealth Management Division; development of business strategy taking into account the regulatory environment; co-ordination of the areas of support necessary for the development and delivery of the products; analysis of markets, compliance and local regulatory requirements; setting of objectives and budgets for the division. Mr Maldonado was also Head of Complaints and Service Quality Division. From February till October 2006 he was Chief Executive Insurance & Asset Management Division at Abbey. From November 2004 to February 2006, he was Assistant to the Chief Executive Office and Head of Complaints. Prior to his career at Abbey, Mr Maldonado worked at Banco Santander SA from 1995 till 2004 as MD Global M&A & Corporate Finance, MD Legal Department, Head of International Legal Department at Santander Investment New York. He started his career at Baker and McKenzie in 1986. In 1991 he moved to the law firm Hernandez-Canut in Madrid. He has a Juris Doctor Degree, Northwestern University Law School, Chicago and a Law Degree, University of Madrid.

Michiel de Jong is the Managing Board member responsible for Global Banking and Markets Europe and Asia as well as Global Transaction Services. He was appointed to the ABN AMRO Managing Board on 11 April 2008. Mr de Jong started his career with ABN AMRO in 1986. After completing his training in the International Division and Financial Markets in Amsterdam, he held international positions in Singapore (Financial Markets, Corporate Banking), Turkey (Commercial Manager), Hong Kong (Country Manager Hong Kong and China) and Germany (Country Manager). He became Managing Director in 1996 and Senior Executive Vice President in 2006. Mr de Jong has always had direct client and product revenue responsibility. Mr de Jong joined the Management Team of the Wholesale Clients BU in 2005, spearheading ABN AMRO's international network around the world. When BU Europe was established in 2006, he became responsible for all Central and Western European countries. In September 2006, he took over the role of Chief Executive Officer BU Europe. He has a Master of Law from the Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam.

Brad Kopp is the Managing Board member responsible for BU Americas. He was appointed to the Managing Board on 11 April 2008. He was the former Head of Strategy for RBS America and Group Executive Vice President of Corporate Strategy and Development of RBS Citizens, N.A. of Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc. Mr Kopp oversaw all of Citizens Bank's strategic planning and corporate development for RBS' operations in the United States. Mr Kopp was also in charge of Citizens' mergers and acquisitions team and other strategic planning initiatives. He joined Citizens Bank in 1993 as Chief Financial Officer and served as Head of Corporate Strategy and Development from October 1998. Mr Kopp worked for 16 years as an investment banker in New York, most recently with Lehman Brothers. Mr Kopp is a graduate of Harvard College and Harvard Business School.

Donald Workman is the Managing Board member responsible for Global Banking and Markets. He was appointed to the Managing Board on 22 September 2008. Prior to his appointment Mr Workman was Chief Executive, ABN AMRO Global Banking and Markets and has been responsible for the 'Shared Assets' Transition Steering Group in ABN AMRO charged with the disposal of non-core assets such as the private equity portfolios, minority stakes in other banks and investment funds. He is also responsible for the RBS relationship with the Global Markets and Corporate Banking Divisions of Bank of China. Having joined RBS in 1992 Mr Workman has been responsible for a number of large projects including the integration of the corporate banking parts of NatWest into RBS as well as having responsibility for various specialist units within RBS. Having originally a private equity background, he represented the Group on the Board of Southern Water, which was sold last year, and continues to represent the Group on the Board of Star Capital Partners, a specialist infrastructure investor. Before joining RBS he worked at 3i, Castleforth Fund

Managers and stockbrokers Laing and Cruickshank where he was head of Corporate Finance. He was educated at the Edinburgh Academy and Magdalen College, Oxford.

Johan van Hall is the Managing Board member responsible for Integration and Services. He was appointed to the Managing Board on 28 February 2009. In 1982 Mr Van Hall joined ABN AMRO, where he started his career as a chartered accountant and registered. Electronic Data Processing (**EDP**) Auditor. In the following 12 years he accepted various responsibilities within EDP Audit, both in and outside the Netherlands. His last role was Global Head of EDP Audit, reporting to the Director of Group Audit. He subsequently changed to the role of Division Information Manager within the domestic division of the bank. In that function he was responsible for among others Information Communication Technology (**ICT**) strategy, ICT budgeting, end user development and management information. As of 1999 he took responsibility for the development of the Multi Channel Platform, focusing on the development and integration of new distribution channels (including internet, mobile) and customer relationship management systems. Early 2004 Mr van Hall became member of the Management Team of the BU Netherlands, responsible for Business Solutions & Services. This includes, for example: multi channel business services, facility management services, ICT, operations and organisation & process development. Furthermore, he is chairman of the Ambassadors' Network Diversity & Inclusion within BU Netherlands. Mr van Hall obtained a post master degree in IT Audit at the Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam in 1989. Two years earlier, he had completed his chartered accountancy studies (NIVRA).

Chris Vogelzang is the Managing Board member responsible for BU Netherlands, BU Private Clients and the International Diamond and Jewellery Group. He was appointed to the Managing Board on 28 February 2009. Mr Vogelzang joined ABN AMRO in 2000 as a Corporate Executive Vice President, responsible for Retail Marketing and later became head of Business Development Netherlands. He was subsequently named head of Consumer Banking Netherlands, responsible for all domestic sales, marketing and product development activities in the consumer market, and was a member of the Management Team of BU Netherlands. Prior to joining ABN AMRO, Mr Vogelzang was with Royal Dutch Shell Group, where he began his career in 1988. While there, he held senior management positions in sales, oil-trading and marketing and had various international assignments in a number of countries in Africa and Europe. In January 2007 Mr Vogelzang was appointed Global Head of Private Clients. He also served as the CEO of Fortis Private Banking between January and October of last year. Mr Vogelzang has a Master of Business degree in Economics (1988), from the University of Groningen.

Situation of other management positions as at 30 June 2009:

Company Secretary Gwendolyn van Tunen			
Business Units (BUs), Segments, Group Functions and Services			
Client BUs	Products BUs	Group Functions	
BU Netherlands	Global markets business	Group Audit	Group Risk Management
Chris Vogelzang	Donald Workman	Rob Sweitser	Jan Meines
BU Europe	Global Transaction Services	Group Communications	Services
Michiel de Jong	Gerard Hartsink	Sierk Nawijn	Kevin Hanley
BU Americas		Group Compliance	
Brad Kopp		Andrew Robinson	
BU Asia		Group Legal	
Michiel de Jong		John Collins	
BU Private Clients		Group Finance	
Chris Vogelzang		Petri Hofsté	
		Group Human Resources	
		Tony Williams	

Senior Executive Vice Presidents as at 30 June 2009

Gerard Hartsink
Petri Hofsté

Conflicts of interest and addresses

In 2008 and in 2009 to date there were no actual or potential conflicts of interest with members of the Managing Board or Supervisory Board which were of material significance to ABN AMRO and/or any of such members. As far as ABN AMRO is aware, in 2008 and in 2009 to date there were no actual or potential conflicts of interest with the senior executive vice presidents. Except for the dependencies noted above, and except as described in the CVs of the Managing Board, the ABN AMRO Managing Board members do not perform principal activities outside the ABN AMRO group of companies.

However in respect of Principle II.3 of the Dutch Corporate Governance Code, an exception is noted. Principle II.3 states that any conflict of interest or apparent conflict of interest between the company and management board members shall be avoided. Several members of the Managing Board also serve in a number of capacities at the various Consortium Members. They have taken part in discussions or decision making that involves or will involve a subject or transaction relating to the separation and transfer of the ABN AMRO businesses to the respective Consortium Members. This could constitute a conflict of interest within the scope of best practice provision II.3.2. of the Dutch Corporate Governance Code. In this respect ABN AMRO does not apply best practice provision II.3.3 of the Dutch Corporate Governance Code with respect to these subjects and transactions, but otherwise ABN AMRO reports that best practice provisions II.3.2 to II.3.4 of the Dutch Corporate Governance Code inclusive have been complied with where applicable.

The business address of the members of the Managing Board and Supervisory Board and the senior executive vice presidents of the Bank is: ABN AMRO Bank N.V., Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

Audit Committee

Responsibilities of the Audit Committee

The Audit Committee is appointed by the Supervisory Board from its own members. The responsibilities of the Audit Committee include supervising, monitoring and advising the Supervisory Board on the effectiveness of internal risk management and control systems and reviewing and advising the Supervisory Board on the disclosure of financial information. The Committee derives its authority from the Supervisory Board and its Terms of Reference are set out in annex C of the Rules Governing the Supervisory Board's Principles and Best Practices.

In line with good corporate governance, the Rules governing the ABN AMRO Supervisory Board's Audit Committee have been reviewed to ensure that the objectives of the ABN AMRO Group Audit Committee are, where possible, fully aligned and consistent with the Terms of Reference of the RBS Group Audit Committee and adequate and appropriate oversight and escalation mechanisms are implemented.

The external audit firm is appointed or reappointed by the General Meeting of Shareholders for a period of five years on the advice of the Supervisory Board. The Audit Committee has the delegated responsibility for the engagement of the external auditors. For this purpose it evaluates the independence of the external auditor, the measures used to control the quality of the external auditor's work, and the annual audit budget. The Audit Committee's policy on auditor independence governs the appointments, compensation, and oversight of the external auditor. To ensure the external auditors independence, the Auditor Independence Policy prohibits the external auditors from providing certain non-audit services to the Bank.

The Audit Committee is furthermore responsible for pre-approving audit, audit-related and permitted non-audit services provided by the external auditor. In exercising its pre-approval authority, the Audit

Committee considers whether the proposed services are consistent with the continued independence of the external auditor. Both the Auditor Independence Policy and the Audit Committee Pre-Approval Policy for External Audit Firm Services can be viewed on ABN AMRO's website at www.abnamro.com.

Composition of the Audit Committee

In 2008, the Audit Committee of the Supervisory Board was chaired by André Olijslager. Other members included Arthur Martinez, Gert-Jan Kramer, Ana Maria Llopis Rivas and Michael Enthoven.

The members of the Audit Committee collectively have sufficient accounting and financial management expertise to understand the company's business, financial statements and risk profile. Furthermore, the Supervisory Board has determined that Arthur Martinez possesses the necessary relevant expertise in financial administration and accounting for listed companies and other large companies and therefore qualifies as financial expert within the meaning of the Dutch Corporate Governance Code. It has also determined that Arthur Martinez qualifies as audit committee financial expert in accordance with Section 407 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and that he is independent under the applicable US standards.

Activities of the Audit Committee in 2008

The Audit Committee convened seven times during the course of 2008. Three of these meetings were regular meetings, while four were extraordinary meetings.

The Audit Committee reviewed, discussed and advised the Supervisory Board with regards to the interim financial statements, the Annual Report, the external auditors' long-form report, the internal auditors' management letter including the Managing Board's related comments, the evaluation of the design and operating effectiveness of the internal risk management and control systems, the Capital Adequacy Framework and the application of the US Sarbanes-Oxley Act, in particular as to ABN AMRO's compliance with the requirements of Section 404 of this Act.

Deloitte Accountants reported on its independence to the Audit Committee. Deloitte has reviewed its engagements with ABN AMRO and confirmed to the Audit Committee that these have not impaired Deloitte's ability to act as independent auditors of ABN AMRO. The Audit Committee reviewed its pre-approval policy for audit and non-audit services provided by the external auditors. Following this review the Audit Committee pre-approved the nature and the budget for audit, audit-related and non-audit services, in line with this policy.

Throughout the period, representatives of the ABN AMRO Managing Board, Finance Officers, the Committee Secretary, representatives from Group Internal Audit, Risk Management and the external auditors have been in attendance by standing invitation and were provided with copies of the agendas, papers and minutes.

The Chairman of the Audit Committee has met with the external auditors independently of the members of the Managing Board and the internal auditors.

The Audit Committee, in the presence of senior representatives from Group Risk Management, also reviewed and discussed ABN AMRO's overall risk profile, the quality of the loan portfolio and the bank's large exposures and provisioning for loan losses. It also reviewed the Enterprise Risk Management Framework and related reporting. In addition, the Committee reviewed various risk reports, produced both internally and by third parties, outlining the unique risk profile arising directly as a result of the transition and separation activities.

The Audit Committee reviewed, discussed and approved the 2008 Audit Plan prepared by Group Audit, as well as staff matters including training and recruitment. In addition, the Audit Committee discussed the operational and internal control aspects covered by Group Audit in its audit. In the middle of the year,

Group Audit presented an assessment of the audit risks which reflected the impact of corporate activities. This was reviewed and approved by the Audit Committee.

Nomination & Compensation Committee

Responsibilities of the Nomination & Compensation Committee

The Nomination & Compensation Committee is a combined remuneration, selection and appointment committee as defined in the Dutch Corporate Governance Code. The tasks and responsibilities of the Nomination & Compensation Committee of the Supervisory Board can be divided into tasks related to nomination and to compensation.

The nomination responsibilities include preparing for the selection and nomination of members of the Supervisory and Managing Boards by preparing and periodically reviewing the succession plans of these Boards on the basis of agreed profiles. The granting of the title of Senior Executive Vice President to eligible persons and the management development programs for top executives are also discussed in the Nomination & Compensation Committee. Where relevant, the Nomination & Compensation Committee informs the full Supervisory Board.

The Nomination & Compensation Committee also acts on reward and performance issues. Standards and criteria for performance are defined, and on that basis the performance of the members of both Boards is reviewed periodically. The framework, concept and content of compensation and benefits, pension schemes and other relevant schemes are discussed and decided. Resolutions concerning the remuneration policies for the Managing Board are submitted to the full Supervisory Board and are then put forward for adoption by the General Meeting of Shareholders.

Composition of the Nomination & Compensation Committee

The membership of the Nomination & Compensation Committee of the Supervisory Board remained unchanged in 2008. The Committee consists of the following members: Trude Maas-de Brouwer (Madam Chair), Arthur Martinez, Anthony Ruys and, as of January 2009, Michael Enthoven.

The Chairman of the Managing Board and the head of Group Human Resources were invited to the Nomination and Compensation Committee's meetings to discuss relevant issues, such as the Managing Board's composition and compensation.

Activities of the Nomination & Compensation Committee in 2008

The Nomination & Compensation Committee met four times in 2008.

For a description of the Bank's reward philosophy and principles as well as a detailed description of the relevant aspects of Managing Board compensation in 2008 please refer to Note 43 'Remuneration of the Managing Board and Supervisory Board' in Section 5 (Financial Statements).

Compliance Oversight Committee

Responsibilities of the Compliance Oversight Committee

The role of the Compliance Oversight Committee is to supervise ABN AMRO's compliance organisation, activities and risk profile. More specifically, the committee is responsible for supervising, monitoring and advising the Managing Board on the effects of internal risk management and control systems relating to compliance. These duties include supervising the enforcement of the relevant legislation and regulations, and overseeing compliance with the codes of conduct. The Compliance Oversight Committee is also responsible, along with the full Supervisory Board, for setting the right tone from the top by communicating

the importance of compliance to the Managing Board and ABN AMRO as a whole, and by overseeing the Managing Board's communications about the importance of compliance.

Composition of the Compliance Oversight Committee

The Compliance Oversight Committee consists of four members all of whom are members of the Supervisory Board. In 2008 the members were Arthur Martinez (Chairman), Trude Maas-de Brouwer, Rob van den Bergh and as of January 2009 Michael Enthoven. In 2009 this committee will be integrated into the Audit Committee.

Activities of the Compliance Oversight Committee in 2008

In line with its Charter, as set out in the Rules Governing the Supervisory Board's Principles and Best Practices, the Compliance Oversight Committee met three times in 2008. During its meetings in 2008, the Committee reviewed and closely monitored the implementation of the annual Group Compliance plan with a particular focus on ensuring that Group Compliance remains appropriately staffed, compensated, resourced and supported during the transition phase. At each of these meetings the Committee further discussed the relevant quarterly Group Compliance Reports, elaborating on global regulatory developments and key Group Compliance initiatives during those quarters.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE CODES

ABN AMRO's approach

The Articles of Association of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. have been amended to reflect the change in status and were adopted by the Extraordinary Meeting of Shareholders on 22 September 2008.

On 25 March 2008 ABN AMRO announced that the Company had resolved to apply for delisting of its ordinary shares and the (formerly convertible) preference shares from Euronext Amsterdam by NYSE Euronext, the regulated market of Euronext Amsterdam N.V. (**Euronext Amsterdam**) and to apply for the delisting of its American Depositary Shares (**ADSs**) from the New York Stock Exchange (**NYSE**). Its ordinary shares and its ADSs were delisted from Euronext Amsterdam and the NYSE respectively, effective 25 April 2008. The (formerly convertible) preference shares were delisted shortly after finalisation of the squeeze-out proceedings on 22 September 2008. As a result of the delisting, ABN AMRO is no longer required to adhere to the Dutch Corporate Governance Code.

ABN AMRO has always maintained high corporate governance standards and the Consortium Members are committed to continue this through the transition period. For ABN AMRO, good corporate governance is critical to the Company's ability to realise ABN AMRO's strategic goal of creating sustainable long-term value for all ABN AMRO's stakeholders – including ABN AMRO's shareholder, ABN AMRO's clients, ABN AMRO's employees and society at large. It is the foundation of ABN AMRO's licence to operate.

In order to achieve good corporate governance, ABN AMRO organises the Company in a way that promotes first-class stewardship by the Managing Board and effective supervision by the Supervisory Board. Integrity, transparency and accountability are key elements of ABN AMRO's corporate governance, as they are in ABN AMRO's business as a whole. These key elements ensure that the controls and oversight necessary for effective risk management, proper compliance with regulations, and accurate and complete disclosure of information to the market are in place and functioning well.

ABN AMRO's guiding compass in these matters is provided by ABN AMRO's Corporate Values and Business Principles, which constitute ABN AMRO's 'code of ethics'.

Even though ABN AMRO does not have to adhere to the Dutch Corporate Governance Code, ABN AMRO continues to place importance on a transparent governance structure and chooses to substantially adhere to the Dutch Corporate Governance Code. Also, as a company registered with the US Securities and Exchange

Commission (SEC) ABN AMRO is subject to US securities laws and the applicable corporate governance rules in connection with the Group's listing of NYSE Alternext debt.

Corporate governance in the Netherlands

ABN AMRO Holding N.V. and ABN AMRO Bank N.V. are public companies with limited liability incorporated under the laws of the Netherlands. Both companies have a two-tier system of corporate governance, consisting of a Supervisory Board and a Managing Board. The day-to-day management of the Companies is vested with the Managing Board.

The memberships of the Supervisory Boards of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. and ABN AMRO Bank N.V. are the same, as are the memberships of the Managing Boards of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. and ABN AMRO Bank N.V.

The Dutch Corporate Governance Code took effect on 1 January 2004 and was amended on 10 December 2008. The amended code will come into force with effect from the financial year starting on or after 1 January 2009. Therefore, reference in this Registration Document made to the Dutch Corporate Governance refers to the code of 2004. Even though the Company is not required to adhere to the Dutch Corporate Governance Code, ABN AMRO confirms that it applies the principles and (applicable) best practice provisions of the Dutch Corporate Governance Code, with the exception of certain best practice provisions.

Corporate governance in the United States

As an SEC-registered company, ABN AMRO is subject to US securities laws, including the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, as well as certain corporate governance rules in connection with the Group's listing of NYSE Alternext debt. Following the introduction of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, ABN AMRO established a Disclosure Committee that formalised the roles, tasks and disciplines that were already in place for ensuring the accuracy and completeness of information disclosed to the market.

4. OTHER INFORMATION

ABN AMRO KEY FIGURES³

	2008 ⁽¹⁾	2007 ⁽¹⁾	2006 ⁽¹⁾	2005 ⁽¹⁾	2004 ⁽¹⁾	2004 ⁽²⁾
<i>Income statement (in millions of euros)</i>						
Net interest income	5,828	4,815	4,565	7,043	8,608	9,666
Total non-interest income	(7,931)	7,517	8,082	8,151	7,678	10,127
Total operating income	(2,103)	12,332	12,647	15,194	16,286	19,793
Operating expenses	9,994	11,151	9,763	10,547	12,681	13,687
Provisioning	3,387	717	668	614	607	653
Operating profit before taxes	(15,484)	464	2,216	4,033	2,998	5,451
Profit for the year (IFRS)	3,595	9,975	4,780	4,443	3,940	
Net profit	3,580	9,848	4,715	4,382	3,865	4,109
Net profit attributable to ordinary shareholders	3,580	9,848	4,715	4,382	3,865	4,066
Dividends	19,213	1,071	2,153	2,050	1,665	1,706
<i>Balance sheet (in billions of euros)</i>						
Shareholders' equity	17.1	29.6	23.6	22.2	14.8	15.0
Group capital	30.7	46.3	45.1	43.2	33.2	33.0
Due to customers and issued debt securities	320.3	505.3	564.4	487.7	402.6	376.5
Loans and receivables – customers	270.5	398.3	443.3	380.2	320.0	299.0
Total assets	666.8	1,025.2	987.1	880.8	727.5	608.6
Credit related contingent liabilities and committed facilities	105.6	159.3	196.7	187.0	191.5	191.5
Risk-weighted assets	176.0	232.3	280.7	257.9	231.6	231.4
<i>Ratios (in %)</i>						
BIS tier 1 ratio	10.88	12.42	8.45	10.62	8.46	8.57
BIS total capital ratio	14.43	14.61	11.14	13.14	11.06	11.26
Efficiency ratio ⁽⁴⁾	-	90.4	77.2	69.4	77.9	69.2
<i>Number of employees (headcount)</i>						
Netherlands	23,016	26,136	25,817	25,597	27,850	28,751
Other countries	32,908	76,417	81,718	67,937	66,721	70,520
<i>Number of branches and offices</i>						
Netherlands	593	664	664	665	680	680
Other countries	377	3,590	3,868	2,902	2,818	2,818
<i>Number of countries and territories where present</i>						
	51	56	58	58	58	63

Prior-year figures have been restated for comparison purposes.

(1) These figures have been prepared based on non-GAAP measures.

(2) These figures have been prepared to conform with Dutch GAAP.

(3) Discontinued operations are not separately disclosed. Income statement figures for 2007 and 2006 have been restated for discontinued operations in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). 2005 and earlier have not been restated for discontinued operations arising in 2008 and 2007.

(4) Negative efficiency ratios have been excluded.

	2003 ²	2002 ²	2001 ²	2000 ²	1999 ²
Income statement (in millions of euros)					
Net interest income	9,723	9,845	10,090	9,404	8,687
Total non-interest income	9,070	8,435	8,744	9,065	6,840
Total operating income	18,793	18,280	18,834	18,469	15,527
Operating expenses	12,585	13,148	13,771	13,202	10,609
Provisioning	1,274	1,695	1,426	585	633
Operating profit before taxes	4,918	3,388	3,613	4,725	4,250
Profit for the year (IFRS)					
Net profit	3,161	2,207	3,230	2,498	2,570
Net profit attributable to ordinary shareholders	3,116	2,161	3,184	2,419	2,490
Dividends	1,589	1,462	1,421	1,424	1,250
Balance sheet (in billions of euros)					
Shareholders' equity	13.0	11.1	12.1	12.9	12.4
Group Capital	31.8	30.4	34.3	32.9	29.3
Due to customers and issued debt securities	361.6	360.7	384.9	339.8	284.2
Loans and receivables-customers	296.8	310.9	345.3	319.3	259.7
Total assets	560.4	556.0	597.4	543.2	457.9
Credit related contingent liabilities and committed facilities	162.5	180.3	193.4	187.5	159.0
Risk-weighted assets	223.8	229.6	273.4	263.9	246.4
Ratios (in %)					
BIS tier 1 ratio	8.15	7.48	7.03	7.20	7.20
BIS total capital ratio	11.73	11.54	10.91	10.39	10.86
Efficiency ratio	67.0	71.9	73.1	71.5	68.3
Number of employees (headcount)					
Netherlands	31,332	32,693	36,984	38,958	37,138
Other countries	81,331	73,745	74,726	76,140	72,800
Number of branches and offices					
Netherlands	711	739	736	905	921
Other countries	2,964	2,685	2,836	2,774	2,668
Number of countries and territories where present	66	67	74	76	74

Prior-year figures have been restated for comparison purposes.

(1) These figures have been prepared based on non-GAAP measures.

(2) These figures have been prepared to conform with Dutch GAAP.

(3) Discontinued operations are not separately disclosed. Income statement figures for 2007 and 2006 have been restated for discontinued operations in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). 2005 and earlier have not been restated for discontinued operations arising in 2008 and 2007.

(4) Negative efficiency ratios have been excluded.

MAJOR SHAREHOLDERS AND OWNERSHIP

On 17 October 2007 RFS Holdings B.V. (**RFS Holdings**), a company incorporated by RBS, Fortis and Santander acquired 85.6% of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. Through subsequent purchases RFS Holdings increased its stake in ABN AMRO to 99.3% as at 31 December 2007. RFS Holdings started squeeze-out proceedings in order to acquire the remainder of the shares in ABN AMRO from minority shareholders and this procedure was completed on 22 September 2008. As a result RFS Holdings is from that date the sole shareholder of ABN AMRO Holding N.V.

RFS Holdings B.V. is controlled by The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc, which is incorporated in the UK and registered at 36 St. Andrew Square, Edinburgh, Scotland and The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc is the ultimate parent company of ABN AMRO Holding N.V.

On 3 October 2008, the Dutch State fully acquired all Fortis' businesses in The Netherlands, including the Fortis share in RFS Holdings. On 24 December 2008, the Dutch State purchased from Fortis Bank Nederland (Holding) N.V. its investment in RFS Holdings, to become a direct shareholder in RFS Holdings. The shareholdings in RFS Holdings are as follows: RBS – 38.2780 %, the Dutch State – 33.8103 % and Banco Santander, S.A. – 27.9117 %.

The consortium partners control Holding through RFS Holdings B.V. In the Consortium and shareholders' agreement dated 28 May 2007. among others the governance of RFS Holdings as well as the management of the acquired ABN AMRO businesses by the consortium partners has been agreed. For specific details regarding the governance investors are referred to the Consortium and shareholders' agreement dated 28 May 2007.

Stock exchange listings

None of the shares in ABN AMRO Holding N.V. are listed.

Development of share capital

On 24 November 2008 the articles of association of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. have been amended. One of the amendments was the conversion of the finance preference shares (with a nominal value of EUR 0.56 each) and the (formerly convertible) preference shares (with a nominal value of EUR 2.24 each) into ordinary shares (with a nominal value of EUR 0.56 each) as follows:

- each finance preference share was converted into one ordinary shares;
- each (formerly convertible) preference share was converted into four ordinary shares.

As from 24 November 2008 the issued share capital of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. consists of 3,306,843,332 ordinary shares with a nominal value of EUR 0.56.

Dividend policy

ABN AMRO's policy is to pay dividends on ordinary shares taking account the Group's capital position and prospects.

In this context, the Group expects to pay dividends to RFS Holdings in conjunction with the release of capital arising from the sale, or transfer to Consortium Members, of ABN AMRO's businesses as part of the separation process to enable RFS Holdings to pay dividends to its shareholders.

MEMORANDUM AND ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION OF HOLDING

The description set out below is a summary of the material information relating to Holding's share capital, including summaries of certain provisions of the Articles of Association and applicable Dutch law in effect at the relevant date. The Articles of Association of Holding were last amended by a notarial deed executed by Mr R.J.C. van Helden, civil law notary in Amsterdam on 24 November 2008, under register entry number 2008.001536.01. The certificate of no objection of the Ministry of Justice on the amendments to the Articles of Association was issued by the Ministry of Justice under the number N.V. 385573.

As stated in the Articles of Association the object of the Company is:

- The participation in, collaboration with and financing, administration and management of other enterprises and companies and the performance of all acts, activities and services which are related or may be conducive thereto.
- The engagement in banking and stockbroking activities, the management of third-party assets, acting as trustee, administrator, executor of wills and executive director, non-executive director or liquidator of companies or other organisations, the provision of insurances and the performance of all other acts and activities which are related or may be conducive thereto, all in the broadest possible sense.
- The fostering of the direct and indirect interests of all those who are involved in any way in the Company and the safeguarding of the continuity of the Company and its affiliated enterprise(s).

Share capital

The Company's authorised share capital amounts to EUR 4,704,000,224. It is divided into 8,400,000,400 ordinary shares, each with a nominal value of EUR 0.56. For description of the dividend and voting rights attached to these shares refer to Section 4 (Additional Information).

Rights of Shareholders

Any resolution to amend the Articles of Association or dissolve the Company may only be passed by the General Meeting of shareholders following a proposal by the Managing Board which has been approved by the Supervisory Board. A copy of the proposal containing the literal text of the proposed amendments shall be made available for inspection by the holders of shares of the Company at the offices of the Company and at the offices stated in the convocation to the meeting, from the day of convocation to the end of the Meeting. Each holder may obtain a full copy of the proposal free of charge. The General Meeting of shareholders also has the right to (i) appoint, suspend and dismiss members of the Managing Board and (ii) appoint, suspend and dismiss members of the Supervisory Board. Certain board resolutions can only be made after the approval of the General Meeting of shareholders.

Meetings of Shareholders and convocation

General meetings of shareholders shall be held in Amsterdam, or in The Hague, Rotterdam, Utrecht or Haarlemmermeer (Schiphol). Annual meetings must be held within six months of the end of each financial year. In addition, General meetings of shareholders shall be held as frequently as deemed necessary by the Managing Board or the Supervisory Board and when required by law or by the Articles of Association. General meetings of shareholders shall be convened by the Managing Board or the Supervisory Board, without prejudice to the provisions of Sections 110, 111 and 112 of Book 2 of the Netherlands Civil Code. Convocation shall take place not later than on the fifteenth day prior to the day of the meeting. Convocation shall state the items to be discussed or alternatively notice shall be given that such items may be inspected at the Company's offices. Proposals to amend the Articles of Association or proposals relating to a reduction of the Company's capital shall always be included in the actual convocation.

CODE OF ETHICS

The standards of ethical conduct that ABN AMRO expects from its employees are set out in ABN AMRO's Corporate Values and Business Principles. We believe the Business Principles address the standards necessary to comprise a code of ethics for the purposes of section 406 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act.

The Business Principles are applicable to all our employees, including the Chairman of the Managing Board, the Chief Financial Officer and other senior financial officers. All employees are accountable for their adherence to the Business Principles. Suspected violations of the Business Principles may be reported in accordance with ABN AMRO's employee whistleblowing policy. The employee whistleblowing policy provides employees with clear and accessible channels for reporting suspected malpractice, including a direct channel to the Audit Committee of the Supervisory Board.

The Business Principles are accessible at www.abnamro.com. A copy of our Business Principles is also available upon request, free of charge, by writing or telephoning us at:

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STIPULATIONS OF THE ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION OF HOLDING WITH RESPECT TO PROFIT APPROPRIATION

The Articles of Association of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. have been amended by a deed of amendment dated 24 November 2008.

Profit is appropriated in accordance with article 37 of the articles of association. The main stipulations with respect to shares currently in issue are as follows:

The Managing Board may decide to make appropriations to reserves, subject to the approval of the Supervisory Board (article 37.2.a.).

The allocation of the amount remaining after these appropriations shall be determined by the General Meeting of Shareholders. The Managing Board, subject to the approval of the Supervisory Board, shall make a proposal to that effect. A proposal to pay a dividend shall be dealt with as a separate agenda item at the General Meeting of Shareholders (article 37.2.a.).

ABN AMRO Holding N.V.'s policy on reserves and dividends shall be determined and can be amended by the Supervisory Board, upon the proposal of the Managing Board. The adoption of and each subsequent amendment to the policy on reserves and dividends shall be discussed and accounted for at the General Meeting of Shareholders under a separate agenda item (article 37.2.b.).

Subject to approval of the Supervisory Board, the Managing Board may make the dividend or interim dividend on the shares payable, at the discretion of the holders, either in cash or, provided it is authorised to issue shares, partly or wholly in shares in the Company's capital or in a combination thereof, such combination to be determined by the Managing Board (article 37.3.).

Subject to the approval of the Supervisory Board, the Managing Board shall be authorised, in so far as such is permitted by the profit as evidenced by an interim balance sheet drawn up with due observance of the provisions of Section 105, Subsection 4 of Book 2 of the Netherlands Civil Code, to make payable an interim dividend on the shares once or more frequently in the course of any financial year and prior to the approval of the Annual Accounts by the General Meeting of Shareholders (article 37.4.).

Subject to the approval of the Supervisory Board, the Managing Board may decide on a distribution charged against reserves in cash or, if the Board is authorised to issue shares, in the form of shares (article 37.5.).

PROPOSED AND APPROVED PROFIT APPROPRIATION

Appropriation of net profit pursuant to article 37.2 and 37.3 of the articles of association:

<i>(in millions of euros)</i>	2008	2007
(Release from)/addition to reserves	(15,633)	8,777
Dividends on ordinary shares	19,213	1,071
	3,580	9,848
Dividends on preference shares	-	36

STIPULATIONS OF THE ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION OF HOLDING WITH RESPECT TO SHARES AND VOTING RIGHTS

Each ordinary share of EUR 0.56 face value in the capital of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. entitles the holder to cast one vote. Subject to certain exceptions provided for by law or in the articles of association, resolutions are passed by an absolute majority of the votes cast.

When shares are issued, each holder of shares shall have pre-emptive right, in proportion to the aggregate amount of his shares, except in the case of an issue of shares for a consideration other than in case or an issue of shares to employees of the Company or of a group company.

In the event of the dissolution and liquidation of ABN AMRO Holding N.V., the assets remaining after payment of all debts will be distributed to the holders of ordinary shares on a pro-rata basis.

MEMORANDUM AND ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION OF THE BANK

All of the issued share capital of the Bank is held by Holding. The Bank's Articles of Association were last amended by a notarial deed executed by R.J.C. van Helden, civil law notary in Amsterdam, on June 9, 2005. The certificate of no objection of the Ministry of Justice on the amendments to the Articles of Association was issued by the Ministry of Justice under the number N.V. 249 dated May 20, 2005. Bank's object clause (Article 2 of its Articles of Association) provides that the Bank's objects are, inter alia, to be engaged in the banking and brokerage business, to act as asset manager, to arrange insurance and to participate in, fund, manage and co-operate with other companies.

The Bank has an authorized share capital consisting of 300,000,000 ordinary shares (nominal value EUR 4.50 each). As of December 31, 2007, its issued and fully paid-up share capital was 255,572,503 ordinary shares. Holders of ordinary shares are entitled to one vote per share.

A general meeting of shareholders of the Bank must be held once a year in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, to, among other things, adopt the annual accounts of the Bank. General meetings of shareholders may be convened by the Managing Board or the Supervisory Board and in other circumstances provided for by law or the Articles of Association, in each case upon at least 15 days' prior notice. Shareholders are only entitled to attend meetings of shareholders in person or by a proxy and take part in the deliberations thereat if they have informed the Bank of their intention to do so in accordance with the Bank's Articles of Association.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

There has been no significant change in the financial position of Holding, Bank or the Group since 31 December 2008. There has been no material adverse change in the financial position or prospects of Holding, Bank or the Group since 31 December 2008 other than resulting from the acquisition of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. by the consortium and the transition of entities and businesses resulting from this. Please refer to page 6 of the Registration Document for an update on the restructuring.

AUDITORS

In the Annual General Meeting of shareholders on 11 April 2008, Ernst & Young Accountants LLP was dismissed as external auditor of the Group. Deloitte Accountants B.V. was appointed as new external auditor.

The financial statements of Holding for the financial year 2008 as disclosed in this Registration Document have been audited by Deloitte Accountants B.V., chartered accountants (*'registeraccountants'*). Deloitte Accountants B.V. is located at Orlyplein 10, P.O Box 58110, 1040 HC Amsterdam, The Netherlands. The individual auditors of Deloitte Accountants B.V. are members of the Royal NIVRA (the *'Koninklijke Nederlands Instituut van registeraccountants'*).

The financial statements of Holding for the financial year 2007 as disclosed in this Registration Document have been audited by Ernst & Young Accountants LLP, chartered accountants (*'registeraccountants'*). Ernst & Young Accountants LLP is located at Antonio Vivaldistraat 150, 1083 HP Amsterdam, The Netherlands. The individual auditors of Ernst & Young Accountants LLP are members of the Royal NIVRA.

GUARANTEE OF HOLDING

Set out below is an English translation of the guarantee (referred to below as a '403 Declaration') given by Holding in respect of debt obligations of the Bank:

"The undersigned, ABN AMRO Holding N.V., hereby declares, in accordance with article 403, paragraph 1, subsection f of Book 2 of The Netherlands Civil Code, to be jointly and severally liable for all debts resulting from juridical acts performed by ABN AMRO Bank N.V. after the date hereof.

Amsterdam June 15, 1998

ABN AMRO Holding N.V."

A copy of the 403 Declaration can be obtained from the Trade Register of the Amsterdam Chamber of Commerce at De Ruyterkade 5, P.O.Box 2852, 1000 CW Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

The 403 Declaration is part of the Dutch company law provisions designed to enable subsidiaries of parent companies which publish consolidated annual accounts to obtain an exemption from the requirements to separately publish their own annual accounts. One of the conditions for obtaining such exemption is that a 403 Declaration is issued by the parent company and deposited with the Trade Register of the Chamber of Commerce in the place where the subsidiary is established. The statutory provisions relating to 403 Declarations are contained in Article 2:403 and following of the Dutch Civil Code. A 403 Declaration is an unqualified statement by the parent company that the parent company is jointly and severally liable with the subsidiary for the debts of the subsidiary. The 403 Declaration set out above constitutes the legal, valid and binding obligation of Holding, enforceable in accordance with its terms. Thus, the effect of the issue and deposit by Holding of its 403 Declaration is that Holding and the Bank have become jointly and severally liable for all debts of the Bank arising from transactions entered into by the Bank after the date of the deposit. The 403 Declaration accordingly constitutes a guarantee by Holding for any debt instruments issued by the Bank. If the Bank should default under the debt instruments, holders concerned may claim against both or either of the Bank and Holding. The liability of Holding under the 403 Declaration is unconditional and not limited in amount, nor is it limited to certain specific types of obligation. Legal defences available to the Bank against the holder concerned will likewise be available to Holding. A 403 Declaration may be revoked by the giver at any time. If the 403 Declaration is revoked by Holding, the situation under Dutch law would be as follows:

- (1) Holding would remain liable in respect of Notes issued by the Bank prior to the effective date of revocation; and

- (2) Holding would not be liable for debt instruments issued by the Bank after the effective date of revocation.

The law of The Netherlands provides for one instance (i.e. the situation in which the Bank would no longer be a subsidiary or group company of Holding) where revocation of the 403 Declaration is under certain conditions capable of releasing Holding from all obligations under the 403 Declaration; however, in such event, there are elaborate statutory provisions to protect the rights of creditors of the Bank. The 403 Declaration constitutes a statement of joint and several liability governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of The Netherlands.

ABBREVIATIONS

ADR	American Depositary Receipt
AFM	Autoriteit Financiële Markten (Netherlands Authority for the Financial Markets)
AFS	Available-for-sale
ATM	Automated teller machine
AUD	Australian dollar
BIS	Bank for International Settlements
bp	Basis point
BRL	Brazilian real
BU(s)	Business Unit(s)
CAD	(the EU's) Capital Adequacy Directive
CDS	Credit default swap
COSO	Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission
CRD	(the EU's) Capital Requirements Directive
CWC	(Dutch) Central Works Council
DNB	De Nederlandsche Bank N.V. (Dutch Central Bank)
DNO	Declaration of no-objection
EBITDA	Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortisation
ECM	Equity Capital Markets
ESC	European Staff Council
EU	European Union
EUR	Euro
EVP	Executive Vice President
FTE	Full-time equivalent (a measurement of number of staff)
FX	Foreign exchange
GAAP	General Accepted Accounting Principles
GBM	Global Banking & Markets
GBP	Great Britain pound
GRM	Group Risk Management
HR	Human Resources
HTM	Held-to-maturity
IAS	International Accounting Standards
IBNI	Incurred-but-not-identified
ID&JG	International Diamond & Jewelry Group
IFRIC	IASB International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee
IFRS	International Financial Reporting Standards
IP	Internet Protocol
IT	Information Technology
LIBOR	London Interbank Offered Rate
M&A	Mergers & Acquisitions
MD	Managing director
MD&A	Management's discussion and analysis
MiFID	(the EU's) Markets in Financial Instruments Directive

MYR	Malaysian ringgit
NYSE	New York Stock Exchange
OECD	Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development
OFAC	(US) Office of Foreign Assets Control
OTC	Over-the-counter
PIPE	Private Investments in Public Equity
PKR	Pakistan rupee
ROE	Return on equity
RWA	Risk-weighted assets
SEC	(US) Securities and Exchange Commission
SEPA	Single Euro Payments Area
SEVP	Senior Executive Vice President
SMEs	Small to medium-sized enterprises
SPE	Special purpose entity
TRS	Total return to shareholders
TRY	New Turkish lira
USD	US dollar

5. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2008 AS INCORPORATED IN THE ANNUAL REPORT DATED 24 MARCH 2009

Accounting policies

Corporate Information

ABN AMRO Holding N.V. is the parent company of the ABN AMRO consolidated group of companies (referred to as the **Group**, **ABN AMRO** or **ABN AMRO Group**). ABN AMRO Holding N.V. is a public limited liability company, incorporated under Dutch law on 30 May 1990, and registered at Gustav Mahlerlaan 10, 1082 PP Amsterdam, the Netherlands. The Group provides a broad range of financial services on a worldwide basis, including consumer, commercial and investment banking.

On 17 October 2007 RFS Holdings B.V. (**RFS Holdings**), a company incorporated by RBS, Fortis and Santander acquired 85.6% of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. ABN AMRO applied for de-listing of its ordinary shares from Euronext Amsterdam and the New York Stock Exchange. The de-listing of the ABN AMRO Holding N.V. ordinary shares and the (formerly convertible) preference shares with a nominal value of €2.24 each from Euronext Amsterdam and the de-listing of its American Depositary Shares (**ADSs**) from the New York Stock Exchange was effected on 25 April 2008. Through subsequent purchases RFS Holdings increased its stake in ABN AMRO to 99.3% as at 31 December 2007. RFS Holdings started squeeze-out proceedings in order to acquire the remainder of the shares in ABN AMRO from minority shareholders and this procedure was completed on 22 September 2008. As a result RFS Holdings has now become the sole shareholder of ABN AMRO Holding N.V.

RFS Holdings B.V. is controlled by RBS Group plc, which is incorporated in the UK and registered at 36 St. Andrew Square, Edinburgh, Scotland. RBS is the ultimate parent company of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. The consolidated financial statements of the Group are included in the consolidated financial statements of RBS.

On 3 October 2008, the Dutch State acquired all Fortis' businesses in The Netherlands, including the Fortis share in RFS Holdings. On 24 December 2008, the Dutch State purchased from Fortis Bank Nederland (Holding) N.V. its investment in RFS Holdings, to become a direct shareholder in RFS Holdings.

Debt securities of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. are listed on the New York Stock Exchange and Euronext. As the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission (**SEC**) are applicable to foreign registrants, this Registration Document complies with the SEC rules and a cross reference table to the sections of the Form 20-F is included on page 225 of this annual report.

The consolidated financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2008 incorporate financial information of ABN AMRO Holding N.V., its controlled entities, interests in associates and joint ventures. The consolidated financial statements were signed and authorised for issue by the Supervisory Board and Managing Board on 20 March 2009. The right to request an amendment of the financial statements is embedded in the Netherlands Civil Code. Interested parties have the right to ask the Enterprise Chamber of the Amsterdam Court of Appeal for a revision of the financial statements.

Statement of compliance

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (**IFRS**) as adopted by the European Union (**EU**). The Group does not utilise the portfolio hedging 'carve out' permitted by the EU. Accordingly, the accounting policies applied by the Group comply fully with IFRS issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (**IASB**).

Summary significant accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with IFRS on a mixed model valuation basis as follows:

- Fair value is used for: derivative financial instruments, financial assets and liabilities held for trading or designated as measured at fair value through income, and available-for-sale financial assets,
- Other financial assets (including 'loans and receivables') and liabilities are valued at amortised cost,
- The carrying value of assets and liabilities measured at amortised cost included in a fair value hedge relationship is adjusted with respect to fair value changes resulting from the hedged risk,
- Non-financial assets and liabilities are generally stated at historical cost.

The consolidated financial statements are presented in euros, which is the presentation currency of the Group, rounded to the nearest million (unless otherwise noted).

Certain amounts in the prior periods have been reclassified to conform to the current presentation. This includes the restatement for the classification of the Banco Real and other Santander acquired businesses as discontinued operation.

Adoption of IFRS standards and interpretations

IFRIC interpretation 11 'Group & Treasury Share Transactions' was issued in November 2006 and became effective for the Group on 1 January 2008. The interpretation provides further guidance on the implementation of IFRS 2 'Share-based Payment'. The adoption of this interpretation has no impact on the financial position or results of the Group.

IFRIC Interpretation 12 'Service Concession Arrangements' was issued in November 2006 and became effective for the Group on 1 January 2008. The interpretation gives guidance on the accounting by operators for public-to-private concession arrangements. The adoption of this interpretation has no impact on the financial position or results of the Group.

IFRIC Interpretation 14 IAS 19 'The Limit of a Defined Benefit Asset, Minimum Funding Requirements and their Interaction' addresses how entities should determine the amount of a surplus in a pension fund that can be recognised as an asset, how a minimum funding requirement affects that limit, and when a minimum funding requirement creates an onerous obligation that should be recognised as a liability in addition to that otherwise recognised under IAS 19. This interpretation became effective on 1 January 2008. The adoption of this interpretation does not have a significant impact on the financial position or results of the Group.

IFRS 8 'Operating Segments' was issued in November 2006 and adopted by the EU in November 2007. It is effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2009 but early adoption is permitted. The Group adopted IFRS 8 on 1 January 2007. The standard replaces IAS 14 'Segment Reporting' in setting out requirements for disclosure of information about an entity's operating segments, revenues derived from its products and services, the geographical areas in which it operates, and its major customers.

In October 2008 the IASB issued 'Reclassification of Financial Assets', amendments to IAS 39 'Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement' and IFRS 7 'Financial Instruments: Disclosures'. The Group has applied these amendments from 1 July 2008. The amendments permit an entity to reclassify certain financial instruments out of the held-for-trading or out of the available-for-sale category and sets out additional disclosure requirements for such reclassifications. The notes to the consolidated financial statements provide detailed disclosures as required by the reclassification amendment.

Critical accounting policies

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires management to make difficult, complex or subjective judgements and estimates, at times, regarding matters that are inherently uncertain. These judgements and estimates affect reported amounts and disclosures. Actual results could differ from those judgements and estimates. The most significant areas requiring management to make judgements and estimates that affect reported amounts and disclosures are as follows:

Allowance for loan losses

Allowances for loan losses are made for estimated losses in outstanding loans for which there is any doubt about the borrower's capacity to repay the principal and/or the interest. The allowance for loan losses is intended to adjust the value of the Group's loan assets for probable credit losses as of the balance sheet date. Allowances are determined through a combination of specific reviews, statistical modelling and estimates. Certain aspects require judgement, such as the identification of loans that are deteriorating, the determination of the probability of default, the expected loss, the value of collateral and current economic conditions. Though we consider the allowances for loan losses to be adequate, the use of different estimates and assumptions could produce different allowances for loan losses, and amendments to allowances may be required in the future, as a consequence of changes in the value of collateral, the amounts of cash to be received or other economic events. For a further discussion on our allowance for loan losses, see note 18 to our consolidated financial statements.

Fair value of financial instruments

For financial instruments that are actively traded and for which quoted market prices or market parameters are readily available, there is little subjectivity in the determination of fair value. However, when observable market prices and parameters do not exist, management judgement is necessary to estimate fair value.

For instruments where no active liquid market exists, or quoted prices are unobtainable, recent market transactions are used or the fair value is estimated using a variety of valuation techniques – including reference to similar instruments for which market prices do exist or valuation models, such as discounted cash flow calculation or Black-Scholes.

The Group refines and modifies its valuation techniques as markets and products develop and the pricing for such products becomes more or less transparent. Financial markets are sometimes subject to significant stress conditions where steep falls in perceived or actual asset values are accompanied by a severe reduction in market liquidity, such as recent events in the US sub-prime residential mortgage market. In such cases, observable market data may become less reliable or disappear altogether. Where there is doubt over the reliability of the market data due to either market illiquidity or unavailability, other valuation techniques are used. These alternative techniques would include scenario analysis and discounted cash flow calculations.

Unobservable inputs are estimated using a combination of management judgement, historical data, market practice and benchmarking to other relevant observable market data. Where inputs to the valuation of a new transaction cannot be reliably sourced from external providers, the transaction is initially recognised at its transaction price. The difference between the transaction price and the internal valuation at inception, calculated using a model, is reserved and amortised to income at appropriate points over the life of the instrument, typically taking account of the ability to obtain reliable external data, the passage of time and the use of offsetting transactions. Subsequent changes in fair value as calculated by the valuation model are reported in income.

Fair values include appropriate adjustments to account for known inadequacies in the valuation models or to reflect the credit quality of the instrument or counterparty. Factors that could affect estimates are incorrect model assumptions, market dislocations and unexpected correlation. We believe our estimates of fair value are adequate. However, the use of different models or assumptions could result in changes in our reported

results. For a further discussion on the use of fair values and the impact of applying reasonable possible alternative assumptions as inputs, see note 37 to the consolidated financial statements.

Impairment of available-for-sale instruments

A financial asset or portfolio of financial assets is impaired and an impairment loss incurred if there is objective evidence that an event or events since initial recognition of the asset on reclassification into available-for-sale from trading have adversely affected the amount or timing of future cash flows from the assets.

Significant management judgement is involved where the determination of future cash flows requires consideration of a number of variables, some of which may be unobservable in current market conditions. This is the case for more complex instruments such as asset backed securities, where factors such as the estimated cash flows on underlying pools of collateral and changes in national or local conditions that correlate with defaults on the assets are considered. Further details are provided in note 14.

Assessment of risk and rewards

Whenever the Group is required to assess risks and rewards, when considering the recognition and derecognition of assets or liabilities and the consolidation and deconsolidation of subsidiaries, the Group may sometimes be required to use judgement. Although management uses its best knowledge of current events and actions in making assessments of expected risk and rewards, actual risks and rewards may ultimately differ.

Pension and post-retirement benefits

Significant pension and post-retirement benefit costs are based on actuarial calculations. Inherent within these calculations are assumptions including: discount rates, salary increases and the expected return on plan assets. Changes in pension and post-retirement costs may occur in the future as a consequence of changes in interest rates, the return on assets or other factors. For a further discussion on the underlying assumptions, see note 27 to our consolidated financial statements.

Deferred tax

Deferred tax assets arise from a variety of sources, the most significant being: a) tax losses that can be carried forward to be utilised against profits in future years; and b) valuation changes of assets which need to be tax effected for accounting purposes but are taxable only when the valuation change is realised.

The Group records valuation allowances to reduce the deferred tax assets to the amount which can be recognised in line with the relevant accounting standards. The level of deferred tax asset recognition is influenced by management's assessment of the Group's historic and future profitability profile. At each balance sheet date, existing assessments are reviewed and, if necessary, revised to reflect changed circumstances. In a situation where recent losses have been incurred, the relevant accounting standards require convincing evidence that there will be sufficient future tax capacity.

Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements are prepared annually for the year ended 31 December and include the parent company and its controlled subsidiaries as well as joint ventures on a proportionate share basis. Subsidiaries are included using the same reporting period and consistent accounting policies.

Subsidiaries

Subsidiaries are those enterprises controlled by the Group. Control is deemed to exist when the Group has the power, directly or indirectly, to govern the financial and operating policies of an enterprise so as to obtain

benefits from its activities. The existence and effect of potential voting rights that are presently exercisable or convertible are taken into account when assessing whether control exists. The Group sponsors the formation of entities, including certain special purpose entities, which may or may not be directly owned, for the purpose of asset securitisation transactions and other narrow and well-defined objectives. Particularly in the case of securitisations these entities may acquire assets from other Group companies. Some of these entities hold assets that are not available to meet the claims of creditors of the Group or any of its subsidiaries. Such entities are consolidated in the Group's financial statements when the substance of the relationship between the Group and the entity indicates that control is held by the Group.

The financial statements of subsidiaries and special purpose entities are included in the consolidated financial statements from the date on which control commences until the date on which control ceases.

Equity attributable to minority interests is shown separately in the consolidated balance sheet as part of total equity. Current period profit or loss attributable to minority interests is presented as an attribution of profit for the year.

Business combinations

IFRS 3 'Business combinations' was adopted for all business combinations taking place after 1 January 2004. Goodwill on acquisitions prior to this date was charged against equity. The cost of an acquisition is measured at the fair value of the assets given up, shares issued or liabilities undertaken at the date of acquisition, plus costs directly attributable to the acquisition. The excess of the cost of acquisition over the Group's share of the fair value of the identifiable net assets (including certain contingent liabilities) acquired is recorded as goodwill.

In a step acquisition, where a business combination occurs in stages and control of the business is obtained in stages, all assets and liabilities of the acquired business, excluding goodwill, are adjusted to their fair values at the date of the latest share acquisition transaction. Fair value adjustments relating to existing holdings are recorded directly in equity.

Equity accounted investments

Equity accounted investments comprises associates. Associates are those enterprises in which the Group has significant influence (this is generally assumed when the Group holds between 20% and 50% of the voting rights), but not control, over the operating and financial policies.

Investments in associates of a private equity nature are designated to be held at fair value with changes through income, consistent with the management basis for such investments.

Other investments, in associates including the Group's strategic investments, are accounted for using the 'Net equity method' and presented as 'Equity accounted investments'. Under this method the investment is initially recorded at cost and subsequently increased (or decreased) for post acquisition net income (or loss), other movements impacting the equity of the investee and any adjustments required for impairment. The Group's share of profit or loss of the investee is recognised and separately disclosed in the Group's income statement. When the Group's share of losses exceeds the carrying amount of the investment, the carrying amount is reduced to zero, including any other unsecured receivables, and recognition of further losses is discontinued except to the extent that the Group has incurred obligations or made payments on behalf of the investee.

Jointly controlled entities

Jointly controlled entities are those enterprises over whose activities the Group has joint control, established by contractual agreement. The consolidated financial statements include the Group's proportionate share of these enterprises' assets, liabilities, equity, income and expenses on a line-by-line basis, from the date on which joint control commences until the date on which joint control ceases.

Non-current assets held for sale and discontinued operations

Non-current assets and/or businesses are classified as held for sale if their carrying amount is to be recovered principally through a sale transaction planned to occur within 12 months, rather than through continuing use. Held for sale assets are measured at the lower of their carrying amount and fair value less costs to sell. Assets and liabilities of a business held for sale are separately presented. Businesses that may be transferred to shareholders by means of a distribution will not be presented as businesses held for sale.

The results of discontinued operations (an operation held for sale that represents a separate major line of business or a geographical area of operation) are presented in the income statement as a single amount comprising the net results of the discontinued operations and the after tax gain or loss realised on disposal. Comparative income statement data is re-presented if in the current period an activity qualifies as a discontinued operation and qualifies for separate presentation.

Transactions eliminated on consolidation

Intra-group balances and transactions, and any related unrealised gains, are eliminated in preparing the consolidated financial statements. Unrealised gains arising from transactions with associates and jointly controlled entities are eliminated to the extent of the Group's interest in the enterprise. Unrealised losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of impairment in the asset transferred.

Currency translation differences

The financial performance of the Group's foreign operations (conducted through branches, subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures) is reported using the currency ('functional currency') that best reflects the economic substance of the underlying events and circumstances relevant to that entity.

Transactions in a currency that differs from the functional currency of the transacting entity are translated into the functional currency at the foreign exchange rate at transaction date. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at reporting date are translated to the functional currency at the exchange rate at that date. Non-monetary assets and liabilities accounted for at cost, and denominated in foreign currency are translated to the functional currency at the foreign exchange rate prevailing at the date of initial recognition.

Non-monetary assets and liabilities accounted for at fair value in a foreign currency are translated to the functional currency using the exchange rate at the date when the fair value was determined.

Currency translation differences on all monetary financial assets and liabilities are included in foreign exchange gains and losses in trading income. Translation differences on non-monetary items (such as equities) held at fair value through income are also reported through income and, for those classified as available-for-sale, directly in equity within 'Net unrealised gains and losses on available-for-sale assets'.

The assets and liabilities of foreign operations, including goodwill and purchase accounting adjustments, are translated to the Group's presentation currency, the Euro, at the foreign exchange rates prevailing at the reporting date. The income and expenses of foreign operations are translated to the Euro at the rates prevailing at the end of the month. Currency translation differences arising on these translations are recognised directly in equity ('currency translation account'). Exchange differences recorded in equity, arising after transition to IFRS on 1 January 2004, are included in the income statement on disposal or partial disposal of a foreign operation.

Fiduciary activities

The Group commonly acts as trustee and in other fiduciary capacities that entail either the holding or placing of assets on behalf of individuals, trusts or other institutions. These assets are not assets of the Group and are therefore not included in these financial statements.

Income statement

Interest income and expenses

Interest income and expense is recognised in the income statement using the effective interest rate method. The application of this method includes the amortisation of any discount or premium or other differences, including transaction costs and qualifying fees and commissions, between the initial carrying amount of an interest-bearing instrument and its amount at maturity calculated on an effective interest rate basis. This item does not include interest income and expense in relation to trading balances which is included within net trading income.

Income from debt and other fixed-income instruments is recognised using the effective interest method in interest income.

Fee and commission income

Fees and commissions are recognised as follows:

- Fees and commissions generated as an integral part of negotiating and arranging a funding transaction with customers, such as the issuance of loans are included in the calculation of the effective interest rate and are included in interest income and expense.
- Fees and commissions generated for transactions or discrete acts are recognised when the transaction or act is completed.
- Fees and commissions dependent on the outcome of a particular event or contingent upon performance are recognised when the relevant criteria have been met.
- Service fees are typically recognised on a straight-line basis over the service contract period; portfolio and other management advisory and service fees are recognised based on the applicable service contracts.
- Asset management fees related to investment funds are also recognised over the period the service is provided. This principle is also applied to the recognition of income from wealth management, financial planning and custody services that are provided over an extended period.

Net trading income

Net trading income includes gains and losses arising from changes in the fair value of financial assets and liabilities held for trading, interest income, dividends received from trading instruments as well as related funding costs. Dividend income from trading instruments is recognised when entitlement is established. Net trading income also includes changes in fair value arising from changes in counter-party credit spreads and changes in ABN AMRO's credit spreads where it impacts the value of the Group's derivative liabilities. The charge related to the write-off of trading instruments is included in trading income.

Results from financial transactions

Results from financial transactions include gains and losses on the sale of non-trading financial assets and liabilities, ineffectiveness of certain hedging programmes, the change in fair value of derivatives used to hedge credit risks that are not included in hedge accounting relationships, fair value changes relating to assets and liabilities designated at fair value through income and changes in the value of any related derivatives. Dividend income from non-trading equity investments, excluding associated companies is recognised when entitlement is established.

Segment reporting

Operating segments are the segments that engage in business activities from which the bank earns income and incurs expenses. These segments are the reporting segments whose operating results are reviewed by the Managing Board on a monthly basis. Geographical data is presented according to the location of the transacting Group entity.

Financial assets and liabilities

Measurement classifications

The Group classifies its financial assets and liabilities into the following measurement ('valuation') categories:

Financial instruments held for trading are those that the Group holds primarily for the purpose of short-term profit-taking. These include shares, interest-earning securities, derivatives held for trading, and liabilities from short sales of financial instruments. Derivatives are financial instruments that require little or no initial net investment, with future settlements dependent on a reference benchmark index, rate or price (such as interest rates or equity prices). Changes in expected future cash flows in response to changes in the underlying benchmark determine the fair value of derivatives.

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted on an active market. They generally arise when the Group provides money or services directly to a customer with no intention of trading or selling the loan.

Held-to-maturity assets are non-derivative financial assets quoted on an active market with fixed or determinable payments (i.e. debt instruments) and a fixed maturity that the Group has the intention and ability to hold to maturity. As of 31 December 2008 the Group no longer classifies financial assets into the held-to-maturity category and due to tainting rules can not do so until 31 December 2010.

Designated at fair value through income are financial assets and financial liabilities that the Group upon initial recognition designates to be measured at fair value with changes reported in income. Such a designation is done if:

- The instrument includes an embedded derivative that would otherwise require separation. This applies to certain structured notes issued with hybrid features. Fair value measurement also helps to achieve offset against changes in the value of derivatives and other fair value positions used to economically hedge these notes.
- The designation eliminates or significantly reduces a measurement inconsistency that would otherwise arise. In this regard unit-linked investments held for the account and risk of policyholders and the related obligation to policyholders are designated at fair value with changes through income.
- It relates to a portfolio of financial assets and/or liabilities that are managed and evaluated on a fair value basis in accordance with a documented risk management or investment strategy. This is applied to equity investments of a private equity nature.

Available-for-sale assets include interest-earning assets that have either been designated as available for sale or do not fit into one of the categories described above. Equity investments held without significant influence, which are not held for trading or designated at fair value through income are classified as available-for-sale.

Non-trading financial liabilities that are not designated at fair value through income are measured at amortised cost.

Recognition and derecognition

Traded instruments are recognised on trade date, defined as the date on which the Group commits to purchase or sell the underlying instrument. In the infrequent event when settlement terms are non-standard the commitment is accounted for as a derivative between trade and settlement date. Loans and receivables are recognised when they are acquired or funded by the Group and derecognised when settled. Issued debt is recognised when issued and deposits are recognised when the cash is deposited with the Group. Other financial assets and liabilities, including derivatives, are recognised in the balance sheet when the Group becomes party to the contractual provisions of the asset or liability.

Financial assets are generally derecognised when the Group loses control and the ability to obtain benefits over the contractual rights that comprise that asset. This occurs when the rights are realised, expire, substantially all risk and rewards are transferred, or not substantially all risk and rewards are transferred nor retained, although control is transferred. If a servicing function is retained, which is profitable, a servicing asset is recognised. A financial liability is derecognised when the obligations specified in the contract are discharged, cancelled or expire.

Financial instruments continue to be recognised in the balance sheet, and a liability recognised for the proceeds of any related funding transaction, unless a fully proportional share of all or specifically identified cash flows are transferred to the lender without material delay and the lender's claim is limited to those cash flows and substantially all the risks and returns and control associated with the financial instruments have been transferred, in which case that proportion of the asset is derecognised.

The Group derecognises financial liabilities when settled or if the Group repurchases its own debt. The difference between the former carrying amount and the consideration paid is included in results from financial transactions in income. Any subsequent resale is treated as a new issuance.

The Group securitises various consumer and commercial financial assets. This process generally necessitates a sale of these assets to a special purpose entity (**SPE**), which in turn issues securities to investors. The Group's interests in securitised assets may be retained in the form of senior or subordinated tranches, issued guarantees, interest-only strips or other residual interests, together referred to as retained interest. In many cases these retained interests convey control, such that the SPE is consolidated, and the securitised assets continue to be recognised in the consolidated balance sheet.

Measurement

All trading instruments and financial assets and liabilities designated at fair value are measured at fair value, with transaction costs related to the purchase as well as fair value changes taken to income directly.

The measurement of liabilities held at fair value includes the effect of changes in own credit spreads. The change in fair value applies to those financial liabilities designated at fair value where ABN AMRO's own credit risk would be considered by market participants and excludes instruments for which it is established market practice not to include an entity-specific adjustment for own credit. The fair value changes are calculated based on a yield curve generated from observed external pricing for funding and quoted CDS spreads.

All derivatives are recorded in the balance sheet at fair value with changes recorded through income except when designated in cash flow or net investment hedge relationship (see hedge accounting below).

Available-for-sale assets are held at fair value with unrealised gains and losses recognised directly in equity, net of applicable taxes. Premiums, discounts and qualifying transaction costs of interest-earning available-for-sale assets are amortised to income on an effective interest rate basis. When available-for-sale assets are sold, collected or impaired the cumulative gain or loss recognised in equity is transferred to results from financial transactions in income.

All other financial assets and liabilities are initially measured at cost including directly attributable incremental transaction costs. They are subsequently valued at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method. Through use of the effective interest rate method, premiums and discounts, including qualifying transaction costs, included in the carrying amount of the related instrument are amortised over the period to maturity or expected prepayment on the basis of the instrument's original effective interest rate.

When available, fair values are obtained from quoted market prices in active liquid markets. For instruments where no active liquid market exists, or quoted prices are unobtainable, recent market transactions are used or the fair value is estimated using a variety of valuation techniques – including reference to similar instruments for which market prices do exist or valuation models, such as discounted cash flow or Black-Scholes. The Group refines and modifies its valuation techniques as markets and products develop and the pricing for individual products becomes more transparent.

Valuation models are validated prior to use by employees independent of the initial selection or creation of the models. Wherever possible, inputs to valuation models represent observable market data from reliable external data sources. Unobservable inputs are estimated using a combination of management judgement, historical data, market practice and benchmarking to other relevant observable market data.

Where significant inputs to the valuation of a new transaction cannot be reliably sourced from external providers, the transaction is initially recognised at its transaction price. The difference between the transaction price and the internal valuation at inception, calculated using a model, is reserved and amortised to income at appropriate points over the life of the instrument, typically taking account of the ability to obtain reliable external data, the passage of time and the use of offsetting transactions. Subsequent changes in fair value as calculated by the valuation model are reported in income.

Fair values include appropriate adjustments to account for known inadequacies and uncertainties in valuation models or to reflect the credit quality of the instrument or counterparty.

The change in fair value of notes designated at fair value through income attributable to changes in credit risk are calculated by reference to the credit spread implicit in the market value of ABN AMRO's senior notes.

Reclassifications

Derivatives are not reclassified into and out of the fair value through profit or loss category whilst they are held or issued. Financial instruments designated at fair value through income upon initial recognition are not reclassified out of that category. Non-derivative financial assets classified as held for trading upon initial recognition, if they are no longer held for the purpose of selling or repurchasing in the near term, may be reclassified out of the fair value through income category if certain requirements are met. No financial instrument is reclassified into the fair value through income category after initial recognition.

Professional securities transactions

Securities borrowing and securities lending transactions are generally entered into on a collateralised basis, with securities usually advanced or received as collateral. The transfer of the securities themselves is not reflected on the balance sheet unless the risks and rewards of ownership are also transferred. If cash is advanced or received, securities borrowing and lending activities are recorded at the amount of cash advanced (included in loans and receivables) or received (due to banks or customers). The market value of the securities borrowed and lent is monitored on a daily basis, and the collateral levels are adjusted in accordance with the underlying transactions. Fees and interest received or paid are recognised on an effective interest basis and recorded as interest income or interest expense.

Sale and repurchase transactions involve purchases (sales) of investments with agreements to resell (repurchase) substantially identical investments at a certain date in the future at a fixed price. Investments purchased subject to commitments to resell them at future dates are not recognised. The amounts paid are

recognised in loans and receivables to either banks or customers. The receivables are shown as collateralised by the underlying security. Investments sold under repurchase agreements continue to be recognised in the balance sheet. The proceeds from the sale of the investments are reported as liabilities to either banks or customers. The difference between the sale and repurchase price is recognised over the period of the transaction and recorded as interest income or interest expense.

Netting and collateral

The Group enters into master netting arrangements with counterparties wherever possible, and when appropriate, obtains collateral. If the Group has the right on the grounds of either legal or contractual provisions and the intention to settle financial assets and liabilities net or simultaneously, these are offset and the net amount is reported in the balance sheet. Due to differences in the timing of actual cash flows, derivatives with positive and negative fair values are generally not netted, even if they are held with the same counterparty.

Hedge accounting

The Group uses derivative instruments to manage exposures to interest rate, foreign currency and credit risks, including exposures arising from forecast transactions. The Group applies fair value, cash flow or net investment hedging to qualifying transactions that are documented as such at inception.

The hedged item can be an asset, liability, highly probable forecasted transaction or net investment in a foreign operation that (a) exposes the entity to risk of changes in fair value or future cash flows and (b) is designated as being hedged. The risk being hedged (the **hedged risk**) is typically changes in interest rates or foreign currency rates. The Group also enters into credit risk derivatives (sometimes referred to as 'credit default swaps') for managing portfolio credit risk. However, these are generally not included in hedge accounting relationships.

Both at the inception of the hedge and on an ongoing basis, the Group formally assesses whether the derivatives used in its hedging transactions have been highly effective in offsetting changes in the fair value or cash flows of the hedged item, by assessing and measuring whether changes in the fair value or cash flows of the hedged item are offset by the changes in the fair value or cash flows of the hedging instrument.

Hedge ineffectiveness represents the amount by which the changes in the fair value of the derivative differ from changes in the fair value of the hedged item in a fair value hedge, or the amount by which the changes in the fair value of the derivative are in excess of the fair value change of the expected cash flow in a cash flow hedge. Hedge ineffectiveness and gains and losses on components of a derivative that are excluded from the assessment of hedge effectiveness are recorded directly in income.

The Group discontinues hedge accounting when the hedge relationship has ceased to be effective or is no longer expected to be effective, or when the derivative or hedged item is sold or otherwise terminated.

Fair value hedges

Where a derivative financial instrument hedges the exposure to changes in the fair value of recognised or committed assets or liabilities, the hedged item is adjusted in relation to the risk being hedged. Gains or losses on re-measurement of both the hedging instrument and the hedged item are recognised in the income statement, typically within results from financial transactions.

When a fair value hedge of interest rate risk is terminated, any value adjustment to the carrying amount of the hedged asset or liability is amortised to income over the original designated hedging period or taken directly to income if the hedged item is sold, settled or impaired.

Cash flow hedges

When a derivative financial instrument hedges the exposure to variability in the cash flows from recognised assets, liabilities or anticipated transactions, the effective part of any gain or loss on re-measurement of the hedging instrument is recognised directly in equity. When a cash flow hedging instrument or hedge relationship is terminated but the hedged transaction is still expected to occur, the cumulative gain or loss recognised in equity remains in equity.

The cumulative gain or loss recognised in equity is transferred to the income statement at the time when the hedged transaction affects net profit or loss and included in the same line item as the hedged transaction. In the exceptional case that the hedged transaction is no longer expected to occur, the cumulative gain or loss recognised in equity is recognised in the income statement immediately.

Hedge of a net investment in a foreign operation

The Group uses foreign currency derivatives and currency borrowings to hedge various net investments in foreign operations. For such hedges, currency translation differences arising on translation of the currency of these instruments to Euro are recognised directly in the currency translation account in equity, insofar as they are effective. The cumulative gain or loss recognised in equity is transferred to the income statement on the disposal of the foreign operation.

Derivatives upon which the Group applies hedge accounting have been disclosed in Note 22 'Other assets' and Note 29 'Other liabilities'.

Impairment of financial assets

The Group assesses at each balance sheet date whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset or a portfolio of financial assets is impaired. A financial asset or portfolio of financial assets is impaired and impairment losses are recognised if, and only if, there is objective evidence of impairment as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the asset and prior to the balance sheet date (a **loss event**) and that event adversely impacts estimated future cash flows of the financial asset or the portfolio.

Loans and receivables

An indication that a loan may be impaired is obtained through the Group's credit review processes, which include monitoring customer payments and regular loan reviews of commercial clients every 6 or 12 months depending on the rating of the facility.

The Group first assesses whether objective evidence of impairment exists for loans (including any related facilities and guarantees) that are individually significant, and individually or collectively for loans that are not individually significant. If the Group determines that no objective evidence of impairment exists for an individually assessed loan, it includes the asset in a portfolio of loans with similar credit risk characteristics and collectively assesses them for impairment. Loans that are evaluated individually for impairment are not included in a collective assessment of impairment.

Indications that there is a measurable decrease in estimated future cash flows from a portfolio of loans, although the decrease cannot yet be identified with the individual loans in the portfolio, include adverse changes in the payment status of borrowers in the portfolio and national or local economic conditions that correlate with defaults in the portfolio.

The amount of impairment loss is measured as the difference between the loan's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows discounted at the loan's original effective interest rate. The amount of the loss is recognised using an allowance account and the amount of the loss is included in the income statement line loan impairment and other credit risk provisions.

The calculation of the present value of the estimated future cash flows of a collateralised financial asset reflects the cash flows that are likely to result from foreclosure less costs for obtaining and selling the collateral.

Future cash flows of a group of loans that are collectively evaluated for impairment are estimated on the basis of the contractual cash flows of the loans in the portfolio and historical loss experience for loans with credit risk characteristics similar to those in the Group. Historical loss experience is adjusted on the basis of current observable data to reflect the effects of current conditions that did not affect the historical data and to remove the effects of conditions in the historical data that do not currently exist.

The methodology and assumptions used for estimating future cash flows are reviewed regularly to reduce any differences between loss estimates and actual loss experience. The impact of changes in estimates and recoveries is recorded in the income statement line loan impairment and other credit risk provisions.

Following impairment, interest income is recognised using the original effective rate of interest. When a loan is deemed no longer collectible, it is written off against the related allowance for loan impairment. Such loans are written off after all the necessary procedures have been completed and the amount of the loss has been determined. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited to the income statement line loan impairment and other credit risk provisions. Assets acquired in exchange for loans to achieve an orderly realisation are reflected in the balance sheet as a disposal of the loan and an acquisition of a new asset, initially booked at fair value.

Renegotiated loans

Where possible, ABN AMRO seeks to restructure loans rather than to take possession of collateral. This may involve extending the payment arrangements and the agreement of new loan conditions. Once the items have been renegotiated, the loan is no longer considered past due. Management continuously reviews renegotiated loans to ensure that all criteria are met and that future payments are likely to occur. The loans continue to be subject to an individual or collective impairment assessment, calculated using the loans original effective interest rate.

Other financial assets

In the case of equity instruments classified as available-for-sale, a significant or prolonged decline in the fair value of the security below its cost is also considered in determining whether impairment exists. Where such evidence exists, the cumulative net loss that has been previously recognised directly in equity is moved from equity and recognised in the income statement within results from financial transactions.

The Group performs a review of individual available-for-sale securities on a regular basis to determine whether any evidence of impairment exists. This review considers factors such as any reduction in fair value below cost, its direction and whether the reduction is significant or prolonged, and the credit standing and prospects of the issuer.

Property and equipment

Own use assets

Property and equipment is stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and any amount for impairment. If an item of property and equipment is comprised of several major components with different useful lives, each component is accounted for separately. Additions and subsequent expenditures (including accrued interest) are capitalised only to the extent that they enhance the future economic benefits expected to be derived from the asset. Expenditure incurred to replace a component of an asset is separately capitalised and the replaced component is written off. Other subsequent expenditure is capitalised only when it increases the future economic benefit of the item of property and equipment. All other expenditure, including maintenance, is recognised in the income statement as incurred. When an item of property and equipment is retired or

disposed, the difference between the carrying amount and the disposal proceeds net of costs is recognised in other operating income.

Depreciation is charged to the income statement on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of items of property and equipment, and major components that are accounted for separately. The Group generally uses the following estimated useful lives:

- Land not depreciated
- Buildings 25 to 50 years
- Equipment 5 to 12 years
- Computer installations 2 to 5 years.

Depreciation rates and residual values are reviewed at least annually to take into account any change in circumstances. Capitalised leasehold improvements are depreciated in a manner that takes into account the term and renewal conditions of the related lease.

Leasing

As lessee: most of the leases that the Group has entered into are classified as operating leases (including property rental). The total payments made under operating leases are charged to the income statement on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease. Lease incentives received are recognised in the income statement as an integral part of the total lease expense. When it is decided that an operating lease will be terminated or vacated before the lease period has expired, the lesser of any penalty payments required and the remaining payments due once vacated (less sub-leasing income) is recognised as an expense.

As lessor: assets subject to operational leases are included in property and equipment. The asset is depreciated on a straight-line basis over its useful life to its estimated residual value. Leases where the Group transfers substantially all the risks and rewards resulting from ownership of an asset to the lessee are classified as finance leases. A receivable at an amount equal to the present value of the lease payments, using the implicit interest rate, including any guaranteed residual value, is recognised. Finance lease receivables are included in loans and receivables to customers.

Intangible assets

Goodwill

Goodwill is capitalised and stated at cost, being the excess of the cost of an acquisition over the fair value of the Group's share of the acquired entity's net identifiable assets at the date of acquisition, less any accumulated impairment losses. For the purpose of calculating goodwill, the fair values of acquired assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities are determined by reference to market values or by discounting expected future cash flows to present value. If the recognition of the assessed fair value of acquired assets and liabilities at the time of acquisition took place on the basis of provisional amounts any changes in the assessed fair value of acquired assets and liabilities at the time of acquisition identified within one year following the acquisition are corrected against goodwill. Any revisions identified after one year are recorded in income.

Goodwill on the acquisition of equity accounted investments is included in the carrying amount of the investment.

Gains and losses on the disposal of an entity, including equity accounted investments, are determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying amount of the entity including related goodwill and any currency translation differences recorded in equity.

Goodwill is not amortised but is subject to an annual test for impairment or more frequently if events or circumstances, such as adverse changes in the business climate, indicate that there may be justification for conducting an interim test.

Software

Costs that are directly associated with identifiable software products that are controlled by the Group, and likely to generate future economic benefits exceeding these costs, are recognised as intangible assets and stated at cost less accumulated amortisation and any adjustment for impairment losses. Expenditure that enhances or extends the performance of computer software beyond its original specification is recognised as a capital improvement and added to the original cost of the software. Software is amortised over 3 to 7 years. Amortisation rates and residual values are reviewed at least annually to take into account any change in circumstances.

Costs associated with maintaining computer software programmes are recognised as an expense as incurred.

Other intangible assets

Other intangible assets that are acquired by the Group are stated at cost less accumulated amortisation and any adjustment for impairment losses. Other intangible assets are comprised of separately identifiable items arising from acquisition of subsidiaries, such as customer relationships, and certain purchased trademarks and similar items. Amortisation is charged to the income statement systematically over the estimated useful lives of the intangible asset. Amortisation rates and residual values are reviewed at least annually to take into account any change in circumstances.

Impairment of property and equipment and intangible assets

Property and equipment and intangibles are assessed at each balance sheet date or more frequently, to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, the assets are subject to an impairment review.

Regardless of any indications of potential impairment, the carrying amount of goodwill is subject to a detailed impairment review at least annually. An impairment loss is recognised whenever the carrying amount of an asset that generates largely independent cash flows or the cash-generating unit to which it belongs exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount of an asset is the higher of its fair value less cost to sell and its value in use. To calculate value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market rates and the risks specific to the asset. When conducting impairment reviews, particularly for goodwill, cash-generating units are the lowest level at which management monitors the return on investment on assets.

The impairment analysis of goodwill and other intangibles requires management to make subjective judgements concerning estimates of how the acquired asset will perform in the future using a discounted cash flow analysis. Additionally, estimated cash flows may extend beyond ten years and, by their nature, are difficult to determine. Events and factors that may significantly affect the estimates include, among others, competitive forces, customer behaviours and attrition, changes in revenue growth trends, cost structures and technology, and changes in discount rates and specific industry or market sector conditions.

Impairment losses are recognised in the income statement as a component of depreciation and amortisation expense. An impairment loss with respect to goodwill is not reversible. Other impairment losses are reversed only to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined if no impairment loss had previously been recognised.

Pension and other post-retirement benefits

For employees in the Netherlands and the majority of staff employed outside the Netherlands, pension or other retirement plans have been established in accordance with the regulations and practices of the countries in question. Separate pension funds or third parties administer most of these plans. The plans include both defined contribution plans and defined benefit plans.

In the case of defined contribution plans, contributions are charged directly to the income statement in the year to which they relate.

The net obligations under defined benefit plans are regarded as the Group's own commitments regardless of whether these are administered by a pension fund or in some other manner. The net obligation of each plan is determined as the difference between the benefit obligations and the plan assets. Defined benefit plan pension commitments are calculated in accordance with the projected unit credit method of actuarial cost allocation. Under this method, the present value of pension commitments is determined on the basis of the number of active years of service up to the balance sheet date and the estimated employee salary at the time of the expected retirement date, and is discounted using the market rate of interest on high-quality corporate bonds. The plan assets are measured at fair value.

Pension costs for the year are established at the beginning of the year based on the expected service and interest costs and the expected return on the plan assets, plus the impact of any current period curtailments or plan changes. Differences between the expected and the actual return on plan assets, as well as actuarial gains and losses, are only recognised as income or expense when the net cumulative unrecognised actuarial gains and losses at the end of the previous reporting year exceed 10% of the greater of the commitments under the plan and the fair value of the related plan assets. The part in excess of 10% is recognised in income over the expected remaining years of service of the employees participating in the plans. Differences between the pension costs determined in this way and the contributions payable are accounted for as provisions or prepayments. Commitments relating to early retirement of employees are treated as pension commitments.

When the benefits of a plan are improved, the portion of the increased benefit relating to past service by employees is recognised as an expense in the income statement on a straight-line basis over the average period until the benefits become vested. To the extent that the benefits vest immediately, the past service cost is recognised immediately in the income statement.

The Group's net obligation with respect to long-term service benefits and post-retirement healthcare is the amount of future benefit that employees have earned in return for their service in current and prior periods. The obligation is calculated using the projected unit credit method. It is then discounted to its present value and the fair value of any related assets is deducted.

Share-based payments to employees

Until 2007, the Group engaged in equity and cash settled share-based payment transactions in respect of services received from certain of its employees. The cost of the services received was measured by reference to the fair value of the shares or share options granted on the date of the grant. The cost related to the shares or share options granted was recognised in the income statement over the period that the services of the employees were received, which was the vesting period, with a corresponding credit in equity for equity settled schemes and a credit in liabilities for cash settled schemes. For cash settled schemes the fair value of the plan was determined for each reporting period and the changes were recognised in the income statement. In addition, the Group recognised the effects of modifications that increased the total fair value of the share-based payment arrangements or were otherwise beneficial to the employee in the income statement.

The fair value of the options granted was determined using option pricing models, which took into account the exercise price of the option, the current share price, the risk free interest rate, the volatility of the ABN AMRO share price over the life of the option and the terms and conditions of the grant. Non-market vesting

conditions were taken into account by adjusting the number of shares or share options included in the measurement of the cost of employee services, so that ultimately the amount cumulatively recognised in the income statement would reflect the number of shares or share options that eventually vested. Where vesting conditions were related to market conditions, these were fully reflected in the fair value initially determined at grant date and as a result, the charges for the services received were recognised regardless of whether or not the market related vesting condition was met, provided that the non-market vesting conditions were met.

In case of cancellation or settlement of a grant of shares or share options during the vesting period, the amount that otherwise would be recognised over the remainder of the vesting period was immediately recognised in the income statement. Any payment made to the employee upon the cancellation or settlement of the grant was accounted for as a deduction from equity for equity settled schemes and as a deduction from the liability for the cash settled schemes.

Provisions

A provision is recognised in the balance sheet when the Group has a legal or constructive obligation as a result of a past event, and it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation, and a reliable estimate of the amount of the obligation can be made. If the effect of time value is material, provisions are determined by discounting the expected future cash flows at a pre-tax rate that reflects current market rates and, where appropriate, the risks specific to the liability.

A provision for restructuring is recognised when an obligation exists. An obligation exists when the Group has approved a detailed plan and has raised a valid expectation in those affected by the plan by starting to implement the plan or by announcing its main features. Future operating costs are not provided for.

Provisions for insurance risks are determined by actuarial methods, which include the use of statistics, interest rate data and settlement costs expectations.

Other liabilities

Obligations to policyholders, whose return is dependent on the return of unit linked investments recognised in the balance sheet, are measured at fair value with changes through income.

Tax – current and deferred

Tax payable on profits, based on the applicable tax law in each jurisdiction, is recognised as an expense in the period in which profits arise. The future tax benefit of tax losses available for carry forward is recognised as an asset when it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which these losses can be utilised.

Deferred tax is also recognised for qualifying temporary differences. Temporary differences represent the difference between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for taxation purposes. The most significant temporary differences arise from the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities including derivative contracts, allowances for loan impairment, provisions for pensions and business combinations. The following differences are not provided for: the initial recognition of assets or liabilities that affect neither accounting nor taxable profit, and differences relating to investments in subsidiaries and associates, to the extent that they will probably not reverse in the foreseeable future and the timing of such reversals is controlled by the Group. The amount of deferred tax provided is based on the expected manner of realisation or settlement of the carrying amount of assets and liabilities, using tax rates enacted or substantially enacted at the balance sheet date. A deferred tax asset is recognised only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the asset can be utilised.

Deferred and current tax assets and liabilities are only offset when they arise in the same tax reporting group and where there is both the legal right and the intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and liability simultaneously.

Issued debt and equity securities

Issued debt securities are recorded on an amortised cost basis using the effective interest rate method, unless they are of a hybrid/structured nature and designated to be held at fair value through income.

Issued financial instruments or their components are classified as liabilities where the substance of the contractual arrangement results in the Group having a present obligation to either deliver cash or another financial asset or to satisfy the obligation other than by the exchange of a fixed number of equity shares. Preference shares that carry a non-discretionary coupon or are redeemable on a specific date or at the option of the holder are classified as liabilities. The dividends and fees on preference shares classified as a liability are recognised as interest expense.

Issued financial instruments, or their components, are classified as equity when they do not qualify as a liability and represent a residual interest in the assets of the Group. Preference share capital is classified as equity if it is non-redeemable and any dividends are discretionary. The components of issued financial instruments that contain both liability and equity elements are accounted for separately with the equity component being assigned the residual amount after deducting from the instrument's initial value the fair value of the liability component.

Dividends on ordinary shares and preference shares classified as equity are recognised as a distribution of equity in the period in which they are approved by shareholders.

Share capital

Incremental external costs directly attributable to the issue of new shares are deducted from equity net of any related taxes. When share capital recognised as equity is repurchased, the amount of the consideration paid, including incremental directly attributable costs net of taxes, is recognised as a change in equity. Repurchased shares are classified as treasury shares and presented as a deduction from total equity. Where such shares are subsequently sold or reissued, any consideration received is added to shareholders' equity.

Other equity components

Currency translation account

The currency translation account is comprised of all currency differences arising from the translation of the financial statements of foreign operations net of the translation impact on liabilities or foreign exchange derivatives held to hedge the Group's net investment. These currency differences are included in income on disposal or partial disposal of the operation.

Cash flow hedging reserve

The cash flow hedging reserve is comprised of the effective portion of the cumulative net change in the fair value of cash flow hedging instruments, net of taxes, related to hedged transactions that have not yet occurred.

Net unrealised gains and losses on available-for-sale assets

In this component, gains and losses arising from a change in the fair value of available-for-sale assets are recognised, net of taxes. When the relevant assets are sold, impaired or otherwise disposed of, the related cumulative gain or loss recognised in equity is transferred to the income statement.

Collectively, the cash flow hedging reserve and the available-for-sale reserve are sometimes referred to as special components of equity.

Cash flow statement

Cash and cash equivalents for the purpose of the cash flow statement include cash in hand, deposits available on demand with central banks and net credit balances on current accounts with other banks.

The cash flow statement, based on the indirect method of calculation, gives details of the source of cash and cash equivalents which became available during the year and the application of these cash and cash equivalents over the course of the year. The cash flows are analysed into cash flows from operations, including banking activities, investment activities and financing activities. Movements in loans and receivables and inter-bank deposits are included in the cash flow from operating activities. Investment activities are comprised of acquisitions, sales and redemptions in respect of financial investments, as well as investments in and sales of subsidiaries and associates, property and equipment. The issuing of shares and the borrowing and repayment of long-term funds are treated as financing activities. Movements due to currency translation differences as well as the effects of the consolidation of acquisitions, where of material significance, are eliminated from the cash flow figures. The cash flows of discontinued operations are separately reported in the period in which the operation qualifies as a held-for-sale business.

The presentation of the cash flow statement for 2007 and 2006 has been amended to conform to the current period presentation which does not separately disclose discontinued operations.

Future changes in accounting policies

ABN AMRO expects to adopt the following amended standards and interpretations with effect from 1 January 2009, where applicable pending their endorsement by the EU.

The IASB issued a revised IAS 23 'Borrowing Costs' in March 2007. The revised standard eliminates the option of recognising borrowing costs immediately as an expense, to the extent that they are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of a qualifying asset. The Group does not expect adoption of the revised standard on 1 January 2009 to have a significant effect on the financial position or results of the Group.

A revised IAS 1 'Presentation of Financial Statements' was issued in September 2007 effective for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2009. The revised standard aims to improve users' ability to analyse and compare information given in financial statements. Adoption of the revised standard will have no effect on the results reported in the Group's consolidated financial statements but will change the presentation of the results and financial position of ABN AMRO in certain respects.

The IASB issued an amendment to IFRS 2 'Share-based Payment' on 17 January 2008. The amendment, which is applicable for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2009, clarifies that vesting conditions comprise only service conditions and performance conditions. It also specifies the accounting treatment for a failure to meet a non-vesting condition. Adoption of the amendment will not have an impact on the financial position or results of the Group.

The IASB published 'Amendments to IAS 32 Financial Instruments: Presentation and IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements, Puttable Financial Instruments and Obligations Arising on Liquidation', on 14 February 2008. The amendments are applicable for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2009. ABN AMRO does not expect these revisions to have a significant impact on the financial position or results of the Group.

IFRIC interpretation 13 'Customer Loyalty Programmes' becomes effective for financial years beginning on or after 1 July 2008. This interpretation addresses how companies that grant their customers loyalty award credits (often called 'points') when buying goods or services should account for their obligation to provide

free or discounted goods or services if and when the customers redeem the points. The adoption of this interpretation on 1 January 2009 will not have a significant impact on the financial position or results of the Group.

IFRIC Interpretation 15 'Agreements for the Construction of Real Estate' was issued 3 July 2008 and becomes effective for financial years beginning on or after 1 January 2009. This interpretation standardises accounting practice across jurisdictions for the recognition of revenue by real estate developers before construction is complete. The main expected change in practice is a shift for some entities from recognising revenue as construction progresses to recognising revenue at a single time – at completion upon or after delivery. The adoption of this interpretation on 1 January 2009 will not have a significant impact on the financial position or results of the Group.

IFRIC Interpretation 16 'Hedges of a Net Investment in a Foreign Operation' was issued 3 July 2008 and becomes effective for financial years beginning on or after 1 October 2008. IFRIC 16 addresses three main issues. Firstly, the interpretation considers whether risk arises from (a) the foreign currency exposure to the functional currencies of the foreign operation and the parent entity, or from (b) the foreign currency exposure to the functional currency of the foreign operation and the presentation currency of the parent entity's consolidated financial statements. Secondly, it determines which entity within a group can hold a hedging instrument in a hedge of a net investment in a foreign operation and in particular whether the parent entity holding the net investment in a foreign operation must also hold the hedging instrument. Finally it discusses how an entity should determine the amounts to be reclassified from equity to profit or loss for both the hedging instrument and the hedged item when the entity disposes of the investment. The adoption of this interpretation on 1 January 2009 will not have a significant impact on the financial position or results of the Group.

The IASB published 'Improving Disclosures about Financial Instruments (Amendments to IFRS 7)' in March 2009. These amendments improve the disclosure requirements about fair value measurements and reinforce existing principles for disclosures about the liquidity risk associated with financial instruments. The amendments are applicable for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2009. Adoption of the revised standard will have no effect on the results reported in the Group's consolidated financial statements but will change the presentation of the results and financial position of ABN AMRO in certain respects.

Consolidated income statement for the year ended 31 December

<i>(in millions of euros)</i>	2008	2007	2006
Interest income	22,080	22,734	19,340
Interest expense	16,297	18,139	15,117
Net interest income 3	5,783	4,595	4,223
Fee and commission income	3,068	4,181	4,047
Fee and commission expense	439	329	406
Net fee and commission income 4	2,629	3,852	3,641
Net trading income 5	(9,324)	1,119	2,627
Results from financial transactions 6	(1,684)	1,134	767
Share of result in equity accounted investments 19	106	223	186
Other operating income 7	306	1,239	873
Income from consolidated private equity holdings 41	1,726	3,836	5,313
Operating income	(458)	15,998	17,630
Personnel expenses 8	5,236	6,363	5,600
General and administrative expenses 9	4,070	4,821	4,594
Depreciation and amortisation 10	1,045	857	824
Goods and materials of consolidated private equity holdings 41	1,278	2,744	3,684
Operating expenses	11,629	14,785	14,702
Loan impairment and other credit risk provisions 18	3,387	717	668
Total expenses	15,016	15,502	15,370
Operating profit/(loss) before tax	(15,474)	496	2,260
Tax 11	(2,580)	(458)	213
Profit/(loss) from continuing operations	(12,894)	954	2,047
Profit from discontinued operations net of tax 45	16,489	9,021	2,733
Profit for the year	3,595	9,975	4,780
<i>Attributable to:</i>			
Shareholders of the parent company	3,580	9,848	4,715
Minority interest	15	127	65

Numbers stated against items refer to notes. The notes to the consolidated financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

Consolidated balance sheet at 31 December

<i>(in millions of euros)</i>	2008	2007
Assets		
Cash and balances at central banks 13	5,854	16,750
Financial assets held for trading 14	212,653	242,277
Financial investments 15	67,061	96,435
Loans and receivables- banks 16	75,566	175,696
Loans and receivables- customers 17	270,507	398,331
Equity accounted investments 19	796	871
Property and equipment 20	2,035	2,747
Goodwill and other intangibles 21	924	1,424
Assets of businesses held for sale 45	1,583	60,458
Accrued income and prepaid expenses	7,011	12,580
Tax assets 28	5,100	4,875
Other assets 22	17,727	12,769
Total assets	666,817	1,025,213
Liabilities		
Financial liabilities held for trading 14	192,087	155,476
Due to banks 23	94,620	239,334
Due to customers 24	209,004	330,352
Issued debt securities 25	111,296	174,995
Provisions 26	4,144	6,544
Liabilities of businesses held for sale 45	864	39,780
Accrued expenses and deferred income	8,418	12,244
Tax liabilities 28	700	2,091
Other liabilities 29	15,012	18,072
Liabilities (excluding subordinated liabilities)	636,145	978,888
Subordinated liabilities 30	13,549	15,616
Total Liabilities	649,694	994,504
Equity		
Share capital 31	1,852	1,085
Share premium	5,343	5,332
Treasury shares 31	-	(2,640)
Retained earnings	11,096	25,650
Net gains/(losses) not recognised in the income statement	(1,214)	148
Equity attributable to shareholders of the parent company	17,077	29,575
Equity attributable to minority interests	46	1,134
Total equity	17,123	30,709
Total equity and liabilities	666,817	1,025,213
Guarantees and other commitments 34	42,148	55,140
Committed credit facilities 34	63,436	104,137

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Consolidated statement of changes in equity for the year ended 31 December

<i>(in millions of euros)</i>	2008	2007	2006
Share capital³¹			
Balance at 1 January	1,085	1,085	1,069
Conversion of preference shares to ordinary shares	767	-	-
Exercised options and warrants	-	-	16
Balance at 31 December	1,852	1,085	1,085
Share premium			
Balance at 1 January	5,332	5,245	5,269
Share-based payments	10	145	111
Conversion of preference shares to ordinary shares	1	-	-
Dividends paid in shares	-	(58)	(135)
Balance at 31 December	5,343	5,332	5,245
Treasury shares³¹			
Balance at 1 January	(2,640)	(1,829)	(600)
Share buy back	-	(1,847)	(2,204)
Utilised for dividends paid in shares	-	412	832
Utilised for exercise of options and performance share plans	-	624	143
Sale of treasury shares	3,708	-	-
Gain on sale of treasury shares	(1,068)	-	-
Balance at 31 December	-	(2,640)	(1,829)
Other reserves including retained earnings			
Balance at 1 January	25,650	18,599	15,237
Profit attributable to shareholders of the parent company	3,580	9,848	4,715
Dividends paid to shareholders of the parent company	(19,213)	(1,540)	(807)
Dividends paid in shares to shareholders of the parent company	-	(586)	(656)
Gain on sale of treasury shares	1,068	-	-
Settlement of share option and awards in cash 44	-	(743)	-
Other	11	72	110
Balance at 31 December	11,096	25,650	18,599
Net gains/(losses) not recognised in the income statement			
<i>Currency translation account</i>			
Balance at 1 January	597	408	842
Transfer to income statement relating to disposals	(903)	293	(7)
Currency translation differences	823	(104)	(427)
Subtotal – Balance at 31 December	517	597	408
<i>Net unrealised gains/(losses) on available-for-sale assets</i>			
Balance at 1 January	(543)	364	1,199
Net unrealised gains/(losses) on available-for-sale assets	(2,038)	(392)	(233)
Reclassification to the income statement	1,716	(515)	(602)
Subtotal - Balance at 31 December	(865)	(543)	364
<i>Cash flow hedging reserve</i>			
Balance at 1 January	94	(275)	(795)
Net unrealised gains/(losses) on cash flow hedges	(959)	315	735
Net losses/(gains) reclassified to the income statement	(1)	54	(215)
Subtotal - Balance at 31 December	(866)	94	(275)
Net gains/(losses) not recognised in the income statement at 31 December	(1,214)	148	497
Equity attributable to shareholders of the parent company at 31 December	17,077	29,575	23,597
Minority interest			
Balance at 1 January	1,134	2,298	1,931
Additions/(reductions)	12	(853)	145
Acquisitions/(disposals)	(1,008)	(300)	203

<i>(in millions of euros)</i>	2008	2007	2006
Profit attributable to minority interests	15	127	65
Currency translation differences	(107)	(138)	(46)
Equity attributable to minority interests at 31 December	46	1,134	2,298
Total equity at 31 December	17,123	30,709	25,895

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Consolidated cash flow statement for the year ended 31 December

<i>(in millions of euros)</i>	2008	2007 ¹	2006 ¹
Operating activities			
Profit for the period	3,595	9,975	4,780
<i>Adjustments for</i>			
Depreciation, amortisation and impairment	1,152	1,271	1,352
Loan impairment losses	4,332	2,794	2,138
Share of result in equity accounted investments	(171)	(278)	(251)
<i>Movements in operating assets and liabilities</i>			
Movement in operating assets 35	199,957	(133,448)	(77,413)
Movement in operating liabilities 35	(246,314)	114,722	64,763
<i>Other adjustments</i>			
Dividends received from equity accounted investments	34	81	72
Net cash flows from operating activities	(37,415)	(4,883)	(4,559)
Investing activities			
Acquisition of investments	(245,561)	(201,808)	(180,228)
Sales and redemption of investments	263,840	197,850	172,454
Acquisition of property and equipment	(436)	(888)	(1,145)
Sales of property and equipment	94	674	256
Acquisition of intangibles (excluding goodwill)	(284)	(549)	(801)
Disposal of intangibles (excluding goodwill)	5	24	12
Acquisition of subsidiaries and equity accounted investments	(45)	(501)	(7,491)
Disposal of subsidiaries and equity accounted investments	23,907	15,736	1,845
Net cash flows from investing activities	41,520	10,538	(15,098)
Financing activities			
Issuance of subordinated liabilities	508	1,523	4,062
Repayment of subordinated liabilities	(918)	(1,225)	(4,430)
Issuance of other long-term funding	37,952	39,635	35,588
Repayment of other long-term funding	(56,323)	(33,284)	(14,343)
Sale of treasury shares	3,708	-	-
Share buy back	-	(1,847)	(2,204)
Utilised for exercise of options and performance share plans	-	624	143
Other	7	(1,723)	213
Dividends paid	(19,213)	(1,540)	(807)
Net cash flows from financing activities	(34,279)	2,163	18,222
Currency translation differences on cash and cash equivalents	3,975	62	264
Movement in cash and cash equivalents	(26,199)	7,880	(1,171)
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January	12,752	4,872	6,043

<i>(in millions of euros)</i>	2008	2007 ¹	2006 ¹
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December 35	(13,447)	12,752	4,872

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¹ Comparative amounts have been restated to conform to current presentation.

Notes to the consolidated financial statements

(unless otherwise stated, all amounts are in millions of euros)

1. Segment reporting

Segment information is presented in respect of the Group's business. The operating segments are consistent with the Group's management and internal reporting structure applicable in the financial year.

From 1 January 2008 the management and control structure of ABN AMRO has been aligned with the consortium ownership of the Group. This change in management structure has been reflected in the externally reported segments. Consequently, the RBS acquired businesses are segmented into: Europe (which includes RBS acquired businesses in the Netherlands), Americas and Asia. The Dutch State acquired businesses are divided into: Netherlands (excluding RBS acquired businesses) and Private Clients. Central Items includes head office functions and other items centrally managed.

In April 2008, the majority of the Group Asset and Liability Management portfolios have been economically allocated to the respective Consortium Members. This is reflected in the segment reporting. Since the allocation was effected on the basis of prospective agreements between Consortium Members, Group Asset and Liability Management results prior to this date are reported in Central Items. Comparative segment figures for Group Asset and Liability Management 2007 and 2006 have not been restated and are reported in Central Items, as well as the remaining unallocated 2008 figures of Group Asset and Liability Management.

The former regional Business Unit Netherlands, reported in 2007 as one operating segment, is no longer managed as a single component. To reflect the consortium ownership, the operating segment Netherlands now excludes Dutch wholesale clients and global markets business. This has been added to the operating segment Europe.

The comparative segment figures of 2007 and 2006 have been restated to reflect the current organisation structure except for the Group Asset and Liability Management comparatives as explained above.

Measurement

Measurement of segment assets, liabilities, income and results is based on the Group's accounting policies. Segment assets, liabilities, income and results include items directly attributable to a segment as well as those that can be allocated on a reasonable basis. Transactions between segments are conducted at arm's length.

Operating segments

The operating segments are described as follows:

Europe

This segment provides a range of financial products and services to commercial and global clients. It combines activities in 28 countries: 23 countries in Europe along with Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Egypt, United Arab Emirates and South Africa. As of 2008 Dutch wholesale clients are included in this operating segment as well as the Group Asset and Liability Management portfolios allocated to RBS.

Asia

This segment operates in 16 countries and territories through branches and offices. The client base includes both commercial and consumer clients.

Americas

This segment includes the combined activities of North America and Latin America. The North American activities cover a broad range of services that support a multinational client base and a limited number of specialty banking services. The core of North America was LaSalle Bank, which was sold to Bank of America Corporation in 2007 and therefore is presented as discontinued operations. Banco Real represented the majority of the operations in Latin America until July 2008, when it was sold to Santander. The figures of Banco Real are presented as discontinued operations.

Netherlands

This segment serves a diverse client base comprised of consumer and commercial clients. It offers a broad range of commercial and retail banking products and services via its multi-channel service model consisting of a network of branches, internet banking facilities, customer contact centres and ATMs throughout the Netherlands and increasingly focuses on mass affluent customers and commercial mid-market clients. It also includes the ABN AMRO Hypotheken ('Mortgage') Groep including the former Bouwfonds mortgage activities and the International Diamond and Jewelry Group, as well as the Group Asset and Liability Management portfolios allocated to the Dutch State.

Private Clients

This segment offers private banking services to wealthy individuals and institutions with net investable assets of EUR 1 million or more. In the past few years, the business unit Private Clients built up an onshore private banking network mainly in continental Europe through organic growth in the Netherlands and France, and through the acquisition of Delbrück Bethmann Maffei in Germany and Bank Corluy in Belgium. It also includes the insurance joint venture Neuflyze Vie.

Central Items

Central Items include head office functions and items that are not allocated to individual consortium members such as the majority of the private equity portfolio and the investment in Saudi Hollandi Bank. Interest on settlement amounts accruing to Santander are also included.

Operating segment information for the year ended 31 December 2008

	Europe	Asia	Americas	Netherlands	Private Clients	Central Items	Subtotal	Discontinued Operations	Total
Net interest income - external	590	706	105	4,772	(1,014)	624	5,783		5,783
Net interest income - other segments	871	42	234	(1,950)	1,415	(612)	-		-
Net fee and commission income - external	720	375	366	693	530	(55)	2,629		2,629
Net fee and commission income - other segments	11	17	(131)	57	42	4	-		-
Net trading income	(9,835)	634	86	112	78	(399)	(9,324)		(9,324)
Result from financial transactions	(1,058)	(291)	(169)	194	(13)	(347)	(1,684)		(1,684)
Share of result in equity accounted investments	13	(4)	-	30	1	66	106		106
Other operating income	(5)	23	36	170	72	10	306		306
Income of consolidated private equity holdings	-	-	-	-	-	1,726	1,726		1,726
Total operating income	(8,693)	1,502	527	4,078	1,111	1,017	(458)		(458)
Total operating expenses	3,357	1,696	665	2,923	863	2,125	11,629		11,629
Loan impairment and credit risk provisions	2,025	453	131	761	15	2	3,387		3,387
Total expenses	5,382	2,149	796	3,684	878	2,127	15,016		15,016
Operating profit/(loss) before tax	(14,075)	(647)	(269)	394	233	(1,110)	(15,474)		(15,474)
Tax	(2,652)	125	85	88	68	(294)	(2,580)		(2,580)
Profit/(loss) from continuing operations	(11,423)	(772)	(354)	306	165	(816)	(12,894)		(12,894)
Profit from discontinued operations net of tax	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16,489	16,489
Profit for the year	(11,423)	(772)	(354)	306	165	(816)	(12,894)	16,489	3,595
Other information at 31 December 2008									
Total assets	400,203	54,901	23,091	158,875	18,239	9,925	665,234	1,583	666,817
Of which equity accounted investments	105	53	-	204	6	428	796	-	796
Total liabilities	396,431	53,116	22,697	153,540	16,529	6,517	648,830	864	649,694
Capital expenditure	109	57	26	253	20	111	576	-	576
Depreciation and amortisation	301	155	25	291	43	230	1,045	-	1,045
Impairment of available-for-sale securities	332	1	-	-	-	-	333	-	333

Operating segment information for the year ended 31 December 2007

	Europe	Asia	Americas	Netherlands	Private Clients	Central Items	Subtotal	Discontinued Operations	Total
Net interest income – external	970	425	319	4,706	(1,108)	(717)	4,595		4,595
Net interest income - other segments	250	307	(106)	(1,725)	1,567	(293)	-		-
Net fee and commission income - external	1,497	733	313	710	636	(37)	3,852		3,852
Net fee and commission income-other segments	(695)	275	(16)	71	124	241	-		-
Net trading income	509	372	208	83	72	(125)	1,119		1,119
Result from financial transactions	140	47	4	29	8	906	1,134		1,134
Share of result in equity accounted investments	9	39	-	54	-	121	223		223
Other operating income	70	16	53	244	91	765	1,239		1,239
Income of consolidated private equity holdings	-	-	-	-	-	3,836	3,836		3,836
Total operating income	2,750	2,214	775	4,172	1,390	4,697	15,998		15,998
Total operating expenses	3,551	1,696	875	2,641	969	5,053	14,785		14,785
Loan impairment and credit risk provisions	101	207	38	378	-	(7)	717		717
Total expenses	3,652	1,903	913	3,019	969	5,046	15,502		15,502
Operating profit/(loss) before tax	(902)	311	(138)	1,153	421	(349)	496		496
Tax	(327)	106	(77)	271	123	(554)	(458)		(458)
Profit/(loss) from continuing operations	(575)	205	(61)	882	298	205	954		954
Profit from discontinued operations net of tax	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,021	9,021
Profit for the year	(575)	205	(61)	882	298	205	954	9,021	9,975

Other information at 31 December 2007

Total assets	530,681	72,171	83,939	141,741	19,594	116,629	964,755	60,458	1,025,213
Of which equity accounted investments	123	134	-	224	6	360	847	24	871
Total liabilities	515,394	69,801	82,990	139,808	17,940	128,791	954,724	39,780	994,504
Capital expenditure	144	72	58	353	20	454	1,101	-	1,101
Depreciation and amortisation	127	45	54	274	13	344	857	-	857
Impairment of available-for-sale securities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Operating segment information for the year ended 31 December 2006

	Europe	Asia	Americas	Netherlands	Private Clients	Central Items	Subtotal	Discontinued Operations	Total
Net interest income – external	745	365	258	4,551	(1,008)	(688)	4,223		4,223
Net interest income - other segments	(249)	246	(41)	(1,613)	1,502	155	-		-
Net fee and commission income - external	1,317	664	261	649	646	104	3,641		3,641
Net fee and commission income- other segments	(318)	133	70	98	29	(12)	-		-
Net trading income	1,879	358	162	72	54	102	2,627		2,627
Result from financial transactions	179	(7)	(31)	1	4	621	767		767
Share of result in equity accounted investments	2	-	-	49	2	133	186		186
Other operating income	(4)	47	29	264	75	462	873		873
Income of consolidated private equity holdings	-	-	-	-	-	5,313	5,313		5,313
Total operating income	3,551	1,806	708	4,071	1,304	6,190	17,630		17,630
Total operating expenses	3,367	1,419	901	2,638	916	5,461	14,702		14,702
Loan impairment and credit risk provisions	5	214	(39)	375	6	107	668		668
Total expenses	3,372	1,633	862	3,013	922	5,568	15,370		15,370
Operating profit/(loss) before tax	179	173	(154)	1,058	382	622	2,260		2,260
Tax	46	106	(193)	302	111	(159)	213		213
Profit/(loss) from continuing operations	133	67	39	756	271	781	2,047		2,047
Profit from discontinued operations net of tax	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,733	2,733
Profit for the year	133	67	39	756	271	781	2,047	2,733	4,780
Other information at 31 December 2006									
Total assets	424,350	67,844	77,563	133,900	20,498	77,849	802,004	185,060	987,064
Of which equity accounted investments	19	23	-	177	6	900	1,125	402	1,527
Total liabilities	414,457	66,353	77,173	132,840	19,000	80,206	790,029	171,140	961,169
Capital expenditure	130	86	33	373	39	962	1,623	-	1,623
Depreciation and amortisation	130	46	35	290	17	306	824	-	824
Impairment of available-for-sale securities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Geographical segments

The geographical analysis presented below is based on the location of the Group entity in which the transactions are recorded.

	The Netherlands	Europe	North America	Latin America	Asia /Pacific	Total
2008						
Net interest income	3,674	841	256	80	932	5,783
Net commission income	915	947	199	10	558	2,629
Other income	(239)	(9,076)	(84)	44	485	(8,870)
Operating income	4,350	(7,288)	371	134	1,975	(458)
Total assets	280,960	305,429	19,170	1,817	59,441	666,817
Capital expenditure	418	75	25	1	57	576
2007						
Net interest income	2,654	857	134	65	885	4,595
Net commission income	964	1,070	448	80	1,290	3,852
Other income	5,732	922	336	9	552	7,551
Operating income	9,350	2,849	918	154	2,727	15,998
Total assets	309,659	510,540	80,526	46,581	77,907	1,025,213
Capital expenditure	464	180	130	239	88	1,101
2006						
Net interest income	2,637	695	193	48	650	4,223
Net commission income	1,150	1,230	342	33	886	3,641
Other income	7,397	1,663	156	41	509	9,766
Operating income	11,184	3,588	691	122	2,045	17,630
Total assets	289,984	419,691	168,533	36,976	71,880	987,064
Capital expenditure	899	179	315	141	89	1,623

2. Acquisitions and disposals of subsidiaries

Acquisitions 2008

During 2008 there were no acquisitions.

Disposals 2008

Transfer of businesses

As part of the separation process of the bank, entities and businesses, as well as portfolios, have been sold and transferred to the Consortium Members and other parties.

Sale of Asset Management

The sale of the shares in ABN AMRO Asset Management NV to Fortis Bank was completed in April 2008. The sale price was EUR 3,699 million, resulting in a gain on sale of EUR 3,073 million.

Sale of Banca Antonveneta

The sale of Banca Antonveneta to Banca Monte dei Paschi di Siena was completed in May 2008. The sale price was EUR 9,894 million, resulting in a gain on sale of EUR 2,357 million.

Transfer of remaining businesses to Santander

In July 2008 Banco ABN AMRO Real S.A. (**Banco Real**), Interbanca SpA and other entities acquired by Santander were sold to Santander for EUR 15,431 million resulting in a gain on sale of EUR 10,647 million.

Acquisitions 2007

Taitung Business Bank Taiwan

In September 2007 ABN AMRO acquired 100% of the shares of Taitung Business Bank Taiwan. The total consideration received amounted to EUR 147 million, resulting in goodwill recognised of EUR 160 million (see note 21).

Prime Bank Ltd (Pakistan)

In April 2007 ABN AMRO completed the acquisition resulting in a 96.2% stake in Prime Bank. The total consideration paid amounted to EUR 176 million with goodwill of EUR 139 million recognised on acquisition.

Disposals 2007

ABN AMRO North America Holding Company

In October 2007 the Group completed the sale of ABN AMRO North America Holding Company (**LaSalle Bank**) which principally consisted of the retail and commercial banking activities of LaSalle Bank Corporation to Bank of America. ABN AMRO's North American Asset Management businesses and certain businesses within ABN AMRO's North American Global Markets and Global Clients operations did not form part of the sale. The sale price was USD 21 billion and resulted in a gain of EUR 7,163 million after tax.

ABN AMRO Capital Holdings B.V.

During the second quarter of 2007, ABN AMRO sold a majority of the shares of AAC Capital Holdings B.V., the management company of certain private equity investments held by the Group, to the executives of the management company. Also as part of the sale, the Bank transferred all power to govern the financial and operating policies of the management company and all investment decisions related to a significant portion of the Group's private equity investments (the Netherlands, Nordic and UK business of ABN AMRO Capital) resulting in the loss of control over these investments to a management company outside of ABN AMRO. The ownership of the underlying investments and therefore the economic interest in the investments has not changed. The loss of control over the management company resulted in the concerned investments to no longer be consolidated in the financial statements of the Group. As of the date of the transaction the investments are recognised and carried at fair value with changes through income. This transaction has resulted in a gain of EUR 108 million reported in results from financial transactions.

ABN AMRO Mellon Global Securities Services

In July 2007, ABN AMRO entered into a sale and purchase agreement with Mellon Bank N.A., Pittsburgh, USA to sell its 50% share in the joint venture ABN AMRO Mellon Global Securities B.V. (ABN AMRO Mellon). In December 2007 the sale was completed. The sale price amounted to EUR 387 million and resulted in a net gain of EUR 139 million.

Private Banking operations in Miami and Montevideo

In April 2007, BU Private Clients disposed of its operations in Miami and Montevideo to Banco Itau. The profit recognised on the sale included in other operating income, amounted to EUR 72 million after tax.

ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc.

In February 2007 ABN AMRO closed the sale of ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., its US-based residential mortgage broker origination platform and servicing business, which includes ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, InterFirst and Mortgage.com, to Citigroup. Citigroup purchased approximately EUR 7.8 billion of net assets. The profit of the sale amounted to EUR 93 million after tax.

Interbank (NL) and DMC Groep

In November 2007 the Group closed the sale of Interbank N.V. and DMC Groep N.V. to SOFINCO for an amount of EUR 98 million. The gain on the sale amounted to EUR 56 million after tax.

Acquisitions 2006

Banca Antonveneta

In January 2006 the Group acquired a controlling interest in Banca Antonveneta. During 2005 the Group had already increased its interest in Banca Antonveneta from 12.7% to 29.9%. During 2006 the Group acquired 100% of the outstanding share capital of Banca Antonveneta.

Asset Management

In February 2006, BU Asset Management acquired International Asset Management Ltd. The integration of this acquisition was completed in May 2006. In June 2006, BU Asset Management increased its share in its Beijing joint venture to 49%.

Banco Real

In September 2006, the Group exercised its right to call Banca Intesa's remaining 3.86% holding in Banco Real. The total consideration for the acquisition of the shares amounted to EUR 233 million. After the exercise of the rights ABN AMRO owned 97.5% of the shares in Banco Real.

Disposals 2006

Kereskedelmi és Hitelbank Rt

In May 2006, ABN AMRO completed the sale of its 40% participation in Kereskedelmi és Hitelbank Rt of Hungary, as announced in December 2005.

Global Futures business

In September 2006 ABN AMRO sold the Global Futures business for an amount of EUR 305 million.

Bouwfonds non-mortgage

In December 2006 the Group disposed of the property development and management activities of its Bouwfonds subsidiary. The gain on the sale of Bouwfonds amounted to EUR 338 million.

3. Net interest income

	2008	2007	2006
<i>Interest income from:</i>			
Cash and balances at central banks	311	282	220
Financial investments available-for-sale	3,929	3,835	3,354
Financial investments held-to-maturity	105	121	188
Loans and receivables-banks	1,216	1,422	1,211
Loans and receivables-customers	16,519	17,074	14,367
Subtotal	22,080	22,734	19,340
<i>Interest expense from:</i>			
Due to banks	4,270	4,656	3,601
Due to customers	7,508	9,114	7,217
Issued debt securities	5,156	6,521	5,946
Subordinated liabilities	703	759	846
Internal funding of the trading business	(1,340)	(2,911)	(2,493)
Subtotal	16,297	18,139	15,117
Total	5,783	4,595	4,223

The interest income accrued on impaired financial assets is EUR 30 million (2007: EUR 50 million).

4. Net fee and commission income

	2008	2007	2006
<i>Fee and commission income</i>			
Securities brokerage fees	876	1,399	1,671
Payment and transaction services fees	836	764	689
Asset management and trust fees	359	495	426
Fees generated on financing arrangements	130	278	163
Advisory fees	321	578	464
Other fees and commissions	546	667	634
Subtotal	3,068	4,181	4,047
<i>Fee and commission expense</i>			
Securities brokerage expense	103	83	321
Other fee and commission expense	336	246	85
Subtotal	439	329	406
Total	2,629	3,852	3,641

5. Net trading income

	2008	2007	2006
Interest instruments and credit trading	(9,276)	(1,531)	740
Foreign exchange trading	915	1,152	859
Equity and commodity trading	(1,017)	1,438	1,042
Other	54	60	(14)
Total	(9,324)	1,119	2,627

ABN AMRO recorded a gain of EUR 75 million (2007: EUR 98 million) in net trading income from changes in fair value of derivatives and other liabilities in the trading book attributable to changes in ABN AMRO's own credit risk.

6. Results from financial transactions

	2008	2007	2006
Net result on the sale of available-for-sale debt securities	(1,453)	157	437
Net result on the sale of loans and advances	(428)	(23)	-
Impairment of available-for-sale debt securities	(333)	-	-
Net result on available-for-sale equity investments	(67)	35	69
Fair value changes in own credit risk	490	251	-
Dividends on available-for-sale equity investments	54	9	26
Net result on other equity investments	(1,185)	669	435
Fair value changes of credit default swaps	1,330	116	(280)
Other	(92)	(80)	80
Total	(1,684)	1,134	767

The net result on the sale of available-for-sale debt securities includes a loss on portfolios held by a securities arbitrage conduit transferred to RBS of EUR 1.0 billion.

Results from financial transactions decreased, mainly due to lower results from the Private Equity portfolio (EUR 0.8 billion) and lower results from our shareholding in Unicredit (EUR 0.8 billion) that were driven by stock price developments prior to its disposal in 2008.

The net result on the sale of loans and advances represents the loss incurred on the sale of the Group's structured real estate loan portfolio to RBS. The net loss on financial assets and liabilities designated at fair value amounts to EUR 1.3 billion (2007: net profit EUR 0.4 billion).

7. Other operating income

	2008	2007	2006
Insurance activities	45	36	45
Leasing activities	78	82	61
Disposal of operating activities and equity accounted investments	(6)	894	453
Other	189	227	314
Total	306	1,239	873

The results from the disposal of operating activities and equity accounted investments for 2007 includes a gain on the sale of the Capitalia shares, of EUR 624 million, which were settled in Unicredit shares and the gain on sale of ABN AMRO Mellon of EUR 139 million, Interbank/DMC of EUR 56 million, the private clients operations in Miami and Montevideo of EUR 77 million.

Income from insurance activities can be analysed as follows:

	2008	2007	2006
Premium income	618	799	1,026
Investment income	(74)	161	217
Provision for insured risk	(499)	(924)	(1,198)
Total	45	36	45

8. Personnel expenses

	2008	2007	2006
Salaries (including bonuses and allowances)	3,486	4,676	4,278
Social security expenses	353	447	388
Pension and post-retirement healthcare costs	294	330	312
Share-based payment expenses	(16)	296	71
Temporary staff costs	248	260	282
Termination and restructuring related costs	469	65	171
Other employee costs	402	289	98
Total	5,236	6,363	5,600

Average number of employees (fte):

Banking activities Netherlands	24,044	26,041	25,762
Banking activities foreign countries	33,934	31,949	27,273
Consolidated private equity holdings	11,769	19,621	29,945
Total	69,747	77,611	82,980

9. General and administrative expenses

	2008	2007	2006
Professional fees	1,025	1,113	976
Information, communication and technology expenses	1,071	1,240	1,336
Property costs	507	491	475
Expenses of consolidated private equity holdings	136	332	466
Other general and administrative expenses	1,331	1,645	1,341
Total	4,070	4,821	4,594

10. Depreciation and amortisation

	2008	2007	2006
Property depreciation	111	117	128
Equipment depreciation	274	339	385
Software amortisation	307	328	289
Amortisation of other intangible assets (note 21)	11	23	4
Impairment losses on goodwill ⁽¹⁾	163	11	1
Impairment losses on property and equipment (note 20)	22	35	17
Impairment losses on software (note 21)	157	4	–
Total	1,045	857	824

(1) Includes EUR 72 million impairment losses on Private Equity goodwill and EUR 91 million impairment losses on other consolidated companies (see Note 21).

11. Tax

Recognised in the income statement

	2008	2007	2006
<i>Current tax expense</i>			
Current year	684	1,306	1,453
Under/(over) provided in prior years	28	97	(96)
Subtotal	712	1,403	1,357
<i>Deferred tax (benefit)/expense</i>			
Origination and reversal of timing differences	(3,024)	(930)	(331)
Reduction in tax rate	46	55	3
Subtotal	(2,978)	(875)	(328)
Total	(2,266)	528	1,029
Continuing operations	(2,580)	(458)	213
Discontinued operations	314	930	827
Taxation on disposal	-	56	(11)
Total	(2,266)	528	1,029

Reconciliation of the total tax charge

Total tax charge continuing operations

The effective tax rate on the Group's result before tax differs from the theoretical amount that would arise using the statutory tax rate of the Netherlands. This difference can be explained as follows:

	2008	2007	2006
Dutch tax rate	25.5%	25.5%	29.6%
Current tax charge/(credit) at current rate on ordinary activities	(3,946)	126	669
Tax exempt income relating to private equity	52	(90)	10
Tax exempt profit on sales	(2)	(30)	(46)
Other tax exempt income	(93)	(179)	(72)
Total tax exempt income effect	(43)	(299)	(108)
Tax related to adjustments to prior years' tax calculations	28	97	(96)
Effect of deferred tax assets not recognised	1,403	47	10
Effect of changes in tax legislation	9	26	(97)
Effect of changes in tax rates	46	55	3
Amount of benefit from a previously unrecognised tax loss, tax credit or temporary difference of a prior period used to reduce current tax expense	(32)	(65)	–
Amount of benefit from a previously unrecognised tax loss, tax credit or temporary difference of a prior period used to reduce deferred tax expense	(1)	(93)	(1)
Other movements	(44)	(352)	(167)
Total	(2,580)	(458)	213

The effect of deferred tax assets not recognised mainly relates to unrecognised tax losses available for carry-forward (refer to note 28).

Total tax charge discontinued operations

	2008	2007	2006
Dutch tax rate %	25.5	25.5	29.6
Current tax charge at current rate on ordinary activities	4,284	2,574	1,053
Total tax exempt income effect	(4,099)	(1,865)	(97)
Other movements	129	221	(129)
Total	314	930	827

Recognised directly in equity

(Benefits)/charges	2008	2007	2006
Relating to currency translation	8	(81)	114
Relating to cash flow hedges	(284)	(158)	(223)
Relating to available-for-sale assets	(358)	389	190
Total	(634)	150	81

12. Fees to independent auditors

Following is a summary of the fees to our independent auditors for the years ended 31 December 2008, 2007 and 2006.

	2008	2007	2006
Audit fees	30.0	45.2	44.8
Audit-related fees	1.2	13.2	6.0
Tax fees	0.6	2.5	3.7
All other fees	0.7	0.6	0.3
Total fees	32.5	61.5	54.8

ABN AMRO Holding N.V. changed auditors in 2008. The audit fee for 2007 included costs relating to the audit of activities which were discontinued in 2008. Deloitte Accountants B.V. provided audit services to the amount of EUR 14.9 million. The remaining amounts relate to services provided by other Deloitte Member Firms.

Audit related fees consist mainly of accounting consultation and audits in connection with acquisitions and disposals of businesses, review of internal controls and advice on accounting control policies and procedures, attestation services not required by statute or regulation and consultation concerning financial accounting and reporting standards. Tax fees consist of tax compliance, tax advice and tax planning services and assistance and advice related to tax audits and appeals. Other fees are related to risk management and corporate finance advisory services, and other non-prescribed services.

13. Cash and balances at central banks

This item includes cash on hand and deposits with central banks in countries in which the bank has a presence.

	2008	2007
Cash on hand	670	1,470
Balances at central bank	5,184	15,280
Total	5,854	16,750

The deposits with the central banks that represent the mandatory reserve deposits and are therefore not available for use in the Bank's day-to-day operations amount to EUR 3,414 million (2007: EUR 10,560 million).

14. Financial assets and liabilities held for trading

	2008	2007
<i>Financial assets held for trading</i>		
Dutch State	203	1,434
US treasury and US government agencies	29	2,383
Other OECD governments	2,392	20,214
Non-OECD governments	1,598	4,196
Mortgage and other asset backed securities	9,170	16,191
Financial institutions	3,966	13,428
Non financial institutions	2,382	11,823
Other securities	1,587	3,196
Subtotal: Interest earning financial assets	21,327	72,865
Equity instruments	12,430	45,947
Derivative financial instruments	178,896	123,465

	2008	2007
Total assets held for trading	212,653	242,277
<i>Financial liabilities held for trading</i>		
Short positions in financial assets	5,413	35,988
Derivative financial instruments	186,674	119,488
Total liabilities held for trading	192,087	155,476

The Group has executed master netting agreements with the majority of its derivative counterparties resulting in a significant reduction in its net exposure to derivative assets.

The total asset backed securities held for trading comprises prime RMBS (EUR 4.1 billion) and CDO and CLO (EUR 4.2 billion) positions. The net exposure of the CDO and CLO positions are significantly lower (EUR 0.8 billion) than the carrying amounts presented as these assets are hedged by credit default swaps purchased from monolines insurers and other counterparties. The fair value of the credit default swaps are included in the derivatives held for trading.

The net exposure to monolines included in derivative financial instruments amounts to EUR 2.2 billion (2007: EUR 1.1 billion). The exposure increased as the value of the underlying positions against which protection has been purchased has continued to deteriorate which lead to an increase of the CDS gross fair value.

EUR 509 million of convertible bonds were reclassified from the trading portfolio to available-for-sale due to market illiquidity. Since reclassification losses of EUR 38 million have been recorded in the available-for-sale reserve.

The increase in derivative balances is partly explained by transactions with RBS. For further information refer to note 46.

Trading portfolio derivative financial instruments

		2008			2007		
		Notional amounts	Fair values		Notional amounts	Fair values	
			Assets	Liabilities		Assets	Liabilities
<i>Interest rate derivatives</i>							
OTC	Swaps	2,643,789	70,922	68,508	6,143,903	61,053	59,725
	Forwards	643,275	930	1,208	315,236	94	108
	Options (purchased)	165,738	12,890	-	288,756	4,922	-
	Options (sold)	146,059	-	18,365	313,688	-	5,906
Exchange	Futures	9,292	321	199	208,083	54	51
	Options (purchased)	-	-	-	398	-	-
	Options (sold)	-	-	-	337	-	-
Subtotal		3,608,153	85,063	88,280	7,270,401	66,123	65,790
<i>Currency derivatives</i>							
OTC	Swaps	439,902	20,122	17,986	680,512	18,325	16,271
	Forwards	442,946	14,567	17,123	731,609	9,341	8,652
	Options (purchased)	61,709	8,360	-	61,117	2,773	-
	Options (sold)	72,733	-	8,951	73,134	-	3,648
Exchange	Futures	-	-	-	6,512	233	29
	Options (sold/purchased)	317	55	48	2,131	15	8
Subtotal		1,017,607	43,104	44,108	1,555,015	30,687	28,608

		2008			2007		
		Notional amounts	Fair values		Notional amounts	Fair values	
			Assets	Liabilities		Assets	Liabilities
<i>Credit derivatives</i>							
OTC	Swaps	509,322	41,246	42,585	1,604,766	17,216	15,542
<i>Other</i>							
OTC	Equity, commodity and other	16,172	2,889	2,094	115,340	1,862	1,530
	Equity options (purchased)	21,359	5,702	-	30,958	5,568	-
	Equity options (sold)	21,237	-	7,774	27,699	-	989
Exchange	Equity, commodity and other	14,509	537	1,379	14,617	151	48
	Equity options (purchased)	25,638	355	-	19,670	1,858	2,982
	Equity options (sold)	26,538	-	454	26,407	-	3,999
	Subtotal	125,453	9,483	11,701	234,691	9,439	9,548
Total		5,260,535	178,896	186,674	10,664,873	123,465	119,488

15. Financial investments

	2008	2007
<i>Interest-earning securities: available-for-sale</i>		
Dutch State	3,866	1,844
US Treasury and US Government	5,204	2,202
Other OECD governments	23,552	31,505
Non-OECD governments	4,152	8,316
Mortgage and other asset backed securities	22,572	30,528
Financial institutions	3,942	12,539
Non financial institutions	2,058	1,073
Other interest-earning securities	218	2,442
Subtotal	65,564	90,449
<i>Interest-earning securities: held-to-maturity</i>		
Dutch State	-	1,275
Other OECD governments	-	1,128
Other interest-earning securities	-	231
Subtotal	-	2,634
Total	65,564	93,083
<i>Equity instruments</i>		
Available-for-sale	837	1,013
Designated at fair value through income	660	2,339
Subtotal	1,497	3,352
Total	67,061	96,435

The total book value of financial investments has decreased in part as a result of a transfer of assets in a securities arbitrage conduit to RBS (EUR 6.7 billion), due to the sale of Banco Real and other businesses to Santander (EUR 6 billion).

The mortgage and asset backed securities of EUR 22.5 billion consists of EUR 10.9 billion European mortgage covered bonds and EUR 8 billion RMBS of mortgages guaranteed by the Dutch State. Furthermore EUR 3 billion European covered bonds are included in this position. At 31 December 2008

these were primarily AAA rated. The majority of the positions are held as part of the asset and liability management activities of the bank.

16. Loans and receivables – banks

This item is comprised of amounts due from or deposited with banking institutions.

	2008	2007
Current accounts	4,254	9,295
Time deposits placed	11,012	9,286
Professional securities transactions	39,453	150,338
Loans	20,893	6,779
Subtotal	75,612	175,698
Allowances for impairment (see note 18)	(46)	(2)
Total	75,566	175,696

17. Loans and receivables – customers

This item is comprised of amounts receivable from non-bank customers.

	2008	2007
Public sector	8,786	5,739
Commercial	138,484	144,613
Consumer	109,298	123,253
Professional securities transactions	13,193	98,270
Multi-seller conduits	5,264	29,457
Subtotal	275,025	401,332
Allowances for impairment (see note 18)	(4,518)	(3,001)
Total	270,507	398,331

During 2008 the majority of ABN AMRO's multi-seller conduits and the related issuance and sponsorship role have been transferred to RBS.

The decrease in the consumer loans and receivables includes the impact from the sale of Banco Real and other businesses to Santander of EUR 28.3 billion.

18. Loan impairment charges and allowances

Loan provisioning-commercial loans

The Group reviews the status of credit facilities issued to commercial clients every 6 or 12 months, depending on the rating of the facility. Additionally, credit officers continually monitor the quality of the credit, the client and the adherence to contractual conditions. Should the quality of a loan or the borrower's financial position deteriorate to the extent that doubts arise over the borrower's ability to meet its contractual obligations, management of the relationship is transferred to the Financial Restructuring and Recovery function.

After making an assessment, Financial Restructuring and Recovery determines the amount, if any, of the specific allowances that should be made, after taking into account the value of collateral. Specific allowances are partly or fully released when the debt is repaid or expected future cash flows improve due to positive changes in economic or financial circumstances.

Loan provisioning-consumer loan products

The bank offers a wide range of consumer loan products and programs such as personal loans, home mortgages, credit cards and home improvement loans. Provisioning for these products is carried out on a portfolio basis with a provision for each product being determined by the portfolio's size and loss experience.

Our consumer loan portfolio policy states that, in general, when interest or principal on a consumer loan is 90 days past due (180 days past due, if mortgages), such loans are classified as non-performing and as a result the loans are considered impaired.

Allowances against a given portfolio may be released where there is improvement in the quality of the portfolio. For consumer loans, our write-off rules are determined on days past due and vary by type of product and legal jurisdiction.

Allowance for incurred but not identified losses

In addition to impairment allowances calculated on a specific or portfolio basis, the Group also maintains an allowance to cover undetected impairments existing within loans due to delays in obtaining information that would indicate that losses exist at the balance sheet date. This process includes an estimate by management to reflect current market conditions.

Allowances

	Banks	Commercial	Consumer	Total
2008				
Balance at 1 January	2	1,774	1,227	3,003
Reclassification related to businesses held for sale/discontinued operations	-	(351)	(711)	(1,062)
Subtotal	2	1,423	516	1,941
New impairment allowances	46	2,951	584	3,581
Reversal of impairment allowances no longer required	-	(141)	(10)	(151)
Recoveries of amounts previously written off	-	(32)	(11)	(43)
Total loan impairment and other credit risk provisions	46	2,778	563	3,387
Amount recorded in interest income from unwinding of discounting	-	(24)	-	(24)
Currency translation differences	-	4	9	13
Amounts written off (net)	(2)	(605)	(207)	(814)
Effect of (de)consolidating entities	-	12	(19)	(7)
Disposals of businesses	-	-	-	-
Reserve for unearned interest accrued on impaired loans	-	66	1	67
Balance at 31 December	46	3,654	863	4,563

The new impairment allowances of EUR 2,951 million include EUR 1,154 million in relation to the company exposure to LyondellBasell Industries.

	Banks	Commercial	Consumer	Total
2007				
Balance at 1 January	5	2,344	1,302	3,651
Reclassification related to businesses held for sale/discontinued operations	-	(547)	(172)	(719)
Subtotal	5	1,797	1,130	2,932
New impairment allowances	-	520	766	1,286
Reversal of impairment allowances no longer required	-	(186)	(39)	(225)

	Banks	Commercial	Consumer	Total
Recoveries of amounts previously written off	–	(331)	(13)	(344)
Total loan impairment and other credit risk provisions	–	3	714	717
Amount recorded in interest income from unwinding of discounting	–	(11)	–	(11)
Currency translation differences	–	(16)	30	14
Amounts written off (net)	(3)	(144)	(1,456)	(1,603)
Disposals of businesses	–	80	827	907
Reserve for unearned interest accrued on impaired loans	–	65	(18)	47
Balance at 31 December	2	1,774	1,227	3,003

The reconciliation of the allowance for impairment losses for loans and receivables:

Impairment

	Banks	Commercial	Consumer				Total
			Mortgages	Personal loans	Credit cards	Other consumer	
2008							
Individual impairment	46	3,026	3	22	27	39	3,163
Collective impairment	-	628	105	132	27	508	1,400
Balance at 31 December	46	3,654	108	154	54	547	4,563

Carrying amount of loans, individually determined to be impaired, before deducting any individually assessed impairment allowance

	Banks	Commercial	Consumer				Total
			Mortgages	Personal loans	Credit cards	Other consumer	
2007							
Individual impairment	2	1,188	32	6	4	40	1,272
Collective impairment	-	586	68	772	54	251	1,731
Balance at 31 December	2	1,774	100	778	58	291	3,003

Carrying amount of loans, individually determined to be impaired, before deducting any individually assessed impairment allowance

19. Equity accounted investments

	2008	2007
Banking institutions	658	604
Other investments	138	267
Total	796	871
Balance at 1 January	871	1,527
Reclassification related to businesses held for sale/discontinued operations	(51)	(40)
Subtotal	820	1,487
<i>Movements:</i>		
Purchases	3	190
Sales/reclassifications	(19)	(929)
Share of results in equity accounted investments	106	227
Share of results in discontinued operations	-	4
Dividends received from equity accounted investments	(33)	(81)
Currency translation differences	1	(37)
Other	(82)	(36)
Balance at 31 December	796	871

Other includes net gains/losses not recognised in the income statement recorded by the equity accounted investees.

The principal equity accounted investments of the Group on an aggregated basis (not adjusted for the Group's proportionate interest) have the following balance sheet and income statement totals:

	2008	2007
Total assets	19,035	17,410
Total liabilities	15,761	13,758
Operating income	1,039	2,564
Operating results after tax	338	563

Saudi Hollandi Bank is a quoted entity and the fair value of the Group's holding (40%) based on the share price as at the year end amounts to EUR 808 million.

The majority of the Group's equity accounted investments are regulated entities and therefore their ability to transfer funds to the Group is subject to regulatory approvals.

20. Property and equipment

The book value of property and equipment in 2008 and 2007 changed as follows:

	Property		Equipment	Total
	Used in operations	Other		
Balance at 1 January 2008	1,802	68	877	2,747
Reclassification related to businesses held for sale/discontinued operations	(304)	(40)	(168)	(512)
	1,498	28	709	2,235
<i>Movements:</i>				
Acquired in business combinations	4	-	36	40
Divestment of businesses	(6)	-	-	(6)
Additions	74	6	252	332

	Property		Equipment	Total
	Used in operations	Other		
Disposals	(13)	(22)	(74)	(109)
Impairment losses	(21)	-	(1)	(22)
Depreciation	(109)	(2)	(274)	(385)
Currency translation differences	(16)	-	(16)	(32)
Other	(34)	7	9	(18)
Balance at 31 December 2008	1,377	17	641	2,035

Representing:

Cost	2,457	28	2,146	4,631
Cumulative impairment	(31)	-	(4)	(35)
Cumulative depreciation	(1,049)	(11)	(1,501)	(2,561)

	Property		Equipment	Total
	Used in operations	Other		
Balance at 1 January 2007	4,263	247	1,760	6,270
Reclassification related to businesses held for sale/discontinued operations	(2,421)	(195)	(862)	(3,478)
	1,842	52	898	2,792
<i>Movements:</i>				
Acquired in business combinations	25	4	7	36
Additions	162	71	458	691
Disposals	(87)	(52)	(43)	(182)
Impairment losses	-	-	(35)	(35)
Impairment losses discontinued operations	(2)	-	-	(2)
Depreciation	(114)	(3)	(339)	(456)
Depreciation discontinued operations	(40)	-	(48)	(88)
Currency translation differences	14	3	-	17
Other	2	(7)	(21)	(26)
Balance at 31 December 2007	1,802	68	877	2,747

Representing:

Cost	3,007	83	2,520	5,610
Cumulative impairment	(20)	(12)	(3)	(35)
Cumulative depreciation	(1,185)	(3)	(1,640)	(2,828)

As lessor

The Group leases out various assets, included in 'Other', under operating leases. Non-cancellable operating lease rentals are as follows:

	2008	2007
Less than one year	23	48
Between one and five years	181	175
More than five years	87	95
Total	291	318

During the year ended 31 December 2008, EUR 77 million (2007: EUR 80 million) was recognised as rental income in the income statement and EUR 61 million (2007: EUR 63 million) in respect of directly related expenses.

21. Goodwill and other intangible assets

	2008	2007
Goodwill	301	474
Software	583	904
Other intangibles	40	46
Total	924	1,424

The book value of goodwill and other intangibles changed as follows:

	Goodwill	Software	Other intangibles	Total
Balance at 1 January 2008	474	904	46	1,424
Reclassification related to businesses held for sale/discontinued operations	(69)	(79)	-	(148)
	405	825	46	1,276
<i>Movements:</i>				
Acquired in business combinations	6	-	5	11
Divestment of businesses	-	(11)	-	(11)
Additions	1	250	5	256
Disposals	-	(3)	(2)	(5)
Impairment losses	(91)	(157)	-	(248)
Amortisation	-	(307)	(11)	(318)
Currency translation differences	(20)	(25)	(3)	(48)
Other	-	11	-	11
Balance at 31 December 2008	301	583	40	924

Representing:

Cost	392	2,125	48	2,565
Cumulative impairment	(91)	(200)	-	(291)
Cumulative amortisation	-	(1,342)	(8)	(1,350)

	Goodwill	Software	Other intangibles	Total
Balance at 1 January 2007	7,150	959	1,298	9,407
Reclassification related to businesses held for sale/discontinued operations	(7,030)	(156)	(1,262)	(8,448)
	120	803	36	959
<i>Movements:</i>				
Acquired in business combinations	361	3	33	397
Additions	-	481	-	481
Impairment losses	(11)	(4)	-	(15)
Impairment losses discontinued operations	-	(10)	-	(10)
Amortisation	-	(328)	(23)	(351)
Amortisation discontinued operations	-	(30)	-	(30)
Currency translation differences	(7)	(5)	(1)	(13)
Other	11	(6)	1	6
Balance at 31 December 2007	474	904	46	1,424

	Goodwill	Software	Other intangibles	Total
<i>Representing:</i>				
Cost	476	2,055	50	2,581
Cumulative impairment	(2)	(3)	–	(5)
Cumulative amortisation	–	(1,148)	(4)	(1,152)

Impairment testing

Goodwill has been allocated for impairment testing purposes to individual cash generating units. At 31 December 2008 goodwill is allocated across multiple cash generating units whose recoverable amounts are assessed independently of one another. The recoverable amount has been determined based on a value in use basis, calculated using a discounted cash flow model. Factors such as existing business plans and targeted synergies are included in this approach.

Cash generating units with significant goodwill balances were as follows:

Segment	Entity	Basis of recoverable amount	Discount rate	Long term growth rate	Impairment loss	Goodwill	
						2008	2007
Asia	Prime Bank	Value in use	21.90%	4%	82	34	139
Asia	Taitung Business Bank Taiwan	Value in use	9.40%	3%	-	162	160
Private Clients	Delbrueck Bethmann Maffei AG	Fair value less costs to sell	n/a	n/a	-	63	63

Key assumptions impacting the recoverable amount based on the value in use methodology are the growth rates, efficiency rates and capital ratios. The values assigned to each key assumption reflect past experience that was modified based on management's expectation for the future and are consistent with external sources of information.

Management has projected relevant cash flows over a five year period. Beyond this time frame a terminal value has been extrapolated based on the terminal growth and discount rates as indicated in the table above.

Fair value less costs to sell was based upon market conform multiples for different classes of assets under current management at Delbrueck Bethmann Maffei AG. The recoverable amount of this cash generating unit exceeds its carrying value by EUR 17 million. Securities are the largest class of assets under management at the cash generating unit and the respective expected multiple for these assets would need to fall by 0.5 percentage point to cause the recoverable amount fall below the carrying value.

The main events that led to the recognition of the impairment losses were driven by lower forecasted growth rates, higher equity market risk premiums and elevated risk free rates in Pakistan, the country of operations of Prime Bank.

Impairment of software was caused mainly by the migration of various platforms to the RBS environment due to restructuring activities, as well as changes in the planned software roll-out schedule.

22. Other assets

	2008	2007
Non-trading derivative assets	6,222	2,464
Unit-linked investments held for policy holder accounts	3,898	4,609
Pension assets	71	15
Sundry assets and other receivables	7,536	5,681
Total	17,727	12,769

Unit-linked investments held for policy holders are designated at fair value through the profit and loss. Sundry assets and other receivables include increased deposits placed with clearing houses and exchanges.

23. Due to banks

This item is comprised of amounts due to banking institutions, including central banks and multilateral development banks.

	2008	2007
Professional securities transactions	26,650	123,537
Current accounts	24,909	19,058
Time deposits	42,423	94,075
Other	638	2,664
Total	94,620	239,334

24. Due to customers

This item is comprised of amounts due to non-banking customers.

	2008	2007
Consumer current accounts	17,706	20,343
Commercial current accounts	60,531	62,284
Consumer savings accounts	64,429	75,311
Commercial deposit accounts	58,248	93,384
Professional securities transactions	6,053	74,556
Other	2,037	4,474
Total	209,004	330,352

25. Issued debt securities

	2008		2007	
	Effective rate %		Effective rate %	
Bonds and notes issued	5.1	75,198	4.3	102,708
Certificates of deposit and commercial paper	3.7	30,020	5.6	43,396
Cash notes, savings certificates and bank certificates	4.6	1,222	5.0	1,533
Subtotal		106,440		147,637
Commercial paper issued by multi-seller conduits	4.3	4,856	5.5	27,358
Total		111,296		174,995

Bonds and notes are issued in the capital markets with a focus on the euro market and are denominated mostly in euros and US dollars. The commercial paper programs are issued globally with the majority issued in the United States and Europe.

Issued debt securities in (currency):

	2008	2007
EUR	64,857	81,147
USD	35,955	70,715
Other	10,484	23,133
Total	111,296	174,995

The balance above includes various structured liabilities that have been designated at fair value through income of EUR 36,856 million (2007: EUR 44,668 million).

Financial liabilities designated at fair value through income

	Structured notes	
	2008	2007
Cumulative change in fair value of the structured notes attributable to changes in credit risk	715	261
Change during the year in fair value of the structured notes attributable to changes in credit risk	352	251
Difference between the contractual amount at maturity and the carrying amount	502	561

26. Provisions

	2008	2007
Insurance fund liabilities	2,461	3,652
Provisions for contributions to post-retirement healthcare	10	74
Provision for pension commitments 27	167	321
Other staff provision	374	109
Restructuring provision	186	124
Other provisions	946	2,264
Total	4,144	6,544

The other staff provisions relate in particular to occupational disability and other benefits, except early retirement benefits payable to non-active employees which are included in Provision for pension commitments. Other provisions include provision for claims and litigation. Insurance fund liabilities include the actuarial reserves, the premium and claims reserves of the Group's insurance companies.

Insurance fund liabilities

Movements in insurance fund liabilities are as follows:

	2008	2007
Balance at 1 January	3,652	4,080
Premium carried from income statement	372	408
Claims paid	(295)	(203)
Interest	79	86
Acquisitions/disposals	(1,091)	(761)
Changes in estimates and other movements	(239)	(19)
Currency translation differences	(17)	61
Balance at 31 December	2,461	3,652

The assumptions that have the greatest effect in calculating actuarial reserves are future mortality, morbidity, persistency and levels of expenses. Mortality estimates are based on standard industry and national mortality tables, adjusted where appropriate to reflect the Group's own experience. Other key metrics include interest (2008: 3.77%, 2007: 4.06%) unit growth (2008: 3.70%, 2007: 5.38%) and expense inflation (2008: 2.00%, 2007: 3.00%). Changes in assumptions during the year were not significant to the profit recognised. The amount and timing of claims payment is typically resolved within one year.

There are no options and guarantees relating to life insurance contracts that could in aggregate have material effect on the amount, timing and uncertainty of the Group's future cash flows. Life insurance liabilities of EUR 2,461 million include EUR 4 million related to unit linked insurance contracts.

The Group is exposed to insurance risk, either directly through its businesses or through using insurance to reduce other risk exposures. Insurance risk is the risk of fluctuations in the timing, frequency or severity of insured events, relative to the expectations of the Group at the time of underwriting. The Group uses base tables of standard mortality appropriate to the type of contract being written and the territory in which the insured person resides.

Had changes in the relevant risk variable that were reasonably possible at the balance sheet date occurred, there would have been no material impact on Group's profit or loss and equity.

Movements in provisions are as follows:

	Other staff provisions	Restructuring	Other Provisions
Balance at 1 January 2008	109	124	2,264
Reclassification related to businesses held for sale/discontinued operations	6	-	(1,547)
	115	124	717
<i>Movements:</i>			
Additions	458	179	381
Utilised	(131)	(82)	(153)
Acquisitions/disposals	5	(4)	(21)
Currency translation differences	1	(2)	(4)
Released	(112)	(29)	(143)
Other	38	-	169
Balance at 31 December 2008	374	186	946
Balance at 1 January 2007	672	415	1,923
Reclassification related to businesses held for sale/discontinued operations	(425)	(60)	(243)
	247	355	1,680
<i>Movements:</i>			
Additions	34	33	1,321
Utilised	(73)	(139)	(886)
Acquisitions/disposals	(25)	5	(87)
Currency translation differences	(1)	(5)	22
Released	(5)	(115)	(199)
Other	(68)	(10)	413
Balance at 31 December 2007	109	124	2,264

27. Pension and other post-retirement employee benefits

Members of the Group sponsor a number of pension schemes in the Netherlands and overseas. These schemes include both defined contribution and defined benefit plans. Most of the Group's defined benefit

plans provide pensions that are based on average or final salary with annual price evaluation of vested rights. In general, employees do not make contributions for basic pensions but may make voluntary contributions to secure additional benefits. The majority of the beneficiaries of the defined benefit plans are located in The Netherlands, United Kingdom and Switzerland. Plans in all countries comply with applicable local regulations concerning investments and funding levels.

Following the disposal of LaSalle in 2007 and Banco Real in 2008 the Group no longer has material post-retirement benefit obligations other than pensions.

Amounts recognised in the profit and loss

Pension costs and contributions for post-retirement healthcare borne by the Group are included in personnel expenses and are shown in the following table:

	2008	2007
Current service cost	226	279
Interest cost	540	534
Expected return on plan assets	(580)	(621)
Net amortisation of net actuarial (gains)/losses	(15)	(6)
Net amortisation of past service cost	7	–
(Gain)/loss on curtailment or settlements	6	(28)
Defined benefit plans	184	158
Defined contribution plans	94	181
Healthcare contributions	2	4
Total costs	280	343

Reconciliation to balance sheet

The Group makes contributions to 33 (2007: 43) defined benefit plans that provide pension benefits for employees upon retirement. The amounts recognised in the balance sheet are as follows:

	2008	2007
Present value of funded obligations	10,002	9,651
Present value of unfunded obligations	93	91
Fair value of plan assets	(9,489)	(9,969)
Present value of net obligations/(assets)	606	(227)
Unrecognised past service cost	(1)	(6)
Unrecognised actuarial (losses)/gains	(508)	542
Net liability for defined benefit obligations	97	309
Provision for pension commitments	167	322
Pension assets	(70)	(13)
Net recognised liability for defined benefit obligations	97	309

Explanation of the assets and liabilities

Movements in defined benefit obligations are as follows:

	2008	2007
Balance at 1 January	9,742	12,301
Reclassification related to businesses held for sale/discontinued operations	–	(1,232)
	9,742	11,069
Current service cost	226	280

Interest cost	540	535
Employee contributions	3	3
Actuarial (gains)/losses	74	(1,501)
Benefits paid	(351)	(343)
Acquisitions/(disposals)	(2)	-
Recognised settlement and curtailment	(1)	(34)
Currency translation differences	(179)	(181)
Other	43	(86)
Balance at 31 December	10,095	9,742

Movements in fair value of plan assets are as follows:

	2008	2007
Balance at 1 January	9,969	11,149
Reclassification related to businesses held for sale/discontinued operations	-	(1,266)
	9,969	9,883
Expected return on plan assets	579	620
Actuarial gains/(losses)	(909)	(288)
Employers contribution	370	394
Employee contributions/refunds	3	3
Benefits paid	(333)	(327)
Acquisitions/(disposals)	(2)	-
Recognised settlement and curtailment	-	1
Currency translation differences	(191)	(180)
Other	3	(137)
Balance at 31 December	9,489	9,969

Principal actuarial assumptions

The weighted averages of the main actuarial assumptions used to determine the value of the provisions for pension obligations and the pension costs as at 31 December were as follows:

	2008	2007
Discount rate	5.4%	5.5%
Inflation rate	2.0%	2.1%
Expected increment in salaries	2.6%	2.7%
Expected return on investments	4.8%	6.1%

The expected return on plan assets is weighted on the basis of the fair value of these investments. All other assumptions are weighted on the basis of the defined benefit plan obligations. In accordance with IAS 19 paragraph 78, the discount rate is determined based on the average annual yield for AA rated corporate bonds with a term of ten years or more.

For the pension plans, the expected return on the major classes of plan assets are as follows:

	2008			2007		
	Value in millions of euro	% of total fair value of scheme assets	Expected rate of return %	Value in millions of euro	% of total fair value of scheme assets	Expected rate of return %
Plan asset category						
Equity securities	1,210	12.8%	7.6%	4,774	47.9%	7.9%
Issued debt securities	7,609	80.2%	4.3%	4,918	49.3%	4.7%
Real estate	350	3.6%	6.3%	38	0.4%	6.0%

Other	320	3.4%	4.9%	239	2.4%	4.8%
Total	9,489			9,969		

For both 2008 and 2007, the schemes have not held investments in ordinary shares, debt issued, property occupied or other assets issued by the Group.

Forecast of pension benefits payments

2009	330
2010	321
2011	312
2012	318
2013	333
Years after 2013	1,866

The Group's expected contribution to be paid to defined pension schemes in 2009 amounts to EUR 423 million (2008: EUR 336 million).

Actuarial gains and losses

The actuarial gains and losses arising on plan liabilities and plan assets (pension plans only) are as follows:

	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Present value of obligations	(10,095)	(9,742)	(12,301)	(12,403)	(10,715)
Fair value of plan assets	9,489	9,969	11,149	10,212	8,754
Net surplus/(deficit) in the plans	(606)	227	(1,152)	(2,191)	(1,961)
Actuarial (losses)/gains					
- arising on benefit obligation	(74)	1,501	518	(925)	(962)
- arising on benefit obligation (in % of plan liabilities)	(0.7)	15.4	4.2	(7.5)	(9.0)
Actuarial (losses)/gains					
- arising on plan assets	(909)	(288)	150	399	63
- arising on plan assets (in % of plan assets)	(9.5)	(2.9)	1.3	3.9	0.7
Experience adjustments on plan liabilities	81	212	81	(925)	(962)
Experience adjustments on plan assets	(909)	(288)	150	399	63
Actual return on plan assets	(330)	332	782	984	629

Contingent liabilities

There are no contingent liabilities arising from post-employment obligations.

28. Recognised tax assets and liabilities

The components of tax balances are as follows:

	2008		2007	
	Assets	Liabilities	Assets	Liabilities
Current tax	583	450	1,479	969
Deferred tax	4,517	250	3,396	1,122
Total	5,100	700	4,875	2,091

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are attributable to the following items. In the table below movements related to continued operation are shown.

	Assets		Liabilities		Recognised in Tax expense		Recognised in equity (benefits)/charges	
	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007
Property and equipment	(212)	43	10	122	(38)	187	-	-
Intangible assets including goodwill	36	236	10	-	12	(23)	-	-
Derivatives	388	29	54	73	62	(8)	(284)	33
Investment securities	477	190	95	58	29	87	(358)	66
Employee benefits	21	316	2	104	(73)	5	-	-
Servicing rights	40	1	-	-	2	-	-	-
Allowances for loan losses	124	831	27	39	17	103	-	6
Leasing	4	2	5	212	89	(42)	-	(1)
Tax credits	23	18	-	-	23	3	-	-
Other	206	721	47	62	454	258	8	45
Tax value of carry-forward losses recognised	3,410	1,009	-	452	2,401	304	-	1
Total	4,517	3,396	250	1,122	2,978	874	(634)	150

Unrecognised deferred tax assets

Deferred tax assets that have not been recognised in respect of carry-forward losses amount to EUR 1,780 million (2007: EUR 695 million) where it is not probable that future taxable profits will be available to utilise these losses. The increase in the deferred tax assets not recognised in respect of carry-forward losses in 2008 relates to tax losses in the Netherlands and the United States.

Expiration of carry-forward losses

At 31 December 2008 carry-forward losses expire as follows:

2009	6
2010	4
2011	9
2012	22
2013	19
Years after 2013	2,320
No expiration	12,304
Total	14,684

Tax exposure to distributable reserves

At the balance sheet date, the aggregate amount of temporary differences associated with undistributed earnings of subsidiaries for which deferred tax liabilities have not been recognised is approximately EUR 3.5 billion (2007: EUR 0.6 billion). No liability has been recognised in respect of these differences because the Group is in a position to control the timing of the reversal of the temporary differences and it is probable that such differences will not reverse in the foreseeable future. In addition, if these earnings were to be distributed, no taxes would have to be paid. The estimated impact of foreign withholding tax is EUR 103 million (2007: EUR 6 million).

29. Other liabilities

	2008	2007
Non-trading derivative liabilities	7,144	1,971
Liability to unit-linked policyholders	3,898	4,609
Sundry liabilities and other payables	3,970	11,492

Total	15,012	18,072
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30. Subordinated liabilities

Issued liabilities qualify as subordinated debt if claims by the holders are subordinated to all other current and future liabilities of ABN AMRO Holding N.V, ABN AMRO Bank N.V. and other Group companies, respectively.

The following table analyses the subordinated liabilities by issuer:

	2008	2007
ABN AMRO Holding N.V. preference financing shares	-	768
ABN AMRO Bank N.V.	11,195	12,616
Other Group companies	2,354	2,232
Total	13,549	15,616

The following table lists the subordinated liabilities issued by ABN AMRO Bank N.V.:

By Issuance	2008	2007
EUR 113 million 7.50% subordinated notes 2008 (redeemed January 2008)	-	111
EUR 182 million 6.00% subordinated notes 2009	176	174
EUR 182 million 6.13% subordinated notes 2009	172	178
EUR 1,150 million 4.63% subordinated notes 2009	1,148	1,150
EUR 250 million 4.70% CMS linked subordinated notes 2019	202	176
EUR 800 million 6.25% subordinated notes 2010	838	825
EUR 100 million 5.13% flip flop Bermudan callable subordinated notes 2017 (callable December 2012)	92	101
EUR 500 million floating rate Bermudan callable subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2018 (callable May 2013)	498	500
EUR 1,000 million floating rate Bermudan callable subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2016 (callable September 2011)	997	1,000
EUR 13 million zero coupon subordinated notes 2029 (callable June 2009)	8	3
EUR 82 million floating rate subordinated notes 2017	82	82
EUR 103 million floating rate subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2020	103	103
EUR 170 million floating rate sinkable subordinated notes 2041	213	248
EUR 15 million CMS linked floating rate subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2020	10	14
EUR 1,500 million floating rate Bermudan callable subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2015 (callable June 2010)	1,495	1,494
EUR 5 million floating rate Bermudan callable subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2015 (callable October 2010)	5	5
EUR 65 million floating rate Bermudan callable subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2015 (callable October 2010)	65	65
EUR 26 million 7.42% subordinated notes 2016	32	30
EUR 7 million 7.38% subordinated notes 2016	9	8
EUR 256 million 5.25% subordinated notes 2008 (redeemed July 2008)	-	256
EUR 13 million floating rate subordinated notes 2008 (redeemed June 2008)	-	13
EUR 1,000 million 4.310% perpetual Bermudan callable subordinated tier 1 notes (callable March 2016)	960	925
USD 12 million floating rate subordinated notes 2008 (redeemed June 2008)	-	8
USD 12 million floating rate subordinated notes 2008 (redeemed June 2008)	-	8
USD 165 million 6.14% subordinated notes 2019	158	126
USD 72 million 5.98% subordinated notes 2019	52	10
USD 500 million 4.65% subordinated notes 2018	411	328
USD 500 million floating rate Bermudan callable subordinated notes 2013	-	314

By Issuance	2008	2007
(redeemed September 2008)		
USD 1,500 million floating rate Bermudan callable subordinated notes 2015 (callable March 2010)	1,036	983
USD 100 million floating rate Bermudan callable subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2015 (callable October 2010)	72	68
USD 36 million floating rate Bermudan callable subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2015 (callable October 2010)	26	24
USD 1,000 million floating rate Bermudan callable subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2017 (callable January 2012)	714	676
USD 250 million 7.75% subordinated notes 2023	179	170
USD 150 million 7.13% subordinated notes 2093	107	102
USD 250 million 7.00% subordinated notes 2008 (redeemed April 2008)	-	170
USD 68 million floating rate subordinated notes 2009 ⁽¹⁾	-	46
USD 12 million floating rate subordinated notes 2009 ⁽¹⁾	-	8
AUD 575 million 6.50% Bermudan callable subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2018 (callable May 2013)	311	331
AUD 175 million floating rate Bermudan callable subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2018 (callable May 2013)	86	104
GBP 42 million 8.18% subordinated notes 2010	16	26
GBP 25 million 7.59% amortising MTN subordinated lower tier 2 notes 2011	9	20
GBP 750 million 5.0% Bermudan callable perpetual subordinated upper tier 2 notes issued for an indefinite period (callable 2016)	829	982
BRL 50 million floating rate subordinated notes 2013 ⁽¹⁾	-	19
BRL 250 million floating rate subordinated notes 2014 ⁽¹⁾	-	95
BRL 885 million floating rate subordinated notes 2014 ⁽¹⁾	-	338
BRL 300 million floating rate subordinated notes 2014 ⁽¹⁾	-	114
PKR 800 million floating rate subordinated notes 2012	7	9
MYR 200 million subordinated notes 2017	42	41
TRY 60 million floating rate callable subordinated notes 2017 (callable 2012)	35	35
Total	11,195	12,616

(1) Transferred to Banco Santander S.A in July 2008.

The following table lists the subordinated liabilities issued by other Group companies:

By issuance:	2008	2007
USD 1,285 million 5.90% Trust Preferred V	921	844
USD 200 million 6.25% Trust Preferred VI	143	132
USD 1,800 6.08% Trust Preferred VII	1,290	1,161
BRL 250 million floating rate subordinated notes 2013 (1)	-	95
Total	2,354	2,232

Total subordinated liabilities include EUR 3,317 million (2007: EUR 4,260 million) which qualifies as tier 1 capital for capital adequacy purposes with the Dutch Central Bank (DNB), when taking into account remaining maturities.

The maturity profile of subordinated liabilities is as follows:

	2008	2007
Within one year	1,513	700
After one and within two years	806	2,161
After two and within three years	19	810
After three and within four years	43	19

After four and within five years	4	118
After five years	11,164	11,808
Total	13,549	15,616

Some subordinated liabilities are designated at fair value through income:

	Subordinated liabilities	
	2008	2007
Cumulative change in fair value of the subordinated liabilities attributable to changes in own credit risk	236	98
Change during the year in fair value of the subordinated liabilities attributable to changes in credit risk	138	98
Difference between the contractual amount at maturity and the carrying amount	-	7

The change in fair value of the designated structured notes attributable to changes in own credit risk has been calculated by reference to the change in credit spread implicit in the market value of ABN AMRO's senior notes.

Preference financing shares (including formerly convertible preference shares)

As at 24 November 2008, 1,369,815,864 Preference financing shares with a nominal value of EUR 0.56 per share have been converted into ordinary shares at a 1:1 rate. At the same date 44,988 (formerly convertible) Preference shares with a nominal value of EUR 2.24 per share have been converted into ordinary shares at a 4:1 rate. As a result of the conversion the number of issued and fully paid shares is 3,306,843,332 (nominal value EUR 1,851,832,266) per 24 November 2008.

31. Share capital

The table below provides a breakdown of our issued and fully paid ordinary shares, treasury shares.

Ordinary shares

	Number	In millions of euros
<i>Issued and fully paid</i>		
At 1 January 2008	1,936,847,516	1,085
Conversion of preference shares to ordinary shares	1,369,995,816	767
Balance at 31 December 2008	3,306,843,332	1,852
<i>Issued and fully paid</i>		
At 1 January 2007	1,936,847,516	1,085
Balance at 31 December 2007	1,936,847,516	1,085
<i>Issued and fully paid</i>		
At 1 January 2006	1,909,738,427	1,069
Exercised options and warrants	27,109,089	16
Balance at 31 December 2006	1,936,847,516	1,085

There are no issued ordinary shares that have not been fully paid. Par value per share is EUR 0.56.

Treasury shares

	Number	In millions of euros
<i>Issued and fully paid</i>		
At 1 January 2008	92,719,820	2,640
Sold to RFS Holdings B.V.	(92,719,820)	(3,708)
Gain on sale of treasury shares	-	1,068
Balance at 31 December 2008	-	-
<i>Issued and fully paid</i>		
At 1 January 2007	83,060,725	1,829
Used for options exercised and performance share plans	(27,649,180)	(624)
Share buy back	55,512,333	1,847
Dividends paid in shares	(18,204,058)	(412)
Balance at 31 December 2007	92,719,820	2,640
<i>Issued and fully paid</i>		
At 1 January 2006	31,818,402	600
Used for options exercised and performance share plans	(8,454,965)	(143)
Share buy back	95,899,360	2,204
Dividends paid in shares	(36,202,072)	(832)
Balance at 31 December 2006	83,060,725	1,829

32. Professional securities transactions

Professional security transactions include balances relating to reverse repurchase activities, cash collateral on securities borrowed and security settlement accounts. The Group controls credit risk associated with these activities by monitoring counterparty credit exposure and collateral values on a daily basis and requiring additional collateral to be deposited with or returned to the Group when deemed necessary.

	2008		2007	
	Banks	Customers	Banks	Customers
Assets				
Cash advanced under securities borrowing	739	4,408	5,058	46,540
Reverse repurchase agreements	32,716	7,236	142,368	39,313
Unsettled securities transactions	5,998	1,549	2,912	12,417
Total	39,453	13,193	150,338	98,270
Liabilities				
Cash received under securities lending	564	1,711	356	3,132
Repurchase agreements	24,555	2,525	119,253	60,749
Unsettled securities transactions	1,531	1,817	3,928	10,675
Total	26,650	6,053	123,537	74,556

Under reverse repurchase, securities borrowing, and other collateralised arrangements, the Group obtains securities on terms which permit it to repledge or resell the securities to others.

	2008	2007
Securities received under reverse repurchase and/or securities borrowing arrangements which can be repledged or resold	35,982	291,126
Of the above amount, the amount that has either been repledged or otherwise transferred to others in connection with the Group's financing activities or to satisfy its commitments under short sale transactions	32,055	284,908

These transactions are conducted under terms that are usual and customary to standard securities borrowing and reverse repurchase agreements.

ABN AMRO has an obligation to return EUR 3,458 million (2007: EUR 44,901 million) of securities borrowings.

Please refer to Note 33 for an overview of the assets pledged to secure the Group's liabilities.

33. Assets pledged as security

The Group trades in debt investments, equity investments and derivatives. These transactions are conducted under terms that are usual and customary to standard lending and stock borrowing activities. The Group has therefore financial assets pledged as security to third parties for liabilities.

Financial assets pledged to secure liabilities are as follows:

	2008	2007
Cash and balances at central banks	-	34
Financial assets held for trading	74	106
Interest earnings securities available-for-sale	400	28,306
Equity investments available-for-sale	-	2,296
Loans and receivables – banks	-	785
Loans and receivables – customers	6,794	5,576

	2008	2007
Other assets	-	-
Total	7,268	37,103

These assets have been pledged in respect of the following liabilities and contingent liabilities:

	2008	2007
Financial liabilities held for trading	-	-
Due to banks	4,298	20,804
Issued debt securities	2,064	14,699
Total	6,362	35,503

These transactions are conducted under terms that are usual and customary to collateralised transactions including, where relevant, standard securities lending and repurchase agreements.

Please refer to Note 32 for an overview of the assets repledged by the Group to secure liabilities relating to reverse repurchase agreements and to Note 40 for an overview of assets charged as security for liabilities relating to securitisations.

34. Commitments and contingent liabilities

Credit facilities

At any time the Group has outstanding commitments to extend credit. These commitments take the form of approved but undrawn loans, overdraft revolving and underwriting facilities and credit card limits. New loan offers have a commitment period that does not extend beyond the normal underwriting and settlement period.

Guarantees and other commitments

The Group provides financial guarantees and letters of credit to guarantee the performance of customers to third parties. These transactions have fixed limits and generally extend for periods of up to five years. Expirations are not concentrated in any particular period. The Group also provides guarantees by acting as a settlement agent in securities borrowing and lending transactions. In addition, the Group has entered into transactions to guarantee various liabilities in respect to insurance related regulatory reserve financing transactions.

The contractual amounts of commitments and contingent liabilities are set out by category in the following table. The amounts stated in the table for commitments assume that amounts are fully advanced. The amounts reflected in the table for guarantees and letters of credit represent the maximum accounting loss that would be recognised at the balance sheet date if the relevant contract parties completely failed to perform as contracted.

Many of the contingent liabilities and commitments are expected to expire without being advanced in whole or in part. This means that the amounts stated do not represent expected future cash flows. Additionally, guarantees and letters of credit are supported by varying levels of collateral.

Aside from the items stated above, non-quantified guarantees have been given for the ABN AMRO's securities custody operations, for interbank bodies and institutions and for participating interests. Collective guarantee schemes are applicable to Group companies in various countries. Furthermore, statements of liability have been issued for a number of Group companies, including ABN AMRO Bank N.V.

Our committed credit facilities, guarantees and other commitments at 31 December 2008 and 2007 are summarised below.

	Payments due by period				
	Total	Less than 1 year	1-3 years	3-5 years	After 5 years
2008					
Committed facilities	63,436	14,231	27,336	17,616	4,253
<i>Guarantees and other commitments:</i>					
Guarantees granted	37,509	22,377	5,890	2,021	7,221
Irrevocable letters of credit	4,515	4,280	217	6	12
Recourse risks arising from discounted bills	124	124	-	-	-
2007					
Committed facilities	104,137	42,916	16,672	28,527	16,022
<i>Guarantees and other commitments:</i>					
Guarantees granted	49,337	31,381	5,030	1,841	11,085
Irrevocable letters of credit	5,797	5,412	172	48	165
Recourse risks arising from discounted bills	6	6	-	-	-

Leasing

The Group is lessee under finance and operating leases, providing asset financing for its customers and leasing assets for its own use. In addition, assets leased by the Group may be sublet to other parties. An analysis of the impact of these transactions on the Group balance sheet and income statement is as follows:

Operating lease commitments

The Group leases various offices, branches and other premises under non-cancellable operating lease arrangements. The leases have various terms, escalation and renewal rights. There are no contingent rents payables. The Group also leases equipment under non-cancellable lease arrangements.

Where the Group is the lessee the future minimum lease payment under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows:

	Property	
	2008	2007
Not more than one year	165	363
Over one year but not more than five years	337	606
More than five years	254	442
Total	756	1,411

Transactions involving the legal form of a lease

The Group has entered into IT outsourcing arrangements that involve leases in form but not in substance. The life of the arrangement is for five years through 2010, where total amount of underlying assets is EUR 130 million.

Contractual and contingent obligations

	Payments due by period				
	Total	Less than 1 year	1-3 years	3-5 years	After 5 years
2008					
Issued debt securities	111,296	44,944	21,044	21,044	24,264

Subordinated liabilities	13,549	1,513	806	66	11,164
Purchase obligations	44	44	-	-	-
Other obligations	495,711	477,317	5,863	5,864	6,667
2007					
Issued debt securities	174,995	91,685	28,726	31,251	23,333
Subordinated liabilities	15,616	700	2,971	137	11,808
Purchase obligations	127	116	11	-	-
Other obligations	725,162	695,006	11,639	4,865	13,652

Other contingencies

ABN AMRO is involved in a number of legal proceedings in the ordinary course of our business in a number of jurisdictions. In presenting our consolidated financial statements, management makes estimates regarding the outcome of legal, regulatory and arbitration matters, and takes a charge to income when losses with respect to such matters are probable. Charges, other than those taken periodically for costs of defence, are not established for matters when losses cannot be reasonably estimated.

On the basis of information currently available, and having taken legal counsel with legal advisors, the Group is of the opinion that the outcome of these proceedings is unlikely to have a material adverse effect on the consolidated financial position and the consolidated profit of the Group.

35. Cash flow statement

The following table analyses the determination of cash and cash equivalents at 31 December:

	2008	2007 ¹	2006 ¹
Cash and balances at central banks	5,854	12,469	7,151
Loans and receivables-banks	4,237	9,165	7,314
Due to banks	(23,588)	(14,376)	(12,726)
Cash and cash equivalents from continued operations	(13,497)	7,258	1,739
Loans and receivables-banks	8	43	203
Cash and cash equivalents from businesses held for sale	8	43	203
Cash and balances at central banks	37	4,707	5,166
Loans and receivables-banks	6	788	1,947
Due to banks	(1)	(44)	(4,183)
Cash and cash equivalents from discontinued operations	42	5,451	2,930
Total	(13,447)	12,752	4,872

The following table states the interest, tax and dividend amounts included in the cash flow from operating activities:

	2008	2007 ¹	2006 ¹
Interest received	31,067	34,304	30,606
Interest paid	20,092	24,960	21,750
Taxation paid	790	1,544	1,286
Dividends received	121	155	165

The following table analyses movements in operating assets and liabilities:

	2008	2007 ¹	2006 ¹
<i>Movement in operating assets:</i>			
Financial assets held for trading	27,065	(37,865)	(2,670)
Loans and receivables	171,870	(87,918)	(81,767)
Net (increase)/decrease in accrued income and prepaid expenses	4,015	(4,121)	(2,292)
Net (increase)/decrease in other assets	(2,993)	(3,544)	9,316
Total movement in operating assets	199,957	(133,448)	(77,413)
<i>Movement in operating liabilities:</i>			
Financial liabilities held for trading	37,222	10,559	(4,907)
Due to banks	(119,407)	82,462	19,930
Due to customers	(87,941)	27,816	46,759
Issued debt securities maturing within 1 year	(42,235)	(6,475)	13,048
Provisions	700	61	(53)
Net increase/(decrease) in accrued expense and deferred income	(1,970)	2,981	3,154
Net increase/(decrease) in other liabilities	(32,683)	(2,682)	(13,168)
Total movement in operating liabilities	(246,314)	114,722	64,763

¹ Amounts have been restated to conform with current year presentation

36. Hedge accounting

The Group enters into various derivative instrument transactions to hedge risks on assets, liabilities, net investments and forecasted cash flows. The accounting treatment of the hedged item and the hedging derivative is dependent on whether the hedge relationship qualifies for hedge accounting. Qualifying hedges may be designated as either fair value or cash flow hedges.

Hedges not qualifying for hedge accounting

The fair value changes of derivative transactions used to hedge against economic risk exposures that do not qualify for hedge accounting, or for which it is not cost beneficial to apply hedge accounting, are recognised directly through income.

The Group enters into credit default swaps for managing portfolio credit risk. However, these are generally not included in hedge accounting relationships due to difficulties in demonstrating that the relationship will be highly effective. Accordingly any fair value changes in the swaps are recorded directly in income, while the gains and losses on the credit positions hedged are accrued in interest income and expense and as impairment charge if appropriate.

Derivatives designated and accounted for as hedging instruments

Fair value hedges

The Group's fair value hedges principally consist of interest rate swaps, interest rate options and cross currency interest rate swaps that are used to protect against changes in the fair value of fixed-rate assets, notably available-for-sale securities and liabilities due to changes in market interest rates.

For qualifying fair values hedges, all changes in the fair value of the derivative and in the fair value of the hedged item for the risk being hedged are recognised in the income statement.

Gains/(losses) arising from fair value hedges:

	2008	2007
Gains/(Losses) on the hedged assets attributable to the fair value hedged risk	2,812	(392)
Gains/(Losses) on hedging instruments used for the hedged assets	(2,812)	381
Gains/(Losses) on the hedged liabilities attributable to the fair value hedged risk	(2,619)	491
Gains/(Losses) on hedging instruments used for the hedged liabilities	2,619	(480)
Net effect fair value hedge	-	-

Cash flow hedges

Cash flow hedge accounting for Group Asset and Liability Management

ABN AMRO uses derivatives, mainly interest rate swaps, to offset identified exposures to interest rate risk in the projected balance sheet. For asset liability management purposes, assets and liabilities in a similar interest rate index cluster in a particular month are first considered as a natural offset for economic hedging. A swap transaction may be entered into to risk manage the remaining interest income sensitivity. The notional amount of a pay- or receive-floating swap is designated to hedge the re-pricing cash flow exposure of a designated portion of current and forecasted assets and current and forecasted liabilities, respectively, in the clusters described above. The swap transaction is designated for hedge accounting purposes as a hedge of a gross position of a cluster of projected assets or a cluster of projected liabilities. As a result, the swap will only hedge an identified portion of a cluster of projected assets or projected liabilities. Also the swap will only hedge the applicable floating swap rate portion of the interest re-pricing and re-investment risk of the cluster.

Cash flow hedge accounting operated by Group Asset and Liability Management relates to portfolio cash flow hedge accounting for the hedging activities of the Group's non-trading financial assets and liabilities.

The Group Asset and Liability Committee is the governing body for the risk management of the Group's banking portfolio and determines the interest rate risk level, sets risk measurement and modelling including applicable assumptions, sets limits, and is responsible for the asset and liability management policy.

ABN AMRO manages its exposure to interest rate risk per currency in the non-trading portfolios on a Group wide basis. In order to manage the sensitivity of the interest income per currency, the Group projects future interest income under different growth and interest rate scenarios. Systems are available to accumulate the relevant critical information throughout the Group about the existing financial assets, financial liabilities and forward commitments, including loan commitments. For the major currencies these positions are placed into a projected balance sheet available for asset liability management activities. The primary interest sensitive positions in the balance sheet stemming from the non-trading book are: loans and receivables, liabilities due to banks and customers, and issued debt securities.

The information gathered in the Group Asset and Liability Management's systems relates to the contractual terms and conditions, such as nominal amounts, currency, duration, interest basis, effective interest rate and interest re-pricing date. In addition other information such as estimates of prepayments, growth rate and interest scenarios is used in the interest sensitivity models of Group Asset and Liability Management. These assumptions are determined following agreed upon principles based amongst others on statistical market and client data and an economic outlook. Projected assets and liabilities are superimposed on the run-off of the currently existing positions. This information is used to create projected balance sheets that form the basis for measuring interest rate sensitivity. The new assets and liabilities and the future re-pricing of existing assets and liabilities are mapped to specific interest rate indices at the yield curve (i.e. one month, two months, three months, six months, one year, etc). In this way a new asset or liability that is for example based on a three month rate, is mapped to a specific three-month rate index. For each projected month into the future, the assets and liabilities are grouped per interest rate-index and currency. The balance sheet projection that is embedded in the Group's interest rate risk management, not only allows the Group to estimate future interest income and perform scenario analysis, but also provides the opportunity to define the

projected transactions that are eligible as hedged items in a cash flow hedge. The hedged positions are the monthly asset and liability clusters per currency and per interest rate index. These clusters are homogeneous in respect of the interest rate risk that is being hedged, because they are designed to:

- share the interest rate risk exposure that is being hedged, and
- be sensitive to interest rate changes proportional to the overall sensitivity to interest rate changes in the cluster.

The longer the term of the hedge, the larger the excess of available cash flows from projected assets or liabilities in the clusters has to be, given that the cash flow projections further in the future are inherently less certain. The availability of an excess of cash flows in the clusters and the increase of excess over time is evaluated on a monthly basis.

Furthermore back testing is performed on the sensitivity model for interest risk management purposes. This back testing also supports cash flow hedge accounting. The back testing relates to the interest sensitivity models applied and the assumptions used in the information gathering process for the balance sheet projection. Historical data are used to review the assumptions applied.

The schedule of forecast principal balances on which the expected hedged cash flows are expected to impact profit or loss is as follows:

	≤ 3 months	> 3 months and ≤ 1 year	> 1 year and ≤ 5 years	> 5 years and ≤ 10 years	> 10 years	Total
At 31 December 2008						
Cash inflow from hedged assets	-	7,457	4,328	3,822	2,833	18,440
Cash outflow from hedged liabilities	(10)	(8,791)	(9,331)	(4,399)	(4,733)	(27,264)
Net cash outflow	(10)	(1,334)	(5,003)	(577)	(1,900)	(8,824)
At 31 December 2007¹						
Cash inflow from hedged assets	204	18,774	4,490	995	41	24,504
Cash outflow from hedged liabilities	(346)	(17,130)	(15,392)	(3,113)	(4,665)	(40,646)
Net cash (outflow)/inflow	(142)	1,644	(10,902)	(2,118)	(4,624)	(16,142)

¹ Prior year comparatives have been restated to conform with current year presentation

Net gain/(loss) on cash flow hedges transferred from equity to the income statement are as follows:

	2008	2007
Interest income	43	2
Interest expense	(42)	(89)
Other operating income	-	33
Taxation	-	16
Total	1	(38)

Hedges of net investments in foreign operations

As explained in note 38 the Group limits its exposure to investments in foreign operations by hedging its net investment in its foreign operations with forward foreign exchange contracts in the currency of the foreign operations or a closely correlated currency to mitigate foreign exchange risk.

For qualifying net investment hedges, changes in the fair value of the derivative hedging instrument are recorded in the currency translation account differences reserve within equity. There is no hedge ineffectiveness recorded relating to net investment hedges.

Overview of the fair value of hedging derivatives

	2008		2007	
	Positive	Negative	Positive	Negative
Qualifying for hedge accounting				
<i>Fair value hedges</i>				
<i>Interest</i>				
Swaps	737	2,146	1,401	671
Options and futures	-	-	31	259
<i>Foreign currency</i>				
Swaps	1,072	1,540	85	265
Forwards	244	302	-	203
<i>Cash flow hedges</i>				
<i>Interest swaps</i>	351	687	471	309
<i>Foreign currency</i>				
Swaps	-	-	206	74
Forwards	2	14	-	-
Net investment hedge	119	40	31	14
Total	2,525	4,729	2,225	1,795
Hedges not qualifying for hedge accounting	3,697	2,414	239	176
<i>Notional amounts</i>				
			2008	2007
Interest rate risk			95,699	125,468
Foreign currency risk			13,115	12,300
Net investment hedge			2,245	3,148

37. Fair value of financial instruments

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. Fair values are determined from quoted prices in active markets for identical financial assets or financial liabilities where available. Where the market for a financial instrument is not active, fair value is established using a valuation technique. Valuation techniques involve a degree of estimation, the extent of which depends on the instrument's complexity and the availability of market-based data.

Internal controls over fair valuation

The Group has designated controls and processes for the determination of the fair value of financial instruments. A process has been designed to ensure there are formalised review protocols for independent review and validation of fair values separate from those businesses entering into the transactions. This includes specific controls to ensure consistent pricing policies and procedures, incorporating disciplined price verification for both proprietary and counterparty risk trades.

The business entering into the transaction is responsible for the initial determination and recording of the fair value of the transaction. There are daily controls over the profit or loss recorded by trading and treasury front office staff.

A key element of the control environment, segregated from the recording of the transaction's valuation, is the independent price verification process. Valuations are first calculated by the business. Such valuations may be direct prices, or may be derived using a model and variable model inputs. These valuations are reviewed, and if necessary amended, by the independent price verification process. This process involves a team independent of those trading the financial instruments performing a review of valuations in the light of available pricing evidence. Independent price verification is performed at a frequency to match the availability of independent data, and the size of the exposure. For liquid instruments the process is performed daily. The minimum frequency of review is monthly for trading positions, and six monthly for non-trading positions. The independent price verification control includes formalised reporting and escalation of any valuation differences in breach of defined thresholds. When models are used to value products, those models are subject to a model review process. This process requires different levels of model documentation, testing and review, depending on the complexity of the model and the size of the Group's exposure to the model.

Valuation techniques

The Group uses a number of methodologies to determine the fair values of financial instruments for which observable prices in active markets for identical instruments are not available. These techniques include relative value methodologies based on observable prices for similar instruments, present value approaches where future cash flows from the asset or liability are estimated and then discounted using a risk-adjusted interest rate, option pricing models such as Black-Scholes or binomial option pricing models and simulation models such as Monte-Carlo.

Values between and beyond available data points are obtained by interpolation and extrapolation. When utilising valuation techniques, the fair value can be significantly impacted by the choice of valuation model and underlying assumptions made concerning factors such as the amounts and timing of cash flows, discount rates and credit risk. The principal inputs to these valuation techniques are listed below.

- Bond prices – quoted prices are generally available for government bonds, certain corporate securities and some mortgage-related products.
- Credit spreads – where available, these are derived from prices of credit default swaps (CDS) or other credit based instruments, such as debt securities. For others, credit spreads are obtained from pricing services.
- Interest rates – these are principally benchmark interest rates such as the interbank rates and quoted interest rates in the swap, bond and futures markets.
- Foreign currency exchange rates – there are observable markets both for spot and forward contracts and futures in the world's major currencies.
- Equity and equity index prices – quoted prices are generally readily available for equity shares listed on the world's major stock exchanges and for major indices on such shares.
- Commodity prices – many commodities are actively traded in spot and forward contracts and futures on exchanges in London, New York and other commercial centres.
- Price volatilities and correlations – volatility is a measure of the tendency of a price to change with time. Correlation measures the degree to which two or more prices or other variables are observed to move together. If they move in the same direction there is positive correlation; if they move in opposite directions there is negative correlation. Volatility is a key input in valuing options and the

valuation of certain products such as derivatives with more than one underlying variable that are correlation-dependent. Volatility and correlation values are obtained from broker quotations, pricing services or derived from option prices.

- Prepayment rates – the fair value of a financial instrument that can be prepaid by the issuer or borrower differs from that of an instrument that cannot be prepaid. In valuing prepayable instruments that are not quoted in active markets, the Group considers the value of the prepayment option.
- Counterparty credit spreads – adjustments are made to market prices (or parameters) when the creditworthiness of the counterparty differs from that of the assumed counterparty in the market price (or parameters).
- Recovery rates/loss given default - these are used as an input to valuation models and reserves for asset-backed securities and other credit products as an indicator of severity of losses on default. Recovery rates are primarily sourced from market data providers or inferred from observable credit spreads.

The Group refines and modifies its valuation techniques as markets and products develop and as the pricing for individual products becomes more or less readily available. While the Group believes its valuation techniques are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions could result in different estimates of fair value at the balance sheet date.

In order to determine a reliable fair value, where appropriate, management applies valuation adjustments to the pricing information derived from the above sources. These adjustments reflect management's assessment of factors that market participants would consider in setting a price, to the extent that these factors have not already been included in the information from the above sources. Furthermore, on an ongoing basis, management assesses the appropriateness of any model used. To the extent that the price provided by internal models does not represent the fair value of the instrument, for instance in highly stressed market conditions, management makes adjustments to the model valuation to calibrate to other available pricing sources. Where unobservable inputs are used, management may determine a range of possible valuations based upon differing stress scenarios to determine the sensitivity associated with the valuation. As a final step the Group considers the need for further adjustments to the modelled price to reflect how market participants would price instruments. Such adjustments include the credit quality of the counterparty and adjustments to correct model valuations for any known limitations. In addition, the Group makes adjustments to defer income for financial instruments valued at inception where the valuation of that financial instrument materially depends on one or more unobservable model inputs.

Valuation hierarchy

The Group analyses financial instruments held at fair value into the three categories as outlined below.

Level 1 financial instruments are those that are valued using unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical financial instruments. These financial instruments consist primarily of liquid listed equity shares, certain exchange-traded derivatives, and G10 government securities.

Level 2 financial instruments are those valued using techniques based significantly on observable market data. Instruments in this category are valued using quoted prices for similar instruments or identical instruments in markets which are not considered to be active; or valuation techniques where all the inputs that have a significant effect on the valuation are directly or indirectly based on observable market data. Financial instruments included are other government agency securities, investment grade corporate bonds, repurchase agreements and reverse repurchase agreements, less liquid listed equities, state and municipal obligations, certain money market securities and most OTC derivatives.

Level 3 financial instruments are those valued using techniques that incorporate information other than observable market data. Instruments in this category have been valued using a valuation technique where at least one input, which could have a significant effect on the instrument's valuation, is not based on observable market data. Financial instruments included are primarily cash instruments which trade infrequently, unlisted equity shares, super senior tranches of high grade and mezzanine CDOs, and other less liquid debt securities. Also included are certain structured issued debt securities, OTC derivatives where valuation depends upon unobservable exotic and credit derivatives including those with CDPC counterparties.

The following table presents the valuation methods used in determining the fair values of financial instruments carried at fair value (1*:

	2008			Total
	Quoted market price (Level 1)	Valuation techniques	Valuation techniques	
		- Observable market inputs (Level 2)	- Unobservable inputs (Level 3)	
<i>Financial assets</i>				
Financial assets held-for-trading	14,091	193,458	5,104	212,653
Available-for-sale interest earning securities	4,923	60,621	20	65,564
Available-for-sale equities	192	546	99	837
Equities designated at fair value through income	5	193	462	660
Derivatives not held for trading	-	6,222	-	6,222
Unit-linked investments	-	3,899	-	3,899
Other assets	-	1,468	-	1,468
Total assets at fair value	19,211	266,407	5,685	291,303
<i>Financial liabilities</i>				
Financial liabilities held for trading	6,587	184,194	1,306	192,088
Due to customers	-	22	-	22
Issued debt securities	-	33,133	3,723	36,856
Derivatives not held for trading	-	7,143	-	7,143
Unit-linked liabilities	-	3,898	-	3,898
Subordinated liabilities	-	722	-	722
Total liabilities at fair value	6,587	229,113	5,029	240,729

1)* Financial instruments recorded in assets and liabilities of businesses held for sale are not included in this table.

	2007			Total
	Quoted market price (Level 1)	Valuation techniques	Valuation techniques	
		- Observable market inputs (Level 2)	- Unobservable inputs (Level 3)	
<i>Financial assets</i>				
Financial assets held-for-trading	74,063	165,756	2,458	242,277
Available-for-sale interest earning securities	40,188	49,932	329	90,449
Available-for-sale equities	286	387	340	1,013

	2007			Total
	Quoted market price (Level 1)	Valuation techniques - Observable market inputs (Level 2)	Valuation techniques - Unobservable inputs (Level 3)	
Equities designated at fair value through income	1,347	5	987	2,339
Derivatives held not held for trading (2	-	2,464	-	2,464
Unit-linked investments	-	4,609	-	4,609
Other assets	-	2,757	-	2,757
Total assets at fair value	115,884	225,910	4,114	345,908
Financial liabilities				
Financial liabilities held for trading	28,995	124,943	1,538	155,476
Due to customers	-	42	-	42
Issued debt securities	-	39,223	5,445	44,668
Derivatives not held for trading	-	1,971	-	1,971
Unit-linked liabilities	-	4,609	-	4,609
Subordinated liabilities	-	726	-	726
Total liabilities at fair value	28,995	171,514	6,983	207,492

*(1) Financial instruments recorded in assets and liabilities of businesses held for sale are not included in this table.

*(2) To conform with the current year approach to classification, for 2007 non-trading derivative assets (EUR 1,396 million) and non-trading derivative (liabilities (EUR 1,298 million) were reclassified from level 3 to level 2.

Financial assets held for trading included in level 1 decreased mainly due to the transfer of derivatives to RBS. Available-for-sale interest earning securities and equities decreased due to sales. Equities designated at fair value through income include mainly private equity investments and decreased due to transfers to RBS, market value declines and disposals.

The tables below present the Level 3 financial instruments carried at fair value as at the balance sheet date, the valuation basis, main assumptions and unobservable inputs used in the valuation of these instruments for which the reasonably possible alternative assumptions would have a significant impact on the fair value of the instrument.

Valuation technique		Main assumptions	Carrying value	Reasonably possible alternative assumptions	
				Increase in fair value	Decrease in fair value
<i>(in millions of euros)</i>					
Financial assets					
Debt securities:			1,059	117	151
CDOs	Proprietary model,	Implied collateral valuation, default rates, housing prices and correlation,			
CLOs	Industry standard, simulation model	credit spreads, recovery rates, correlation,			
Other	Proprietary model	credit spreads			
Derivatives:			4,065	629	830

Valuation technique		Main assumptions	Carrying value	Reasonably possible alternative assumptions	
				Increase in fair value	Decrease in fair value
<i>(in millions of euros)</i>					
Credit	Proprietary CVA model, industry option models, correlation model	Counterparty credit risk, correlation, volatility			
Other	Proprietary model	Correlation, volatility			
Equity shares	Private equity – valuation statements	Fund valuations	561	40	80
Balance at 31 December 2008			5,685	786	1,061

Valuation technique		Main assumptions	Carrying value	Reasonably possible alternative assumptions	
				Increase in fair value	Decrease in fair value
<i>(in millions of euros)</i>					
Financial liabilities					
Derivatives			1,306	175	199
Credit	Proprietary CVA model, industry option models, correlation model	Correlation, volatility, counterparty credit risk			
Other	Proprietary model	Correlation, volatility			
Issued debt securities	Proprietary model	Credit spreads	3,723	151	166
Balance at 31 December 2008			5,029	326	365

For the year 2007 the potential effect of using reasonably possible assumptions as inputs to valuation models, relying on non-market observable inputs was approximately EUR 261 million using less favourable assumptions, and an increase of approximately EUR 275 million using more favourable assumptions.

The total estimated change in fair value using a valuation technique with unobservable inputs recognised in the profit and loss account for the year 2008 is a loss of EUR 662 million.

For each of the portfolio categories shown in the above table, set out below is a description of the types of products that comprise the portfolio and the valuation techniques that are applied in determining fair value, including a description of models used and inputs to those models. Where reasonably possible alternative assumptions of unobservable inputs used in models would change the fair value of the portfolio significantly, the alternative inputs are indicated along with the impact these would have on the fair value. Where there have been significant changes to valuation techniques during the year a discussion of the reasons for this is also included.

Financial assets held for trading in level 3, excluding derivatives, primarily comprise collateralised debt obligations (CDOs), collateralised loan obligations (CLOs), and certain credit and other derivatives.

Collateralised debt obligations

For super senior CDOs which have been originated by the Group no specific third-party information is available. The valuation of these super senior CDOs therefore takes into consideration outputs from a proprietary model, market data and appropriate valuation adjustments.

The Group's proprietary model calculates the expected cash flows from the underlying mortgages using assumptions derived from publicly available data on future macroeconomic conditions (including house price appreciation and depreciation) and on defaults and delinquencies on these underlying mortgages. The model used by the Group comprises an econometric loan-level model which provides the input to an industry standard asset backed securities (ABS) model, the output of which feeds a proprietary model generating expected cash flows which are discounted using a risk adjusted rate.

Due to the subjectivity of the inputs to the pricing model, alternative valuation points are constructed to benchmark the output of the model. These valuation points include determining an ABS index implied collateral valuation, which provides a market calibrated valuation data point. A collateral net asset value methodology is also considered which uses dealer buy side marks to determine an upper bound for super senior CDO valuations. Both the ABS index implied valuation and the collateral net asset value methodology apply an assumed immediate liquidation approach.

Management, using all pricing points available, may make necessary and appropriate valuation adjustments to the pricing information derived from the proprietary model. These adjustments reflect management's assessment of factors that market participants would consider in setting a price, to the extent that these factors have not already been included in the model and may include adjustments made for liquidity discounts.

In order to provide disclosures on the valuation of super senior CDOs using reasonably possible alternative assumptions, management has considered macroeconomic conditions, including house price appreciation and depreciation, and the effect of regional variations. The output from using these alternative assumptions has been compared with inferred pricing from other published data. The Group believes that reasonably possible alternative assumptions could reduce or increase valuations. Using these alternative assumptions would reduce or increase the fair value of level 3 super senior CDOs of EUR 670 million by EUR 107 million.

Collateralised loan obligations

To determine the fair value of CLOs purchased from third parties, management use third-party broker or lead manager quotes as the primary pricing source. These quotes are benchmarked to consensus pricing sources where they are available.

For CLOs originated and still held by the Group, the fair value is determined using a correlation model based on a Monte Carlo simulation framework. The main model inputs are credit spreads and recovery rates of the underlying assets and their correlation. A credit curve is assigned to each underlying asset based on prices, from third-party dealer quotes, and cash flow profiles, sourced from an industry standard model. Losses are calculated taking into account the attachment and detachment point of the exposure. As the correlation inputs to this model are not observable, CLOs are deemed to be level 3.

Using reasonably possible alternative assumptions the fair value of CLOs of EUR 105 million would be EUR 2 million higher or EUR 10 million lower.

Other trading debt securities

Other level 3 trading debt securities comprise EUR 264 million of other debt securities. Where observable market prices for a particular debt security are not available, the fair value will typically be determined with reference to observable market transactions in other related products, such as similar debt securities or credit derivatives. Assumptions are made about the relationship between the individual debt security and the

available benchmark data. Where significant management judgement has been applied in identifying the most relevant related product, or in determining the relationship between the related product and the instrument itself, the valuation is shown in level 3. Using differing assumptions about this relationship would result in different fair values for these assets and liabilities. The main assumption made is that of relative creditworthiness. Using reasonably possible alternative credit assumptions, taking into account the underlying currency, tenor and rating of the debt securities within each portfolio, would reduce the fair value of other debt securities by up to EUR 34 million or increase the fair value by up to EUR 8 million.

Derivatives

Level 3 derivative assets and liabilities are comprised of credit derivatives and other derivatives.

Derivatives are priced using quoted prices for the same or similar instruments where these are available. However, certain derivatives are valued using pricing models. Inputs for these models are usually observed directly in the market, or derived from observed prices. However, it is not always possible to observe or corroborate all model inputs. Unobservable inputs used are based on estimates taking into account a range of available information including historic analysis, historic traded levels, market practice, comparison to other relevant benchmark observable data and consensus pricing data.

Credit derivatives

The Group's credit derivatives include vanilla and bespoke portfolio tranches. The bespoke portfolio tranches are synthetic tranches referenced to a portfolio of corporate names on which the Group purchases credit protection. Where the inputs into the valuation technique used are observable in the market, bespoke tranches are considered to be level 2 assets. Where inputs are not observable, bespoke tranches are considered to be level 3 assets. All transactions executed with a CDPC counterparty are considered level 3 as the counterparty credit risk assessment is a significant component of these valuations.

Interest rate and other derivatives

Exotic equity and interest rate options provide a payout (or series of payouts) linked to the performance of one or more underlying equities or interest rates. Exotic options do not trade in active markets with few exceptions. Consequently, the Group uses models to determine fair value. The Group uses a variety of proprietary models for valuing exotic trades.

Exotic valuation inputs include correlation between equities and interest rates. Correlations for more liquid equity and rate pairs are valued using independently sourced consensus pricing levels. Where a consensus pricing benchmark is unavailable, these instruments are categorised as level 3.

Reasonably possible alternative assumptions

In determining the effect of reasonably possible alternative assumptions for unobservable inputs for derivatives held for trading, the Group has considered trades with CDPCs separately from all other level 3 derivatives due to the significant element of subjectivity in determining the counterparty credit risk.

The fair value of credit derivative trades with CDPCs as at 31 December 2008 was EUR 1,645 million. The Group's credit derivative exposures to CDPCs are valued using pricing models with inputs observed directly in the market. An adjustment is made to the model valuation as the creditworthiness of CDPC counterparties differs from that of the credit risk assumption within the valuation model. The adjustment reflects the estimated cost of hedging the counterparty risk arising from each trade. In the absence of market observable credit spreads of CDPCs, the cost of hedging the counterparty risk is estimated from an analysis of the underlying trades and the cost of hedging expected default losses in excess of the capital available in each vehicle. A reasonably possible alternative approach would be to estimate the cost of hedging the counterparty risk from market observable credit spreads of entities considered similar to CDPCs (for example monoline insurers with similar business or similarly rated entities). These reasonably possible

alternative approaches would reduce the fair value credit derivatives with CDPCs by EUR 371 million or increase the fair value by EUR 208 million.

For all other level 3 derivatives, unobservable inputs are principally comprised of correlations and volatilities. Where a derivative valuation relies significantly on an unobservable input, the valuation is shown in level 3. It is usual for such derivative valuations to depend on several observable, and one or few unobservable model inputs. In determining reasonably possible alternative assumptions, the relative impact of unobservable inputs as compared to those which may be observed was considered.

Using reasonably possible alternative assumptions the fair value of all level 3 derivative assets (excluding CDPCs) of EUR 2,420 million would be reduced by up to EUR 459 million or increased by up to EUR 421 million. Using reasonably possible alternative assumptions, the fair value of all other level 3 derivatives liabilities of EUR 1,306 million would be reduced by up to EUR 199 million or increased by up to EUR 175 million.

Equities designated at fair value through income

Equities designated at fair value through income classified as level 3 include mainly private equity investments. In general private equity investments cannot be valued directly from quoted market prices or by using valuation techniques supported by observable market prices or other market data. The fair value is determined using a valuation technique applied in accordance with the European Private Equity and Venture Capitalist Association guidelines (EVCA).

Issued debt securities

Issued debt securities classified as level 3 are valued using independent quotes from market participants for the debt issuance spreads above average interbank rates (at a range of tenors) which the market would demand when purchasing new senior or sub-debt issuances from the Group. Where necessary, these quotes are interpolated using a curve shape derived from CDS prices.

Using reasonably possible alternate assumptions would reduce the fair value of issued debt securities included in level 3 by up to EUR 166 million or increase the fair value by up to EUR 151 million.

Day one profits

Where model inputs are considered unobservable and have more than an insignificant impact on the valuation, any gains on initial recognition are deferred on the balance sheet, as a Day 1 profit and loss reserve, and amortised over the life of the instruments. The table below shows the movement in the reserve:

	2008	2007
Unamortised balance at 1 January	191	310
Deferral of profit on new transactions	107	170
<i>Recognised in the income statement during the period:</i>		
Subsequent to observability	(3)	(73)
Amortisation	(58)	(94)
Maturity or termination	(83)	(114)
Exchange differences	(30)	(8)
Unamortised balance at 31 December	124	191

Own credit

In certain circumstances the Group designates own debt at fair value through profit and loss. Designation is performed either to eliminate an accounting mismatch, for example, where the debt funds trading positions, or because the debt is managed and assessed on a fair value basis. When valuing financial liabilities recorded at fair value, IFRS requires that an entity take into account the impact of its own credit standing,

which, in aggregate, could have a significant impact on the valuation of the liabilities. The categories of financial liabilities on which own credit spread adjustments are made include issued debt securities, subordinated liabilities, and derivatives. An own credit adjustment is applied to positions where it is believed that counterparties will consider the Group's creditworthiness when pricing trades.

The Group's trading systems discount future cash outflows for liabilities measured at fair value at interbank offer rates. The adjustment for the Group's own credit spread represents the difference between the interbank offer rate and the rate which includes the Group's own market-perceived risk of default. In general, the Group anticipates that gains and losses arising from changes in the Group's own credit spread will reverse over the life of the instrument unless repurchased.

For issued debt securities, this adjustment is based on independent quotes from market participants for the debt issuance spreads above average interbank rates (at a range of tenors) which the market would demand when purchasing new senior or sub-debt issuances from the Group. Where necessary, these quotes are interpolated using a curve shape derived from CDS prices. For subordinated liabilities the own credit adjustment is based on the estimated fair values of ABN AMRO's senior notes which are observable.

The Group also considers the impact of own credit spreads when valuing derivative liabilities. In general, the impact is significant only for derivative liabilities that are not collateralised. In these circumstances, the own credit spread is calculated using credit spreads implied by CDSs.

The table below shows the own credit spread adjustments on liabilities recorded in the income statement during the year and for 2007.

	Subordinated liabilities	Issued debt securities	Subtotal	Derivatives	Total 2008	Total 2007
Cumulative at 1 January	98	261	359	-	359	10
Effect of changes to credit spreads	138	352	490	75	565	349
Foreign exchange effect	-	102	102	-	102	-
At 31 December 2008	236	715	951	75	1,026	359

Financial assets and liabilities not carried at fair value

The following methods and significant assumptions have been applied to estimate the fair values of financial instruments carried at cost:

- The fair value of variable rate financial instruments and those of a fixed rate nature maturing within six months of the balance sheet date are assumed to approximate their carrying amounts. In the case of such loans, the fair value estimate does not reflect changes in credit quality, as the main impact of credit risk is already recognised separately through the deduction of the allowances for credit losses from the carrying amounts.
- The fair value of fixed rate loans and mortgages carried at amortised cost is estimated by comparing market interest rates when the loans were granted with current market rates offered on similar loans. Changes in the specific credit quality of loans within the portfolio are not taken into account in determining fair values, as the main impact of specific credit risk is already recognised separately through the deduction of the allowances for credit losses from the carrying amounts.
- The fair value of demand deposits and savings accounts (included in due to customers) with no specific maturity is assumed to be the amount payable on demand at the balance sheet date. The fair value of the other loans to customers and loans to banks is estimated by comparing market interest rates when the loans were granted with current market rates offered on similar loans.
- The fair value of issued debt securities is based on independent quotes from market participants for the debt issuance spreads above average interbank rates (at a range of tenors) which the market

would demand when purchasing new senior or sub-debt issuances from the Group. Where necessary, these quotes are interpolated using a curve shape derived from CDS prices.

- The fair value of subordinated liabilities is based on the estimated fair values of ABN AMRO's senior notes.

The following table compares the carrying amount of financial assets and liabilities recorded at amortised cost to their estimated fair values*:

	2008			2007		
	Carrying amount	Fair value	Difference	Carrying amount	Fair value	Difference
<i>Financial assets</i>						
Cash and balances at central banks	5,854	5,854	-	16,750	16,750	-
Interest earning securities HTM	-	-	-	2,634	2,599	(35)
Loans and receivables - banks	75,566	75,322	(244)	175,696	175,680	(16)
Loans and receivables - customers	270,119	267,258	(2,861)	396,762	393,574	(3,188)
Total	351,539	348,434	(3,105)	591,842	588,603	(3,239)
<i>Financial liabilities</i>						
Due to banks	94,620	94,627	(7)	239,334	239,334	-
Due to customers	208,984	210,392	(1,408)	330,310	330,228	82
Issued debt securities	74,440	72,030	2,410	130,327	129,636	691
Subordinated liabilities	12,837	8,183	4,654	14,890	13,695	1,195
Total	390,881	385,232	5,649	714,861	712,893	1,968

* Negative amounts represent a reduction to net assets. Positive amounts represent an increase to net assets.

38. Financial risk management and use of derivatives

Financial instrument risk disclosures

This Clause provides details of the Group's exposure to risk arising from financial instruments and how the Group manages those risks. In addition, this note includes a discussion on the extent to which financial instruments are used, the associated risks and the business purpose served.

The most important types of risk associated with financial instruments to which the Group is exposed are:

- Credit risk and country event risk;
- Liquidity risk;
- Interest rate risk (banking book positions); and
- Market risk (trading portfolio) including liquidity risk, currency risk, interest rate risk, equity price risk and commodity risk of the trading book.

Below is a short description of credit, liquidity, interest rate and market risk within the Group's financial instruments portfolio and their impact on the Group's financial position and performance as shown in the quantitative tables.

A detailed discussion of these risks is also provided in Section 3 (Risk and Capital Management).

Credit risk

Measurement and control

The Group is subject to credit risk through its lending, trading, hedging and investing activities as well as in cases where it acts as an intermediary on behalf of customers or other third parties or issues guarantees.

The Group's senior management is responsible for establishing the credit policies and the mechanisms, organisation and procedures required to analyse, manage and control credit risk. In this respect, counterparty limits are set and an internal system of credit ratings is applied.

The Group's primary exposure to credit risk arises through its loans, credit facilities and guarantees issued financial assets held for trading (interest earning securities and derivatives) and derivatives used for hedging.

The risk that counterparties might default on their obligations is monitored on an ongoing basis. For each transaction the Group evaluates whether collateral or a master netting agreement is required to help mitigate the credit risk.

Maximum exposure to credit risk

The amounts stated in the table represent the maximum accounting loss that would be recognised at the balance sheet date if counterparties failed completely to perform as contracted and any collateral or security proved to be of no value. Consequently, the amounts significantly exceed expected losses in the event of counterparty default.

	2008	2007
Derivative assets held for trading	178,896	123,466
Interest earning securities	65,564	93,083
Loans and receivables – banks	36,113	25,360
Loans and receivables – customers	252,050	270,604
Professional securities transactions	52,646	248,608
Multi-seller conduits	5,264	29,457
Committed credit facilities	63,436	104,137
Credit related contingent liabilities	42,148	55,140
Total	696,117	949,855

The maximum credit exposure on derivative assets held for trading is measured as the current positive fair value. For interest-earning securities the amortised cost is included to reflect the credit risk exposure.

The maximum credit exposure to any individual non related client or counterparty as of 31 December 2008 was EUR 2,584 million (2007: EUR 8,136 million) before taking account of collateral or other credit enhancements.

For a breakdown of counterparties for interest-earning securities in the available-for-sale and held-to-maturity portfolio, please refer to note 15. According to the requirements of the DNB the Group has no individually significant exposure to any single counterparty in the category loans and receivables.

Credit risk concentrations

Concentrations of credit risk (whether on- or off-balance sheet) that share similar characteristics such that their ability to meet contractual obligations is likely to be affected in a similar way to changes in economic or other conditions. As part of managing risk concentrations, country risk in emerging markets and sector risk

are managed on a portfolio basis. Refer to the following tables for details of the credit risk concentrations on the customer portfolio.

Credit risk concentrations by geography and sector

	2008		2007	
	Outstanding	% ⁽¹⁾	Outstanding	% ⁽¹⁾
<i>Netherlands</i>				
Loans and receivables to banks	15,041	19	11,309	6
Loans and receivables to public sector	1,590	18	1,547	27
Loans and receivables to commercial	66,043	48	60,189	42
Loans and receivables to consumer	102,727	94	102,378	83
Total	185,401		175,423	
<i>Europe (excluding Netherlands)</i>				
Loans and receivables to banks	56,815	75	147,223	84
Loans and receivables to public sector	544	6	1,003	17
Loans and receivables to commercial	45,477	33	42,416	29
Loans and receivables to consumer	2,384	2	3,863	3
Total	105,220		194,505	
<i>North America</i>				
Loans and receivables to banks	902	1	1,326	1
Loans and receivables to public sector	105	1	77	1
Loans and receivables to commercial	9,206	7	9,542	7
Loans and receivables to consumer	—		—	
Total	10,213		10,945	
<i>Latin America</i>				
Loans and receivables to banks	156	-	4,430	3
Loans and receivables to public sector	—		350	6
Loans and receivables to commercial	531	-	14,085	10
Loans and receivables to consumer	4	-	12,601	10
Total	691		31,466	
<i>Asia Pacific</i>				
Loans and receivables to banks	2,698	2	11,410	6
Loans and receivables to public sector	6,547	75	2,762	48
Loans and receivables to commercial	17,227	12	18,381	13
Loans and receivables to consumer	4,183	4	4,411	4
Total	30,655		36,964	
<i>Total Group</i>				
Loans and receivables to banks ⁽²⁾	75,612		175,698	
Loans and receivables to public sector	8,786		5,739	
Loans and receivables to commercial	138,484		144,613	
Loans and receivables to consumer	109,298		123,253	
Total	332,180		449,303	
Professional securities transactions	13,193		98,270	
Multi-seller conduits	5,264		29,457	
Total loans and receivables	350,637		577,030	

(1) Calculated as a percentage of Group totals for banks, public, commercial and consumer sectors respectively.

(2) Includes professional securities transactions amounting to EUR 39,453 million (2007: EUR 150,338 million)

Credit risk concentrations from credit facilities and guarantees issued by geography:

	2008		2007	
	Outstanding	% ⁽¹⁾	Outstanding	% ⁽¹⁾
<i>Netherlands</i>				
Guarantees and other commitment	4,228	10	5,331	10
Committed credit facilities	17,552	28	21,729	21
Total	21,780		27,060	
<i>Europe (excluding Netherlands)</i>				
Guarantees and other commitment	25,083	59	32,748	59
Committed credit facilities	23,351	36	36,846	36
Total	48,434		69,594	
<i>North America</i>				
Guarantees and other commitment	6,884	16	8,539	15
Committed credit facilities	18,220	29	31,291	30
Total	25,104		39,830	
<i>Latin America</i>				
Guarantees and other commitment	230	1	2,630	5
Committed credit facilities	320	1	8,673	8
Total	550		11,303	
<i>Asia Pacific</i>				
Guarantees and other commitment	5,723	14	5,892	11
Committed credit facilities	3,993	6	5,598	5
Total	9,716		11,490	
<i>Total Group</i>				
Guarantees and other commitment	42,148		55,140	
Committed credit facilities	63,436		104,137	
Total	105,584		159,277	

(1) Calculated as a percentage of Group totals for credit related contingent liabilities and committed credit facilities respectively.

In 2008 ABN AMRO changed its industry breakdown in order to align with RBS Group reporting based on Standard Industry Codes (SIC).

Total commercial loans and receivables by industry are presented in the table below:

	2008		2007	
	Outstanding	%	Outstanding	%
Central and local government	523	-	-	-
Manufacturing	30,980	22	28,375	19
Construction	1,967	1	2,386	2
Finance	33,996	25	36,578	25
Service industries and other business activities	56,353	41	57,857	40
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	5,099	4	8,220	6
Property and mortgages	9,566	7	11,197	8
Total	138,484		144,613	

Total consumer loans and receivables by product type are presented in table below:

	2008		2007	
	Outstanding	%	Outstanding	%
Mortgages	94,147	86	95,561	77
Personal lending	1,667	2	12,213	10
Credit Card	1,394	1	2,374	2
Other consumer loans	12,090	11	13,105	11
Total	109,298		123,253	

Collateral

It is ABN AMRO's policy to reduce or mitigate credit risk on credit facilities or exposure, as much as possible in a given commercial environment by securing credit facilities or exposure with collateral. To correctly assess the extent to which the collateral mitigates the credit risk the Collateral must be valued according to a specified valuation method and properly documented and monitored.

Collaterals are obtained if and when required prior to the disbursement of approved loans. Guarantees and letters of credit are also subject to strict credit assessments before being provided. The extent of collateral held for guarantees and letters of credit is on average 16% (2007: 18%).

During 2008, ABN AMRO took possession of property, equipment and other assets with an estimated value of EUR 7.6 million (2007: EUR 42 million). It is the policy of ABN AMRO to dispose of repossessed properties. The proceeds are used to reduce or repay the outstanding claim. In general these repossessed properties are not occupied for business use. ABN AMRO does not disclose the fair value of collateral held as security or other credit enhancements on loans and advances past due but not impaired, or on individually assessed impaired loans and advances, as it is not practicable to do so.

The following table details loans and receivables from commercial and consumer clients by type of collateral obtained.

	2008	2007
<i>Commercial customers</i>		
Public authority guarantees	5,712	5,341
Mortgages	5,687	11,059
Securities	2,291	2,606
Bank guarantees	5,082	9,180
Other types of collateral	48,289	38,772
Unsecured	71,423	77,655
Total	138,484	144,613
<i>Consumer customers</i>		
Public authority guarantees	187	141
Mortgages	94,146	95,472
Securities	804	1,120
Bank guarantees	19	14
Other types of collateral	4,861	10,274
Unsecured	9,281	16,232
Total	109,298	123,253

Credit quality of financial assets that are neither past due nor impaired 31 December 2008

The credit quality of the portfolio of financial assets can be assessed with reference to ABN AMRO's internal credit rating system which reflects the probability of default of an obligor, i.e. the likelihood that a counterparty fails to pay interest and/or principal and/or other financial obligations to the bank.

ABN AMRO's internal counterparty ratings are a crucial tool for managing and monitoring the credit risk of the bank, both at counterparty and portfolio level. The counterparty rating is based on many aspects including both a financial and non-financial analysis of the counterparty.

Each counterparty to whom ABN AMRO grants any type of credit facility or who has an exposure is assigned a Uniform Counterparty Rating (**UCR**) on a scale of 1 to 8, whereby UCR 1 is of prime quality while UCR 8 is, by definition, 'in default' according to the ABN AMRO definition of default.

The table below gives an overview of the relation between the internal ratings of ABN AMRO (UCR) and the counterparty's probability of default and an indication of how the internal ratings of ABN AMRO compares to the external rating agencies Standards & Poor's, Fitch and Moody's.

	1	2+ till 2-	3+ till 3-	4+ till 4-	5+ till 5-	6+	6-8
UCR							
Expected default rates (%) 2008	0-0.03	0.04-0.10	0.19-0.42	0.68-1.96	3.54-12.92	26.18	100
Expected default rates (%) 2007	0-0.03	0.04-0.10	0.20-0.40	0.63-1.82	3.37-13.71	30.11	100
Standards & Poor's/Fitch	AAA/AA-	A+/A-	BBB+/BBB-	BB+/BB-	B+/B-	CCC+/C	–
Moody's	AAA/Aa3	A1/A3	Baa1/Baa3	Ba1/-Ba3	B1-B3	Caa1/C	–

The following tables show the credit quality of the financial assets that are neither past due nor impaired on respectively 31 December 2008 and 2007:

Neither past due nor impaired at 31 December 2008*:

	1	2+ till 2-	3+ till 3-	4+ till 4-	5+ till 5-	6+	Not rated	Total 2008
UCR								
Interest earning securities in Banking Book	53,518	4,103	874	1,710	42	388	4,930	65,565
Loans and receivables - Banks	54,495	10,402	2,499	1,416	247	879	5,626	75,564
Loans and receivables - Public sector	7,562	236	175	462	196	29	125	8,785
Loans and receivables - Commercial	8,934	15,872	34,947	43,852	11,710	6,692	11,204	133,211
Derivatives	117,976	31,868	6,011	7,895	1,014	3,440	16,914	185,118
Off-balance instruments	7,841	17,576	19,058	4,497	1,235	8,132	5,097	63,436
Total	250,326	80,057	63,564	59,832	14,444	19,560	43,896	531,679

* Excluding discontinued operations

Neither past due nor impaired at 31 December 2007*:

	1	2+ till 2-	3+ till 3-	4+ till 4-	5+ till 5-	6+	Not rated	Total 2007
UCR								
Interest earning securities in Banking Book	61,210	9,702	6,652	661	380	3,458	11,019	93,082
Loans and receivables – Banks	114,053	43,107	10,330	5,633	218	625	1,731	175,697
Loans and receivables - Public sector	3,839	402	419	446	232	342	59	5,739
Loans and receivables – Commercial	4,621	16,942	41,494	49,380	16,910	2,115	8,918	140,380
Derivatives	75,852	32,088	6,757	3,412	348	207	7,265	125,929
Off-balance instruments	16,745	29,286	24,619	12,302	2,356	727	18,103	104,138
Total	276,320	131,527	90,271	71,834	20,444	7,474	47,095	644,965

* Excluding discontinued operations

Credit quality of consumer loans

Loans and receivables consumer of EUR 106,457 million (2007: EUR 119,223 million) are not rated. An indication of the credit quality of these loans and receivables can be derived from the table below and the collateral obtained for the loans and receivables as well as the geographical breakdown of the underlying products of the portfolio as included in the earlier table within this note.

Credit quality of financial assets that are past due but not impaired

The tables below show the analysis of the financial assets that are past due but not impaired:

	Past due ≤ 30 days	Past due > 30 - ≤90 days	Past due > 90 - ≤180 days	Past due > 180 days - ≤ 1 year	Past due > 1 year	Total
31 December 2008						
Loans and receivables – commercial	191	229	66	9	6	501
Loans and receivables – consumer	1,554	912	28	5	4	2,503

	Past due ≤ 30 days	Past due > 30 - ≤90 days	Past due > 90 - ≤180 days	Past due > 180 days - ≤ 1 year	Past due > 1 year	Total
31 December 2007						
Loans and receivables – commercial	1,654	186	15	18	41	1,914
Loans and receivables – consumer	1,795	1,863	77	2	–	3,737

ABN AMRO does not disclose the fair value of collateral held as security or other credit enhancements on loans and advances past due but not impaired, or on individually assessed impaired loans and advances, as it is not practicable to do so.

Renegotiated financial assets

The carrying amounts for renegotiated financial assets, by class are as follows:

	2008	2007
<i>Loans and advances – customers:</i>		
Commercial	317	603
Consumer	-	414
Total renegotiated financial assets	317	1,017

Credit structuring

The Group structures investments to provide specific risk profiles to investors. This may involve the sale of credit exposures, often by way of credit derivatives, to an entity which subsequently funds the credit exposures by issuing securities. These securities may initially be held by the Group prior to a sale outside of the Group.

Asset realisations

Occasionally the Group establishes special purpose entities to facilitate the recovery of loans in circumstances where the borrower has suffered financial losses.

Liquidity risk

Measurement and control

Liquidity risk arises in any bank's general funding of its activities. For example, a bank may be unable to fund its portfolio of assets at appropriate maturities and rates, or may find itself unable to liquidate a position in a timely manner at a reasonable price. The Group holds capital to absorb unexpected losses, and manages liquidity to ensure that sufficient funds are available to meet not only the known cash funding requirements, but also any unanticipated ones that may arise. At all times, the Group maintains what we believe to be adequate levels of liquidity on a Group-wide basis to meet deposit withdrawals, repay borrowings and fund new loans, even under stressed conditions.

The Group manages liquidity on a daily basis in all the countries in which the Group operates. Each national market is unique in terms of the scope and depth of its financial markets, competitive environment, products and customer profile. Therefore local line management is responsible for managing our local liquidity requirements under the supervision of Group Asset and Liability Management on behalf of the Group Asset and Liability Committee.

On a day-to-day basis the Group's liquidity management depends on, among other things, the effective functioning of local and international financial markets. As this is not always the case, Group-wide contingency funding plans are in place. These plans are put into effect in the event of a dramatic change in the normal business activities or in the stability of the local or international financial markets. As part of this liquidity management contingency planning, the Group continually assess potential trends, demands, commitments, events and uncertainties that could reasonably result in increases or decreases in our liquidity. More specifically, the Group considers the impact of these potential changes on the Group's sources of short-term funding and long-term liquidity planning.

As ABN AMRO has entered into committed credit facilities, the liquidity management process also involves assessing the potential effect of the contingencies inherent in these types of transactions on normal sources of liquidity and finance.

In 2007 and 2008 the financial turmoil has influenced ABN AMRO's liquidity management and position. One of the most notable impacts was on the ABN AMRO managed asset-backed commercial paper (ABCP) conduits, which are diversified in terms of geographical and asset coverage and the maturities of the ABCP are well spread over time. By late 2008 the majority of ABN AMRO's multi-seller conduits and the related issuance and sponsorship role have been transferred to RBS. The outstanding ABCP as per 31 December 2008 was EUR 17.8 billion (2007: EUR 50.9 billion), of which EUR 4.8 billion (2007: EUR 29.3 billion) relates to multi-seller conduits. In 2008 all of the notes held by the Group's securities arbitrage conduit were transferred to RBS. In general the other major conduits have been refinanced in the market with ABN AMRO in some cases temporarily required to warehouse ABCP.

Maturity analysis of assets and liabilities

The following table provides an overview that categorises the balance sheet of the Group into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining contractual periods to repayment. This is not consistent with how the Group looks at liquidity as the models used also take in to account the expected behaviour of customers and other factors.

Maturity for the year ended 31 December 2008:

	On demand	≤ 1 year	> 1 year- ≤ 5 years	> 5 years	Maturity not applicable	Total
Assets						
Cash and balances at central banks	5,400	418	–	36	–	5,854
Financial assets held for trading	11,668	26,534	78,563	83,458	12,430	212,653

Financial investments	–	7,790	14,986	42,788	1,497	67,061
Loans and receivables – banks	4,237	67,814	2,626	889	–	75,566
Loans and receivables- customers	33,976	71,587	44,732	120,212	–	270,507
Other assets	21	2,453	193	482	32,027	35,176
Total	55,302	176,596	141,100	247,865	45,954	666,817

Liabilities

Financial liabilities held for trading	9,385	26,992	78,412	77,298	–	192,087
Due to banks	25,309	64,083	4,266	962	–	94,620
Due to customers	79,226	116,612	7,461	5,705	–	209,004
Issued debt securities	608	44,336	42,088	24,264	–	111,296
Subordinated liabilities	–	1,513	872	11,164	–	13,549
Other liabilities	3,757	2,231	433	1,829	20,888	29,138
Total	118,285	255,767	133,532	121,222	20,888	649,694

Derivative used for hedging

Assets	-	1,225	746	1,183	-	3,154
Liabilities	-	1,247	1,336	4,045	-	6,628

Off-balance liabilities

Guarantees						37,509
Irrevocable facilities						4,639
Committed facilities						63,436

Maturity for the year ended 31 December 2007:

	On demand	≤ 1 year	> 1 year- < 5 years	> 5 years	Maturity not applicable	Total
Assets						
Cash and balances at central banks	16,750	–	–	–	–	16,750
Financial assets held for trading	9,560	33,628	95,404	57,738	45,947	242,277
Financial investments	–	23,822	28,630	40,631	3,352	96,435
Loans and receivables – banks	9,300	125,334	26,693	14,369	–	175,696
Loans and receivables- customers	18,038	173,816	83,967	122,510	–	398,331
Other assets	–	1,754	338	478	93,154	95,724
Total	53,648	358,354	235,032	235,726	142,453	1,025,213

Liabilities

Financial liabilities held for trading	2,443	18,455	68,160	66,418	–	155,476
Due to banks	19,058	214,886	3,590	1,800	–	239,334
Due to customers	82,627	222,959	12,914	11,852	–	330,352
Issued debt securities	–	91,685	59,977	23,333	–	174,995
Subordinated liabilities	–	700	3,108	11,808	–	15,616
Other liabilities	4,610	1,709	184	42	72,186	78,731
Total	108,738	550,394	147,933	115,253	72,186	994,504

Derivative used for hedging

Assets	–	1,635	349	494		2,478
Liabilities	–	585	751	610		1,946

Off-balance liabilities

Guarantees						49,337
Irrevocable facilities						5,803
Committed facilities						104,137

Interest rate risk (banking book)

Interest rate sensitivity of banking book positions

The Earnings Risk table below shows the cumulative sensitivity of net interest income and equity over a time horizon of 12 and 24 months, under 'rate rise' and 'rate fall' scenarios. Sensitivity is defined as the percentage change in net interest income relative to a base case scenario. The base case scenario assumes continuation of the present yield curve environment. The 'rates rise' and 'rates fall' scenarios assume a gradual parallel shift of the yield curve during 12 months, after which the curve remains unchanged. The sensitivity analysis is limited to the euro as this is the main currency in which the Group has its earnings. The rates rise and rates fall scenarios for euro are 200 basis points for both years presented.

The following table shows the possible cumulative percentage change in income over the relevant time horizon:

Earnings risk (<i>in percentages</i>)			
	Horizon	December 2008	December 2007
Rate rise	One year	(4.1%)	(3.3%)
	Two years	(5.0%)	(3.3%)
Rate fall	One year	2.4%	2.5%
	Two years	0.5%	0.8%

The Earnings risk table below gives the 2008 cumulative change in net interest income over the relevant time horizon in absolute numbers.

Earnings risk (<i>in millions of euros</i>)			
	Horizon	December 2008	December 2007
Rate rise	One year	(105)	(126)
	Two years	(271)	(263)
Rate fall	One year	62	94
	Two years	26	65

The Market Value Risk table below shows the sensitivity of the market value of equity to changes in interest rates for the euro. Market value of equity is defined as the discounted value of assets, minus discounted value of liabilities, plus market value of derivatives and other interest sensitive items in the banking book. Sensitivity is measured as the percentage value change due to an overnight interest rate change shock. The size of the shock is based on observed changes of the curve in a month and a 99% confidence level. The shock rate change for euro was 50 basis points for both years. Due to the separation of the Group and related transfers of some portfolios after the take-over both years are not fully comparable.

Market Value Risk (<i>in percentages</i>)		
	December 2008	December 2007
Rate rise	(3.8%)	(2.3%)
Rate fall	3.3%	1.6%

Sensitivity analysis is based upon our interest rate risk modelling of assets and liabilities and is used for risk management purposes only. The model above assumes that during the course of the year no other changes are made in the respective portfolio. Earnings risk shows one possible prediction based upon the model and actual changes in net interest income will vary from the model.

Exposures

All trading portfolios are subject to market risk. Several major sources of market risk are interest rate, foreign exchange, equity price, commodity price, credit spread, volatility, and correlation risks. We define

market risk as the risk that changes in financial market prices will decrease the value of our trading portfolios. The instruments in our trading portfolios are recognised at fair value and changes in market conditions directly affect net trading income.

Measurement and control

The Group applies a Value-at-Risk (**VaR**) methodology to estimate the market risk of its trading portfolios. The Group uses VaR as its primary tool for the day-to-day monitoring of market risks. The Group Asset and Liability Committee sets limits on the maximum level of VaR at an aggregate level for the Group. The risk committees may set VaR limits on lower aggregation levels.

Other control measures used in the market risk management process include historical and stress scenarios, limits on net open positions, interest rate sensitivity per basis point, spread sensitivities, option parameters, position concentrations, and position ageing.

Value-at-Risk

VaR is a methodology for assessing market risk exposure in a single number. VaR is a statistical measure that estimates potential losses and is defined as the predicted loss that might be caused by changes in risk factors under normal circumstances, over a specified period of time, and at a specified level of statistical confidence. The Group uses a proprietary VaR model that has been approved by the DNB.

The VaR methodology adopted by the Group for its VaR calculation is historical simulation, using approximately 1.5 years of weighted (exponential decay method) historical data. The VaR is calculated at a 99% confidence level for a one-day holding period using absolute changes in historical rates and prices for interest rate-related and all implied volatility risk factors, and relative changes in historical rates and prices for other risk factors. The positions captured by our VaR calculations include derivative and cash positions that are reported as assets and liabilities held for trading. The VaR is reported daily per trading portfolio, per product line, and for the Group as a whole. It is reported daily to the senior management of the businesses, Group Risk Management, and the responsible members of the Managing Board.

The table below provides the 2008 and 2007 Value at Risk per risk category (99% confidence level, one-day holding period):

<i>(in millions of euros)</i>	For the year ended 31 December 2008				For the year ended 31 December 2007			
	Minimum	Maximum	Average	Year-end	Minimum	Maximum	Average	Year-end
Interest rate risk	28.5	93.8	49.6	68.8	9.5	59.7	27.4	44.8
Equity price risk	12.6	79.9	29.7	19.4	14.8	65.2	35.3	37.0
Foreign exchange risk	2.7	19.6	8.5	13.9	2.1	13.6	4.6	4.4
Commodity price risk	0.4	12.7	2.2	2.0	0.2	6.0	1.4	1.2
Diversification effect	-	-	-	(33.4)	-	-	-	(35.2)
Aggregate VaR ⁽¹⁾	30.7	113.5	57.4	70.7	18.4	68.3	40.2	52.2

(1) The maximum (and minimum) for each category occurred on different days and therefore have no direct relation to the maximum (and minimum) of the aggregate Value-at-Risk. The aggregate Value-at-Risk includes the diversification effect of imperfect or negative correlations between certain risk types. Therefore the aggregate Value-at-Risk can be lower than the sum of the individual risk types on the same day (e.g. year-end).

Back testing is performed on the actual and hypothetical profit and loss and the results are reported to the DNB on a quarterly basis. At a 99% confidence level, the statistical expectation is that on one out of every 100 trading days a loss exceeding the VaR occurs. Back testing is an essential instrument for the ex post validation of our internal VaR model.

Stress testing

The limitations of the VaR model means that we must supplement it with other statistical tests. These include a series of stress tests, scenarios, and sensitivity stress tests that shed light on the hypothetical behaviour of our portfolio and the impact of extreme market movements on our financial results. Sensitivity stress tests and stress scenarios have been developed internally to reflect specific characteristics of the Group's portfolios and are performed daily for each trading portfolio and at several aggregation levels. These apply parallel increases and decreases in a number of risk elements or in one risk element, actual historical scenarios (non-parallel moves in a number of risk elements,) or plausible future shocks.

Capital hedge

Capital ratios are hedged to avoid the material changes in the EUR/USD exchange rate. The primary focus is to protect the core tier 1 ratio against the adverse exchange rate movements.

ABN AMRO investments in foreign operations in currencies other than the USD are hedged on a selective basis. ABN AMRO consider the use of hedging in cases where the expected currency loss is larger than the interest rate differential between the two currencies that represents the cost of the hedge.

The table shows the sensitivity of our equity capital to a 10% appreciation and 10% depreciation, respectively, in the euro against all foreign currencies.

<i>(in millions of euros)</i>	2008	2007
Euro appreciates 10%	312	(813)
Euro depreciates 10%	(312)	813

Use of derivatives

Derivative instruments

The Group uses derivative instruments (a) to provide risk management solutions to its clients, (b) to manage the Group's own exposure to various risks (including interest, currency and credit risks) and (c) for proprietary trading purposes. A derivative is a financial instrument that is settled at a future date and requires little or no initial net investment, and whose value varies in response to changes in the price of another financial instrument, an index or some other variable.

The majority of derivative contracts are arranged as to amount ('notional'), tenor and price directly with the counterparty (over-the-counter). The remainder are standardised in terms of their amounts and settlement dates and are bought and sold in organised markets (exchange traded).

The notional, or contractual, amount of a derivative represents the reference quantity of the underlying financial instrument on which the derivative contract is based. The value of the derivative contract is typically determined by applying a calculated price to this notional amount, and is the basis upon which changes in the value of the contract are measured. The notional amount provides an indication of the underlying volume of business transacted by the Group but does not provide any measure of risk, and is not included on the balance sheet.

Positive and negative fair values on different transactions are only netted if the transactions are with the same counterparty and the cash flows will be settled on a net basis, and the Group has the legal right to offset separate transactions with that counterparty.

Types of derivative instruments

The most common types of derivatives used are as follows:

Forwards are binding contracts to buy or sell financial instruments, most typically currency, on a future date at a specified price. Forward contracts are tailor-made agreements that are transacted between counterparties in the over-the-counter (**OTC**) market.

Futures are exchange traded agreements to buy or sell a standard quantity of specified grade or type of financial instrument, currency or commodity at a specified future date.

Commodity derivatives are contracts to buy or sell a non-financial item. They can be either exchange traded or OTC.

Swaps are agreements between two parties to exchange cash flows on a specified notional amount for a predetermined period. Most swaps are traded OTC. The major types of swap transactions undertaken by the Group are as follows:

- Interest rate swap contracts – typically the contractual exchange of fixed and floating rate interest payments in a single currency, based on a notional amount and a reference interest rate, most commonly LIBOR.
- Cross currency swaps – the exchange of interest payments based on two different currency principal balances and reference interest rates, and usually the exchange of principal amounts at the start and end of the contract.
- Credit default swaps (**CDSs**) – bilateral agreements under which one party (protection buyer) makes one or more payments to the other party (protection seller) in exchange for an undertaking by the seller to make a payment to the buyer following a specified credit event. Credit default swaps may be on a single name (counterparty) or on a multiple (or basket) of names (counterparties). Settlement following a credit event may be a net cash amount, or cash in return for physical delivery of one or more obligations of the credit entity and is made regardless of whether the protection buyer has actually suffered a loss.
- Total rate of return swaps - these give the total return receiver exposure to all of the cash flows and economic benefits and risks of an underlying asset, without having to own the asset, in exchange for a series of payments, often based on a reference interest rate, such as LIBOR. The total return payer has an equal and opposite position. A specific type of total return swap is an equity swap.

Options are contractual agreements under which, typically, the seller (writer) grants the purchaser the right, but not the obligation, either to buy (call option) or to sell (put option) by or at a set date, a specified quantity of a financial instrument or commodity at a predetermined price. The purchaser pays a premium to the seller for this right. Options may be traded OTC or on a regulated exchange, and may be traded in the form of a security (warrant).

Derivatives transacted for trading purposes

Most of the Group's derivative transactions relate to sales and trading activities. Sales activities include the structuring and marketing of derivative products to customers to enable them to take, transfer, modify or reduce current or expected risks.

Trading activities are entered into principally for the purpose of generating profits from short-term fluctuations in price or margin, and include market-making, positioning and arbitrage activities:

- Market making involves quoting bid and offer prices to other market participants with the intention of generating income based on spread and volume
- Positioning means managing market risk positions with the expectation of profiting from favourable movements in prices, rates or indices
- Arbitrage activities involve identifying and profiting from price differentials between markets and products.

Derivatives transacted for hedging purposes

The Group enters into derivative transactions for the purposes of hedging assets, liabilities, forecast transactions, cash flows and credit exposures. The accounting treatment of hedge transactions varies according to the nature of the instrument hedged and whether the hedge qualifies for accounting purposes (see accounting policies).

The Group also enters into derivative transactions which provide economic hedges for credit risk exposures but do not meet the requirements for hedge accounting treatment; for example, the Group uses CDSs as economic hedges for credit risk exposures in the loan and traded product portfolios, but cannot always apply hedge accounting to such positions.

Risks of derivative instruments

Derivative instruments are transacted in many trading portfolios, which generally include several types of instruments, not just derivatives. The market risk of derivatives is managed and controlled as an integral part of the market risk of these portfolios. The Group's approach to market risk is described in the market risk section.

Derivative instruments are transacted with many different counterparties. The credit risk of derivatives is managed and controlled in the context of the Group's overall credit exposure to each counterparty. The Group's approach to credit risk is described in the financial credit risk section of this footnote. It should be noted that although the values shown on the balance sheet can be an important component of the Group's credit exposure, the positive fair values for any one counterparty are rarely an adequate reflection of the Group's credit exposure on its derivatives business with that counterparty. This is because, on the one hand, fair values can increase over time ('potential future exposure'), while on the other hand, exposure may be mitigated by entering into master netting agreements and bilateral collateral arrangements with counterparties.

39. Capital adequacy

Subsequent to its acquisition by RFS Holdings, ABN AMRO received approval for a transitional period from the DNB and the FSA with regards to compliance to Basel II capital rules. ABN AMRO has agreed with these regulators to continue to report figures on the basis of Basel I until December 2009. In accordance with this, specific minimal requirements have been set for the Tier 1 and Total capital ratios, including the requirement to treat the capital deductions in the same manner as required by Basel II.

These ratios measure capital adequacy by comparing the Group's eligible capital with its balance sheet assets, off-balance sheet commitments and market and other risk positions at weighted amounts to reflect their relative risk. The market risk approach covers the general market risk and the risk of open positions in currencies and debt and equity securities.

The Group's capital adequacy level was as follows:

	Balance sheet/un-weighted amount		Risk weighted amount, including effect of contractual netting	
	2008	2007	2008	2007
<i>Balance sheet assets (net of provisions):</i>				
Cash and balances at central banks	5,854	16,750	485	271
Financial assets held for trading	212,653	242,277	-	-
Financial investments	67,061	96,435	4,961	7,591
Loans and receivables-banks	75,566	175,696	4,210	6,182
Loans and receivables-customers	270,507	398,331	101,909	107,724
Equity accounted investments	796	871	138	268
Property and equipment	2,035	2,747	2,002	2,518
Goodwill and other intangibles	924	1,424	583	871
Assets of business held for sale	1,583	60,458	1,205	39,631
Prepayment and accrued income	7,011	12,580	2,003	4,126
Tax assets	5,100	4,875	-	-
Other assets	17,727	12,769	2,171	2,877
Subtotal	666,817	1,025,213	119,667	172,059
<i>Off-balance sheet positions and derivatives:</i>				
Credit-related commitments and contingencies	105,584	159,277	28,053	38,607
Credit equivalents of derivatives			14,814	14,472
Insurance companies and other			425	532
Subtotal			43,292	53,611
Total credit risks			162,959	225,670
Market risk requirements			13,069	6,642
Total Risk Weighted Assets			176,028	232,312

Tier 1 capital consists of shareholders' equity and qualifying subordinated liabilities less goodwill and some intangible assets. Tier 2 capital represents additional qualifying subordinated liabilities, taking into account the remaining maturities. Core tier 1 capital is tier 1 capital excluding qualifying subordinated liabilities.

The following table analyses actual capital and the minimum standard needed in order to comply with supervisory requirements:

	2008		2007	
	Required	Actual	Required	Actual
Total capital	22,004	25,405	18,584	33,938
Total capital ratio	12.50%	14.43%	8.00%	14.61%
Tier 1 capital	15,843	19,152	9,292	28,850
Tier 1 capital ratio	9.00%	10.88%	4.00%	12.42%
Core tier 1		17,778		24,597
Core tier 1 ratio		10.10%		10.59%

In determining the capital adequacy requirement, both existing and future credit risk is taken into account. To this end the current potential loss on derivatives, which is the fair value based on market conditions at balance sheet date, is increased by a percentage of the relevant notional amounts, depending on the nature and remaining term of the contract. This method takes into account the possible adverse development of the fair value during the remaining term of the contract. The following analysis shows the resulting credit equivalent, both un-weighted and weighted for counterparty risk (mainly banks). The figures allow for the

impact of netting transactions and other collateral. During 2008 ABN AMRO has complied with the supervisory capital requirements to which it is subject.

Credit equivalent of derivative contracts

	2008	2007
Interest rate contracts	86.5	97.2
Currency contracts	48.1	41.6
Other contracts	90.0	115.5
	224.6	254.3
Effect of contractual netting	163.1	188.0
Unweighted credit equivalent	61.5	66.3
Weighted credit equivalent	14.8	14.5

40. Securitisations

As part of the Group's funding and credit risk mitigation activities, the cash flows of selected financial assets are transferred to third parties for funding purposes. Substantially all financial assets included in these transactions are mortgage or other loan portfolios. The extent of the Group's continuing involvement in these financial assets varies by transaction.

The Group participates in sales transactions where cash flows relating to various financial assets are transferred to a consolidated special purpose entity (SPE). When in these transactions neither substantially all risks and rewards nor control over the financial assets has been transferred, the entire asset continues to be recognised in the consolidated balance sheet. In the case of sales transactions involving a consolidated SPE, the retained risks and rewards are usually an interest related spread and/or an exposure on first credit losses. The carrying amounts of the assets and associated liabilities approximated EUR 4,609 million, EUR 5,437 million, and EUR 5,554 million at 31 December 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

Full recognition and continuing involvement

Additionally the Group participates in various mortgage related transactions in the Netherlands that have been conducted without the involvement of a SPE. In these transactions, the derecognition criteria are not fully met and the entire asset continues to be recognised in the consolidated balance sheet. The Group also retains exposure to certain interest rate risks. The carrying amounts of these mortgage assets and associated liabilities approximate EUR 151 million, EUR 203 million and EUR 272 million at 31 December 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

The Group has not participated in any transaction where partial derecognition of specified portions of an entire financial asset have occurred.

Synthetic transactions

In addition the Group has synthetic securitisations for an amount of EUR 110,764 million (2007: EUR 119,115 million). Through a synthetic securitisation the Group is able to buy protection without actual transfer of any assets to an SPE, since the SPEs have hedged their exposure through the issue of credit linked notes or commercial paper. As a result, the Group as the owner of the assets buys protection to transfer the credit risk on a portfolio of assets to another entity that sells the protection. Although a substantial part of the credit risk related to these loan portfolios are transferred, actual ownership of the portfolio of assets remains with the Group. In general, the third party investors in securities issued by the SPE have only recourse to the assets of the SPE and not to the Group.

Credit default swaps

In addition to the transactions mentioned above, the Group also uses credit default swaps in synthetic securitisations programs to reduce credit risk for parts of the loan portfolio by selling these risks directly to the capital markets. At 31 December 2008 the Group has bought credit protection for an amount of EUR 23,413 million (2007: EUR 54,816 million). In order to mitigate the income statement volatility associated with the fair valuations of these credit default swaps and in line with the Group risk appetite and hedging strategy, hedges of these credit default swaps are entered into that are based on credit risk indices. The correlation of these with the credit default swaps are monitored and the strategy is adapted where necessary.

41. Private equity investments

Private equity investments are either consolidated or held at fair value through income.

Consolidated private equity holdings

Investments of a private equity nature that are controlled by the Group are consolidated. These holdings represent a wide range of non-banking activities. Personnel and other costs relating to production and manufacturing activities are presented within material expenses. The impact on the income statement of consolidating these investments is set out in the following table.

	2008	2007	2006
Income of consolidated private equity holdings	1,726	3,836	5,313
Other income included in operating income	(45)	(226)	(340)
Total operating income of consolidated private equity holdings	1,681	3,610	4,973
Goods and material expenses of consolidated private equity holdings	1,278	2,744	3,684
Included in personnel expenses	176	390	577
Included in administrative costs	136	332	466
Included in depreciation and amortisation	45	168	212
Total operating expenses	1,635	3,634	4,939
Operating profit/(loss) before tax of consolidated private equity holdings	46	(24)	34

Goods and material expenses include personnel costs relating to manufacturing and production activities.

The assets and liabilities of these consolidated holdings are included in the Group balance sheet as assets and liabilities of businesses held for sale as ABN AMRO in planning to sell the private equity investments. The total assets of these consolidated entities at 31 December 2008 were EUR 435 million (2007: EUR 1,698 million), excluding goodwill.

Unconsolidated private equity investments

The private equity investments over which the Group does not have control are accounted for at fair value with changes through income. Although control is not with the Group, in many cases the Group has significant influence, usually evidenced by an equity stake of between 20% and 50%. Significant influence is held in approximately 29 (2007: 74) investments with a positive material fair value. The total fair value of these investments is EUR 271 million at 31 December 2008 (2007: EUR 439 million), operating in various sectors including information technology, life sciences, media and telecommunications.

42. Joint ventures

The Group's activities conducted through joint ventures include cash transfer, insurance, finance, lease, global custody and equity capital market transactions. The consolidated financial statements of the joint ventures include the following assets and liabilities, income and expenses, represent the Group's proportionate share:

	2008	2007
Assets		
Financial assets held for trading	203	1,049
Financial investments	1,946	2,193
Loans and receivables-banks and customers	34	246
Property and equipment	17	18
Accrued income and prepaid expenses	56	55
Other assets	2,391	2,827
Total	4,647	6,388
Liabilities		
Financial liabilities held for trading	4	3
Due to banks and customers	32	129
Issued debt securities	-	27
Provisions	2,142	3,156
Other liabilities	2,391	2,865
Total	4,569	6,180
Total operating income	56	185
Operating expenses	30	74
Operating profit	26	111
Tax expense	9	31
Net profit	17	80

Most significant joint ventures:		
	Interest held (%)	Main activities
Neuflize Vie	60	Insurance

43. Remuneration of Managing Board and Supervisory Board

The remuneration of the Managing Board and Supervisory Board, as described and quantified below, is in principle only applicable to the Board Members who were appointed before the takeover of the Group by the Consortium of RBS, Fortis and Santander or were appointed after the takeover but had a contract already with ABN AMRO before the takeover. For the other Board Members appointed after the takeover on behalf of the Consortium Members this remuneration package is not applicable. Their remuneration is paid by the respective Consortium Members and is accordingly not included in the tables below. Additionally, the Managing Board is comprised of the statutory directors for ABN AMRO Holding N.V.

Remuneration Managing Board

The structure of the Managing Board's remuneration package has been in place since 2001 and has been adjusted in 2005 and 2006. The Managing Board remuneration has several elements that, as a package, make it comparable with the remuneration offered by relevant peers in the market. Peers are defined as other major Dutch companies and other European-parented banks. The Nomination & Compensation Committee reviewed the Managing Board Package for the last time in 2006 and in 2007 applied some changes in the then applicable Long Term Incentive Plans. With effect from 2008 another change in the Long Term Incentive Plans occurred.

The compensation package for the Managing Board has the following elements:

- Base salary
- Performance bonus

- Long-term incentives – Performance Share Plan and Share Investment & Matching Plan
- Other benefits

Base salary

A common base salary applies to all Managing Board members. Salaries are reviewed annually with adjustments taking effect from 1 January. In 2008 Managing Board base salaries were adjusted upwards by 2.5% to reflect inflation bringing the 2007 salary of EUR 666,500 to the rounded down amount of EUR 683,000 for 2008.

Performance bonus

The annual performance bonus for Managing Board members was based upon ABN AMRO's quantitative objectives at the corporate level and qualitative performance objectives at both the corporate and BU level. The objectives were set annually by the Nomination & Compensation Committee and endorsed by the Supervisory Board. The cash bonus was expressed as a percentage of base salary with an outcome between 0 and 200%. At target performance would result in a bonus of 150% of base salary. After the bonus percentage would have been set on the assessment of the quantitative targets, the Nomination & Compensation Committee could use its discretion to adjust the bonus outcome within a band of plus or minus 20% of annual gross salary, on the basis of the assessment of the set qualitative criteria.

The Nomination & Compensation Committee has decided that for the year 2008 no bonuses will be granted to Managing Board members considering the changing context in which financial institutions now operate and also considering the collective and individual stakeholder interests of ABN AMRO in this performance year. The Supervisory Board has endorsed this decision.

Cash settlement of the outstanding Long Term Incentive plan 'LTIP' awards as described above

In the performance year 2007, awards were granted, for the last time, under the ABN AMRO LTIPs being the Performance Share Plan 'PSP' and the Share Investment & Matching Plan (**SIMP**). In 2007 the Supervisory and Managing Boards of ABN AMRO have, in accordance with their discretion under the rules of the Group LTIPs, resolved that all outstanding awards and options under these LTIPs, including the awards granted in 2007, should be cash settled as a consequence of the take over of ABN AMRO by the Consortium of Fortis, RBS and Santander.

17 October 2007, the date of settlement of the shares tendered under the Consortium's tender offer, was the date for the cash settlement of the awards under the LTIPs. With respect to the calculation of the cash settlement amount, the value of an ABN AMRO share was the value of a tendered share on the settlement date. This value resulted in EUR 35.60 plus EUR 2.28 representing the value of 0.296 RBS share against the closing price of the RBS share on 17 October 2007. The value (further referred to as Settlement Price) per ABN AMRO Holding N.V. share (a 'Share') resulted in EUR 37.88.

Given the acquisition of ABN AMRO by the Consortium, there was no longer a true market in ABN AMRO shares. Therefore these plans are no longer available. The Consortium Members however recognised the critical contribution that Managing Board members and other Top Executives make to the business and have decided to develop an alternative arrangement.

This arrangement resulted in a long term incentive award aligned to the plan of the respective Consortium Member where the individual Top Executive and Managing Board members would be employed post-Separation if applicable. Therefore one of the Managing Board members originating from ABN AMRO received an award under the Fortis Bank (Nederland) 2008 Phantom Equity Plan and another Managing Board member received an award under the Royal Bank of Scotland Group Restricted Share Plan.

As a consequence of the purchase of the Fortis interest in ABN AMRO, held via an interest in RFS Holdings by the Dutch State, the award conditions provided for a transfer of the Fortis award into a deferred cash award on the basis of the ABN AMRO Deferred Cash Plan 2008 that was applicable for Top Executive members that were not allocated to one of the Consortium Members.

The underlying value of the award for Managing Board members was EUR 770,000 and EUR 390,000 for Senior Executive Vice Presidents and the award will vest at the vesting date (31 December 2010) or prior to this date in the event of earlier redundancy by way of a pro ration of the original award.

Pension

The Managing Board's pensionable salary is 100% of annual base salary. Since 1 January 2006 the normal retirement age of the Managing Board members is 65, based on average income (2.15% per year). It is possible to retire earlier. The ABN AMRO Pension Fund manages the pension plan.

Other benefits

The Managing Board's compensation package also includes:

- The use of a company lease car with driver.
- Reimbursement of the cost of adequate security measures for their main private residence.
- A 24-hour personal accident insurance policy with a fixed covered amount of EUR 1.8 million for members and EUR 2.5 million for the Chairman.
- Contributions towards private health insurance, according to the policies applicable to all other ABN AMRO employees in the Netherlands.
- Preferential rates on bank products such as mortgages and loans, according to the same policies that apply to all other ABN AMRO staff in the Netherlands.

The following table summarises total reward, ABN AMRO options and shares, and outstanding loans of the members of the Managing Board and Supervisory Board.

<i>(in thousands of euros)</i>	Managing Board		Supervisory Board	
	2008	2007	2008	2007
Salaries and other short-term benefits	2,028	4,901	725	1,471
Pensions	353	1,423	-	-
Termination benefits	19,790	4,881	-	-
Profit-sharing and bonus payments	-	6,400	-	-
Share-based payments	83	40,057	-	-
Loans (outstanding)	2,868	6,226	-	-

The following table summarises the salaries, other rewards and bonuses of individual Managing Board members, as far as these rewards are included in the income statement.

<i>(in thousands of euros)</i>	2008					2007				
	Base salary	Other payments ⁽¹⁾	Bonus	Share based payments ⁽²⁾	Pension costs ⁽³⁾	Base salary	Other payments ⁽¹⁾	Bonus	Share based payments ⁽²⁾	Pension costs ⁽³⁾
W.G. Jiskoot ⁽⁴⁾	285	4,490	-	-	90	667	-	1,000	5,501	239
J.Ch.L. Kuiper ⁽⁵⁾	114	-	-	-	52	667	-	1,000	5,501	336
H.G. Boumeester ⁽⁶⁾	114	3,800	-	-	24	667	-	1,000	4,821	203
P.S. Overmars ⁽⁷⁾	-	3,500	-	-	-	667	-	1,000	4,821	115
R. Teerlink ⁽⁸⁾	171	-	-	-	25	667	-	1,000	4,821	119
J.P. Schmittmann ⁽⁹⁾	678	8,248	-	-	108	111	-	-	-	18
M.G.J. de Jong ⁽¹⁰⁾	418	-	-	83	54	-	-	-	800	-

R.W.J. Groenink ⁽¹¹⁾	-	-	-	-	-	778	4,881	1,400	7,701	275
H.Y. Scott-Barrett ⁽¹²⁾	-	-	-	-	-	389	288	-	5,259	118

- (1) Other payments are comprised of termination payments, deferred cash payments and foreigner allowance.
- (2) Share-based payments are calculated in accordance with IFRS 2 by recognising the fair value of the originally equity settled shares or options at grant date over the vesting period, taking into account the accelerated vesting in 2007. For originally cash-settled transactions these costs are measured at the fair value at settlement date.
- (3) Pension costs exclusively comprise pension service cost for the year computed on the basis of IAS 19.
- (4) W.G. Jiskoot stepped down on 31 May 2008 and received EUR 4.5 million termination payment (incl. pension costs).
- (5) J.Ch.L. Kuiper retired on 1 March 2008.
- (6) H.G. Boumeester stepped down on 29 February 2008 and received EUR 3.8 million termination payment.
- (7) P.S. Overmars stepped down on 31 December 2007 and received EUR 3.5 million termination payment.
- (8) R. Teerlink stepped down on 31 March 2008.
- (9) J.P. Schmittmann stepped down on 30 December 2008 and received EUR 8.0 million termination payment, EUR 192 thousand deferred cash award and EUR 56 thousand jubilee gratification.
- (10) M.G.J. de Jong joined the board on 1 January 2008. EUR 83 thousand share based payment award relates to the RBS Group Restricted Share Plan.
- (11) R.W.J. Groenink stepped down on 1 November 2007 and received a termination payment (incl. pension costs) of EUR 4,881 thousand.
- (12) H.Y. Scott-Barrett received a foreigner allowance of EUR 277 thousand, a tax allowance of EUR 11 thousand and stepped down on 1 August 2007.

Loans from ABN AMRO to Managing Board members

(in thousands of euros)	2008		2007	
	Outstanding at 31 December	Interest rate (%)	Outstanding at 31 December	Interest rate (%)
M.G.J. de Jong ⁽¹⁾	2,868	3.63	-	-
W.G. Jiskoot ⁽²⁾	-	-	1,674	3.38
J.Ch.L. Kuiper ⁽²⁾	-	-	655	3.87
H.G. Boumeester ⁽²⁾	-	-	1,633	3.26
P.S. Overmars ⁽²⁾	-	-	1,163	4.00
R. Teerlink ⁽²⁾	-	-	-	-
J.P. Schmittmann ⁽²⁾	-	-	1,101	3.77

- (1) M.G.J. de Jong was appointed on 1 January 2008.
- (2) All stepped down during 2008.

Remuneration Supervisory Board

The following table provides information on the remuneration of individual members of the Supervisory Board. As of 1 May 2006 the remuneration was adjusted. The members of the Supervisory Board receive an equal remuneration of EUR 60,000 per annum. For the Vice Chairman this remuneration is EUR 70,000 and for the Chairman EUR 85,000 per annum. For the membership of the Audit Committee an additional allowance of EUR 15,000 is applied on an annual basis. The annual allowance for the members of the Nomination & Compensation Committee and the Compliance Oversight Committee is EUR 10,000. The annual allowance for the Chairman of the Audit Committee is EUR 20,000 and for the Chairmen of the two other Committees EUR 15,000 per annum. The general expenses allowances were abolished and actual business expenses incurred can be declared and are eligible for reimbursement. Supervisory Board members that are not residents in the Netherlands are entitled to general allowances for each Supervisory Board meeting that they attend, namely EUR 7,500 for members who live outside Europe and EUR 5,000 for members who live in Europe. This allowance applies to meetings of both the Supervisory Board and the various committees and is paid only once when meetings are being held on the same day or on consecutive days and is only paid when the members physically attend the meetings.

All amounts are based on a full year, but the actual payment depends on the period of membership during the year. Members of the Supervisory Board are not entitled to emoluments in the form of ABN AMRO shares or options on ABN AMRO shares.

Remuneration of the Supervisory Board as far as chargeable to ABN AMRO⁽¹⁾

<i>(in thousands of euros)</i>	2008	2007
A.C. Martinez	125	130
A.A. Olijslager	90	85
D.R.J. Baron de Rothschild ⁽²⁾	-	60
Mrs. T.A. Maas-de Brouwer	85	80
M.V. Pratini de Moraes ⁽²⁾	-	75
P. Scaroni ⁽²⁾	-	60
Lord Sharman of Redlynch ⁽²⁾	-	80
R.F. van den Bergh	70	70
A. Ruys	70	70
G.J. Kramer	75	60
H.G. Randa ⁽²⁾	-	60
Mrs. Llopis Rivas	75	55
M. Enthoven ⁽⁴⁾	7	-
Mrs. L.S. Groenman ⁽³⁾	-	33

(1) The remuneration is excluding an attendance fee.

(2) Stepped down on 1 November 2007.

(3) Resigned at 26 April 2007.

(4) Appointed on 21 November 2008.

Loans from ABN AMRO to Supervisory Board members

There are no loans from ABN AMRO to Supervisory Board members.

Senior Executive Vice Presidents (SEVPs) Compensation 2008

The reward package for ABN AMRO's SEVPs, the second level of Top Executives, was also introduced in 2001. In the course of 2008 the number of SEVPs decreased from 18 at the start of 2008 to 7 by the end of 2008.

The compensation for ABN AMRO SEVPs consists of the following core elements:

- Base salary. The base salaries are benchmarked against the relevant local markets.
- Performance bonus. The annual performance bonus is linked to the respective markets within the various countries where we operate. Normally bonuses for individual SEVPs vary widely, again reflecting market and location. No absolute maximum level of bonus has been defined for SEVPs.
- Long-term incentives such as the Performance Share Plan and the Share Investment & Matching Plan. Long-term incentives are set at a lower level than the applicable yearly grants to Managing Board members. SEVPs received an award under the Top Executive Performance Share Plan and are eligible to participate on a voluntary basis in the Share Investment & Matching Plan. All SEVPs receive identical grants. In 2008 SEVPs who were destined to join one of the Consortium Members received a replacement long term incentive award in line with the award that were granted to the members of the Managing Board as described earlier in this note.

In addition, a number of benefits apply in relation to the respective markets and countries of residence.

The total charge in the income statement for SEVPs in 2008 amounts to EUR 57 million (2007: EUR 119 million).

	2008	2007
Salaries and other short-term benefits	8	10
Pension costs	1	2
Termination benefits	41	2
Profit-sharing and bonus payments	7	51
Share-based payments	-	54
Total	57	119

44. Share-based payment plans

Before the acquisition of ABN AMRO by the consortium of RBS, Fortis and Santander ABN AMRO granted long-term share-based incentive awards to members of the Managing Board, other Top Executives and Key Staff under a number of plans.

The plans for the Managing Board consisted of a Performance Share Plan (**PSP**) and a Share Investment & Matching Plan (**SIMP**). At a lower level, the PSP was also applicable to the second tier of Top Executives, the SEVPs. Both the SEVPs and the third level of Top Executives, the Corporate EVPs could defer a part of their bonus into the Bank's shares on the basis of the SIMP. Furthermore, there was a Restricted Share Plan (**RSP**) applicable for the Corporate EVPs/MDs and Key Staff. Until 2007 all these plans were equity based but the awards took place in the form of phantom shares. The last awards under the PSP and RSP plans were granted in the 2007 performance year, and also the participation in the SIMP took place for the last time in 2007.

Next to the above described plans there was also a cash-settled PSP for the Corporate EVPs for the performance cycle 2005-2008.

With effect from 2005 share options were no longer granted via the Top Executives Plan and from 2006 share options were no longer granted to Key Staff. The options were replaced by restricted shares in line with the changes for the Top Executives in 2005.

As described in Note 43 all outstanding awards and options under the Bank's LTIPs were cash settled on 17 October 2007 as a consequence of the acquisition of ABN AMRO by the Consortium. The total settlement amounted to EUR 1,013 million of which EUR 442 million related to share options, EUR 301 million to originally equity settled share plans and EUR 270 million to phantom shares. With respect to the calculation of the cash settlement amount, the value of an ABN AMRO share was the value of a tendered share on the settlement date, 17 October 2007. This value resulted in EUR 35.60 plus EUR 2.28 representing the value of 0,296 RBS share against the closing price of the RBS share on 17 October 2007. The value (further referred to as Settlement Price) per ABN AMRO Holding N.V. share (a **Share**) thus resulted in EUR 37.88.

45. Discontinued operations and assets and liabilities held for sale

The following tables provide a further analysis of the results reporting in the line Results from discontinued operations net of tax.

Banca Antonveneta, the Asset Management business and the Santander acquired businesses were sold in the period and are reported as discontinued operations. Private Equity is presented as held-for-sale but is not a discontinued operation as Private Equity is not considered to be a major line of business. Profits from discontinued operations include the related operating results and when sold, the applicable gain on sale.

Income statement of discontinued operations:

	2008	2007	2006
Operating income	3,960	10,285	10,945
Operating expense	2,330	6,077	6,517
Loan impairment and other credit risk provisions	902	1,513	1,206
Operating profit before tax	728	2,695	3,222
Gain on disposal	16,075	7,312	327
Profit before tax	16,803	10,007	3,549
Tax on operating profit	314	930	827
Tax arising on disposal	-	56	(11)
Profit from discontinued operations net of tax	16,489	9,021	2,733

The tables below provide a further breakdown of the operating result and gain on disposal of discontinued operations in 2008 by major lines of business.

	2008	2007	2006
<i>Asset Management</i>			
Operating income	179	891	828
Operating expense	157	629	528
Operating profit before tax	22	262	300
Gain on disposal	3,073	-	-
Profit before tax	3,095	262	300
Tax on operating profit	8	91	65
Profit from discontinued operations net of tax	3,087	171	235

Asset Management was sold in April 2008 and therefore only includes the results from operations for the first three months of the year.

	2008	2007	2006
<i>Banca Antonveneta, Banco Real & other Santander acquired businesses (including Interbanca)</i>			
Operating income	3,781	6,917	5,942
Operating expense	2,173	4,156	3,599
Loan impairment and other credit risk provisions	902	1,444	1,125
Operating profit before tax	706	1,317	1,218
Gain on disposal	13,004	-	-
Profit before tax	13,710	1,317	1,218
Tax on operating profit	306	569	348
Profit from discontinued operations net of tax	13,404	748	870

The operating income and profit after tax of Banco Real in 2007 amounted respectively to EUR 4,874 million and EUR 807 million.

The sale of Banca Antonveneta to Banca Monte dei Paschi di Siena was completed in May 2008. The transfer of the remaining Santander acquired businesses to Santander was completed in July 2008.

	2008	2007	2006
<i>ABN AMRO North America Holdings and ABN AMRO Mortgage Group Inc</i>			
Operating income	-	2,477	3,641
Operating expense	-	1,344	2,117
Loan impairment and other credit risk provisions	-	69	62
Operating profit before tax	-	1,064	1,462

Gain/(loss) on disposal	(2)	7,312	-
Profit/(loss) from discontinued operations before tax	(2)	8,376	1,462
Tax on operating profit	-	270	339
Tax arising on disposal	-	56	-
Profit/(loss) from discontinued operations net of tax	(2)	8,050	1,123

	2008	2007	2006
<i>Bouwfonds non-mortgage business</i>			
Operating income	-	-	534
Operating expense	-	(52)	273
Loan impairment and other credit risk provisions	-	-	19
Operating profit before tax	-	52	242
Gain on disposal	-	-	327
Profit from discontinued operations before tax	-	52	569
Tax on operating profit	-	-	75
Tax arising on disposal	-	-	(11)
Profit from discontinued operations net of tax	-	52	505

The major classes of assets and liabilities classified as held for sale as at 31 December are as follows:

	2008	2007
<i>Assets</i>		
Cash and balances at central banks	37	427
Financial assets held for trading	-	1,071
Financial investments	566	3,230
Loans and receivables-banks	79	6,249
Loans and receivables-customers	255	37,336
Equity accounted investments	-	24
Property and equipment	72	1,054
Goodwill and other intangible assets	-	6,124
Accrued income and prepaid expenses	17	386
Other assets	557	4,557
Assets of businesses held for sale	1,583	60,458
<i>Liabilities</i>		
Financial assets held for trading	-	379
Due to banks	8	4,280
Due to customers	378	19,937
Issued debt securities	220	8,177
Provisions	12	1,429
Accrued expenses and deferred income	13	495
Other liabilities	233	3,993
Subordinated liabilities	-	1,090
Liabilities of businesses held for sale	864	39,780
Net assets directly associated with disposal business	719	20,678

Net assets directly associated with disposal business represent the balance of net assets and net intercompany funding.

As at 31 December 2008 these balances mainly consisted of the Private Equity businesses and some smaller businesses acquired by Santander in Latin America. As at 31 December 2007 the assets and liabilities of businesses held for sale represent balances of Banca Antonveneta, BU Asset Management and Private Equity.

Cash flows attributable to discontinued operations:

	2008	2007 ⁽¹⁾	2006 ⁽¹⁾
Net cash flows from operating activities	(2,547)	4,409	4,806
Net cash flows from investing activities	(2,446)	(202)	(3,975)
Net cash flows from financing activities	(416)	(1,686)	(1,070)

(1) Coparative amounts have been restated to conform to current presentation.

46. Related parties

The Group has a related party relationship with associates, joint ventures, key management and shareholders of its parent company, RFS Holdings B.V. The shareholders of RFS Holdings B.V. are RBS Group, Santander and the Dutch State. The ultimate consolidating parent of ABN AMRO, RBS Group, is controlled by the UK Government. Both the UK Government and the Dutch State are therefore related parties.

Parties are considered to be related if one party has the ability to control or exercise significant influence over the other party in making financial or operational decisions. The Group enters into a number of banking transactions with related parties in the normal course of business. These transactions, which include loans, deposits and foreign currency transactions, have taken place on an arm's length basis. These transactions are carried out on commercial terms and at market rates. Employees are offered preferential terms for certain banking products. No allowances for loan losses have been recognised in respect of loans to related parties in 2008 and 2007.

The equity stakes of the Dutch State and UK Government are reflected in the balance sheets of RFS Holdings B.V. and RBS Group plc respectively. Transactions conducted directly with the Dutch State and UK Government are limited to normal banking transactions, taxation and other administrative relationships. In addition the Group participates in the Dutch State treasuries market and utilises the liquidity support made available to all banks regulated by the DNB.

There may be other significant transactions with entities under the common control of or subject to significant influence by the UK Government. These would include, amongst others, loans, deposits, guarantees, fee based relationships, or equity holdings. Disclosure is made of any significant transactions with these entities.

Balances with joint ventures and associates

	2008		2007	
	Joint Ventures	Associates	Joint Ventures	Associates
Receivables	143	201	222	161
Liabilities	-	139	83	776
Guarantees given	-	332	-	448
Irrevocable facilities	-	8	-	-
Income received	40	68	43	74
Expenses paid	37	2	64	5
Total	220	750	412	1,464

Balances with Consortium Members

	2008		2007	
	RBS	Santander	RBS	Santander
Financial assets held for trading	56,529	1,525	2,821	578

Loans and receivables	7,144	7,900	10,103	112
Other assets	211	-	488	469
Financial liabilities held for trading	59,436	1,519	3,066	362
Due to banks	8,026	2	5,359	211
Other liabilities	838	-	97	-
Guarantees given	23	-	100	9
Irrevocable facilities	-	-	1,343	1
Recoverable facilities	-	10	-	-
Payment commitments	2,181	-	-	-

Financial assets and liabilities positions held for trading with RBS includes positions of which risks have been transferred to RBS in 2008. The assets and liabilities cannot be offset under IFRS, however master netting agreements are in place that reduce the credit risk in the assets. As Fortis Bank Nederland N.V. has left the Consortium, no balances have been included for 2008 and comparative balances have not been included to conform with current year presentation.

Balances with Dutch State

	2008
<i>Assets</i>	
Balances at central banks	1,225
Financial assets held for trading	203
Financial investments – available-for-sale	3,866
<i>Liabilities</i>	
Deposits by banks	2,320
<i>Tax balances</i>	
Current tax asset	394
Current tax liability	-
Deferred tax asset	719
Deferred tax liability	-
Tax on profit	(21)
Receipts from tax authorities	42

Balances with the UK Government and its related parties

	2008			
	Bank of England	Banks	Financial Corporations	Total
<i>Assets</i>				
Balances at central banks	30	-	-	30
Debt securities	20	11	-	31
Loans and advances to banks	-	30	-	30
Derivatives	-	-	4	4
<i>Liabilities</i>				
Deposits by banks	-	30	-	30
Derivatives	-	-	3	3
<i>UK central and local government</i>				2008

Treasury bills securities held for trading	9
<i>Tax balances</i>	
Current tax asset	28
Current tax liability	-
Deferred tax asset	3,320
Deferred tax liability	-
Tax on profit	(2,892)
Receipts from tax authorities	5

47. Subsequent events

On 19 February 2009 Gerrit Zalm, Chairman of the Managing Board of ABN AMRO, announced the composition of the Transition Team to lead the planning for the future new bank comprising of the Dutch State acquired businesses of ABN AMRO and Fortis Bank Nederland. The members of this team are also intended to form the Managing Board of the new bank, which will be chaired by Gerrit Zalm.

On 26 February 2009, as part of their Annual Results 2008, RBS announced a restructuring plan aimed at restoring standalone strength. Assets, business lines and some geographies that are non-core will be transferred to a non-core division for disposal/run down over three to five years. This will include retail and commercial businesses of ABN AMRO in Asia acquired by RBS.

On 27 February 2009 Mark Fisher stepped down from his role of Chairman of the Managing Board of ABN AMRO. He was succeeded by Gerrit Zalm. At the same time, a number of new appointments to the ABN AMRO Managing Board were announced. This Annual Report reflects these appointments.

There have been no other significant events between the year end and the date of approval of these accounts which would require a change to our disclosure in the accounts.

48. Major subsidiaries and participating interests

Unless otherwise stated, the Group's interest is 100% or almost 100%, on 20 March 2009. Those major subsidiaries and participating interests that are not 100% consolidated but are accounted for under the equity method (a) or proportionally consolidated (b) are indicated separately.

ABN AMRO Bank N.V., Amsterdam

Netherlands

AA Interfinance B.V., Amsterdam
ABN AMRO Arbo Services B.V., Amsterdam
ABN AMRO Effecten Compagnie B.V., Amsterdam
ABN AMRO Hypotheken Groep B.V., Amersfoort
ABN AMRO Jonge Bedrijven Fonds B.V., Amsterdam
ABN AMRO Participaties B.V., Amsterdam
ABN AMRO Ventures B.V., Amsterdam
Altajo B.V., Amsterdam (50%) (b)
Amstel Lease Maatschappij N.V., Utrecht
Delta Lloyd ABN AMRO Verzekeringen Holding B.V., Zwolle (49%) (a)
Hollandsche Bank-Unie N.V., Rotterdam
IFN Group B.V., Rotterdam
New HBU II N.V., Amstelveen
Solveon Incasso B.V., Utrecht
Stater N.V., Hoevelaken

Europe (Outside the Netherlands)

ABN AMRO Bank (Luxembourg) S.A., Luxembourg

ABN AMRO Bank (Polska) S.A., Warsaw
RBS Bank (Romania) S.A., Bucharest
ABN AMRO Bank (Schweiz) A.G., Zurich
The Royal Bank of Scotland ZAO, Moscow
RBS Corporate Finance Limited, London
Banque Neufilze OBC SA, Paris (99.84%)
CM Capital Markets Holding S.A., Madrid (45.20%) (a)
Delbrück Bethmann Maffei AG, Frankfurt am Main
RBS Hoare Govett Limited, London

North America

ABN AMRO Capital Markets Canada Ltd., Toronto
The Royal Bank of Scotland Mexico S.A. Institucion de Banca Multiple, Mexico City
ABN AMRO WCS Holding Company, New York
ABN AMRO Capital (USA) Inc., Chicago
ABN AMRO Incorporated, Chicago

Latin America

The Royal Bank of Scotland (Chile) S.A., Santiago de Chile
The Royal Bank of Scotland (Colombia) S.A., Bogota
ABN AMRO Securities (Venezuela) C.A., Caracas
RBS Finance (Chile) S.A., Santiago de Chile
RBS Securitizadora S.A., Santiago de Chile

Rest of the World

ABN AMRO Asia Ltd., Hong Kong
RBS Asia Corporate Finance Ltd., Hong Kong
The Royal Bank of Scotland Berhad, Kuala Lumpur
ABN AMRO Bank (China) Co. Ltd., Shanghai
ABN AMRO Leasing (China) Co. Ltd., Beijing
JSC SB RBS (Kazakhstan) Ltd., Almaty (80%)
Royal Bank of Scotland Uzbekistan MB, Tashkent (58.82%)
The Royal Bank of Scotland Limited, Karachi (99.22%)
The Royal Bank of Scotland (Philippines) Inc., Manila
ABN AMRO Central Enterprise Services Private Ltd., Mumbai
ABN AMRO Securities (India) Private Ltd., Mumbai
The Royal Bank of Scotland Securities (Kazakhstan) JSC, Almaty
PT RBS Finance Indonesia, Jakarta
ABN AMRO Australia Pty Ltd., Sydney
ABN AMRO Asset Securitisation Australia Pty Ltd., Sydney
ABN AMRO Corporate Finance Australia Ltd., Sydney
ABNED Nominees Pty Ltd., Sydney
ABN AMRO Equities Australia Ltd., Sydney
ABN AMRO Equity Capital Markets Australia Ltd., Sydney
ABN AMRO Capital Management (Australia) Pty Limited, Sydney
ABN AMRO Investments Australia Ltd., Sydney
ABN AMRO Equity Derivatives New Zealand Limited, Auckland
ABN AMRO New Zealand Ltd., Auckland
ABN AMRO Securities NZ Ltd., Auckland
Saudi Hollandi Bank, Riyadh (40%) (a)

The list of participating interests for which statements of liability have been issued, has been filed with the Chamber of Commerce in Amsterdam.

The majority of the Group's subsidiaries and participating investments are regulated entities and therefore their ability to transfer funds to the Group is subject to regulatory approvals.

49. Supplemental condensed consolidating financial statements

ABN AMRO Bank N.V. is a wholly owned subsidiary of ABN AMRO Group and is able to offer and sell certain securities in the US from time to time pursuant to a registration statement on Form F-3 filed with the SEC. The Group has fully and unconditionally guaranteed the obligations of ABN AMRO Bank N.V. that have been incurred: this guarantee includes all securities issued by ABN AMRO Bank N.V.

ABN AMRO Bank N.V. utilises an exception in Rule 3-10 of Regulation S-X and therefore does not file its financial statements with the SEC. In accordance with the requirement to qualify for the exception, presented below is condensed consolidating financial information for (a) ABN AMRO Holding N.V., on a standalone basis as guarantor (**Holding Company**); (b) ABN AMRO Bank N.V. on a standalone basis (**Bank Company**); (c) other subsidiaries of the Group on a combined basis (**Subsidiaries**); (d) consolidation adjustments (**Eliminate and reclassify**); and total consolidated amounts (**ABN AMRO consolidated**).

The condensed consolidated financial information is prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (**IFRS**) as adopted by the EU and IFRS as issued by the IASB, where the Group has applied Rule 3-10 of Regulation S-X which requires a company to account for its investments in subsidiaries using the equity method, differing from IAS 27 which requires the Group account for investments in their subsidiaries at cost subject to impairment.

The following consolidating information presents condensed balance sheets at 31 December 2008 and 2007 and condensed statements of income and cash flows for the years ended 31 December 2008, 2007 and 2006 of Holding Company, Bank Company and its subsidiaries.

The condensed balance sheets at 31 December 2008 and 2007 are presented in the following tables:

Supplemental condensed consolidating balance sheet as at 31 December 2008

	Holding company	Bank company	Subsidiaries	Eliminate and reclassify	ABN AMRO consolidated
Cash and balances at central banks	-	4,184	1,670	-	5,854
Financial assets held for trading	-	208,132	5,199	(678)	212,653
Financial investments	-	94,144	6,593	(33,676)	67,061
Loans and receivables-banks	-	163,197	113,983	(201,614)	75,566
Loans and receivables-customers	-	193,527	94,339	(17,359)	270,507
Equity accounted investments	17,130	10,097	587	(27,018)	796
Property and equipment	-	1,319	716	-	2,035
Goodwill and other intangible assets	-	674	250	-	924
Assets of businesses held for sale	-	418	1,165	-	1,583
Accrued income and prepaid expenses	-	5,499	1,512	-	7,011
Tax assets	-	4,653	447	-	5,100
Other assets	-	11,498	6,229	-	17,727
Total assets	17,130	697,342	232,690	(280,345)	666,817
Financial liabilities held for trading	-	189,886	2,201	-	192,087
Due to banks	8	154,423	111,344	(171,155)	94,620
Due to customers	-	232,367	24,456	(47,819)	209,004
Issued debt securities	-	74,674	70,976	(34,354)	111,296
Provisions	-	1,113	3,031	-	4,144
Liabilities of businesses held for sale	-	484	380	-	864
Accrued expenses and deferred income	-	6,880	1,538	-	8,418

Tax liabilities	45	278	377	-	700
Other liabilities	-	8,964	6,048	-	15,012
Subordinated liabilities	-	11,147	2,402	-	13,549
Shareholders equity attributable to the parent company	17,077	17,130	9,887	(27,017)	17,077
Minority interests	-	(4)	50	-	46
Total liabilities and equity	17,130	697,342	232,690	(280,345)	666,817

Supplemental condensed consolidating balance sheet as at 31 December 2007

	Holding company	Bank company	Subsidiaries	Eliminate and reclassify	ABN AMRO consolidated
Cash and balances at central banks	-	11,094	5,656	-	16,750
Financial assets held for trading	-	228,929	16,450	(3,102)	242,277
Financial investments	-	95,344	25,572	(24,481)	96,435
Loans and receivables-banks	-	233,217	98,185	(155,706)	175,696
Loans and receivables-customers	-	275,887	157,705	(35,261)	398,331
Equity accounted investments	31,301	24,116	615	(55,161)	871
Property and equipment	-	1,462	1,547	(262)	2,747
Goodwill and other intangible assets	-	883	1,136	(595)	1,424
Assets of businesses held for sale	-	4,399	52,680	3,379	60,458
Accrued income and prepaid expenses	-	8,818	3,776	(14)	12,580
Tax assets	-	2,971	2,055	(151)	4,875
Other assets	-	5,059	8,320	(610)	12,769
Total assets	31,301	892,179	373,697	(271,964)	1,025,213
Financial liabilities held for trading	-	148,215	7,262	(1)	155,476
Due to banks	906	260,632	122,699	(144,903)	239,334
Due to customers	-	318,204	57,944	(45,796)	330,352
Issued debt securities	-	104,882	97,272	(27,159)	174,995
Provisions	-	685	5,984	(125)	6,544
Liabilities of businesses held for sale	-	-	38,062	1,718	39,780
Accrued expenses and deferred income	-	7,793	4,506	(55)	12,244
Tax liabilities	-	957	703	431	2,091
Other liabilities	52	7,683	11,252	(915)	18,072
Subordinated liabilities	768	11,849	2,998	1	15,616
Shareholders equity attributable to the parent company	29,575	31,301	23,859	(55,160)	29,575
Minority interests	-	(22)	1,156	-	1,134
Total liabilities and equity	31,301	892,179	373,697	(271,964)	1,025,213

The condensed income statements for 2008, 2007 and 2006 are presented in the following tables:

Supplemental condensed consolidating statement of income 2008

	Holding company	Bank company	Subsidiaries	Eliminate and reclassify	ABN AMRO consolidated
Net interest income	178	4,382	1,223	-	5,783
Results from consolidated subsidiaries	(13,041)	(509)	-	13,550	-
Net commissions	-	1,546	1,083	-	2,629
Trading income	-	(9,765)	441	-	(9,324)

Results from financial transactions	–	(565)	(1,119)	–	(1,684)
Other operating income	–	170	1,968	–	2,138
Total operating income	(12,863)	(4,741)	3,596	13,550	(458)
Operating expenses	1	7,888	3,740	–	11,629
Provision loan losses	–	3,169	218	–	3,387
Operating profit before tax	(12,864)	(15,798)	(362)	13,550	(15,474)
Taxes	45	(2,757)	132	-	(2,580)
Discontinued operations	16,489	6,940	319	(7,259)	16,489
Profit for the year	3,580	(6,101)	(175)	6,291	3,595
Minority interests	–	–	15	–	15
Net profit attributable to shareholders of the parent company	3,580	(6,101)	(190)	6,291	3,580

Supplemental condensed consolidating statement of income 2007

	Holding company	Bank company	Subsidiaries	Eliminate and reclassify	ABN AMRO consolidated
Net interest income	26	3,545	1,024	–	4,595
Results from consolidated subsidiaries	818	2,151	–	(2,969)	–
Net commissions	–	2,454	1,398	–	3,852
Trading income	–	717	402	–	1,119
Results from financial transactions	–	446	688	–	1,134
Other operating income	–	293	5,005	–	5,298
Total operating income	844	9,606	8,517	(2,969)	15,998
Operating expenses	2	8,805	5,978	–	14,785
Provision loan losses	–	632	85	–	717
Operating profit before tax	842	169	2,454	(2,969)	496
Taxes	15	(649)	176	–	(458)
Discontinued operations	9,021	9,021	1,812	(10,833)	9,021
Profit for the year	9,848	9,839	4,090	(13,802)	9,975
Minority interests	–	–	127	–	127
Net profit attributable to shareholders of the parent company	9,848	9,839	3,963	(13,802)	9,848

Supplemental condensed consolidating statement of income 2006

	Holding company	Bank company	Subsidiaries	Eliminate and reclassify	ABN AMRO consolidated
Net interest income	66	3,486	671	–	4,223
Results from consolidated subsidiaries	1,948	1,085	–	(3,033)	–
Net commissions	–	2,270	1,371	–	3,641
Trading income	–	2,342	285	–	2,627
Results from financial transactions	–	243	524	–	767
Other operating income	–	478	5,894	-	6,372
Total operating income	2,014	9,904	8,745	(3,033)	17,630
Operating expenses	2	7,318	7,382	–	14,702
Provision loan losses	–	500	168	–	668
Operating profit before tax	2,012	2,086	1,195	(3,033)	2,260
Taxes	30	138	45	–	213
Discontinued operations	2,733	2,733	2,380	(5,113)	2,733
Profit for the year	4,715	4,681	3,530	(8,146)	4,780
Minority interests	–	–	65	–	65

Net profit attributable to shareholders of the parent company	4,715	4,681	3,465	(8,146)	4,715
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The condensed consolidating statement of cash flows 2008, 2007 and 2006 are presented in the following tables:

Supplemental condensed consolidating statement of cash flows 2008

	Holding company	Bank company	Subsidiaries	Eliminate and reclassify	ABN AMRO consolidated
Total net cash flows from operating activities	16,403	(12,469)	(39,722)	(1,627)	(37,415)
Net outflow of investment/sale of securities investment portfolios	–	9,178	9,101	–	18,279
Net outflow of investment/sale of participating interests	–	3	23,859	–	23,862
Net outflow of investment/sale of property and equipment	–	(116)	(226)	–	(342)
Net outflow of investment of intangibles	–	(201)	(78)	–	(279)
Net cash flows from investing activities	–	8,864	32,656	–	41,520
Net increase (decrease) of subordinated liabilities	–	(881)	471	–	(410)
Net increase (decrease) of long-term funding	–	(19,706)	1,335	–	(18,371)
Net increase (decrease) of (treasury) shares	3,708	–	–	–	3,708
Other changes in equity	–	–	7	–	7
Cash dividends paid	(19,213)	-	(1,627)	1,627	(19,213)
Net cash flows from financing activities	(15,505)	(20,587)	186	1,627	(34,279)
Currency translation differences on cash and cash equivalents	–	3,855	120	–	3,975
Cash flows	898	(20,337)	(6,760)	–	(26,199)

Supplemental condensed consolidating statement of cash flows 2007

	Holding company	Bank company	Subsidiaries	Eliminate and reclassify	ABN AMRO consolidated
Total net cash flows operating activities	113	9,541	(13,928)	(609)	(4,883)
Net outflow of investment/sale of securities investment portfolios	–	148	(4,106)	–	(3,958)
Net outflow of investment/sale of participating interests	–	(27)	15,262	–	15,235
Net outflow of investment/sale of property and equipment	–	(114)	(100)	–	(214)
Net outflow of investment of intangibles	–	(280)	(245)	–	(525)
Net cash flows from investing activities	–	(273)	10,811	–	10,538
Net increase (decrease) of subordinated liabilities	–	(668)	966	–	298
Net increase (decrease) of long-term funding	–	(2,988)	9,339	–	6,351
Net increase (decrease) of (treasury) shares	(1,223)	–	–	–	(1,223)
Other changes in equity	(743)	–	(980)	–	(1,723)
Cash dividends paid	(1,540)	–	(609)	609	(1,540)
Net cash flows from financing activities	(3,506)	(3,656)	8,716	609	2,163
Currency translation differences on cash and cash equivalents	–	(75)	137	–	62
Cash flows	(3,393)	5,537	5,736	–	7,880

Supplemental condensed consolidating statement of cash flows 2006

	Holding company	Bank company	Subsidiaries	Eliminate and reclassify	ABN AMRO consolidated
Total net cash flows operating activities	1,537	(265)	(2,515)	(3,316)	(4,559)
Net outflow of investment/sale of securities investment portfolios	–	(7,006)	(768)	–	(7,774)
Net outflow of investment/sale of participating interests	–	19	(5,665)	–	(5,646)
Net outflow of investment/sale of property and equipment	–	(125)	(764)	–	(889)
Net outflow of investment of intangibles	–	(261)	(528)	–	(789)
Net cash flows from investing activities	–	(7,373)	(7,725)	–	(15,098)
Net increase (decrease) of subordinated liabilities	–	(1,017)	649	–	(368)
Net increase (decrease) of long-term funding	–	8,943	12,302	–	21,245
Net increase (decrease) of (treasury) shares	(2,061)	–	–	–	(2,061)
Other changes in equity	133	–	80	–	213
Cash dividends paid	(807)	(1,521)	(1,795)	3,316	(807)
Net cash flows from financing activities	(2,735)	6,405	11,236	3,316	18,222
Currency translation differences on cash and cash equivalents	–	71	193	–	264
Cash flows	(1,198)	(1,162)	1,189	–	(1,171)

Other information

The parent company financial statements are included in this condensed consolidating footnote. The number of ordinary shares in issuance at 31 December 2008 was 3,306,843,332 (2007: 1,936,847,516, 2006: 1,936,847,516). The total number of authorised ordinary shares amounts to 8,400,000,400.

Proposed profit appropriation of ABN AMRO Holding N.V., pursuant to article 37.2 and 37.3 of the articles of association, is as follows:

<i>(in millions of euros)</i>	2008	2007	2006
(Release from)/addition to reserves	(15,633)	8,777	2,562
Dividends on ordinary shares	19,213	1,071	2,153
	3,580	9,848	4,715
Dividends on preference shares	-	36	36

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Accounting policies

The company financial statements of ABN AMRO Holding N.V. have been prepared in accordance with the requirements in Title 9 Book 2 of the Dutch Civil Code. The Group prepares its consolidated financial

statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (**IFRS**) as adopted by the EU and IFRS as issued by the IASB. The accounting policies applied in the company financial statements are the same as those applied in the consolidated financial statements. ABN AMRO Holding N.V. applies the exemption as included in the section 2:362 paragraph 8. Participating interests in Group companies are valued at net asset value determined on the basis of IFRS as issued by the IASB. Reference is made to the accounting policies section in the consolidated financial statements.

Participating interests in Group companies

ABN AMRO Holding N.V. has one participation and is the sole shareholder of ABN AMRO Bank N.V., Amsterdam. ABN AMRO Holding N.V. guarantees all assets and liabilities of ABN AMRO Bank N.V.

Basis of preparation

The financial statements are presented in euros, which is the presentation currency of the company, rounded to the nearest million (unless otherwise noted). The income statement has been drawn up in accordance with Section 402, Book 2 of the Netherlands Civil Code.

Company income statement for the year ended 31 December

<i>(in millions of euros)</i>	2008	2007	2006
Profits of participating interests after taxes	(6,101)	9,839	4,681
Other profits after taxes	9,681	9	34
Net profit	3,580	9,848	4,715

Company balance sheet at 31 December

Before appropriation of result

<i>(in millions of euros)</i>	2008	2007
Assets		
Financial investments a	-	-
Participating interests in group companies b	17,130	31,301
Total assets	17,130	31,301
Liabilities		
Due to banks	8	906
Other liabilities c	45	52
Total liabilities (excluding subordinated liabilities)	53	958
Subordinated liabilities d	-	768
Total liabilities	53	1,726
Equity e		
Share capital	1,852	1,085
Share premium	5,343	5,332
Treasury shares	-	(2,640)
Retained earnings	11,096	25,650
Net gains/(losses) not recognised in the income statement	(1,214)	148
Shareholders' equity	17,077	29,575
Total equity and liabilities	17,130	31,301

Letters stated against items refer to the notes. The notes to the company balance are an integral part of these financial statements.

Company statement of changes in equity for the year ended 31 December

<i>(in millions of euros)</i>	2008	2007	2006
<i>Issued and paid up share capital</i>			
Balance at 1 January	1,085	1,085	1,069
Conversion of preference shares to ordinary shares	767	-	-
Exercised options and warrants	-	-	16
Balance at 31 December	1,852	1,085	1,085
<i>Share premium</i>			
Balance at 1 January	5,332	5,245	5,269
Share-based payments	10	145	111
Conversion of preference shares to ordinary shares	1	-	-
Dividends paid in shares	-	(58)	(135)
Balance at 31 December	5,343	5,332	5,245
<i>Treasury shares</i>			
Balance at 1 January	(2,640)	(1,829)	(600)
Share buy back	-	(1,847)	(2,204)
Utilised for dividends paid in shares	-	412	832
Utilised for exercise of options and performance share plans	-	624	143
Sale of treasury shares	3,708	-	-
Gain on sale of treasury shares	(1,068)	-	-
Balance at 31 December	-	(2,640)	(1,829)
<i>Retained earnings</i>			
Balance at 1 January	25,650	18,599	15,237
Profit attributable to shareholders of the parent company	3,580	9,848	4,715
Dividends paid to shareholders of the parent company	(19,213)	(1,540)	(807)
Dividend paid in shares to shareholders of the parent company	-	(586)	(656)
Gain on sale of treasury shares	1,068	-	-
Settlement of share options and awards in cash 44	-	(743)	-
Other	11	72	110
Balance at 31 December	11,096	25,650	18,599
<i>Net gains/(losses) not recognised in the income statement</i>			
<i>Currency translation account</i>			
Balance at 1 January	597	408	842
Transfer to income statement relating to disposals	(903)	293	(7)
Currency translation differences	823	(104)	(427)
Subtotal – Balance at 31 December	517	597	408
<i>Net unrealised gains/(losses) on available-for-sale assets</i>			
Balance at 1 January	(543)	364	1,199
Net unrealised gains/(losses) on available-for-sale assets	(2,038)	(392)	(233)
Reclassification to the income statement	1,716	(515)	(602)
Subtotal Balance at 31 December	(865)	(543)	364
<i>Cash flow hedging reserve</i>			
Balance at 1 January	94	(275)	(795)
Net unrealised gains/(losses) on cash flow hedges	(959)	315	735
Realised gains reclassified to the income statement	(1)	54	(215)
Subtotal Balance at 31 December	(866)	94	(275)
Net gains/(losses) not recognised in the income statement at 31 December	(1,214)	148	497
Equity attributable to shareholders of the parent	17,077	29,575	23,597

<i>(in millions of euros)</i>	2008	2007	2006
company at 31 December			

The notes to the company statement of changes in equity are an integral part of the financial statements.

Notes to the company financial statements

(all amounts are in millions of euros)

(a) Financial investments

The amount included in this item represents commercial paper.

<i>(in millions of euros)</i>	2008	2007
Balance at 1 January	-	20
Purchases	-	89
Sales	-	(109)
Balance at 31 December	-	-

(b) Participating interests in Group companies

<i>(in millions of euros)</i>	2008	2007
Balance at 1 January	31,301	21,939
Net profit for the year	(6,101)	9,839
Dividends received	(1,044)	(58)
Sale of Banco Real and other	(5,674)	-
Special component of equity	(1,283)	-
Currency translation differences	(80)	189
Other movements	11	(608)
Balance at 31 December	17,130	31,301

Dividends received from ABN AMRO Bank N.V. to ABN AMRO Holding N.V. amounted to EUR 1,044 million (2007: EUR 58 million).

(c) Other liabilities

This item includes amongst others tax payable.

(d) Subordinated liabilities

As at 24 November 2008, 1,369,815,864 Preference financing shares with a nominal value of EUR 0.56 per share have been converted into ordinary shares at a 1:1 rate. At the same date 44,988 (formerly convertible) Preference shares with a nominal value of EUR 2.24 per share have been converted into ordinary shares at a 4:1 rate. As a result of the conversion the number of issued and fully paid shares is 3,306,843,332 (nominal value EUR 1,851,832,266) per 24 November 2008.

(e) Shareholders' equity

Shareholders' equity

<i>(in millions of euros)</i>	2008	2007
Share capital	1,852	1,085
Reserves	15,225	28,490
Total	17,077	29,575

Share capital

	2008	2007
Movements in number of ordinary shares		
Balance 1 January	1,936,847,516	1,936,847,516

Conversion of preference shares to ordinary shares	1,369,995,816	–
Balance at 31 December	3,306,843,332	1,936,847,516

	2008	2007
Movements in number of treasury shares		
At 1 January	92,719,820	83,060,725
Used for options exercised and performance share plans	-	(27,649,180)
Share buy back	-	55,512,333
Dividends paid in shares		(18,204,058)
Sale to RFS Holdings B.V.	(92,719,820)	-
Balance at 31 December	-	92,719,820

Reserves

<i>(in millions of euros)</i>	2008	2007
Share premium account	5,343	5,332
Non-distributable reserve shares	11	10
Non-distributable profit participations	550	468
Currency translation differences	517	597
Cash flow hedge reserve	(866)	94
Available-for-sale assets reserve	(865)	(543)
Unrealised gains on financial instruments elected to fair value	-	–
Other reserves	10,535	22,532
Total reserves	15,225	28,490

The share premium account is mainly regarded as paid-up capital for tax purposes. EUR 2,232 million (2007: EUR 2,425 million) is not distributable out of total reserves.

Guarantees

ABN AMRO Holding N.V. guarantees all liabilities of ABN AMRO Bank N.V.

Amsterdam, 24 March 2009

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