EON CAPITAL BERHAD

(454644-K)

2004 Annual Report





Cover Rationale

The cover design is reflective of the true characteristics of EON Capital Berhad. Its emphasis on strategic and focussed direction with a clear vision has made EON Capital Berhad an integral part of Malaysia's business landscape.

Equally important are the commitment and perseverance of its qualified work force adapt at coping with change, evolving with the times and adapting to the changing demands of the economic landscape. Charting for an expansionary policy for the year ahead, EON Capital Berhad will enhance existing operation and search for the right opportunities to grow its core business with the finance sector.

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Seventh Annual General Meeting of **EON CAPITAL BERHAD** will be held at Grand Prince Ballroom, Level 3, Prince Hotel & Residence Kuala Lumpur, Jalan Conlay, 50450 Kuala Lumpur on Thursday, 26 May 2005 at 10.00 a.m. for the following purposes:

ORDINARY BUSINESS

1. To receive and adopt the Reports of the Directors and Auditors and the Audited Financial Statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2004.

Resolution 1

2. To declare a first and final gross dividend of 8.6 sen per share less Malaysian Income Tax of 28%.

Resolution 2

- 3. To re-elect the following Directors who retire in accordance with Article 97 of the Company's Articles of Association:
 - a. Y. Bhg. Dato' Maznah binti Abdul Jalil
 - b. Dr. Tiong lk King

Resolution 3
Resolution 4

4. To re-appoint Mr. Rin Kei Mei, who is over seventy years of age, as a Director of the Company and to hold office until the next Annual General Meeting of the Company in accordance with Section 129(6) of the Companies Act, 1965.

Resolution 5

5. To approve the payment of Non-Executive Directors' fees of RM420,000 for the financial year ended 31 December 2004.

Resolution 6

6. To re-appoint Messrs. PricewaterhouseCoopers as Auditors and to authorise the Directors to fix their remuneration.

Resolution 7

7. To transact any other ordinary business of the Company for which due notice has been given.

NOTICE OF DIVIDEND PAYMENT AND BOOK CLOSURE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a first and final gross dividend of 8.6 sen per share less Malaysian Income Tax of 28% in respect of the financial year ended 31 December 2004, if approved by the shareholders at the Seventh Annual General Meeting, will be paid on 6 June 2005 to the shareholders whose names appear in the Record of Depositors of the Company at the close of business on 27 May 2005.

A depositor shall qualify for entitlement to the dividend only in respect of:

- Shares transferred into the depositor's securities account before 4.00 p.m. on 27 May 2005 in respect of ordinary transfers; and
- b. Shares bought on Bursa Malaysia on a cum-entitlement basis according to the Rules of Bursa Malaysia.

By order of the Board.

LEE CHEAU PENG

(MAICSA 7005134) Company Secretary

Kuala Lumpur 4 May 2005

Notes:

- (i) A member entitled to attend the meeting may appoint a proxy who may but need not be a member of the Company.
- (ii) The instrument appointing a proxy must be deposited at the Registered Office of the Company at 12th Floor, Wisma Cyclecarri, 288, Jalan Raja Laut, 50350 Kuala Lumpur not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting.
- (iii) If the member is a corporation, the proxy form should be executed under its Common Seal or under the hand of an officer or attorney duly authorised.

STATEMENT ACCOMPANYING

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Pursuant to paragraph 8.28 of the Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia.

1. Names of Directors who are standing for re-election/re-appointment

Under Article 97 of the Company's Articles of Association

- i. Y. Bhg. Dato' Maznah binti Abdul Jalil
- ii. Dr. Tiong lk King

Pursuant to Section 129(6) of the Companies Act, 1965

i. Mr. Rin Kei Mei

2. Details of Attendance of Directors at Board Meetings

Four (4) board meetings were held during the financial year ended 31 December 2004.

Attendance of the Directors holding office at the end of the financial year is shown below:-

No.	Directors	Attendance
1.	Y. Bhg. Tan Sri Dato' Seri (Dr.) Mohd Saleh bin Sulong	4 out of 4 meetings
2.	Y. Bhg. Datin Dr. Umikalsum binti Mohd Noh	4 out of 4 meetings
3.	Mr. Rin Kei Mei	4 out of 4 meetings
4.	Y. Bhg. Dato' Maznah binti Abdul Jalil	4 out of 4 meetings
5.	Dr. Tiong Ik King	4 out of 4 meetings
6.	Mr. Wizayaratnam Somasundram	4 out of 4 meetings

All Directors have complied with the attendance requirements at Board Meetings as stipulated by the Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia.

3. Date, time and place of Annual General Meeting

The Seventh Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held on Thursday, 26 May 2005 at 10.00 a.m. at Grand Prince Ballroom, Level 3, Prince Hotel & Residence Kuala Lumpur, Jalan Conlay, 50450 Kuala Lumpur.

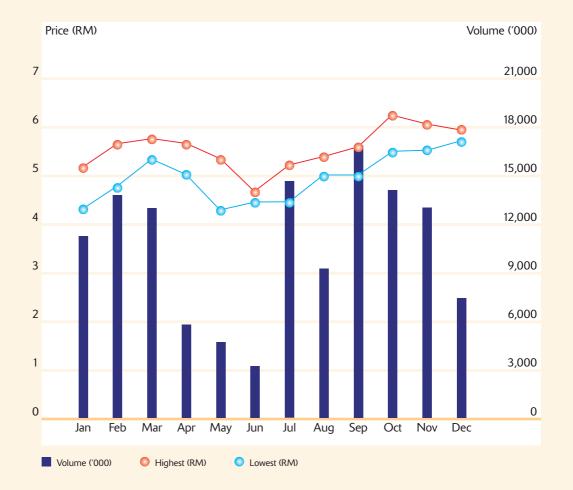
4. The details of Directors who are standing for re-election/re-appointment are as follows:

Name	Y. Bhg. Dato' Maznah binti Abdul Jalil	Dr. Tiong Ik King	Mr. Rin Ke Mei	
Age	51 years	54 years	70 years	
Nationality Malaysian		Malaysian	Singaporean	
Qualification	Bachelor in Business Administration (Finance), Northern Illinois University, USA Master in Business Administration (Finance), Central Michigan University, USA	MBBS Medical Degree (National University of Singapore)	Degree in Chemical Engineering (University of Cheng Kung)	
Position on the Board	Non-Independent Non-Executive Director	Non-Independent Non-Executive Director	Non-Independent Non-Executive Director	
 Working Experience Manager, Corporate Finance, Amanah Merchant Bank Berhad Director, Corporate Affairs, Master-Carriage (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd 		Company Director	 Joint Managing Director of Perusahaan Sadur Timah Malaysia Sdn Bhd Managing Director of Kedah Cement Holdings Bhd Deputy Chairman of EON Bhd 	
Occupation	Company Director	Company Director	Company Director	
Any other directorships of public companies	 DRB-HICOM Berhad Edaran Otomobil Nasional Berhad EON Bank Berhad EON Finance Berhad Gadek (Malaysia) Berhad Horsedale Development Berhad HICOM Holdings Berhad Malaysian International Merchant Bankers Berhad Uni.Asia Life Assurance Berhad Uni.Asia General Insurance Berhad 	 Jaya Tiasa Holdings Berhad Sin Chew Media Corporation Berhad 	EON Bank Berhad EON Finance Berhad	
Securities holdings in the Company and its subsidiaries (as at 31 March 2005)	Direct interest in 399,440 shares in the Company	 Direct interest in 43 shares in the Company Deemed interest in 118,640,080 shares in the Company 	 Direct interest in 389,550 shares in the Company Deemed interest in 106,754,411 shares in the Company 	
Family relationship with any Director and/or major shareholder of the Company	None	None	None	
Any conflict of interest with the Company	None	None	None	
List of conviction for offences within the past 10 years	None	None	None	

SHARE PRICES AND TRADING VOLUME

The historical share prices and trading volume of EON Capital Berhad on Bursa Malaysia for 2004 are as follows:

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
Highest (RM)	5.10	5.65	5.75	5.65	5.30	4.70	5.15	5.35	5.60	6.15	6.05	5.90	
Lowest (RM)	4.38	4.86	5.30	5.05	4.34	4.58	4.58	5.00	5.00	5.50	5.55	5.70	
Volume ′000	11,283	13,454	12,516	5,971	4,351	3,186	14,319	9,613	16,603	13,824	12,529	7,544	



FIVE YEAR

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

For the financial year ended 31 December 2004, EON Capital Berhad and its subsidiaries ('the Group') recorded a pre-tax profit of RM400.2 million. The Group achieved a profit after tax of RM282.3 million, representing a return on average shareholders' funds of 11.6%. The Group's earnings per share for the financial year ended 31 December 2004 stood at 40.7 sen and net tangible assets per share as at 31 December 2004 was RM3.60.

The Group's balance sheet as at 31 December 2004 continued to remain strong with total assets of RM33.3 billion, an increase of 5.3% compared with RM31.6 billion as at 31 December 2003. Total shareholders' funds of the Group increased by 10.8% to RM2.6 billion.

	EON Bank Group					EON Capital Berhad			
Amount in RM Millions	2000	2001	Actual 2002	2003	2004	Proforma ¹ 2002	Actual 2003	Actual 2004	
INCOME									
Operating Income Before Loan Loss									
and Provision	412	549	548	636	579	551	627	570	
Profit Before Taxation	319	328	390	460	410	393	451	400	
Profit After Taxation	265	229	266	333	286	277	328	282	
BALANCE SHEET									
Total Assets	17,827	24,797	30,963	31,881	33,503	30,706	31,641	33,314	
Net Loans, Advances and Financing	11,659	17,388	20,574	21,288	23,557	20,574	21,288	23,557	
Total Deposits	14,854	20,025	25,823	26,504	27,380	25,786	26,472	27,363	
Shareholders' Funds	1,823	2,152	2,495	2,814	3,031	1,986	2,314	2,564	
Net Tangible Assets Backing									
per Ordinary Share (RM)	1.4	1.5	1.7	1.9	2.1	2.9	3.3	3.6	
FINANCIAL RATIOS									
Earnings per share (sen) - basic Return on Average Shareholders'	23.6	19.0	20.7	25.0	21.5	40.0	47.4	40.7	
Funds (%)	16.1	11.5	11.4	12.5	9.8	13.9	15.3	11.6	
Risk Weighted Capital Ratio (%) (EON Bank Berhad)	11.7	12.5	11.8	14.6	14.7	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Gross Non Performing Loan Ratio (%)	8.2	8.7	7.5	6.4	6.0	7.5 ²	6.4	6.0	
Net Non Performing Loan Ratio (%)	5.2	5.7	4.9	3.8	3.4	4.9 ²	3.8	3.4	

Notes:

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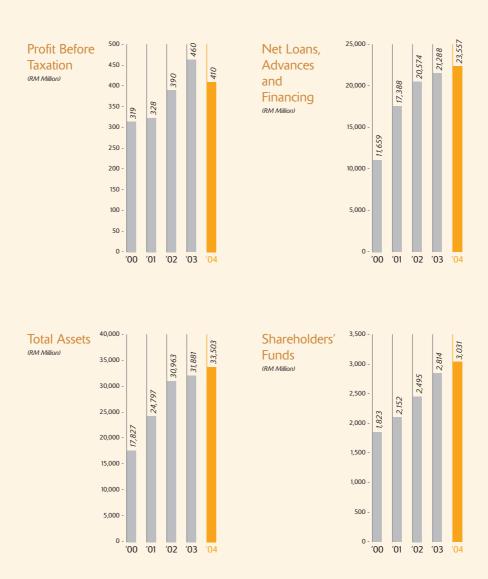
For the financial year ended 31 December 2002, the consolidated results of EON Capital Berhad incorporated the one month consolidated results of EON Bank Berhad and its subsidiary companies. EON Bank Berhad became a wholly-owned subsidiary company of EON Capital Berhad on 2 December 2002, pursuant to the EBB Scheme of Arrangement between EBB and its shareholders under Section 176 of the Companies Act, 1965.

EON Capital Berhad was previously a dormant company and commenced its operations as an investment holding company upon the acquisition of EON Bank Berhad and its subsidiary companies on 2 December 2002. The five year financial highlights of EON Bank Berhad are provided to reflect the underlying business of the Group. For illustrative purposes, we have appended the proforma result for 2002 to show the effects on the consolidated results of EON Capital Berhad had the EBB Scheme of Arrangement and Amalgamation been completed on 1 January 2002.

Note 2

Denotes actual ratios as at 31 December 2002.

EON BANK GROUP'S FINANCIAL TRENDS 1



CORPORATE INFORMATION

As at 31 March 2005

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Chairman

Y. Bhg Tan Sri Dato' Seri (Dr.) Mohd Saleh bin Sulong

Deputy Chairperson

Y. Bhg. Datin Dr. Umikalsum binti Mohd Noh

Members

Mr. Rin Kei Mei Y. Bhg. Dato' Maznah binti Abdul Jalil Dr. Tiong Ik King Mr. Wizayaratnam Somasundram

COMPANY SECRETARY

Lee Cheau Peng (MAICSA 7005134)

REGISTERED OFFICE

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SHARE REGISTRAR

ShareWorks Sdn Bhd No. 23, Jalan Sri Hartamas 7 Sri Hartamas 50480 Kuala Lumpur Telephone: 03-6201 1120 Facsimile: 03-6201 3121

AUDITORS

PricewaterhouseCoopers
11th Floor, Wisma Sime Darby
Jalan Raja Laut
P.O. Box 10192
50706 Kuala Lumpur

PRINCIPAL BANKER

EON Bank Berhad

SOLICITOR

Nik Saghir & Ismail

STOCK EXCHANGE LISTING

Main Board of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad (since 23 December 2002) (stock code : 5266)

PROFILE OF THE DIRECTORS

As at 31 March 2005



Y. Bhg. Tan Sri Dato' Seri (Dr.) Mohd Saleh bin Sulong

Y. Bhg. Tan Sri Dato' Seri (Dr.) Mohd Saleh bin Sulong, Malaysian, aged 53, was appointed as Chairman, Non-Independent Non-Executive Director of EON Capital Berhad on 23 December 2002. He is the Chairman of the Nominating Committee and Remuneration Committee, and a member of the Audit Committee.

Tan Sri Dato' Seri (Dr.) Mohd Saleh is a member of the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants, United Kingdom. He served as an Accountant in Cycle & Carriage Bintang Berhad, Cycle & Carriage (M) Sdn Bhd and United Cycle Sdn Bhd for 10 years before his appointment as Executive Director of the Master-Carriage Group of Companies in 1984. Besides being involved in the motor industry for more than 29 years, he has acquired vast experience in other business activities, which include financial services, public utility services, insurance, property and construction.

Tan Sri is also the Chairman of DRB-HICOM Berhad, HICOM Holdings Berhad, Gadek (Malaysia) Berhad, Edaran Otomobil Nasional Berhad, Horsedale Development Berhad and several private limited companies under DRB-HICOM Berhad. He also serves on the Board of Directors of Perbadanan Usahawan Nasional Berhad. In addition, he is the Chairman of Kolej Universiti Teknikal Kebangsaan Malaysia, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Yayasan Budiman University Teknologi Mara, Trustee of Yayasan Kebajikan Negara and Advisor for Malay Chamber of Commerce Malaysia, City of Kuala Lumpur.

Tan Sri has direct holdings of 274,732 ordinary shares in the Company and is a deemed major shareholder of the Company.

Tan Sri has no family relationship with any Director and/or major shareholder of the Company. He has no convictions for offences within the past 10 years.



Y. Bhg. Datin Dr. Umikalsum binti Mohd Noh

Y. Bhg. Datin Dr. Umikalsum binti Mohd Noh, Malaysian, aged 58, was appointed as Deputy Chairperson, Independent Non-Executive Director of EON Capital Berhad on 17 December 2002. She is the Chairperson of the Audit Committee and a member of the Nominating Committee and Remuneration Committee.

Datin Dr. Umikalsum graduated with a degree in Bachelor of Economics (Hons) from the University of Malaya, attained the Master of Arts (Public Policy & Administration) from the University of Wisconsin, USA, and her doctorate in Ph.D (Economics – Public Finance) from the University of Malaya.

Datin Dr. Umikalsum was Assistant Director of Budget in the Ministry of Finance (Budget Division), and was seconded to Malaysian Highway Authority as Director of Finance. She was the Deputy Secretary in the Ministry of Finance (Supply & Contract

Division) and in the Ministry of Finance (Tax Division). While working for her Ph. D. (University of Malaya) she was attached to the Centre for Research on Federal Financial Relations, Australian National University. She was Head of Business Development Division, and subsequently was appointed as Managing Director of Kinta Kellas PLC. She was also a member of the Board of Inland Revenue Board.

Datin Dr. Umikalsum is a Company Director, and also holds directorship in EON Bank Berhad, EON Finance Berhad and Malaysian International Bankers Berhad and EONCAP Securities Sdn Bhd.

Datin Dr. Umikalsum has direct holdings of 79,006 ordinary shares in the Company, and has no family relationship with any Director and/or major shareholder of the Company. She has no convictions for offences within the past 10 years.

Profile of The Directors (Cont'd)



Mr. Rin Kei Mei

Mr. Rin Kei Mei, Singaporean, aged 70, was appointed as Non-Independent Non-Executive Director of EON Capital Berhad on 23 December 2002.

Mr. Rin graduated with a Degree in Chemical Engineering (University of Cheng Kung), Taiwan. He is a Company Director. His directorship in other public companies are EON Bank Berhad and EON Finance Berhad. Previously he was Joint Managing Director of Perusahaan Sadur Timah Malaysia (PERSTIMA) Sdn Bhd from 1980 to 1982 and Managing Director of Kedah

Cement Holdings Bhd from 1985 to 1987. He was also the Deputy Chairman of Edaran Otomobil Nasional Berhad since 1992 until his resignation in 2003.

Mr. Rin has direct holdings of 389,550 ordinary shares in the Company and is a deemed major shareholder of the Company.

Mr. Rin has no family relationship with any Director and/or major shareholder of the Company and has no convictions for offences within the past 10 years.



Y. Bhg. Dato' Maznah binti Abdul Jalil

Y. Bhg. Dato' Maznah binti Abdul Jalil, Malaysian, aged 51, was appointed as a Non-Independent Non-Executive director of EON Capital Berhad on 23 December 2002. She is a member of the Remuneration Committee.

Dato' Maznah holds a Bachelor of Science and a Master degree in Business Administration (Finance) from Northern Illinois University, U.S.A. and Central Michigan University, U.S.A. respectively.

Dato' Maznah is the Chairperson of Uni.Asia Life Assurance Berhad, Uni.Asia General Insurance Berhad, Uni.Asia Capital Berhad and Hicom Properties Sdn. Bhd. She is an Executive Director of DRB-HICOM Berhad and Edaran Otomobil Nasional Berhad. She is also a director of EON Bank Berhad, EON Finance Berhad, Gadek (Malaysia) Berhad, HICOM Holdings Berhad, Horsedale Development Berhad, Malaysian International

Merchant Bankers Berhad, Labuan Reinsurance (L) Ltd and several private limited companies under DRB-HICOM Berhad. She is also a member of the Board of University Technology MARA, and a member of the Board of Trustee of Malaysian AIDS Foundation in her capacity as Treasurer.

Prior to joining DRB-HICOM Berhad, she was with a local merchant bank from 1979 to 1992 with exposure in various corporate advisory assignments. In 1992, she joined Master-Carriage (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd as Director, Corporate Affairs. Later in 1997, she was appointed as Vice President, HICOM Holdings Berhad and as Executive Director, DRB-Hicom Berhad in 1998.

Dato' Maznah has direct holdings of 399,440 ordinary shares in the Company, and has no family relationship with any Director and/or major shareholder of the Company. She has no convictions for offences within the past 10 years.



Dr. Tiong Ik King

Dr. Tiong Ik King, Malaysian, aged 54, was appointed as Non-Independent Non-Executive Director of EON Capital Berhad on 17 December 2002.

Dr. Tiong obtained his MBBS medical degree from the National University of Singapore and is also a member of the Royal College of Physicians, UK (MRCP).

Dr. Tiong is a director of Jaya Tiasa Holdings Berhad and Sin Chew Media Corporation Berhad.

Dr. Tiong has direct holdings of 43 ordinary shares in the Company and is a deemed major shareholder of the Company.

Dr. Tiong has no family relationship with any Director and/or major shareholder of the Company. He has no convictions for offences within the past 10 years.



Mr. Wizayaratnam Somasundram

Mr. Wizayaratnam Somasundram, Malaysian, aged 65, was appointed as Independent Non-Executive Director of EON Capital Berhad on 17 December 2002. He is a member of the Audit Committee and Nominating Committee.

Mr. Somasundram graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree majoring in Economics, Money, Banking and Public Finance (University of Western Australia).

Mr. Somasundram is also a Director of EON Bank Berhad. He was previously attached to Bank Negara Malaysia ('BNM') for more than twenty years, mainly as examiner of financial institutions under the purview of BNM. His responsibilities included a managerial and supervisory role in the examination and appraisal of the financial conditions and performance of financial institutions and insurance companies. Upon his retirement from BNM, he joined a local commercial bank as Head of Operations of its regional office until 1999.

Mr. Somasundram has no direct or indirect securities holding in the Company and its subsidiaries. He has no family relationship with any director and/or major shareholder of the Company. He has no convictions for offences within the past 10 years.

BOARDS OF PRINCIPAL SUBSIDIARIES

As at 31 March 2005

EON BANK BERHAD

Chairperson

Y. Bhg. Datin Dr. Umikalsum binti Mohd Noh

Members

Mr. Rin Kei Mei

Y. Bhg. Dato' Maznah binti Abdul Jalil

Y. Bhg. Dato' Zulkifli bin Ali Mr. Tiong Chiong Ong Y. Bhg. Datuk Choo Keng Kit

Y. Bhg. Dato' Dr. Mohamad Hashim bin Che Nik Omar

Mr. Wizayaratnam Somasundram

Mr. Rin Nan Lun

(Alternate Director to Mr. Rin Kei Mei)



Chairman

Y. Bhg. Dato' Zulkifli bin Ali

Members

Y. Bhg. Datin Dr. Umikalsum binti Mohd Noh Y. Bhg. Dato' Maznah binti Abdul Jalil Y. Bhg. Dato' Mohd Hussin bin Abd. Hamid Mr. Gopala Krishnan a/I C P Gopalan Mr. Peter Chow Ying Choon Y.M. Tunku Afwida binti Tunku A. Malek

(Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director)

EONCAP SECURITIES

EONCAP SECURITIES SDN BHD (formerly known as Leong & Company Sdn Berhad)

Chairperson

Y. Bhg. Datin Dr. Umikalsum binti Mohd Noh

Members

Y. Bhg. Dato' Mohd Hussin bin Abd. Hamid Encik Musa bin Mohd. Dahan Mr. Gopala Krishnan a/I C P Gopalan

Mr. Peter Leong Tuck Leng

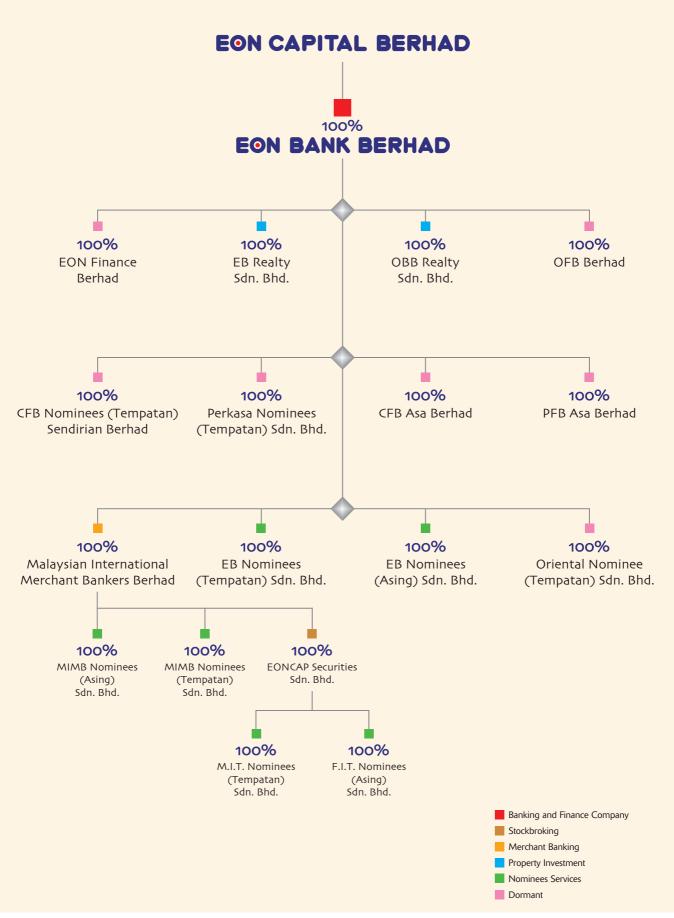
(Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director)

Mr. Leong Sek Hoe

- (Executive Director of Operations)

GROUP STRUCTURE

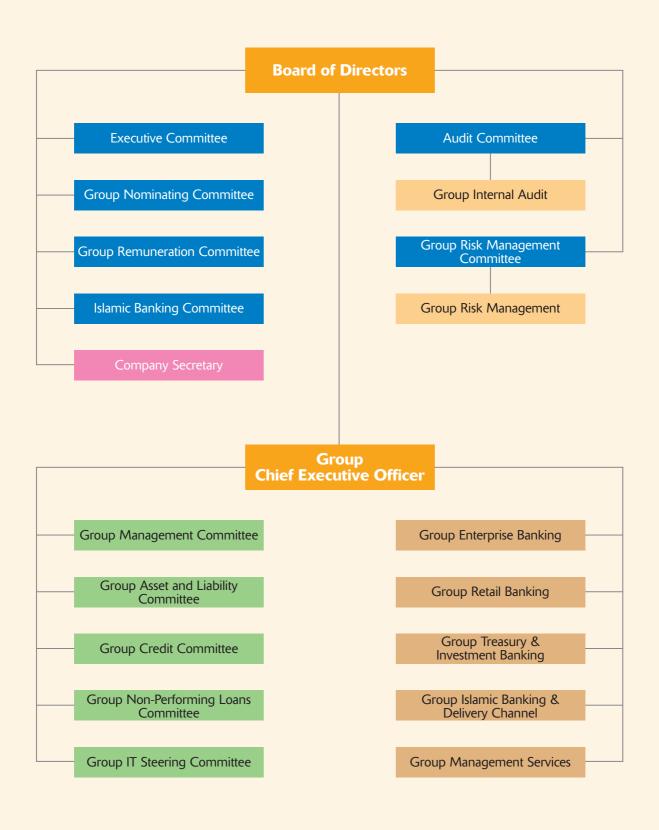
As at 31 March 2005



GROUP OPERATING STRUCTURE

As at 31 March 2005

EON Capital Berhad's principal subsidiary, EON Bank Berhad has set up the Board and Management Committees with clear terms of references. These Committees, which report to the Bank's Board, meet regularly to monitor and evaluate numerous banking and finance company business or operational issues that may arise from the Group's business activities.



BOARD AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEES

As at 31 March 2005

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Executive Committee of Directors (EXCO)	The EXCO reviews and approves all Group policies and guidelines as recommended by the Group Management Committee, and ensures that all aspects of the Group's business are aligned with its strategic objectives. The Board also empowers the EXCO to concur, modify or veto loan applications submitted by GCC. The EXCO holds monthly meetings and as and when required.
Audit Committee (AC)	The AC appraises the effectiveness of the system of internal controls and corporate governance framework, review audit findings, annual financial statements, appointment of auditors and their performance. The AC holds monthly meetings and as and when required.
Group Risk Management Committee (GRMC)	The GRMC assists the Board to oversee the effectiveness of credit, market and operational risk management of the banking and finance operations. The GRMC holds quarterly meetings and as and when required.
Group Remuneration Committee (GRC)	The GRC recommends to the Board, policies and framework relating to remuneration and terms of employment for Directors, CEO and key Senior Management. The GRC meets at least once a year and as and when required.
Group Nominating Committee (GNC)	The GNC is responsible for evaluating and recommending new nominees for the Board, Board Committees and CEO. The GNC also assesses the effectiveness of the Board and Board Committees and the performance of Directors, Board Committee members, CEO and key Senior Management. The GNC meets at least once a year and as and when required.
Islamic Banking Committee (IBC)	The IBC formulates strategies to take advantage of new opportunities of the changing environment in the Islamic banking industry. The IBC holds meetings as and when required.
Group Management Committee (GMC)	The GMC reviews and formulates the Group's business plans and policies for EXCO and thereafter implements the approved plans and policies. The GMC holds monthly meetings and as and when required.
Group Asset & Liabilities Committee (ALCO)	The Group ALCO sets objectives and develops policies, procedures and internal measures for the management of the balance sheet structure, market risk and liquidity risk of the Group. The ALCO holds monthly meetings and as and when required.
Group Credit Committee (GCC)	The GCC formulates, reviews and implements credit policies and guidelines approved by the EXCO, as well as approves loan applications. The GCC holds weekly meetings and as and when required.
Group Non-Performing Loans Committee (GNPLC)	The GNPLC assists the Board to oversee, monitor and make recommendations on reduction of the level of non-performing loan in the Group. The GNPLC holds bi-monthly meetings and as and when required.
Group IT Steering Committee (GITSC)	The GITSC develops IT plans, policies, standards and procedures of the Group that are consistent with the business objectives and goals of the Group. The GITSC holds bi-monthly meetings and as and when required.

GROUP MANAGEMENT

As at 31 March 2005

The Board of Directors of EON Capital Berhad is assisted by a group management team in the day to day management of the EON Bank Group.

1. ALBERT LAU YIONG Group Chief Executive Officer

2. ABDUL JAMEL BIN PAWANTEH Deputy Group Chief Executive Officer, Group Islamic Banking and Delivery Channel



3. PETER CHOW YING CHOON

Deputy Chief Executive Officer,
Group Enterprise Banking

4. MARTIN CHU LEONG MENG
Deputy Chief Executive Officer,
Group Management Services





5. GOPALA KRISHNAN

Deputy Chief Executive Officer,
Group Treasury and Investment Banking





CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

In 2004, Malaysia's Gross Domestic Product experienced a healthy growth of 7.1% compared to 5.2% in 2003. According to Bank Negara Malaysia, the Federal Government continued with its fiscal consolidation program while the private sector continued to lead the expansion in domestic demand.

Tan Sri Dato' Seri (Dr.) Mohd Saleh Bin Sulong

OVERALL BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT

In 2004, Malaysia's Gross Domestic Product experienced a healthy growth of 7.1% compared to 5.2% in 2003. According to Bank Negara Malaysia, the Federal Government continued with its fiscal consolidation programme while the private sector continued to lead the expansion in domestic demand. The rise in consumer sentiment was attributed to stable employment conditions and sustained high disposable incomes. In addition, favourable financing conditions, low interest rates and low inflation led to an increase in private consumption.

The banking industry exhibited strong performance in 2004, with a high level of capitalisation and robust lending activities supportive of the increased demand from households and businesses. Interest margins continued to narrow as keen competition in the lending market continued to exert downward pressure on lending rates, particularly in the retail and small and medium enterprises ('SMEs') lending segments.

Asset quality of the banking industry showed further improvement in 2004 with non-performing loans ('NPLs') at its

lowest level since the Asian financial crisis. The favourable economic environment had positive impact on the capacity of borrowers to service loans. However, loan loss provisions rose slightly as a number of banking institutions capitalised on their strong performance and adopted more prudent loan provisioning for NPLs.

[Source: Bank Negara Malaysia, Annual Report 2004]

OVERVIEW OF THE GROUP

During the year under review, the Group continued to focus on building its presence in the retail and middle market segments. In 2004, the Group recorded an impressive growth in gross loans, advances and financing of 10.1% as compared to the industry growth of 8.5%. This encouraging growth was largely due to increase in lending to the retail and middle market sectors.

Hire-purchase business grew in tandem with increased car sales spurred by introduction of new models, competitive pricing and attractive financing packages. Meanwhile, the retail mortgage segment registered healthy growth particularly in the first half of

Chairman's Statement (Cont'd)

For the financial year ended 31 December 2004, EON Capital Group recorded profit before tax of RM400.2 million and profit after tax of RM282.3 million, representing a return on average shareholders funds of 11.6%.

2004 as purchasers rushed to close deals by end of May 2004 to take advantage of tax exemptions granted under the economic stimulus package implemented by the Government. As part of the Group's on-going efforts to introduce customer centric financial products and services, we launched the new "Impian" MasterCard and the Platinum MasterCard to complement the range of product offerings for our customers. The Premium Refund term insurance plan was also introduced during the year under EON Bank Group's strategic alliance with Uni.Asia Group.

In the non-retail sector, the Group focused on SMEs, in line with the Government's call to promote the development of this sector. During the year, the Group launched the SME Easipac financing package specifically tailored to meet the needs of SMEs. This new product was well received and the net growth in loans to SMEs represented 75.7% of the net increase in the loan portfolio of Group Enterprise Banking.

As the Group continues to grow and expand through a broader range of business activities, it places increasing emphasis on risk management to ensure that risks are adequately managed. In addition to continually enhancing and promoting a strong 'credit-culture', the Group intensified its risk management programme; adopting well tested risk management models and execution methodology for credit risk and operational risk management. In 2003, the first phase of the programme was completed with encouraging results. Under the second phase of the programme a modular implementation schedule was rolled out throughout the Group in 2004. The Group has also aligned its corporate governance framework towards best practices and is committed to inculcate a strong corporate governance culture throughout the Group.

During the year, the Group rationalised its backroom processes with the setting up of new processing hubs to support branches. The hubbing of backroom processes is aimed to improve operational efficiency and enable branches to focus on business development and to improve on our customer service quality.

CORPORATE EXERCISES

Bafin

Effective 15 January 2004, the Banking and Financial Institutions Act, 1989, ('BAFIA') was amended to provide for the creation of a new banking entity called "banking and finance company" or Bafin. Subsequently on 1 November 2004, the Group merged the operations of its commercial bank EON Bank Berhad and its finance company EON Finance Berhad to form a Bafin.

The consolidation of the commercial bank and finance company businesses under EON Bank Berhad is in line with the Malaysian Financial Sector Masterplan and will enable EON Bank Berhad to benefit from both revenue and cost synergies through cross-selling products, consolidating back-office processes and rationalising branch operations. The merged businesses will also enable EON Bank Berhad to build stronger customer knowledge and relationship management.

During the year, the Bank had identified new potential high growth areas for opening of new branches. The requisite approvals have been obtained to expand the Bank's branch network gradually over the next three years. As at end 2004, the Bank had 123 branches. The planned strategic expansion of the Bank's branch network to cover more growth areas in the country will enhance the Bank's customer reach in line with our retail-focused orientation.

Stockbroking

As part of the Group's strategic move to complement its existing operations with stockbroking operations, the Group's merchant banking arm, Malaysian International Merchant Bankers Berhad acquired Leong & Company Sdn Berhad on 30 September 2004. This strategic move will enable the Group to widen its service and product offerings and tap into other potential business

opportunities apart from cross-selling stockbroking services to its existing customers. Leong & Company Sdn Berhad was subsequently renamed as EONCAP Securities Sdn Bhd effective 10 December 2004.

Holding Company

On 14 July 2004, upon the distribution of EON Capital Berhad shares by Edaran Otomobil Nasional Berhad ('EON Berhad') to its shareholders as dividend in specie and capital repayment, EON Berhad had ceased to be the ultimate holding company of the Group.

Purchase of Building

In 2004, EON Bank Berhad entered into a conditional Sale and Purchase Agreement to acquire Wisma Cyclecarri for RM140 million and a conditional Sale and Purchase agreement to dispose Oriental Bank Building for RM35 million. Both Sale and Purchase Agreements were inter-conditional and the transaction was completed on 31 January 2005. At the time when the conditional Sale and Purchase Agreements were signed, the Group occupied approximately 67% of the lettable areas of Wisma Cyclecarri. Acquiring this building will abolish the risk of subjecting the Group to periodic rental revision, non-renewal of tenancy upon expiry or additional cost to relocate its Head Office and operations in the event of non-renewal of the tenancy. The disposal consideration of RM35 million for Oriental Bank Building was derived after taking into consideration the net book value of the building and future operating costs for maintaining the said building.

FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

For the financial year ended 31 December 2004, EON Capital Group recorded profit before tax of RM400.2 million and profit after tax of RM282.3 million, representing a return on average shareholders funds of 11.6%. The Group's earnings per share for

the financial year ended 31 December 2004 stood at 40.7 sen and net tangible asset per share registered an increase of 7.8% to RM3.60 as at 31 December 2004.

The Group recorded higher net interest income and income from Islamic Banking of RM928.9 million for the financial year ended 31 December 2004 as compared with RM923.4 million in 2003 on the back of stronger loan growth during the last quarter. The Group adopted a more stringent basis for collateral valuation of NPLs that are overdue for seven years and longer. Full provisions were made after ascribing zero value to the collateral of affected NPLs. Net Ioan and financing loss and provision for 2004 amounted to RM169.3 million which was RM6.5 million lower (or 3.7%) as compared to last year. Higher overhead costs incurred by the Group and reduced contribution from the merchant banking subsidiary attributable to lower gain from dealing securities resulted in a lower net profit of RM282.3 million for the financial year. Net profit for the previous financial year was RM328.4 million.

EON Capital Group's balance sheet as at 31 December 2004 continued to remain strong with total assets of RM33.3 billion, an increase of 5.3% compared with RM31.6 billion as at 31 December 2003. Total shareholders' funds of the Group increased by 10.8% to RM2.6 billion. Meanwhile, the Group's gross loans grew from RM22.6 billion as at 31 December 2003 to RM24.8 billion as at 31 December 2004.

The Group's retail loans grew by 10.8% to RM16.2 billion which represents 65.2% of the Group's total loan portfolio at the end of 2004. As at balance sheet date, the main component of retail loans is the financing for purchase of motor vehicle, which constitutes 34.0% of the Group's total loan portfolio. In 2004, the Group's hire purchase business grew by 11.4% reflecting our strong car financing franchise and strong presence in the retail segment. The Group's hire purchase business is predominantly for new passenger cars and in 2004, our market share of the total motor vehicles sold in Malaysia remained at 17%.

Chairman's Statement (Cont'd)

For the financial year ended 31 December 2004, the Board of Directors is pleased to recommend the payment of a first and final gross dividend of 8.6 sen per share on 693,208,732 ordinary shares, less income tax at 28%, amounting to RM43,063,000.

The second largest component of retail loans is mortgages which make up 17.8% of the Group's total loan portfolio. The mortgage market was highly competitive and the Group managed to grow its portfolio through attractive home loan product offerings. The Group also works closely with established developers to provide end-financing for new housing projects and actively participated in various property launches in the country. These various measures helped to boost the mortgage loan base by 11.2% to RM4.4 billion at the end of 2004.

In the non-retail sector, gross loans and advances increased by 8.9% due to the strong growth in lending to the SMEs. The growth in lending to the SMEs was spurred by focused relationship management and attractive product bundling. Lending to the SMEs accounted for 12.5% of the Group's total loan portfolio in 2004 compared to 11.4% in 2003. In 2004, efforts to promote trade finance facilities also reaped good results as the Group enjoyed healthy increase in trade loans.

The Group's Islamic Banking operations experienced an impressive growth in net income of 63.4% from RM46.2 million in previous financial year to RM75.5 million for the financial year ended 31 December 2004. Total Islamic banking assets grew by 28.0% to RM3.9 billion and constituted 11.8% of the Group's total assets. Total Islamic financing of the Group increased by 38.4% to RM3.3 billion, with emphasis on purchase of residential property and financing of motor vehicles. As at 31 December 2004, Islamic financing accounted for 14.2% of the Group's total loan portfolio.

The Group's net non-performing loans decreased to RM804.7 million during the financial year. Consequently, the Group's net non-performing loans ratio also reduced from 3.8% in 2003 to 3.4% in 2004, significantly lower than the banking industry average net NPL ratio of 5.9%. Loan loss and provision for 2004 was lower at RM169.3 million compared to RM175.8 million in 2003. This improvement in asset quality was due to improved collection and recovery efforts.

Total customer deposits increased by 8.3% to RM22.6 billion at the end of 2004 of which 45.4% came from individual depositors. The net loan (less loans sold to Cagamas Berhad) to deposit ratio increased from 99.2% at the end of 2003 to 103.1% at the end of 2004.

CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

On 21 January 2004, our wholly-owned subsidiary, EON Bank Berhad ('the Bank') issued USD225 million (equivalent to RM855 million) nominal value Subordinated Notes ('Notes') with a fixed coupon rate of 5.375% per annum payable semi-annually in arrears in July and January each year. The Notes would mature on 21 January 2014 and is callable on 21 January 2009. The Notes are listed on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange and have been rated Baa3 by Moody's Investors Service Limited. Fitch Ratings Ltd rated the Notes BB+. The net proceeds arising from the issuance of the Notes have been utilised for general banking purposes.

Following the transfer of EON Finance Berhad's net assets to EON Bank Berhad on 1 November 2004, the Bank's risk weighted assets increased substantially. Despite the enlarged asset base, the Bank's capital base remained strong due to the issuance of the Notes which qualified as Tier-2 Capital for the Bank. As at 31 December 2004, EON Capital Group remained strongly capitalised with EON Bank Berhad's risk weighted capital ratio at 14.7% compared to the industry average of 13.8%. EON Bank Berhad's Tier-1 capital ratio was 11.2%.

DIVIDENDS

For the financial year ended 31 December 2004, the Board of Directors is pleased to recommend the payment of a first and final gross dividend of 8.6 sen per share on 693,208,732 ordinary shares, less income tax at 28%, amounting to RM43,063,000. The dividend payment will be paid upon approval by shareholders at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

HUMAN RESOURCES

The Group recognises that employees are our most valuable assets. Staff development and training continued to be given priority and was expanded to include diversified products training, cross-selling competencies and soft skills development.

In preparation for the merger of EON Bank Berhad and EON Finance Berhad on 1 November 2004, focused and intensive training was rolled out well in advance to ensure that our employees are familiar with products and services offered by both our commercial bank and finance company. To further inculcate a sense of team spirit amongst the employees, the Group successfully organised the "M-Brace" programme, a teambuilding exercise, for all branches.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The Group continually strives to be a good corporate citizen and is committed to a broad range of community and educational initiatives. In 2004, the Group continued to organise events and activities under its School Adoption Programme to educate students on the importance of financial planning at a young age.

Other than educational events, the Group also celebrated our nation's multi-racial festivities with children and senior citizens from orphanages and welfare homes and supported such establishments with donations.

In 2004, the Group also participated in programmes to assist unemployed graduates through sponsorship of graduates under the following programmes:

- Banking Industry Training Scheme: This programme was initiated by Bank Negara Malaysia. The Group sponsored the training programmes which were held at Institut Bank-Bank Malaysia for unemployed graduates.
- **Capital Market Graduate Trainee Scheme:** The Securities Commission and the Association of Merchant Banks in Malaysia jointly organised this programme. The Group sponsored graduates who had to undergo one month Tan Sri Dato' Seri (Dr.) Mohd Saleh bin Sulong familiarisation training at the Securities Commission and 11

months at the Group's merchant banking subsidiary, Malaysian International Merchant Bankers Berhad.

GROUP BUSINESS DIRECTION

In line with global and regional economic developments, Malaysia's economy is expected to remain positive in 2005. The favourable economic condition is expected to further strengthen the banking industry. For the year ahead, the Group expects to continue to deliver solid financial results. Greater synergy benefits are expected following the completion of the merger between the bank and finance company and the acquisition of the stockbroking business. With improved cross-selling opportunities, coupled with prudent risk management and cost management, the Group is optimistic of reaching its financial goals.

The Group will continue to build its presence in the retail and middle market segments, with emphasis on efficient and effective delivery of services to our customers.

A WORD OF APPRECIATION

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to extend our sincere appreciation to our shareholders, customers and business partners for your continued support of the Group. I would also like to thank the Group's employees for the dedication and invaluable contributions and to Bank Negara Malaysia and other authorities for their guidance and support.

On behalf of the Board, I would like to express our gratitude and appreciation to Ms. Vimala Menon, Mr. Adam Keswick and Mr. Kung Beng Hong for their invaluable contribution during their tenure as directors of EON Bank Berhad and extend our warmest congratulation to Mr. Albert Lau Yiong who has been appointed as Group Chief Executive Officer of EON Bank Berhad.

Chairman

REVIEW OF OPERATIONS

The Group provides a wide range of Syariah compliant products and services such as House Financing-i, Gratuity Financing-i, Ar Rahnu Pawn Broking-i, Hire Purchase-i (AITAB), Cashline Facility-i and General Investment Account-i. Islamic Banking operations are performed through Islamic windows in conventional branches and full-fledged Islamic branches and the Islamic Banking financing assets are managed by Group Enterprise Banking and Group Retail Banking.

Group Islamic Operations



Review of Operations (Cont'd)



For the financial year ended 31 December 2004, the Group's Islamic Banking operations recorded an increase of RM29.7 million or 57.9% in profit before zakat from RM51.3 million recorded for 2003 to RM81.0 million for 2004. The improvement was mainly due to growth in Islamic financing assets which increased by RM0.9 billion or 38.4% from RM2.4 billion as at 31 December 2003 to RM3.3 billion as at 31 December 2004.

The major products that had contributed to the increase in financing assets were Gratuity Financing-i which increased from RM29.8 million to RM87.9 million, Hire Purchase-i (AITAB) which increased from RM1.1 billion to RM1.3 billion and Cashline Facility-i from RM88.4 million to RM246.7 million.

In tandem with the favourable growth in financing assets, customer deposits increased by RM0.7 billion or 36.4% from RM1.9 billion as at 31 December 2003 to RM2.6 billion as at 31 December 2004. At year end, Islamic Banking operations garnered 11.8% of the Group's total banking assets, 14.2% of total loan, advances and financing portfolio and 12.7% of total deposits.

The Group continually supports measures to increase public awareness of Islamic banking products and services. In 2004, Group Islamic Banking participated in the Malaysian International Halal Showcase (MIHAS) and the Islamic Banking and Takaful Expo. Product seminars were also conducted to update our Small and Medium Enterprise customers on Islamic financing products and services as well as the latest developments and trends in Islamic banking related matters.





Group Individual Banking was renamed Group Retail Banking, signifying our continuous focus on the ever important and growing retail market segment. Group Retail Banking covers both conventional and Islamic Banking retail business which include financing of motor vehicles, retail loans in the broad property sector, retail share financing, credit cards, prestige banking, retail deposits, and sales of third party products and services, like bancassurance and unit trusts.

Group Retail Banking



Review of Operations (Cont'd)





The Group offered both conventional and Islamic financing for purchase of motor vehicles. In tandem with strong growth in passenger car sales in the domestic market, hire purchase portfolio grew 11.4% from RM7.5 billion in 2003 to RM8.4 billion in 2004.

In 2004, the Group launched a new housing loan package, the Super Easi Flexi (SEF), giving customers the flexibility to manage their financing, as the SEF allows customers to utilise surplus funds to make additional payments into their housing loan accounts and subsequently withdraw these excess payments when required. The Group has continued its focus on financing the purchase of mid-range residential properties and also supported the purchase of low and medium cost housing units. These initiatives contributed to the increase in housing loans portfolio from RM4.0 billion as at end 2003 to RM4.4 billion as at end 2004.

Having achieved the targeted credit card base, the focus in 2004 was to rationalise the credit card business and fully convert all magnetic stripe cards to EMV Chip embedded ones for all cardholders. With the successful completion of these activities, the credit card business is poised for accelerated growth in 2005.

Retail share financing increased 32.2% from RM293.7 million to RM388.2 million on the back of an active local stock market which saw the KLCI ending the year at 907.4 points and brought the benchmark index full year gains for 2004 to 14.3%.

The Group's strategic alliance with Uni.Asia Group resulted in the emergence of the EON Bank Group ('EBG') Bancassurance Premium Refund Plan and issuance of electronic motor insurance cover notes or e-cover notes by EBG branches. For third party unit trusts, a total of 30 funds from SBB Mutual Berhad, Hwang-DBS Unit Trust Berhad and TA Unit Trust Management Berhad are being distributed by the Group. For the financial year under review, the Wealth Management business managed to secure total sales of RM70.5 million and RM39.8 million of bancassurance and unit trusts products respectively.

Overall, Group Retail Banking increased its loan assets by 10.8% to RM16.2 billion which accounted for 65.2% of the Group's total gross loans and advances of RM24.8 billion.



Group Enterprise Banking

Group Enterprise Banking offers credit facilities to meet the financing needs of our customers which range from small and medium enterprises ('SMEs') to major corporates. The Commercial Banking unit primarily caters to the financing needs of SMEs while the business needs of the bumiputra and public sectors are met by the Bumiputra Enterprise and Public Sector unit. Corporate Banking unit focuses on the financing needs of middle market and public listed companies.

Total loans and advances managed by Group Enterprise Banking grew 8.9% from RM7.9 billion in 2003 to RM8.6 billion in 2004. This was mainly attributable to Islamic financing portfolio which increased from RM0.5 billion as at end 2003 to RM1.0 billion as at end 2004. Group Enterpise Banking's share of the Group's loan and advances was 34.8% as at 31 December 2004.

Group Enterprise Banking's focus is on lending to SMEs with the objective of becoming a leading financial services provider to the SMEs sector. SMEs share of the Group's loans and advances grew from 11.4% in 2003 to 12.5% in 2004. Lending to SMEs grew RM535 million or 20.8% from RM2.6 billion to RM3.1 billion and accounted for 75.7% of the net increase in Group Enterprise Banking's loan and financing portfolio as at 31 December 2004.

SME Easipac, a competitive financing package specially tailored for the SMEs was launched in the year and was partly instrumental in the encouraging growth in SMEs loans. The Bank continued to actively participate in the various SMEs exhibitions and seminars in support of the SMEs sector.

Efforts to promote the Group's trade services to both SMEs and corporate clients were rewarded with encouraging growth of 27.0% in trade loans to RM1.9 billion from RM1.5 billion the previous year. The two trade finance centers - one in Penang and the other in Kuala Lumpur - played an effective role to ensure speedy processing of trade documents, provision of advice on trade related matters as well as encouraging higher trade bills utilisation.

Going forward, Group Enterprise Banking will continue to focus on and drive SMEs lending and trade finance business through effective account relationship management. Emphasis will also be given to include Islamic financing products in credit packages offered to both SMEs and corporate clients.



Group Treasury & Investment Banking



Group Treasury & Investment Banking's main responsibilities encompass proactive liquidity management and balance sheet management, investment in debt and equities market and smooth execution of fee-based advisory services. In 2004, the average treasury securities portfolio under management amounted to RM4.3 billion.

LIQUIDITY MANAGEMENT

For the year, ample liquidity within the banking system continued to keep domestic interest rates low. Within this environment, proactive management of the Group's funding and liquidity position resulted in a favourable deposit mix and lowered the Bank's cost of funds, whilst ensuring that the Group maintained adequate liquidity. Intensified marketing efforts and close rapport with depositors also led to the increase in the Group's depositor base during the year.

CAPITAL MARKET

The domestic bond market started on a bearish note with prices pressured downwards by higher global interest rate expectations. As the year progressed, prices began to improve as the liquidity in the banking system was viewed as a shield against higher global interest rates. The resurgent talk of a Ringgit re-peg caused sentiment to turn bullish, with surging prices and plunging yields brought on by demand from offshore parties taking a speculative view on currency gains. Against this environment, Group Treasury's selective asset purchases for trading, investment and liquidity requirements enabled it to capture modest capital gain.

Group Treasury & Investment Banking continues to support group-wide operations by providing value-added services to the other business units of the Group with regard to marketing, funding, pricing and distribution of Group products and services. During the year, Group Treasury & Investment Banking worked hand in hand with the Group's merchant banking arm, Malaysian International Merchant Bankers Berhad ('MIMB'), to step up its activities, particularly in the arranging and distribution of new private debt securities.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

In 2004, movements in the major currencies was influenced largely by the weakening of the US dollar amidst growing concern about the US twin deficits of both the Fiscal and Trade accounts. The dollar depreciated against the euro by 11% and against the yen by 4% during the year.

In view of volatility of the foreign exchange market in recent years, the Division focused on enhancing foreign exchange services to the Bank's retail and corporate customers to help clients mitigate foreign exchange risk. This was achieved through increased marketing efforts to foster closer customer relationships and through constant review of existing and potential agency requirements. The Group also maintained good reciprocal relationships with major international banks in order to provide customers with quality remittance and trade finance facilities. Through these efforts, the Group was able to increase fee income from foreign exchange business despite slimmer margins and increased competition during the year.

MERCHANT BANKING

MIMB is positioned as a niche advisory house and offers financial solutions to clients in the key areas of investment banking including corporate finance, equity and debt capital markets, structured finance, placements, underwriting, mergers and acquisitions advisory.

In 2004, MIMB undertook an internal reorganisation exercise which focuses on streamlining operations and improving efficiency to set the foundation for effective networking and franchise building, with the creation of three new units, i.e. Investment Banking unit, Corporate Finance unit and Equity Capital Markets unit.

The Investment Banking unit concentrates on advisory jobs for corporate exercises and in making markets in a wide spectrum of financial instruments. The Corporate Finance unit's core function is provision of effective financial advisory services, structuring corporate transactions for both equity and debt capital market deals in addition to the execution of all mandates. The Equity Capital Markets unit focuses on assisting clients to gain access to capital markets for their financing requirements by facilitating in the origination, structuring, underwriting and distribution of equity and equity related products, as well as mergers and acquisitions.

In 2004, MIMB contributed to the listing of 5 companies on Bursa Malaysia by taking on the role of Advisor and Manager in the Initial Public Offerings exercise. In the area of debt capital markets, MIMB was co-arranger of RM3.4 billion bonds issued by Kapar Energy Venture Sdn Bhd which was awarded the PFI Award - Asia Pacific's Bond Deal of the Year 2004. In addition, MIMB played a role in the issuance of EON Bank Berhad's USD225 million subordinated bonds.

STOCKBROKING

On 30 September 2004, MIMB completed its acquisition of a retail-based stockbroker, Leong & Company Sdn Berhad, in line with the Group's plan to offer the full range of share investment services to its customers. In December 2004, Leong & Company Sdn Berhad changed its name to EONCAP Securities Sdn Bhd.

The inclusion of a stockbroking subsidiary in the group will provide MIMB and the Group with an opportunity to position itself as one of the participants in the strockbroking industry and to create synergies and benefits to the Group and its shareholders. In line with the industry development to create a full-fledged investment bank, the acquisition of the stockbroking entity will provide MIMB with a platform for this setting.

EONCAP Securities Sdn Bhd maintained a strong and healthy capital adequacy ratio, measured by liquid capital against total risk requirements, of 9.28 times as at 31 December 2004. This is well above the minimum requirement of 1.2 times. Moving forward, the Group will take advantage of cross-selling opportunities to promote stockbroking products and services at EON Bank's branch network throughout the country.

STATEMENT ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The Board of Directors ('Board') of EON Capital Berhad is committed to ensure that the highest standard of corporate governance is practiced throughout EON Capital Berhad and its group of companies as a fundamental part of discharging its responsibilities to protect and enhance shareholder value and financial performance.

Set out below is a statement by the Board of EON Capital Berhad on the application by the Group of the principles contained in the Malaysian Code on Corporate Governance ('Code'), and the extent of compliance with the best practices of the Code for the financial year ended 31 December 2004.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

COMPOSITION

The Board comprises six (6) members, all of whom are Non-Executive Directors; of which four (4) are non-independent and two (2) are independent. The Board is of the view that the current Board composition fairly reflects the extent of the investment of shareholders in the Company. The profiles of the members of the Board are presented on page 9 to 11 of the Annual Report.

The Directors bring together a wide range of business management skills and banking and financial experience to the Board. Their background, diversity, quality, skills and experience lend strength to lead the strategic directions of the Group. Decision making is by two-thirds majority and no single Board member can make any decision on behalf of the Board, unless duly authorised by the Board.

The Board has identified Y. Bhg. Datin Dr. Umikalsum binti Mohd Noh, the Chairperson of the Audit Committee, as the Independent Non-Executive Director to whom concerns may be conveyed.

BOARD RESPONSIBILITIES

The Board has the responsibility for the overall corporate governance and performance of the Group. The Board:

- · Charts the direction of the Group by setting objectives and strategies and establishing policies, guidelines and performance targets;
- · Monitors Management's running of the business to ensure implementation is in accordance with the agreed framework; and
- Through the Audit Committee, liaises with the external auditors on accounting policies and practices, compliance issues and reporting to shareholders.

BOARD MEETING AND SUPPLY OF INFORMATION

During the financial year, four (4) board meetings were held. The attendance of the Directors at board meetings are presented on page 3 of the Annual Report.

At each regularly scheduled meeting, there will be a financial and business review for discussion. The agenda for each board meeting, together with detailed reports and proposition papers to be tabled at the board meeting, will be circulated to the Directors prior to the board meeting to give Directors time to consider and deliberate on the issues to be raised at the board meeting. The Directors have full access to Senior Management and the advice of the Company Secretary and may seek external professional advice, if required.

APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTORS

New appointments to the Board are recommended by the Nominating Committee for consideration and approval, with due consideration given to the mix of expertise and experience required for an effective Board. As the Company is the holding company of a licensed financial institution, the appointment of Board members also requires the prior written approval of Bank Negara Malaysia pursuant to the Banking and Financial Institutions Act, 1989.

RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, all Directors who are appointed during the year by the Board are subject to re-election by shareholders at the Annual General Meeting following their appointments. The Articles also provide that one third of the Directors shall retire from office at each Annual General Meeting, provided always that all the Directors shall retire from office at least once in every three years.

DIRECTORS' TRAINING

All the Directors have attended the Mandatory Accreditation Programme conducted by Research Institute of Investment Analysts Malaysia. Directors are encouraged to attend continuous education programmes and seminars to keep abreast with developments in the market place and they are kept informed of such programmes and seminars.

BOARD COMMITTEES

The Board delegates certain responsibilities to Board Committees. The Committees which were set up to assist the Board in certain areas of deliberation are as follows:

- Audit Committee
- · Nominating Committee
- Remuneration Committee

THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Audit Committee of EON Capital Berhad is responsible to implement and support the oversight function of the Board. Separate Audit Committee of its principal subsidiaries, namely EON Bank Berhad and Malaysian International Merchant Bankers Berhad are in operation. All Audit Committees appraise the effectiveness of the system of internal controls and corporate governance framework, review annual financial statements, audit findings from internal auditors, external auditors and regulatory authorities and recommend appropriate remedial action to their respective Boards.

The Report of the Audit Committee is set out on pages 35 to 36 of the Annual Report.

THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Committee comprises the Chairman of the Company and two other Independent Non-Executive Directors of the Board and is responsible to:

- Recommend on the appointment of Directors to the Board of the Company and its subsidiaries after taking into account the required mix of skills, expertise and experience;
- Recommend on the appointment of Chief Executive Officer of the Company and to endorse appointment of Chief Executive
 Officers within the EON Bank Group as recommended by EON Bank Berhad's Group Nominating Committee; and
- · Perform any other functions as authorised by the Board.

The members of the Nominating Committee are as follows:

- Y. Bhg. Tan Sri Dato' (Dr.) Seri Mohd Saleh bin Sulong (Chairman)
- Y. Bhg. Datin Dr. Umikalsum binti Mohd Noh
- Mr. Wizayaratnam Somasundram

The Board, through the Nominating Committee, has reviewed its size and composition and is of the opinion that the current Board composition possesses the appropriate mix and competencies required to effectively lead the Group.

THE REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

The Committee comprises the Chairman of the Company and two other Non-Executive Directors of the Board and is responsible to:

- · Recommend to the Board the remuneration of the executive directors in all its form, drawing from outside advice if neccessary;
- · Recommend to the Board the Directors' fees, allowances and other remuneration; and
- Perform any other functions as authorised by the Board.

The members of the Remuneration Committee are as follows:

- Y. Bhg. Tan Sri Dato' Seri (Dr.) Mohd Saleh bin Sulong (Chairman)
- Y. Bhg. Datin Dr. Umikalsum binti Mohd Noh
- · Y. Bhg. Dato' Maznah binti Abdul Jalil

The Board of EON Bank Berhad has also formed a Group Nominating Committee and Group Remuneration Committee to assist in identifying and nominating new Directors for EON Bank Berhad and its subsidiaries and evaluate the performance and remuneration of its Executive Directors, Senior Management and staff of EON Bank Group respectively.

The Board of EON Bank Berhad also established other Board and Management Committees with clear terms of reference, as presented on pages 14 to 15 of the Annual Report, to review EON Bank Group's business activities and operations.

DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION

The Directors' remuneration is determined to ensure that the Group attracts and retains Directors with relevant experience and calibre that is needed to lead the Group successfully.

In view that all the Board members of the Company are Non-Executive Directors, the determination of the remuneration of Non-Executive Directors is a matter for the Board as a whole. This remuneration, which reflects the level of responsibilities undertaken by them, mainly consist of annual directors' fees and attendance allowances for each meeting that they attended.

For its principal subsidiaries, the Group Remuneration Committee of EON Bank Berhad is responsible for recommending to their respective Board on all elements of remuneration and terms of employment for Executive Directors. The Executive Directors concerned abstained from participating in the annual review of their own remuneration.

The aggregate remuneration paid to Non-Executive Directors of the Company by the Company and its subsidiary companies during the financial year, categorised into bands of RM50,000 are as follows:

Directors' Remuneration	No. of Directors
RM50,001 – RM100,000	1
RM100,001 - RM150,000	2
RM150,001 - RM200,000	_
RM200,001 – RM250,000	1
RM250,001 – RM300,000	1
RM300,001 – RM350,000	_
RM350,001 – RM400,000	_
RM400,001 – RM450,000	1

The aggregate remuneration paid to Non-Executive Directors of the Company, analysed by category are disclosed in Note 30 to the financial statements as set out in page 100 of the Annual Report.

All fees to be received by the Non-Executive Directors of the Company for their services will be tabled at the Annual General Meeting for shareholders' approval before payment is made.

The Code recommends disclosure of details of the remuneration of each Director. However, the Board of EON Capital Berhad is of the view that the disclosure of the remuneration by bands of its Directors is sufficient to meet the objective of the Code.

INVESTOR RELATIONS AND SHAREHOLDERS COMMUNICATION

EON Capital Berhad recognises the need to keep communication lines clear and accessible to both investors and shareholders. Besides the mandatory reporting and the public announcements of the Group's financial results to Bursa Malaysia, regulatory bodies and other relevant authorities, the Company keeps the members of the investing community and the shareholders abreast of its developments through press releases and active investor relation programmes.

During the financial year, the Directors and Senior Management held many meetings with financial analysts and fund managers of institutional investment funds, as well as participated in roadshows and investor conferences, domestically and internationally, to discuss issues and obtain feedback from the investing community.

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) is the principal forum for dialogue between the Company and its shareholders. Shareholders are given ample notice to prepare or present questions to the Board at the AGM. The AGM is also an excellent opportunity for shareholders to direct questions to the Board in relation to the Company's financial performance and the Company's activities.

The Group has also established a web site, <u>www.eonbank.com.my</u>, for shareholders and the public to gain access to corporate information, news and events related to the Group.

Investors and members of the public who wish to contact the Company and its subsidiaries on any matters, relating to their shareholdings and investment can channel their queries through e-mail, via the Group's website or contact the following officer:

Officer	Telephone No.	Facsimile No.
Company Secretary	03-2696 2864	03-2693 0773

ACCOUNTABILITY AND AUDIT

FINANCIAL REPORTING

The Directors have a responsibility to present a balanced and understandable assessment of the Group's position and prospects in the quarterly report to Bursa Malaysia and the Annual Report to shareholders. The Audit Committee assists the Board in scrutinising information for disclosure to ensure the accuracy, adequacy and completeness.

The Statement of Directors' Responsibility for preparing the financial statements is set out on page 34 of this Annual Report.

INTERNAL CONTROL

The Board has overall responsibility for the Group's approach to assessing risks and implementing controls. The Board, through the Audit Committee, oversees that a system of internal controls is properly maintained and regularly reviewed to ensure effectiveness. It entrusts the Audit Committee with the review of the audit plan, audit processes and most important of all, audit independence. The Audit Committee keeps the Board notified of the identification and management of risks and the controls that minimize and mitigate such risks.

The Group's Statement of Internal Control is set out on pages 37 to 38 of the Annual Report.

RELATIONSHIP WITH EXTERNAL AUDITORS

Through the Audit Committee, the Group has always maintained a transparent and appropriate relationship with its external auditors in seeking professional advice and ensuring compliance with the appliable approved accounting standards in Malaysia.

The role of the Audit Committee in relation to the external auditors may be found in the Audit Committee Report set out on pages 35 to 36 of the Annual Report.

ADDITIONAL COMPLIANCE INFORMATION

The following information is provided in conformance to the Listing Requirements of the Bursa Malaysia:

1. Utilisation of Proceeds raised from Corporate Proposal

On 21 January 2004, EON Bank Berhad, the commercial bank subsidiary issued USD225 million (equivalent to RM855 million) nominal value fixed coupon Subordinated Notes, which mature on 21 January 2014. The salient terms and conditions of the Notes are disclosed in Note 19 to the financial statements as set out on pages 95 to 96 of the Annual Report. The net proceeds arising from the issuance of the Notes have been utilised for general banking purposes.

2. Sanctions and/or Penalties

During the financial year, there are no sanctions and/or penalties imposed on the Company and its subsidiaries, Directors or Management by the relevant regulatory bodies.

3. Non-Audit Fees

The amount of non-audit fees paid and payable by the Company and its subsidiaries to the external auditors and their affiliated companies for the financial year ended 31 December 2004 was RM464,000.

4. Material Contracts

Other than as disclosed in Note 41(4) to the financial statements as set out on page 115 of the Annual Report on acquisition and disposal of building, there were no other material contracts including contracts relating to loans (not being contracts entered into in the ordinary course of business) of the Company and its subsidiaries, involving Directors' and major shareholders' interests, either still subsisting at the end of the financial year or entered into since the end of the previous financial year.

5. Recurrent Related Party Transactions

In relation to Recurrent Related Party Transactions ('Recurrent Transactions') of a revenue or trading nature which are necessary for the Group's day-to-day operations and transacted in the ordinary course of business with related parties, the Company will make an immediate announcement to the Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad where the consideration, value of the assets, capital outlay or costs of the Recurrent Transaction is equal to or exceeds RM1 million; or the percentage ratio as defined in the Listing Requirements of such Recurrent Transaction is equal to or exceeds 1%, whichever is the lower. The Board has no intention to obtain Shareholders' Mandate for Recurrent Transactions after considering the frequency or regularity of such transactions, as well as cost and benefits involved.

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITY

For Preparing the Financial Statements

In the course of preparing the annual financial statements of the Group and of the Company, the Directors are collectively responsible in ensuring that these financial statements are drawn up in accordance with the requirements of the applicable approved accounting standards in Malaysia, Bank Negara Malaysia Guidelines, the provision of the Companies Act, 1965 and the Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad.

It is the responsibility of the Directors to ensure that the financial reporting of the Group and of the Company present a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Group and of the Company as at the end of the financial year and the results and cash flows for the financial year then ended.

The Directors have adopted and applied the appropriate and relevant accounting policies on a consistent basis and made judgement and estimates that are prudent and reasonable in preparing the financial statements of the Group and of the Company.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis and the Directors have ensured that proper accounting records are kept so as to enable the preparation of the financial statements with reasonable accuracy.

The Directors have also taken the necessary steps to ensure that appropriate systems are in place to safeguard the assets of the Group and of the Company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities. The systems, by their nature, can only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance against material misstatements, loss and fraud.

The Statement by Directors pursuant to Section 169 of the Companies Act, 1965 is set out on page 63 of the Annual Report.

AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

1. MEMBERSHIP

The Audit Committee serves to implement and support the oversight function of the Board. Details of its membership as at 31 March 2005 are as follows:

Composition	Designation/Directorship Status
Y. Bhg. Datin Dr. Umikalsum binti Mohd Noh	Chairperson/Independent Non-Executive Director
Y. Bhg. Tan Sri Dato' Seri (Dr.) Mohd Saleh bin Sulong	Member/Non-Independent Non-Executive Director
Mr. Wizayaratnam Somasundram	Member/Independent Non-Executive Director

During the financial year ended 31 December 2004, there were four (4) meetings convened in February, April, August and November 2004. The details of the attendance of each member are as follows:

No.	Committee Members	Attendance
1. 2. 3.	Y. Bhg. Datin Dr. Umikalsum binti Mohd Noh Y. Bhg. Tan Sri Dato' Seri (Dr.) Mohd Saleh bin Sulong Mr. Wizayaratnam Somasundram	4 out of 4 meetings 4 out of 4 meetings 4 out of 4 meetings

The Group has also established Audit Committees in EON Bank Berhad and Malaysian International Merchant Bankers Berhad. These Audit Committees meet regularly to appraise the effectiveness of the system of internal controls and corporate governance framework, review annual financial statements, audit findings from internal auditors, external auditors and regulatory authorities and recommend appropriate remedial actions to their respective Boards.

2. COMPOSITION AND TERMS OF REFERENCE

2.1 Members

The members of the Committee are appointed by the Board of Directors. The Committee shall consist of not less than 3 members, the majority of whom shall be Independent Non-Executive Directors. A quorum shall consist of two members, all of whom shall be Independent Non-Executive Directors.

2.2 Chairperson

The Chairperson of the Committee must be an Independent Non-Executive Director.

2.3 Secretary

All proceedings of the meetings are minuted by the Secretary of the Committee, who shall be the Company Secretary or such other person appointed by the Board.

2.4 Meetings

Meetings are to be held on a quarterly basis, of which one would specifically be a private meeting with the internal and external auditors to discuss issues relating to the financial condition, risks, governance and control aspects of the Group.

2.5 Authority

The Board authorises the Committee to seek any information or legal and professional advice it requires in carrying out its role and responsibilities. All employees are directed to cooperate with any requests made by the Committee.

3. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The duties and responsibilities of the Audit Committee, in relation to the following are;

i. External auditors

- · Consider the appointment, resignation or dismissal of the external auditors
- Discuss audit engagement letters, audit scope and methodology, audit fees, changes in statutory and accounting requirements and non-audit services
- · Review assistance given by the Management and its staff to the auditors and any findings and action to be taken
- Review internal controls of the Group and disclosure through the Statement on Internal Control
- Review the audit report including differences in views between the auditors and Management, cooperation extended for
 the audit, accounting methods, implementation of audit recommendations, compliance with regulations and statutory
 requirements, financial information consistency with the business of the Group and any sensitive reporting, unusual or
 significant issues
- Review the adequacy of the scope, functions and resources of the internal audit function and coordination of audit work with the internal auditors

ii. Internal auditors

- · Review the internal audit plan and performance
- Evaluate compliance with internal auditing standards
- · Discuss critical or major findings in respect of the various operations audited by the Group Internal Audit Department
- · Review the minutes of the Audit Committee meetings or any other committee meetings, if so required
- Ensure management response to and act upon audit findings and recommendations
- Review the Statement on Internal Control of the Group including the adequacy and integrity of the Group's management information systems and systems for compliance with applicable laws, regulations, rules, directives and guidelines
- · Review the appointment, performance and remuneration of the Chief Internal Auditor
- Appraise the risk management and corporate governance framework of the Group

iii. Others

- Review the timeliness of reporting of quarterly and year-end financial results and that there is adequacy of provisions
 against contingencies, and bad and doubtful debts, any changes in accounting practices or policies and significant
 adjustments, if any
- Ensure promptness in publication of annual report with necessary disclosure
- · Evaluate the control environment in relation to audit and control issues, emerging issues and trends
- · Consider significant legal claims or contingent liabilities
- · Consider any related party transactions that may arise within the Company or Group
- Report to the Board on its activities, significant results and findings
- Undertake such other responsibilities as agreed with the Board

4. THE INTERNAL AUDIT FUNCTION AND SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES

The Group's internal audit function is carried out by the Group Internal Audit Department ('Group Internal Audit') established in EON Bank Berhad. The Group Internal Audit has in place a charter that covers its independence in the organisation structure to provide objective evaluation of risks and controls in the auditable activities. During the financial year, the Group Internal Audit presented its audit plans, audit budget and scope of work to the EON Bank Berhad's Audit Committee for approval. In accordance with the Bank Negara Malaysia guidelines (BNM GP10), the audit plan is on a risk-based approach. The scheduled audits are conducted and audit reports are duly tabled to the respective Audit Committees in the Group. Audit findings and recommendations in the reports are followed up for rectification and resolution and the status is duly reported to the respective Audit Committees. Deadlines are set for rectification or resolution of audit issues. Where the result of an audit is not satisfactory, a formal follow-up audit is conducted and reported to the respective Audit Committees. In addition to audit assignments, the Group Internal Audit is also actively involved in the various information technology and product development projects as well as in the review of policy and operational guidelines and manuals on an advisory capacity. Such participation is deemed important in reviewing the controls of project management and the setting up of pertinent controls of the system or product prior to implementation. Activities of the Group Internal Audit are reported to the Audit Committees of EON Capital Berhad and EON Bank Berhad on a quarterly basis. The Audit Committee regularly appraises the resources and training needs of Group Internal Audit to meet the competencies and skills required for effective performance of internal auditing for the Group.

STATEMENT ON INTERNAL CONTROL

The Board of Directors recognises the importance of maintaining a sound system of internal controls and risk management practices to safeguard the shareholders' investments and the Group's assets. The Board reviews and is responsible for the adequacy and integrity of the internal control systems in EON Capital Berhad and its subsidiaries in addressing business and operational risks. The Board accords with the guidance in the 'Statement on Internal Control: Guidance for Directors of Public Listed Companies'. It should be noted that such systems are designed to manage rather than eliminate risk of failure to achieve business objectives. Accordingly, these systems could provide only reasonable and not absolute assurance against material misstatement or loss or the occurrence of unforeseeable circumstances. The concept of reasonable assurance also recognises that the cost of control procedures should not exceed the expected benefits.

EON Capital Berhad relies entirely on the EON Bank Group throughout the financial year under review and up to date of this report for internal control. The Directors of EON Capital Berhad have been made aware that no events have occurred between the year end to the date of approval of the Annual Report which would materially affect the Statement on Internal Control.

The key controls of the EON Bank Group are:

BUSINESS AND ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE

Financial planning and budgets are prepared on an annual basis. These are reviewed and approved by the Board and the results are monitored on a monthly basis to assess performance. The organisation is structured into business and support functions with delegation of signing authorities and lending powers in meeting business objectives and operational needs. The appointment of senior management within the Group is reviewed and approved by the Board. Functional, operational and financial reporting standards and guidelines are established by the Management for application across the entire Group. Exception incidents and any deviation from approved standards or guidelines are reviewed, and remedial steps including disciplinary action are taken where appropriate. Such incidents, deviations and remedial steps are included in the audit reports tabled to the Audit Committee and, if material, escalated to the Board.

FINANCIAL REPORTING

The Group has adopted accounting standards for guidance and compliance with regulatory and statutory requirements. Financial information prepared for submission is duly checked and authorised for release to the governing authorities and to the various Committees and the Board.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The Board ensures that there is an on-going process for identifying, evaluating and managing the significant risks faced by the Group. It has put in place the Group Risk Management Committee as the driver with a Group Risk Management function that supports it. Group Risk Management participates in the development of market risk policies and assists the Management in the establishment of credit and operational risk policies. It reviews compliance with set risk limits and identifies emerging risk issues. It has representation in decision-making meetings of the Group Asset and Liability Committee and Group Credit Committee. The Board also receives risk reports from these Committees for its review and decision.

The Operational Risk Unit under the Group Risk Management function has developed an Operational Risk Management framework, consisting of tools and processes, for identifying, assessing, monitoring and managing operational risks across the Group. Currently, the framework has been implemented across all branches. By end of year 2005, the framework would have been implemented to the remaining head office departments and subsidiaries of the Group.

Operational risks are inherent in the complexity of banking operation, particularly in branch and other delivery channels and in IT infrastructure and activities. The branch network is overseen by a Branch Supervision function that has put in place a self-audit checklist to institute continual awareness and implementation of controls. Audit reports on the compliance level for controls as well as adequacy and integrity of management information systems are reviewed regularly by the Audit Committee of the Board, which reports to the Board on emerging issues and trends.

PROCEDURAL GUIDELINES AND TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

Policy and procedural manuals are established to guide and support business operations and these are disseminated group-wide with relevant training programs in place to enhance implementation. The training programs are designed to build and strengthen human capital, which the Group recognises as crucial to its achievement of corporate goals. Job rotation and enrichment and management development programs are also put in place to support succession planning to ensure continuity of business.

INTERNAL AUDIT

A group-wide internal audit function is established at EON Bank Berhad to assist the Board in monitoring compliance, making recommendations for continuous improvement to processes, systems and people development and reviewing the effectiveness of the internal control structures. The internal auditors also participate in risk management and IT projects to provide assurance of good governance and application of security controls.

The Audit Committee regularly reviews the adequacy and integrity of the Group's system of internal controls and management information systems. It deliberates on the dissemination of information and establishment of proper communication channels relating to compliance with applicable laws, regulations, rules, directives and guidelines.

The Audit Committee reports to the Board on a monthly basis on all findings on reports and papers tabled for deliberation. The Board also obtains a summary on the review of the adequacy and integrity of the system of internal controls through reports from the Audit Committee as well as the Chief Internal Auditor. The Board also reviews actions taken by Management in addressing audit or risk issues and implementation of audit recommendations.

RISK MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK

Risk is inherent in all businesses and the effective management of risk is a core competence within EON Capital Group. EON Capital Berhad, relies on the risk management structure of EON Bank Group ('the Group') to efficiently manage the Group's major risks including market risk, liquidity risk, operational risk and credit risk.

The key element of risk management philosophy is for the risk functions to operate as an independent control working in partnership with the business units to provide a competitive advantage to the Group. Ultimate responsibility for the effective management of risk rests with the Group's Board of Directors who control and manage risk through the Group Risk Management Committee.

Group Risk Management Committee is responsible for the following:

- a) Reviewing and recommending risk management strategies, policies and risk tolerance for Board's approval;
- b) Reviewing and assessing adequacy of risk management policies and framework in identifying, measuring, monitoring and controlling risk and the extent to which these are operating effectively;
- c) Ensuring infrastructure, resources and systems are in place for risk management; ensuring that the staff responsible for implementing risk management systems perform those duties independently of EON Bank Group's risk taking activities; and
- d) Reviewing Management's periodic reports on risk exposure, risk portfolio composition and risk management activities.

Group Risk Management provides the main support to the Group Risk Management Committee. The roles and responsibilities of Group Risk Management are elaborated under the Risk Management Approach section below.

In addition to the Group Risk Management, the Group Internal Audit also complements the role of managing risk in the following manner:

- a) Ensure that the risk policies prepared by Group Risk Management are enforced through regular audit cycle.
- b) Perform independent review to assess the risk control environment developed by Group Risk Management.
- c) Perform independent review to assess the risk grading system and the credit process.
- d) Perform independent opinion on risk controls being formulated by Group Risk Management.

RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES

The Group's broad risk management objectives are:

- **Align risk appetite and strategy** Risk appetite is the degree of risk, on a broad-based level, that the Group is willing to accept in pursuit of its goals;
- **Link growth, risk and return** The Group accepts risk as part of value creation and preservation, and expects return to commensurate with the risk;
- **Enhance risk response decisions** The Group strives to identify and select among alternative risk responses risk avoidance, reduction, sharing and acceptance based on generally accepted practices and methodologies;
- **Minimize operational surprises and losses** The Group continually enhances its capability to identify potential events, assess risk and establish responses, thereby reducing the occurrence of surprises and related costs or losses;
- **Identify and manage cross-risks** Every product faces a myriad of risks. The Group not only manage individual risks, but also manages interrelated impacts;
- **Provide integrated responses to multiple risks** Business processes carry many inherent risks, and the Group continually finds solutions for managing the risks;
- **Seize opportunities** The Group considers potential events, using risk management as offensive initiatives rather than just risks (defensive), and by considering a full range of events, the Group gains an understanding of how certain events represent opportunities; and
- Rationalise capital More robust information on total risk allows the Group to more effectively assess overall capital needs and improve capital allocation.

RISK MANAGEMENT APPROACH

Market and Liquidity Risks

Risk Management Responsibility

Polices and terms of reference are set within which Group Treasury & Investment Banking manages market and liquidity risks exposures on a day-to-day basis, whilst Group Risk Management is responsible to control and provide oversight of market and liquidity risk at Group level through risk limits approved by the Board of Directors.

Definition

Market Risk

Market risk is the potential adverse change in the value of a portfolio of financial instruments due to changes in interest rates, foreign exchange rates and equity prices.

Liquidity Risk

The Group recognises two types of liquidity risk:

- · Funding-liquidity risk is the risk that the Group is unable to meet its payment obligation as they arise; and
- Market-liquidity risk is the risk that the Group cannot easily eliminate or offset a particular position without significantly affecting the previous market price because of inadequate market depth or market disruption.

Risk Identification

- All market and liquidity risks management policies and limits are tabled to the Group Asset and Liability Committee and Group Risk Management Committee before being approved by the Board.
- New products and variations of existing products are vetted through the new product implementation process and signed-off by respective business units, risk control units and support units before they are allowed to be transacted.

Risk Measurement

Risk limits are determined for each portfolio. Limits are set by product and risk type, the risk appetite being a principal factor in determining the level of limits set. Limits are set using a combination of the following risk measurement techniques:

Nominal: Limits are placed on gross notional positions.

Marking-to-Market: Limits are established to avoid the accumulation of excessive losses in a trading position.

• Interest Rate Sensitivity Analysis: Interest rates are analysed under various scenarios to gauge the impact on net interest

income and economic value.

• Maturity Gap Analysis: Analysis is done to enable the Group to gauge the risk of adverse changes in interest rates.

• **Regulatory:** Application of regulatory New Liquidity Framework.

Risk Control

- Group Risk Management develops a comprehensive set of written policies to govern the management of market and liquidity risks of the Group. These policies and procedures take into account the size, nature, scope and structural complexity of the products transacted by the Group.
- Policies and limits are reviewed periodically and affirmed by the Board.
- Group Risk Management also develops measurement techniques and reviews limit utilisation on periodic basis.
- · To ensure a stable source of funds, customer deposits are widely diversified by type and maturity.

Risk Reporting

 Group Risk Management provides regular risk reporting to the Board and Senior Management to communicate risk exposures and steps to mitigate exposures.

OPERATIONAL RISK

Risk Management Responsibility

An Operational Risk Management framework has been implemented across the Group. The framework consists of processes, procedures, governance structure and methodologies that will assist all business and support units to identify, assess, monitor and control their operational risks in a structured, systematic and consistent manner.

The guiding principle of the framework is that all line management at all levels is responsible for directing and controlling their own operational risks. The goal of operational risk management is to reduce the Group's exposure to unexpected losses and managed expected losses.

Definition

Operational Risk

Operational risk is defined as the risk of loss resulting from inadequate or failed internal processes, people and systems or from external events. This definition includes legal risk, but excludes strategic and reputation risks.

Risk Identification

- All operational risks are identified and categorized according to an agreed risk dimension in a Risk Catalogue.
- · Key processes and workflows are documented to assist in the identification of key risk and its root causes.
- New products and variations of existing products are vetted through the new product implementation process and signed-off by respective business units, risk control units and support units before they are allowed to be transacted.

Risk Measurement

- Risk level of all operational risk categories are assessed and measured using a self-assessment methodology.
- The quality of the overall and specific internal control environment are conducted and provided through control self-assessment (CSA) statements.
- All operational loss events are collected and root causes of operational failures are investigated.

Risk Control

- · Group Risk Management collects Key Risk Indicators (KRI) to identify potential operating losses before they happen or get larger.
- · Preventive and corrective actions are implemented and monitored for all operational loss events reported.
- Group Risk Management enhances the Group's Business Continuity Plan that looks into its business resumption in an organized and timely manner in time of disaster.
- Existing and new operational risks are monitored and managed on an ongoing basis.

Risk Reporting

The appointment of operational risk correspondents in branches and departments across the Group ensures that all operational risks are managed effectively. The Group has put in place a reporting structure where the operational risk correspondents are liaisons between business units and Group Risk Management. Prioritized operational risks and issues are being reported and resolved with Senior Management and/or the Group Risk Management Committee.

Throughout the year, Group Risk Management has conducted numerous operational risk training and awareness sessions to key staff of branches and departments. One of the main objectives of this ongoing training course is to facilitate the new operational risk management change culture to the organization.

Group Risk Management has also established a new Loss Event Reporting structure during the year to collect accurate and consistent loss data collection. An automatic loss database collection system is being built to facilitate the conduct of root cause analysis and gathering of loss data.

CREDIT RISK

Risk Management Responsibility

Group Risk Management provides control and oversight of credit risk at Group level by parameterised lending activities, credit extension and operational activities as approved by the Board of Directors.

Definition

Credit Risk Credit risk is the potential loss of revenue and principal arising from failure of customer in meeting its obligations to service debts.

Risk Identification

- All credit policies and limits are tabled to Management and Group Credit Committee, Group Risk Management Committee before being approved by the Board.
- New products and variations of existing products are vetted through the new product implementation process and signed-off by respective business units, risk control units and support units before they are allowed to be transacted.

Risk Measurement

- Internal rating scorecards have been implemented for retail and enterprise loans.
- Stress testing of loans portfolio and asset quality are performed.
- Targeted Portfolio Limits by Economic Sectors are set as management action triggers to avoid over concentration.
- An internal single customer limit that is more prudent than the regulatory requirement is adopted.

Risk Control

- Independent pre and post approval credit reviews for loans are conducted.
- Annual reviews of performing loans are conducted.
- Discretionary Lending Power is assigned to individual credit signers according to their own credit experience and track record.
- Group Risk Management develops and maintains written policies to govern the management of credit risk of the Group.
- Policies and limits are reviewed periodically and affirmed by the Board.

Risk Reporting

Group Risk Management provides regular risk reporting to the Board and Senior Management to communicate risk exposures and steps to mitigate exposures such as loan exposures and movement of non-performing loans.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND FUTURE INITIATIVES

In 2004, major initiatives undertaken by the Group to enhance its risk management processes and infrastructure are as follows:

Operational Risk Management Framework and Information System

During the year, the Operational Risk Management Framework was rolled out to all branches and training was completed to ensure that the branches are well aware of the importance of Operational Risk Management. The framework will be extended to the head office departments and subsidiaries of the Group in 2005. To support the Operational Risk Management Framework, Group Risk Management Department also introduced the Operational Risk Management Information System for the purpose of monitoring and collecting operational risk data across the Group. In 2005, Group Risk Management Department will continue its efforts to enhance the overall Operational Risk Management Framework by pursuing various planned initiatives such as to develop Key Performance Indicators and to enhance the tools and processes for effective management of operational risks. To ensure a pro-active risk management culture is cultivated within the Group and staffs are adequately skilled in managing operational risks, ongoing training programmes will also be conducted.

Credit risk management

In 2004, the Group redesigned the credit approval process to be more risk focused and implemented web-based scorecards as an effort to improve the delivery mechanism of the credit risk grading system to capture customer information. In addition, initiatives were also undertaken to grade all existing SME and corporate customers using the risk grading model. To enable a more comprehensive monitoring of the Group's credit risk position, the Group performs analysis on the Group's asset quality based on sectoral, customer and product concentration. The Group also established Industry Concentration Limits via monitoring and managing concentration and migration of risk. Moving forward, the Group will continue to take initiatives to further enhance and streamline the risk grading system to ensure that the Group has a robust model for decision making.

Basel II Implementation

In line with the implementation guidelines for Basel II compliance announced by Bank Negara Malaysia, the Group has established a BASEL II Steering Committee which reports to the Group Risk Management Committee. Currently, efforts are being directed at shaping the Group's internal roadmap and efforts will be intensified to enhance and align the Group's frameworks, processes and system to comply with Basel II framework and implementation deadline.

Other Initiatives

In addition to the above, the Group also developed a more comprehensive New Product Process policy, where the Group's new and existing products must undergo a rigorous risk management process. The Group takes a pro-active stand on risk management and moving forward the Group will continue to focus on areas which will enhance and ensure that the Group's Risk Management framework remains robust.

CALENDAR OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

For Financial Year 2004

JANUARY

- Group Deputy Chief Executive
 Officer, Abdul Jamel bin Pawanteh
 was interviewed live on RTM's
 "Selamat Pagi Malaysia" program
 on the Bank's SME Easipac
 package and the Ar Rahnu Pawn
 Broking-i facility.
- Launching of SME Easipac.
- MIMB was appointed one of the Advisers, Managing Underwriters and Placement Agents for G.A. Blue International Bhd and UDS Capital Berhad.

FEBRUARY

- The Bank organised a tea time talk on "Investment - Unit Trust" to Prestige Banking members.
- EON Bank Group participated in the LBS Property Showcase 2004.

MARCH

- Northern Region of EON Bank Group held an evening cocktail reception for its customers at the Shangri-la Hotel in Penang.
- MIMB signed a Sale and Purchase Agreement to acquire the entire issued and paid-up capital of Leong & Company Sdn Berhad for RM170 million.
- EON Bank Group participated in the Malaysian Property Expo (MAPEX) 2004 organised by the Real Estate and Housing Developer's Association Malaysia (Johor branch).

APRIL

- EON Bank Group sponsored the CIMA Management Accounting Conference held at Hotel Nikko, Kuala Lumpur.
- EON Bank Group participated in the LBS Property Gallery 2004 at Plaza Alam Sentral Atrium, Shah Alam.

MAY

- EON Bank Group participated in the Sunway Property Showcase organised by Sunway City Berhad.
- Sixth Annual General Meeting of EON Capital Berhad
- e EON Bank Berhad signed a conditional Sale and Purchase Agreement to acquire Wisma Cyclecarri for RM140 million and a conditional Sale and Purchase Agreement to dispose Oriental Bank Building for RM35 million.

JUNE

- EON Bank Group participated in the SMI 1-Stop Solution 2004 International Trade Exhibition and Conference held at the Putra World Trade Centre, Kuala Lumpur.
- MIMB was appointed as Coarranger for Kapar Energy Venture's bond issue which was awarded the PFI Award - Asia Pacific's Bond Deal of the Year for 2004

AUGUST

- EON Bank Group participated in the Islam Hadhari Talk to promote Islam in a working environment.
- Group Islamic Banking Division organised public seminars on Islamic Banking Products in Kuala Terengganu, Kuantan and Kuching.
- EON Bank Group was one of the panel members for the public forum on Gratuity Financing organised by the Malaysian Army.
- EON Bank Group participated in the 5th International Trade Fair for SMEs held at the Putra World Trade Centere, Kuala Lumpur.
- EON Bank Group participated in first Malaysian International Halal Showcase at the Malaysian International Exhibition and Convention Centre, Mines Resort City, Selangor.
- MIMB was appointed as Adviser and Managing Underwriter for the proposed listing of Modular Group on the MESDAQ Market of Bursa Malaysia.
- Extraordinary General Meeting of EON Capital Berhad for the proposed acquisition of Leong & Company Sdn Berhad.

SEPTEMBER

- EON Bank Group participated in the Islam Hadhari Talk.
- A 'Health and Wealth' seminar was conducted for EON Bank Group's Prestige members at the HSC Medical Centre, Kuala Lumpur.
- Launching of Super Easi Flex Housing Loan.

OCTOBER

- EON Bank Group participated in the Migguan Perbankan Islam & Takaful Exhibition held at the Putra World Trade Centre, Kuala Lumpur.
- MIMB was appointed as Joint Principal Advisers and Joint Lead Arrangers together with Affin Bank Berhad for the issuance of Murabahah Underwritten Notes Issuance Facility and Murabahah Medium Term Notes by Peremba Jaya Holdings Sdn Bhd.

NOVEMBER

- On 1 November 2004, the operations of EON Bank Berhad and EON Finance Berhad were merged to form a banking and finance company or BAFIN under EON Bank Berhad.
- EON Bank Berhad and SP Setia Berhad signed an agreement for EON Bank Berhad to provide RM350 million end-financing for the Bandar Seri Alam Development.
- Launching of the "Impian" Unembossed Card, together with Adimus Publishing House Sdn Bhd.
- Launching of EON Bank Premium Refund Insurance Plan in partnership with Uni.Asia Life Assurance Berhad
- Extraordinary General Meeting of EON Capital Berhad for the proposed acquisition of Wisma Cyclecarri and proposed disposal of Oriental Bank Building.
- EON Bank Berhad entered into new strategic partnerships with various unit trust companies to distribute unit trusts through the Bank's branch network.

DECEMBER

- EON Bank Group, in partnership with Uni.Asia General Insurance Berhad introduced the electronic motor insurance cover notes (enotes) at all its branches.
- With effect from 10 December 2004, Leong & Company Sdn Berhad changed its name to EONCAP Securities Sdn Bhd.
- MIMB was appointed as Lead Arranger for issuance of Islamic Private Debt Securities of Bina Darulaman Bhd.

ANALYSIS OF SHAREHOLDINGS

As at 31 March 2005

Class of shares : Ordinary Shares of RM1.00 each fully paid Voting rights : One vote per ordinary share

DISTRIBUTION OF SHAREHOLDERS

Size of shareholding	Number of Shareholders	% of Shareholders		% of Total Holdings
Less than 100	854	8.52	39,421	0.01
100 - 1,000	2,672	26.66	2,176,907	0.31
1,001 - 10,000	5,456	54.43	17,799,913	2.57
10,001 - 100,000	823	8.21	22,099,638	3.19
100,001 to less than 5% of issued shares	214	2.13	223,877,158	32.29
5% and above of issued shares	5	0.05	427,215,695	61.63
Total	10,024	100.00	693,208,732	100.00

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS

	No. of Shares	No. of Shares	
Name	Held Direct	Held Indirect	Percentage
HICOM Holdings Berhad (HICOM)	235	140,010,291 ^A	20.20
R.H. Development Corporation Sdn Bhd (RHD)	112,717,213	-	16.26
Kualapura (M) Sdn Bhd (Kualapura)	77,050,465	-	11.12
Khazanah Nasional Berhad	53,656,892	15,223,000 ⁸	9.94
Employees Provident Fund Board	43,780,834	8,155,756 ^c	7.49
DRB-HICOM Berhad	-	140,010,526 ^D	20.20
Mega Consolidated Sdn Bhd	-	140,010,526 ^E	20.20
Gadek (Malaysia) Berhad	-	140,010,526 ^E	20.20
Citaria Sdn Bhd	-	140,010,526 ^E	20.20
Sharikat Manhamat Sdn Bhd	-	140,010,526 ^E	20.20
Billiards Distributors Sdn Bhd	-	140,010,526 ^E	20.20
Tan Sri Dato' Seri (Dr.) Mohd Saleh bin Sulong	274,732	140,010,526 ^E	20.24
Estate of Allahyarham Tan Sri Dato' Seri Yahaya bin Ahmad	549,465	140,010,526 ^E	20.28
Dato' Yatina binti Yahaya	-	140,559,991 ^E	20.28
Dato' Tik bin Mustaffa	-	140,559,991 ^E	20.28
Ahmad Othman bin Yahaya	-	140,559,991 ^E	20.28
Ahmad Faez bin Yahaya	-	140,559,991 ^E	20.28
Tan Sri Datuk Diong Hiew King @ Tiong Hiew King	-	118,640,080 ^F	17.11
Dr. Tiong Ik King	43	118,640,080 ^F	17.11
Tiong Kiong King	-	118,640,080 ^F	17.11
Tiong Kiu King	-	118,640,080 ^F	17.11
Tiong Thai King	-	118,640,080 ^F	17.11
Tiong Chiong Ong	-	118,640,080 ^F	17.11

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS (Cont'd)

Name	No. of Shares Held Direct	No. of Shares Held Indirect	Percentage
Tiong Chiew	-	118,640,080 ^F	17.11
Rin Kei Mei	389,550	106,754,411 ^G	15.46
Rin Nan Lun	-	107,143,961 ^H	15.46
Mitsubishi Motor Corporation	-	77,050,465	11.12
Mitsubishi Corporation	-	77,050,465	11.12

Notes:

- A Shares are registered in the name of Malaysian Trustees Bhd.
- B Deemed interested in ECB through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Bio-Fast Fusion Sdn Bhd.
- c Shares are managed by Portfolio Managers namely Alliance Capital Asset Management Bhd, Amanah SSCM Asset Management Bhd, Amlnvestment Management Sdn Bhd, Commerce Asset Fund Managers Sdn Bhd, Mayban Investment Management Sdn Bhd, Nomura Asset Management (Singapore) Ltd, PHEIM Asset Management Sdn Bhd and RHB Asset Management Sdn Bhd.
- Deemed interested in ECB through its effectively wholly-owned subsidiary HICOM.
- Deemed interested in ECB by virtue of its/his/her deemed substantial interest in HICOM.
- F Deemed interested in ECB via his/her substantial direct and indirect interest in RHD and Tiong Toh Siong Holdings Sdn Bhd.
- G Deemed interested in ECB via his deemed substantial interest in Kualapura, substantial direct interest in Lintang Emas Sdn Bhd and Ceria Alam Sdn Bhd and his son, Mr. Rin Nan Yoong's direct interest in ECB.
- H Deemed interested in ECB via his deemed substantial interest in Kualapura, substantial direct interest in Ceria Alam Sdn Bhd, and being a person connected to Mr. Rin Kei Mei and Mr. Rin Nan Yoong.
- Deemed interest in ECB by virtue of its substantial interest in Kualapura.

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS AS AT 31 MARCH 2005

Name	No. of Shares Held Direct	No. of Shares Held Indirect	Percentage
Nume	Tield Birect	Tied maneet	
Tan Sri Dato' Seri (Dr.) Mohd Saleh bin Sulong	274,732	140,010,5261	20.24
Datin Dr. Umikalsum binti Mohd Noh	79,006	-	0.01
Rin Kei Mei	389,550	106,754,4112	15.46
Dato' Maznah binti Abdul Jalil	399,440	-	0.06
Dr. Tiong lk King	43	118,640,080³	17.11
Wizayaratnam Somasundram	-	-	-

Notes:

- 1 Deemed interested in ECB by virtue of his deemed substantial interest in HICOM.
- Deemed interested in ECB by virtue of his deemed substantial interest in Kualapura, substantial direct interest in Lintang Emas Sdn Bhd and Ceria Alam Sdn Bhd and his son, Mr. Rin Nan Yoong's direct interest in ECB.
- 3 Deemed interested in ECB via his substantial direct and indirect interest in RHD and Tiong Toh Siong Holdings Sdn Bhd.

LIST OF 30 LARGEST SHAREHOLDERS

Registered Shareholder/Beneficial Owner	Shares	%
1 Malaysian Trustees Berhad HICOM Holdings Berhad	140,010,291	20.2
2 R.H. Development Corporation Sdn Bhd	112,717,213	16.26
3 Kualapura (M) Sdn Bhd	77,050,465	11.12
4 Khazanah Nasional Berhad	53,656,892	7.74
5 Employees Provident Fund Board	43,780,834	6.32
6 Ceria Alam Sdn Bhd	18,684,062	2.70
7 Bio-Fast Fusion Sdn Bhd	15,223,000	2.20
8 HSBC Nominees (Asing) Sdn Bhd Emerging Markets Growth Fund	11,273,000	1.63
9 Musman Holdings Sdn Bhd	11,251,157	1.62
10 Lintang Emas Sdn Bhd	10,673,817	1.54
11 Citicorp Nominees (Asing) Sdn Bhd CB Spore GW-Aranda Investments (Mauritius) Pte Ltd	10,027,000	1.45
12 Empire Wood Sdn Bhd	7,661,950	1.11
13 Lembaga Kemajuan Bintulu	6,124,588	0.88
14 Tiong Toh Siong Holdings Sdn Bhd	5,922,867	0.85
15 HSBC Nominees (Asing) Sdn Bhd BBH and Co Boston for GMO Emerging Markets Fund	5,692,923	0.82
16 Malaysia Nominees (Tempatan) Sdn Bhd Great Eastern Life Assurance (Malaysia) Bhd	4,524,436	0.65
17 Estate of Late Dato' Seri Ling Pung Sung @ Ling Beng Sung	4,328,091	0.62
18 AM Nominees (Tempatan) Sdn Bhd Employees Provident Fund Board (A/C1)	4,150,256	0.60
19 HSBC Nominees (Asing) Sdn Bhd HSBC SG for Lee Rubber Company Pte Ltd	3,750,000	0.54
20 Citicorp Nominees (Asing) Sdn Bhd American International Assurance Company Ltd	3,074,586	0.44
21 HSBC Nominees (Asing) Sdn Bhd Capital International Emerging Markets Investment Fund	3,000,000	0.43
22 Citicorp Nominees (Tempatan) Sdn Bhd Oriental Rubber & Palm Oil Sdn Bhd	3,000,000	0.43

Analysis of Shareholdings (Cont'd)

LIST OF 30 LARGEST SHAREHOLDERS (Cont'd)

Registered Shareholder/Beneficial Owner	Shares	%
23 HSBC Nominees (Asing) Sdn Bhd Abu Dhabi Investment Authority	2,809,500	0.41
24 HSBC Nominees (Asing) Sdn Bhd <i>Aviva Funds</i>	2,663,900	0.38
25 HDM Nominees (Asing) Sdn Bhd UOB Kay Hian (Hong Kong) Ltd for Top Link Ltd	2,048,386	0.30
26 HSBC Nominees (Asing) Sdn Bhd Invesco Series (Asian Equity Core)	2,000,000	0.29
27 Universal Trustee (Malaysia) Bhd Mayban Unit Trust Fund	1,970,000	0.28
28 AMMB Nominees (Tempatan) Sdn Bhd AmTrustee Bhd for HLG Penny Stock Fund	1,763,345	0.25
29 BHLB Trustee Bhd Prugrowth Fund	1,758,700	0.25
30 HSBC Nominees (Tempatan) Sdn Bhd HSBC (M) Trustee Bhd for Hasrat Jaguh Sdn Bhd	1,755,600	0.25
Total	572,346,859	82.56

GROUP CORPORATE DIRECTORY

As at 31 March 2005



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Selayang

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Taman Midah

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UOA Centre

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Bandar Sungai Long

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Kajang

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Kland

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Serendah

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Bukit Mertajam

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Jelutong

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Seremban

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Melaka 1

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Melaka 2

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Pontian

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Segamat

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Senai

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Kuching 3

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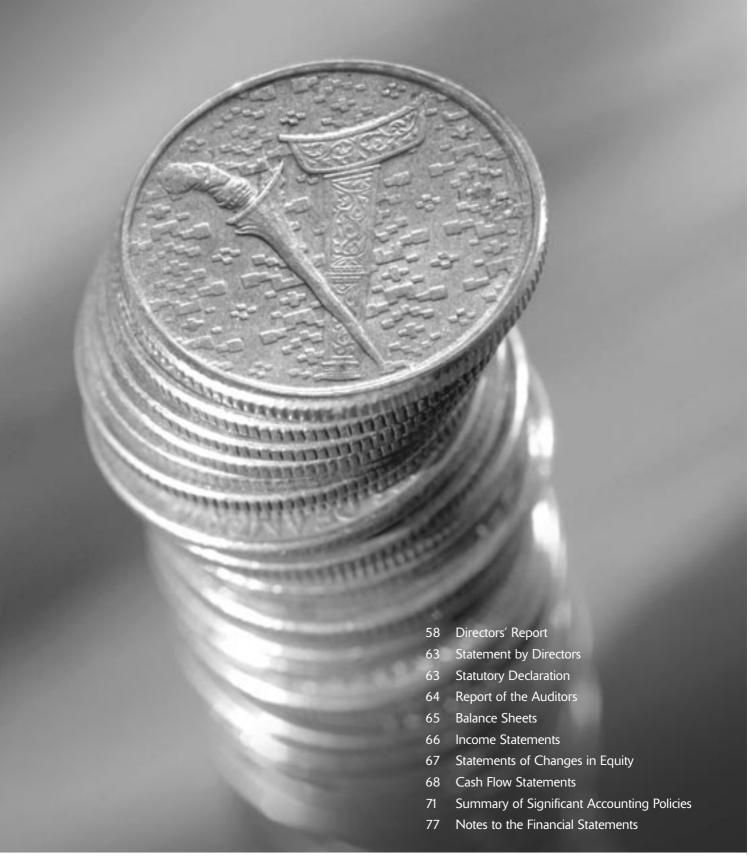
LIST OF PROPERTIES

Held by the Group as at 31 December 2004

No.	Address	Description (Land or Building)	Approximate Area (sq. ft.)	Age of Building (years)	Existing Usage	Tenure & Expiry Date	Net Book Value (RM'000)	Date of Acquisition
EB RE	EALTY							
1	No. 7, Jalan Tun Perak 50100 Kuala Lumpur	2 units of double storey building	3,374	26	Branch storage	Freehold	1,007.7	15/7/1991
2	No. 122, Kapit By-Pass 96807 Kapit, Sarawak	4 storey building	1,200	11	Branch premises	Leasehold (29/4/2045)	214.3	30/4/1985
OBB	REALTY							
1	No. 12A, Block B, Level 2 Fraser's Hill Condominium Bukit Fraser's 49000 Pahang	1 unit apartment	1,792	17	Staff recreation	Leasehold (23/05/2082)	207.4	24/5/1983
EON	BANK							
1	Lot 171, Jalan Council 95000 Bandar Sri Aman Sarawak	3 storey building	1,740	8	Branch premises	Leasehold (20/6/2050)	100.0	21/6/1990
2	No. 23, Jalan Tun Abang Haji Openg, 93000 Kuching Sarawak	2 storey building	2,691	37	Branch premises	Leasehold (5/8/2784)	872.7	17/2/1966
3	Ground and First Floor Merdeka Plaza 93000 Kuching, Sarawak	2 units office space	3,078	7	Branch premises	Leasehold (3/8/2782)	1,113.9	12/1/1996
4	No. 3, Jalan Bandar Satu Pusat Bandar Puchong 47100 Puchong, Selangor	4 storey building	4,687	9	Branch premises	Freehold	2,219.4	4/3/1997
5	Lot 4 & 5, Jalan TMR 1 Taman Melaka Raya 75000 Melaka	2 units of 3 storey shop office	3,132	7	Branch premises	Leasehold (20/3/2094)	855.0	17/4/1998
6	No. 3/G14, 3/G15 & 3/G16 Block 3, Api-Api Centre 88000 Kota Kinabalu, Sabah	3 units of shoplots	4,141	9	Branch premises	Leasehold (31/12/2086)	2,835.0	2/4/1997
7	No. 9, Jalan Cheng Lock 50000 Kuala Lumpur Wilayah Persekutuan	3 1/2 storey office building	2,199	31	For investment	Freehold	387.1	18/9/1972
8	No. 177, Limbok Hill 70000 Seremban Negeri Sembilan	Single-storey detac house	hed 6,700	31	For investment	Freehold	18.7	16/8/1972
9	No. 1, Jalan Hang Lekiu 50100 Kuala Lumpur Wilayah Persekutuan	21 storey office building	21,108	9	Training Centre - (2 floors) Branch prem - (4 floors) Vacant - 15 f		41,096.3	24/1/1996
10	No. J09-06 and J02-06 Paradise Lagoon Holiday Apartment, Batu 3 1/2 Jalan Pantai, 70100 Port Dick Negeri Sembilan	2 units apartment	2,088	8	Staff recreation	Leasehold (6/7/2087)	292.2	21/4/1994
11	No. C05-07 Genting Permai Park & Resort, 6th Mile 69000 Genting Highland Pahang	1 unit apartment	1,029	5	Staff recreation	Freehold	247.8	2/9/1996

List of Properties (Cont'd)

No.	Address		Approximate Area (sq. ft.)	Age of Building (years)	Existing Usage	Tenure & Expiry Date	Net Book Value (RM'000)	Date of Acquisition
12	No. 21 & 23, Jalan Indah 15/1 Bukit Indah 81200 Johor Bahru Johor	2 units of 3 storey shop office	5,090	2	Branch premises	Freehold	1,922.1	27/5/2002
13	Lot No. 2013 Jalan Pisang Barat 93150 Kuching	3 storey building	1,390	11	Branch storage	Leasehold (31/12/2038)	-	23/9/1992
14	No. 31, 33, 35 & 37 Jalan Usahaniaga 1 Taman Niagajaya 14000 Bukit Mertajam Seberang Perai Tengah Penang	4 units of 3 storey shop office	15,844	1	Branch premises	Freehold	1,291.0	07/10/2003
15	No. 35, 37 & 39 Jalan Johar Satu Taman Desa Cemerlang 81800 Ulu Tiram, Johor	3 units of 3 storey shop office	13,965	1	Branch premises	Freehold	2,467.5	02/12/2003
16	No. 80, Jalan Market 96007 Sibu	5 storey shop house	e 1,400	31	Sold on November 2004. Transaction completed on January 2005		488.5	07/3/1991
17	No. 1, Jln SS15/4E 47500 Subang Jaya Petaling Jaya, Selangor	3 storey shop house	e 3,261	22	Branch premises	Freehold	505.2	12/2/1991
18	No. 32 & 34, Jln 21/19 46300 Petaling Jaya Selangor	2 storey terrace shop houses	3,080	41	Branch premises	Freehold	2,311.2	19/8/1997
19	No. 1, Jalan Goh Hock Huat 41400 Klang Selangor	4 1/2 storey shop he	ouse 2,776	21	Branch premises	Freehold	1,919.7	7/9/1998
20	No. B-278 & B-280 Jalan Beserah 25300 Kuantan, Pahang	4 storey shop house	3,208	5	Branch premises	Freehold	1,074.0	8/4/1999
21	No. 26 & 27 Jalan Kenari 1 Bandar Puchong Jaya 47100 Puchong, Selangor	3 1/2 storey shop he	ouse 3,600	8	Bramch premises	Freehold	1,819.5	22/1/1999
22	No. 21, Jalan Permas 10/1 Bandar Baru Permas Jaya 81750 Masai, Johor	4 storey shop house	2,624	7	Branch premises	Freehold	1,355.4	4/5/1999
23	No. 67 & 69, Jalan Merdeka 75000 Taman Merdeka Raya Melaka	3 storey shop house	3,080	9	Branch premises	Leasehold (07/07/2093)	900.0	15/8/1999
24	No. 26 & 27 Jalan Permatang Gedong Taman Sejati Indah 08000 Sungai Petani, Kedah	3 storey terrace sho	plot 2,800	7	Branch premises	Freehold	750.1	3/9/1999
25	No. S-3, Kompleks Negeri Jalan Dr. Krishnan 70000 Seremban Negeri Sembilan	3 storey shop house	1,680	20	Branch Storage	Leasehold (30/01/2078)	517.6	29/6/1981



Reports and Financial Statements

DIRECTORS' REPORT

The Directors have pleasure in submitting their report to the members together with the audited financial statements of the Group and of the Company for the financial year ended 31 December 2004.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The Company is principally an investment holding company. The Group is involved in banking and finance company business, merchant banking, Islamic Banking business, stockbroking business and nominee and custodian services. The principal activities of the subsidiary companies are as stated in Note 10 to the financial statements.

Islamic Banking business refers generally to the acceptance of deposits and granting of financing under the Syariah principles.

There have been no significant changes in the nature of these principal activities of the Group and of the Company during the financial year except for those disclosed in Note 41 to the financial statements.

FINANCIAL RESULTS

	GROUP RM'000	COMPANY RM'000
Profit before taxation and zakat Taxation Zakat	400,201 (112,311) (5,555)	80,539 (22,737) –
Profit after taxation and zakat	282,335	57,802

DIVIDEND

The amount of dividends paid or declared by the Company since 31 December 2003 is as follows:

	RM′000
In respect of financial year ended 31 December 2003 as shown in the Directors' report of that year:	
First and final gross dividend of 6.5 sen per share, less income tax of 28%, paid on 4 June 2004	32,442

The Directors now recommend the payment of a first and final gross dividend of 8.6 sen per share on 693,208,732 ordinary shares, less income tax at 28%, amounting to RM43,063,000 for the financial year ended 31 December 2004, which is subject to the members' approval at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting of the Company.

RESERVES AND PROVISIONS

There were no material transfers to or from reserves or provisions during the financial year other than those disclosed in the financial statements and notes to the financial statements.

ISSUE OF DEBENTURES

On 21 January 2004, the commercial bank subsidiary ('Bank'), issued USD225 million (equivalent to RM855 million) nominal value Subordinated Notes ('Notes') with a fixed coupon rate of 5.375% per annum payable semi-annually in arrears in July and January each year. The Notes would mature on 21 January 2014 and is callable on 21 January 2009. The net proceeds arising from the issuance of the Notes have been utilised for general banking purposes.

The Bank may, at its option, but subject to the prior approval from Bank Negara Malaysia, redeem all of the Notes, at any time on or after the fifth (5) year from the Issue Date at the principal amount together with accrued interest. Should the Bank decide not to exercise its call option on the fifth (5) year from the Issue Date, the coupon rate will be revised to be equivalent to 3.95% above the US Treasury Rate per annum from the beginning of the sixth (6) year to the final maturity date.

BAD AND DOUBTFUL DEBTS AND FINANCING

Before the financial statements of the Group and of the Company were made out, the Directors took reasonable steps to ascertain that action had been taken in relation to the writing off of bad debts and financing and the making of provisions for doubtful debts and financing, and satisfied themselves that all known bad debts and financing had been written off and adequate provisions made for bad and doubtful debts and financing.

At the date of this report, the Directors are not aware of any circumstances which would render the amount written off for bad debts and financing, or the amount of the provision for doubtful debts and financing, in the financial statements of the Group and of the Company, inadequate to any substantial extent.

CURRENT ASSETS

Before the financial statements of the Group and of the Company were made out, the Directors took reasonable steps to ascertain that any current assets, other than debts and financing, which were unlikely to realise in the ordinary course of business, their values as shown in the accounting records of the Group and of the Company, have been written down to an amount which they might be expected to realise.

At the date of this report, the Directors are not aware of any circumstances which would render the values attributed to the current assets in the financial statements of the Group and of the Company misleading.

VALUATION METHODS

At the date of this report, the Directors are not aware of any circumstances which have arisen which render adherence to the existing methods of valuation of assets or liabilities in the Group's and the Company's financial statements misleading or inappropriate.

CONTINGENT AND OTHER LIABILITIES

At the date of this report, there does not exist:

- (a) any charge on the assets of the Group and of the Company which has arisen since the end of the financial year which secures the liability of any other person; or
- (b) any contingent liability in respect of the Group and of the Company that has arisen since the end of the financial year other than in the ordinary course of business.

No contingent or other liability of the Group and of the Company has become enforceable, or is likely to become enforceable within the period of twelve months after the end of the financial year which, in the opinion of the Directors, will or may affect the ability of the Group and of the Company to meet their obligations as and when they fall due.

CHANGE OF CIRCUMSTANCES

At the date of this report, the Directors are not aware of any circumstances, not otherwise dealt with in this report or the financial statements of the Group and of the Company, that would render any amount stated in the financial statements misleading.

ITEMS OF AN UNUSUAL NATURE

The results of the operations of the Group and of the Company for the financial year were not, in the opinion of the Directors, substantially affected by any item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature.

There has not arisen in the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this report any item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature likely, in the opinion of the Directors, to affect substantially the results of the operations of the Group and of the Company for the financial year in which this report is made.

Directors' Report (Cont'd)

DIRECTORS

The Directors who have held office during the period since the date of the last report are as follows:

Tan Sri Dato' Seri (Dr.) Mohd Saleh bin Sulong Datin Dr. Umikalsum binti Mohd Noh Rin Kei Mei Dato' Maznah binti Abdul Jalil Dr. Tiong Ik King Wizayaratnam Somasundram

In accordance with Article 97 of the Company's Articles of Association, Dato' Maznah binti Abdul Jalil and Dr. Tiong Ik King retire from the Board at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

In accordance with Section 129 of the Companies Act, 1965, Rin Kei Mei, who is over seventy years of age, shall retire at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting and, being eligible, offers himself for re-appointment in accordance with Section 129(6) of the Act to hold office until the next Annual General Meeting of the Company.

DIRECTORS' INTEREST IN SHARES

According to the register of Directors' shareholdings, the Directors who held office at the end of the financial year and have interest in shares and share options of the Company and its related corporations during the financial year are as follows:

	Numbe	r of ordinary	shares of RM1	.00 each
	Balance at			Balance at
	1.1.2004	Acquired	Disposed	31.12.2004
The Company				
Direct interest				
Tan Sri Dato' Seri (Dr.) Mohd Saleh bin Sulong	-	274,732	-	274,732
Datin Dr. Umikalsum binti Mohd Noh	79,006	_	_	79,006
Rin Kei Mei	39,550	350,000	_	389,550
Dato' Maznah binti Abdul Jalil	-	399,440	_	399,440
Dr. Tiong Ik King	43	-	-	43
Deemed interest				
Tan Sri Dato' Seri (Dr.) Mohd Saleh bin Sulong	347,270,469	140,010,526	(347,270,469)	140,010,526
Rin Kei Mei	36,249,817	60,420,532	(8,600,000)	88,070,349
Dr. Tiong Ik King	118,640,080	_	_	118,640,080

By virtue of their interests in shares in the Company, Tan Sri Dato' Seri (Dr.) Mohd Saleh bin Sulong, Rin Kei Mei and Dr. Tiong lk King are also deemed to have a substantial interest in the shares of the subsidiary companies of the Company to the extent the Company has an interest.

Other than the above, none of the other Directors in office at the end of the financial year held any interest in shares and shares options of the Company and its related corporations during the financial year.

Directors' Report (Cont'd)

DIRECTORS' BENEFITS

Since the end of the previous financial year, no Director of the Company has received or become entitled to receive any benefit (other than Directors' remuneration and benefits-in-kind as disclosed in Note 30 to the financial statements) by reason of a contract made by the Company or a related corporation with the Director or with a firm of which the Director is a member, or with a company in which the Director has a substantial financial interest.

Tan Sri Dato' Seri (Dr.) Mohd Saleh bin Sulong and Rin Kei Mei may be deemed to derive a benefit by virtue of credit facilities granted by the banking subsidiary, in the ordinary course of its business, to companies in which they are deemed to have substantial interest in shares.

During and at the end of the financial year, no arrangements subsisted to which the Company is a party, being arrangements with the object or objects of enabling the Directors of the Company to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in, or debenture of, the Company or any other body corporate.

RATING BY EXTERNAL RATING AGENCIES

EON Capital Berhad is not rated by external agency. However, its subsidiary companies, EON Bank Berhad ('EBB') and Malaysian International Merchant Bankers Berhad were rated by external rating agencies. The ratings given to EON Bank Berhad take into account the financials and operations of the Group as a whole. The details of the ratings are as follows:

(a) EON Bank Berhad

Rating Agency	Date	Rating Classification	Rating received
Moody's Investor Service Limited	7 January 2004	Long term deposits	Baa2 Note 1
Wilder Service Emilied	7 Junuary 2001	Short term deposits	P-3 Note 2
		Financial strength rating	D Note 3
		Outlook	Stable
Fitch Ratings Ltd	15 January 2004	Long term senior	BBB- Note 4
_	·	Short term	F3 Note 5
		Individual	C Note 6/D Note 7
		Support	3 Note 8
		Outlook	Stable

(b) Malaysian International Merchant Bankers Berhad

Rating Agency	Date	Rating Classification	Rating received
Rating Agency Malaysia Berhad	September 2004	Long term Short term	A3 Note 9 P1 Note 10

Notes:

- 1. Banks rated Baa for deposits offer adequate credit quality. However, certain protective elements may be lacking or may be characteristically unreliable over any great length of time. The modifier 2 indicates a mid-range ranking of its letter-rating category.
- 2. Banks rated P-3 for deposits offer acceptable credit quality and an adequate capacity for timely payment of short-term deposit obligations.
- 3. Banks rated D display modest intrinsic financial strength, potentially requiring some outside support at times. Such institutions may be limited by one or more of the following factors: a weak business franchise; financial fundamentals that are deficient in one or more respects; or an unpredictable and unstable operating environment.
- 4. Good credit quality. 'BBB' ratings indicate that there is currently a low expectation of credit risk. The capacity for timely payment of financial commitments is considered adequate, but adverse changes in circumstances and in economic conditions are more likely to impair this capacity. This is the lowest investment-grade category.
- 5. Fair credit quality. The capacity for timely payment of financial commitments is adequate; however, near-term adverse changes could result in a reduction to non-investment grade.

Directors' Report (Cont'd)

RATING BY EXTERNAL RATING AGENCIES (Cont'd)

Notes: (Cont'd)

- 6. C denotes: An adequate bank, which, however, possesses one or more troublesome aspects. There may be some concerns regarding its profitability and balance sheet integrity, franchise, management, operating environment or prospects.
- 7. D denotes: A bank, which has weaknesses of internal and/or external origin. There are concerns regarding its profitability and balance sheet integrity, franchise, management, operating environment or prospects. Banks in emerging markets are necessarily faced with a greater number of potential deficiencies of external origin.
- 8. 3 denotes: A bank for which there is a moderate probability of support because of uncertainties about the ability or propensity of the potential provider of support to do so. This probability of support indicates a minimum Long-term rating floor of 'BB-'.
- 9. Financial institutions rated in this category are adjudged to offer adequate safety for timely payments of financial obligations. This level of rating indicates corporate entities with adequate credit profiles, but which possess one or more problem areas, giving rise to the possibility of future riskiness. Entities rated in this category have generally performed at industry average and are considered to be more vulnerable to changes in economic conditions than those rated in the higher categories. The subscript 3 indicates that the financial institution ranks at the lower end of its generic rating category.
- 10. Financial institutions in this category have superior capacities for timely payments of obligations.

ULTIMATE HOLDING COMPANY

On 14 July 2004, upon the distribution of EON Capital Berhad shares by Edaran Otomobil Nasional Berhad ('EON Berhad') to its shareholders as dividend in specie and capital repayment, EON Berhad had ceased to become the holding company of the Group and of the Company.

AUDITORS

The auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers, have expressed their willingness to continue in office.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.

TAN SRI DATO' SERI (DR.) MOHD SALEH BIN SULONG

DIRECTOR

DR. UMIKALSUM BINTI MOHD NOH

DIRECTOR

Kuala Lumpur 28 February 2005

STATEMENT BY DIRECTORS

Pursuant to Section 169(15) of the Companies Act, 1965

We, Tan Sri Dato' Seri (Dr.) Mohd Saleh bin Sulong and Dr. Umikalsum binti Mohd Noh, being two of the Directors of EON Capital Berhad, state that, in the opinion of the Directors, the financial statements set out on pages 65 to 132 are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Group and of the Company as at 31 December 2004 and of the results and cash flows of the Group and of the Company for the financial year ended on that date in accordance with the applicable approved accounting standards in Malaysia, Bank Negara Malaysia Guidelines and the provisions of the Companies Act, 1965.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.

TAN SRI DATO' SERI (DR.) MOHD SALEH BIN SULONG DIRECTOR

DR. UMIKALSUM BINTI MOHD NOH DIRECTOR

Kuala Lumpur 28 February 2005

STATUTORY DECLARATION

Pursuant to Section 169(16) of the Companies Act, 1965

I, Martin Chu Leong Meng, the officer primarily responsible for the financial management of EON Capital Berhad, do solemnly and sincerely declare that the financial statements set out on pages 65 to 132 are, in my opinion, correct and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the provisions of the Statutory Declarations Act, 1960.

MARTIN CHU LEONG MENG

Subscribed and solemnly declared by the abovenamed Martin Chu Leong Meng at Kuala Lumpur on 28 February 2005, before me.

P. SETHURAMAN (No. W-217) COMMISSIONER FOR OATHS

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS

To the Members of EON Capital Berhad

We have audited the financial statements set out on pages 65 to 132. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's Directors. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with approved auditing standards in Malaysia. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by the Directors, as well as evaluating the overall financial statements presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion:

- (a) the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the applicable approved accounting standards in Malaysia, Bank Negara Malaysia Guidelines and the provisions of the Companies Act, 1965 so as to give a true and fair view of:
 - (i) the matters required by Section 169 of the Companies Act, 1965 to be dealt with in the financial statements; and
 - (ii) the state of affairs of the Group and of the Company as at 31 December 2004 and of the results and cash flows of the Group and Company for the financial year ended on that date;

and

(b) the accounting and other records and the registers required by the Act to be kept by the Company and its subsidiary companies have been properly kept in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

We are satisfied that the financial statements of the subsidiary companies that have been consolidated with the Company's financial statements are in the form and content appropriate and proper for the purposes of the preparation of the consolidated financial statements and we have received satisfactory information and explanations required by us for those purposes.

Our audit reports on the financial statements of the subsidiary companies were not subject to any qualification and did not include any comment made under subsection (3) of Section 174 of the Act.

PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS

(No. AF: 1146)
Chartered Accountants

MOHAMMAD FAIZ BIN MOHAMMAD AZMI

(No. 2025/03/06 (J)) Partner of the firm

Kuala Lumpur 28 February 2005

BALANCE SHEETS

As at 31 December 2004

RM'000		GROU		ROUP	СОМ	PANY
ASSETS Cash and short-term funds		Note				2003
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Deposits and placements with financial institutions 4 91,736 503,761 33,736 Dealing securities 5 115,312 61,168 -	ASSETS					
Dealing securities	Cash and short-term funds	3	3,639,250	3,143,578	16,828	32,170
Investment securities	Deposits and placements with financial institutions	4	91,736	503,761	33,736	_
Loans, advances and financing	Dealing securities	5	115,312	161,168	-	_
Name					_	_
Statutory deposits with Bank Negara Malaysia 9 871,379 898,361 -					-	-
Investment in subsidiary companies 10					295 <i>,</i> 151	73,612
Deferred tax assets			871,379	898,361	_	_
Property, plant and equipment 12 183,133 176,192 -			-	-	1,808,353	2,011,000
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Deposits from customers	Goodwill	13	69,300	_	_	
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS 33,313,898 31,640,882 2,154,068 2,116,	RESERVES	22	1,870,900	1,621,007	1,143,771	1,118,411
	SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS		2,564,109	2,314,216	1,836,980	1,811,620
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES 35 12.033.415 9.768.138	TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS		33,313,898	31,640,882	2,154,068	2,116,782
	COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES	35	12,033,415	9,768,138		
Net tangible assets per ordinary share (RM) 3.60 3.34 2.65	Net tangible assets per ordinary share (RM)		3.60	3.34	2.65	2.61

INCOME STATEMENTS

For the Financial Year Ended 31 December 2004

	GRO	OUP	COMPANY		
Note	2004 RM'000	2003 RM′000	2004 RM′000	2003 RM'000	
23	1,601,601	1,662,412	1,233	926	
24	(804,407)	(831,828)	(20,922)	(20,713)	
	797,194	830,584	(19,689)	(19,787)	
42(14)	131,659	93,780	-		
	928,853	924,364	(19,689)	(19,787)	
25	(169,328)	(175,877)	-		
	759,525	748,487	(19,689)	(19,787)	
	119,258	104,357	_	_	
26	12,370	18,933	_	_	
	7,304	30,843	_	_	
27	1,878	3,700	101,198	87,270	
28	13,545	14,948	-	_	
_	913,880	921,268	81,509	67,483	
29	(513,679)	(470,593)	(970)	(1,070)	
-	400,201	450,675	80,539	66,413	
32	(112,311)	(117,150)	(22,737)	(12,946)	
	(5,555)	(5,132)	-	_	
	282,335	328,393	57,802	53,467	
33	40.7	47.4			
	40.7	47.4			
34	8.6	6.5	8.6	6.5	
	23 24 42(14) 25 26 27 28 29 32	Note 2004 RM′000 23 1,601,601 24 (804,407) 797,194 42(14) 131,659 928,853 25 (169,328) 759,525 119,258 26 12,370 7,304 27 1,878 28 13,545 913,880 29 (513,679) 400,201 32 (112,311) (5,555) 282,335	RM'000 RM'000 23 1,601,601 1,662,412 24 (804,407) (831,828) 797,194 830,584 42(14) 131,659 93,780 928,853 924,364 (169,328) (175,877) 759,525 748,487 119,258 104,357 26 12,370 18,933 7,304 30,843 27 1,878 3,700 28 13,545 14,948 29 (513,679) (470,593) 400,201 450,675 (112,311) (117,150) (5,555) (5,132) 282,335 328,393 33 40.7 47.4 40.7 47.4	Note 2004 RM'000 2003 RM'000 2004 RM'000 23 1,601,601 (804,407) 1,662,412 (831,828) 1,233 (20,922) 797,194 830,584 (19,689) (19,689) 42(14) 131,659 (169,328) 93,780 (175,877) - 759,525 (169,328) 748,487 (175,877) (19,689) 119,258 104,357 104,357 - - 26 12,370 18,933 - - - 27 1,878 3,700 101,198 28 13,545 14,948 101,198 - 29 (513,679) (513,679) (470,593) (970) 81,509 (970) 32 (112,311) (15,555) (5,132) - 400,201 (470,593) (970) 450,675 (5,132) - 80,539 (22,737) (5,555) (5,132) - 282,335 328,393 37,802 57,802	

STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the Financial Year Ended 31 December 2004

N	ote	Issued and fully paid ordinary shares of RM1 each Share capital RM'000	Share premium RM′000	res	utory serve (Rese arising consolida RM′	on tion	Retained profit RM'000	Total RM'000
THE GROUP									
Balance as at 1 January 2004		693,209	1,066,296	165	,096	200,	897	188,718	2,314,216
Net profit for the financial year Transfer to statutory reserve Dividend in respect of financial year ended		-	-	228	_ 3,015		-	282,335 (228,015)	282,335 -
31 December 2003	34		_		-		_	(32,442)	(32,442)
Balance as at 31 December 2004		693,209	1,066,296	393	3,111	200,	897	210,596	2,564,109
Balance as at 1 January 2003		693,209	1,066,440	7	7,075	200,	.897	18,346	1,985,967
Share issue expenses written off Net profit for the financial year Transfer to statutory reserve		- - -	(144) - -	158	- - 8,021		- - -	- 328,393 (158,021)	(144) 328,393 –
Balance as at 31 December 2003		693,209	1,066,296	165	5,096	200,	.897	188,718	2,314,216
		Not	ord shar <u>RM1</u> S	paid inary es of	pr	Non- butable Share remium	(A	ibutable Retained profit/ Accumu- d losses) RM'000	Total RM'000
THE COMPANY									
Balance as at 1 January 2004			693	,209	1,0	66,296		52,115	1,811,620
Net profit for the financial year Dividend in respect of financial year ended 31 December 2003		34		-		-		57,802 (32,442)	57,802 (32,442)
Balance as at 31 December 2004			693	,209	1,0	66,296		77,475	1,836,980
Balance as at 1 January 2003			693	3,209	1,0	066,440		(1,352)	1,758,297
Share issue expenses written off Net profit for the financial year				- -		(144) -		- 53,467	(144) 53,467
Balance as at 31 December 2003			693	3,209	1,0	066,296		52,115	1,811,620

CASH FLOW STATEMENTS

For the Financial Year Ended 31 December 2004

	GROUP		COMPANY	
	2004 RM′000	2003 RM'000	2004 RM'000	2003 RM′000
CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Net profit for the financial year	282,335	328,393	57,802	53,467
Adjustments for:				
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment Net gain on disposal of	32,359	29,210	-	-
property, plant and equipment	(938)	(2,089)	_	_
Net gain from sale of investment securities	(16,447)	(44,230)	_	_
Property, plant and equipment written off	608	1,788	_	_
Loan and financing loss and provision	204,295	203,081	_	_
Profit equalisation reserves	1,597	1,471	_	_
Net interest/income suspended	76,627	81,539	_	_
Provision for amounts recoverable from Danaharta (Write-back)/Provision for diminution in value	-	388	-	-
of investment securities	(3,053)	34,843	_	-
Accretion of discount less amortisation of premium	39,053	38,357	-	_
Write-back of provision for				
commitments and contingencies	-	(168)	_	_
Interest income from investment securities	(195,311)	(218,136)	_	_
Dividend income	(1,878)	(3,700)	_	_
Unrealised foreign exchange gain	3,409	(7,684)	_	_
Interest income on deposits and placements	-	_	(1,233)	(926)
Interest expense on long term borrowings	20,922	20,713	20,922	20,713
Amortisation of discounts from subordinated obligations	2,321	_	_	_
Interest expense on subordinated obligations	43,403	_	_	_
Interest income from interest rate related derivatives	(16,302)	_	_	_
Amortisation of goodwill	697	_	_	_
Dividend income from subsidiary company	-	_	(101,198)	(87,270)
Taxation and zakat	117,866	122,282	22,737	12,946
	591,563	586,058	(970)	(1,070)
(Increase)/decrease in operating assets				
Deposits and placements with financial institutions	412,025	(110,761)	_	_
Dealing securities	45,856	793,674	_	_
Loans, advances and financing	(2,529,359)	(1,218,085)	_	_
Statutory deposits with Bank Negara Malaysia	26,982	(33,148)	_	_
Other assets	173,248	169,843	(2)	(84)
	(1,871,248)	(398,477)	(2)	(84)
	(1,871,248)	(398,477)	(2)	(84

Cash Flow Statements (Cont'd)

		GRO	OUP	COMPANY		
	Note	2004 RM'000	2003 RM′000	2004 RM′000	2003 RM′000	
Increase/(decrease) in operating liabilities						
Deposits from customers Deposits and placements of banks and		1,733,166	2,354,602	-	-	
other financial institutions Obligations on securities sold		(841,941)	(1,668,131)	-	-	
under repurchase agreements		(155,952)	(766,277)	-	-	
Bills and acceptances payable		223,099	959,199	_	_	
Amount due to Cagamas Berhad Other liabilities		(322,639) (97,589)	(269,813) 15,488	- (92)	- 252	
	-	538,144	625,068	(92)	252	
Cash (used in)/generated from operations	-	(741,541)	812,649	(1,064)	(902)	
Income tax paid		(154,397)	(175,080)	(12)	(74)	
Income tax refund		3,675	17,981	-	-	
Net cash (used in)/generated from operating activities	-	(892,263)	655,550	(1,076)	(976)	
CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES						
Proceeds from sale of investment						
securities, net of purchases		544,978	104,349	-	-	
Purchase of property, plant and equipment Proceeds from disposal of property,		(38,604)	(50,362)	-	_	
plant and equipment Deposits and placements with		1,846	4,375	-	_	
financial institutions		-	_	(33,736)	_	
Interest received from deposits and placements		_	_	881	860	
Interest received from investment securities		183,526	222,970	_	-	
Net dividend received		1,878	3,700	69,884	13,680	
Acquisition of subsidiary companies	39	(84,668)	_	_	_	
Net cash generated from investing activities		608,956	285,032	37,029	14,540	

Cash Flow Statements (Cont'd)

		GR	OUP	COMPANY	
	Note	2004	2003	2004	2003
		RM′000	RM′000	RM'000	RM′000
CASH FLOW FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES					
Net proceeds from issuance of					
subordinated obligations		841,986	_	_	_
Interest paid on subordinated					
obligations		(22,978)	- (10.750)	_	- (10.750)
Interest paid on long term borrowings		(18,853)	(18,750)	(18,853)	(18,750)
Interest received from interest rate		44.277			
related derivatives		11,266	(144)	-	(144)
Listing expenses		(22.442)		(22.442)	(144)
Net dividend paid		(32,442)		(32,442)	
Net cash generated from/(used in)					
financing activities		778,979	(18,894)	(51,295)	(18,894)
NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN					
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		495,672	921,688	(15,342)	(5,330)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS					
AS AT 1 JANUARY		3,143,578	2,221,890	32,170	37,500
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS					
AS AT 31 DECEMBER	3	3,639,250	3,143,578	16,828	32,170

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

31 December 2004

The following accounting policies have been used consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the financial statements.

A BASIS OF PREPARATION

The financial statements of the Group and of the Company have been prepared under the historical cost convention unless otherwise indicated in this summary of significant accounting policies and comply with the applicable approved accounting standards in Malaysia, Bank Negara Malaysia Guidelines and the provisions of the Companies Act, 1965.

The financial statements incorporate those activities relating to Islamic Banking which have been undertaken by the banking and finance subsidiary companies. Islamic Banking refers generally to the acceptance of deposits and granting of financing under the Syariah principles.

B BASIS OF CONSOLIDATION

The consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of the Company and all its subsidiary companies made up to the end of the financial year.

Subsidiary companies are consolidated from the date on which control is transferred to the Group and are no longer consolidated from the date that control ceases. Subsidiary companies are consolidated using the acquisition method of accounting.

Under the acquisition method of accounting, the results of subsidiary companies which have been acquired or disposed during the financial year are included from the date of acquisition up to the date of disposal. At the date of acquisition, the fair values of the subsidiary companies' net assets are determined and these values are reflected in the consolidated financial statements. The excess of fair values of the subsidiary companies' net assets over the acquisition cost is reflected as reserve arising on consolidation. The excess of acquisition cost over the fair values of the subsidiary companies' net assets is reflected as goodwill arising on consolidation.

All material inter-company transactions, balances and unrealised surpluses and deficits on transactions between group companies have been eliminated on consolidation and the consolidated financial statements reflect external transactions only.

C GOODWILL/RESERVE ARISING ON CONSOLIDATION

Goodwill represents the excess of the cost of acquisition over the fair values of the net assets of subsidiary companies at the date of acquisition. Goodwill is reported in the balance sheet as an intangible asset. Capitalised goodwill is amortised using the straight line method over its estimated useful life of 25 years. The carrying amount of goodwill is reviewed annually and written down for impairment where it is considered necessary.

Reserves arising on consolidation represents the excess of fair values of the subsidiary companies' net assets over the acquisition cost. Reserves arising on consolidation is not amortised.

D RECOGNITION OF INTEREST INCOME

Recognition of interest income

Interest income is recognised on an accrual basis using the effective yield method. Interest income includes coupons earned on fixed income investment and trading securities and accrued discount and premium on discounted instruments. Interest income on housing and term loans is recognised by reference to monthly rest periods. Interest income on hire purchase, lease receivables and block discounting is recognised using the "sum-of-digits" method, so as to produce a constant periodic rate of interest.

D RECOGNITION OF INTEREST INCOME (Cont'd)

Recognition of Islamic financing income

Islamic financing income is recognised on an accrual basis in accordance with the Syariah principles and BNM/GP8. Al-Ijarah Thumma Al-Bai ('AITAB') financing income is recognised using the "sum-of-digits" method over the lease terms, whilst Al-Bai Bithaman Ajil ('BBA'), Al-Murabahah, Al-Istisna and Bai Al Inah financing income is recognised on a monthly basis over the period of the period of the financing contracts, based on an agreed profit sharing rate at the inception of such contracts.

Where a loan account becomes non-performing, interest is suspended until it is realised on a cash basis. Customers' accounts are classified as non-performing when repayments are in arrears for 6 months or more from the first day of default for loans and overdrafts, and after 3 months from the maturity date for trade bills, bankers' acceptances and trust receipts. The Group's policy on suspension of interest is in conformity with Bank Negara Malaysia's "Guidelines on the classification of Non-performing Loans and Provision for Substandard, Bad and Doubtful Debts".

Other interest income

Interest income from clients, overdue outstanding contracts, contra losses and share margin financing arising from share and stock-broking business are recognised on an accrual basis. When an account is classified as non-performing, in accordance to Chapter 11 of the Rules of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad, recognition of interest is suspended until it is realised on a cash basis.

E RECOGNITION OF FEES AND OTHER INCOME

Loan arrangement fees and commissions are recognised as income when all conditions precedent are fulfilled.

Commitment fees and guarantees fees which are material are recognised as income based on time apportionment.

Fees from advisory and corporate finance activities are recognised as income on completion of each stage of the assignment.

Fees and other income/profit from Islamic Banking is recognised on an accrual basis in accordance with the principles of Syariah and the BNM/GP8.

Brokerage fees are recognised when contracts are executed.

Dividend from subsidiary companies are recognised when the shareholders' right to receive payment is established, while dividend from dealing securities and investment securities are recognised when received.

F REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS

Securities purchased under resale agreements are securities which the Group had purchased with a commitment to resell at future dates. The commitment to resell the securities are reflected as assets on the balance sheet. Securities purchased are not recognised in the financial statements.

Conversely, obligation on securities sold under repurchase agreements are securities which the Group had sold from its portfolio, with a commitment to repurchase at future dates. Such financing transactions and the obligation to repurchase the securities are reflected as liabilities on the balance sheet. Securities sold are retained in the financial statements.

The difference between the sale and repurchase price as well as the purchase and resale price is treated as interest and accrued over the life of the repurchase agreement using the effective yield method.

G DEALING SECURITIES

Dealing securities are marketable securities that are acquired and held with the intention of resale in the short term, and are stated at the lower of cost and market value. Increases or decreases in carrying amount of dealing securities are charged or credited to the income statement.

Transfer, if any, between dealing and investment securities are made at the lower of cost and market value.

On disposal, the difference between the net disposal proceeds and its carrying amount is charged or credited to the income statement

H INVESTMENT SECURITIES

Investment securities are securities that are acquired and held for yield or capital growth or to meet minimum liquid assets requirement pursuant to Section 38 of the Banking and Financial Institutions Act, 1989 and are usually held to maturity.

Malaysian Government securities, Bank Negara Malaysia bills, Cagamas bonds, Malaysian Government investment issues, other Government securities, and Bank Guaranteed Private Debt Securities held for investment are stated at cost adjusted for amortisation of premium or accretion of discount to maturity date. Other Private Debt Securities are valued at lower of cost and market value. Other investment securities are stated at cost and provision is made in the event of any permanent diminution in value.

Amortisation of premium or accretion of discount is recognised using the effective yield method. Interest earned while holding the investment securities and dividend received are recognised as interest income and dividend income respectively.

Permanent diminution in the value of investment securities is recognised as an expense in the period in which the diminution is identified.

Transfers, if any, between investment and dealing securities are made at the lower of carrying value and market value.

On disposal, the difference between the net disposal proceeds and its carrying amount is charged or credited to the income statement.

I LOANS, ADVANCES AND FINANCING AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

Loans, advances and financing and other receivables include overdrafts, term loans, hire purchase financing, acceptances of credit and staff loans. They are carried at amortised cost represented by the gross value of the outstanding balance net of provision for bad and doubtful debts and financing, unearned interest/income and interest-in-suspense/income-in-suspense.

J PROVISION FOR BAD AND DOUBTFUL DEBTS AND FINANCING

Specific provisions are made for doubtful debts and financing which have been individually reviewed and specifically identified as bad or doubtful.

A general provision based on a percentage of the loan and financing portfolio is also made to cover possible losses that are judged to be present in the lending portfolio at balance sheet date, but which have not been specifically identified as such.

An uncollectible loan and financing or portion of a loan and financing classified as bad is written-off after taking into consideration the realisable value of collateral, if any, when in the judgement of the management, there is no prospect of recovery.

The Group's provision for non-performing loans, advances and financing is in conformity with the minimum requirements of Bank Negara Malaysia's "Guidelines on the classification of Non-performing Loans and Provision for Substandard, Bad and Doubtful Debts".

K PROFIT EQUALISATION RESERVE ('PER')

PER is a mechanism to reduce the fluctuations in the profit rates payable to the depositors under the Islamic Banking Operations. It is provided based on the Framework of the Rate of Return issued by Bank Negara Malaysia. The amount of PER is appropriated from and written back to the total gross income. PER is reflected under other liabilities of the Group and of the Bank.

L TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

Trade receivables arising from share and stock-broking business are carried at cost net of provision for bad and doubtful debts and financing. The provision for bad and doubtful debts is in conformity with the requirements of provision for bad and doubtful debts specified in Rule 1104.1 of Schedule 7 (Chapter 11) of the Rules of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad.

Other receivables are carried at cost net of provision for bad and doubtful debts. An estimate is made for doubtful debts based on a review of all outstanding amounts at the financial year end. Bad debts are written off during the financial year in which they are identified.

M INVESTMENT IN SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES

A subsidiary company is a company in which the Group has power to exercise control over the financial and operating policies so as to obtain benefits from its activities.

Investments in subsidiary companies are stated at cost and written down when, in the opinion of the Directors, there is an indication of impairment in the value of such investments.

Impairment loss of investments in subsidiary companies is recognised as an expense in the period in which the impairment is identified.

N PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Property, plant and equipment are stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

Freehold land is not depreciated as it has an infinite life. Leasehold land having an unexpired term in excess of fifty years is not amortised. Other property, plant and equipment are depreciated over their estimated useful lives on a straight line basis at the following annual rates:

Leasehold land	Over the lease period
Buildings on freehold and leasehold land	2%
Office renovation	10% - 33 1/3%
Furniture, fittings and equipment	10% - 20%
Computer equipment and software	20%
Motor vehicles	20%

Where the carrying amount of an asset is greater than its estimated recoverable amount, it is written down immediately to its recoverable amount.

O BILLS AND ACCEPTANCES PAYABLE

Bills and acceptances payable represent the Group's own bills and acceptances rediscounted and outstanding in the market.

P HANDLING FEE AND DEALERS' COMMISSION

Handling fee is recognised as an expense when incurred. Dealers' commission are amortised over the period of the hire purchase loans using the "sum-of-digits" method.

Q PROVISIONS

Provisions are recognised when the Group and the Company have a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events, when it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation, and a reliable estimate of the amount of the obligation can be made.

R CURRENCY TRANSLATION

Transactions in foreign currencies are converted into Ringgit Malaysia at the rates of exchange ruling at the dates of the transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities in foreign currencies at the balance sheet date are converted into Ringgit Malaysia at rates of exchange which approximate to those ruling at the balance sheet date. Gains or losses on foreign exchange transactions are recognised as income or expense in the period in which they arise.

The principal closing rates used by the Group in translation of foreign currency amounts are as follows:

Foreign currency	31.12.2004			
	RM	RM		
1 US Dollar	3.800	3.800		
1 Euro	5.184	4.792		
1 Pound Sterling	7.324	6.771		
1 Japanese Yen	0.037	0.036		
1 Singapore Dollar	2.328	2.235		

S OFF BALANCE SHEETS FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Open forward exchange contracts are valued at forward rates applicable to their respective dates of maturity as at balance sheet date, and unrealised gains or losses are recognised in the income statement in the period in which they arise.

The principal interest rate contracts used are interest rate swap agreements. Interest rate swap transactions generally involve the exchange of fixed and floating interest payment obligations without the exchange of the underlying principal amounts. Interest income or interest expense associated with interest rate swaps are recognised over the life of the swap agreements as a component of interest income or interest expense.

T TAXATION AND DEFERRED TAXATION

The tax expense in the income statement represents taxation at the current rate based on taxable profit earned during the financial year.

Deferred income tax is provided in full, using the liability method, on all temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets or liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements. Currently enacted tax rates are used in the determination of deferred taxation.

Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilised.

U OPERATING LEASES

Leases of assets under which all the risks and benefits of ownership are retained by the lessors are classified as operating leases. Payments made under operating leases are charged to the income statement on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

V BORROWINGS

Borrowings are recognised initially at cost, being the issue proceeds received, net of transaction cost incurred. In subsequent periods, borrowings are stated at amortised cost and any difference between the net proceeds and the redemption value is recognised in the income statements over the period of the borrowing using the effective yield method.

W DIVIDEND PAYABLE

Dividend on ordinary shares are recognised as liabilities in the period in which the dividend are declared.

X EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

Short term employee benefits

Wages, salaries, bonuses, paid annual leave and non-monetary benefits are accrued in the period in which the associated services are rendered by the employees of the Group.

Post-employment benefits

The Group contributes to the Employees Provident Fund ('EPF'), the national defined contribution plan. The contributions to EPF are charged to the income statement in the period to which they are related. Once the contributions have been paid, the Group has no further payment obligations in future.

Y CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash in hand, bank balances and deposits and placements maturing within one month which are held for the purpose of meeting short term commitments and are readily convertible into cash without significant risk of changes in value.

Z SEGMENTAL PRESENTATION

A segment is a distinguishable component of the Group that is engaged in providing products or services, which is subject to risk and rewards that are different from those of other segments. Segment with a majority of operating income earned from providing products or services to external clients and whose operating income, results or total assets are 10 percent or more of all segments are reported separately.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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1 GENERAL INFORMATION

The Company is principally an investment holding company. The Group is involved in banking and finance company business, merchant banking, Islamic Banking business, stockbroking business and nominee and custodian services.

Islamic Banking business refers generally to the acceptance of deposits and granting of financing under the Syariah principles. The principal activities of the subsidiaries are as stated in Note 10 to the financial statements.

There have been no significant changes in the nature of these principal activities of the Group and of the Company during the financial year except for those disclosed in Note 41 to the financial statements.

The number of employees in the Group and in the Company at the end of the financial year amounted to 4,980 (2003: 4,791) and Nil (2003: Nil) respectively.

The Company is a public limited liability company, incorporated and domiciled in Malaysia, and is listed on the Main Board of the Bursa Malaysia.

The address of the registered office of the Company is:

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2 USE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

A Financial risk management objectives and policies

Market risk

Market risk is the potential loss which can arise for positions held by the Group due to adverse changes in the level of market prices or price-influencing parameters in the financial markets. The adverse changes can occur in interest rate, foreign exchange and equity markets. These risks are monitored by way of net open position limits, portfolio limits, diversification limits, holding limits, concentration limits by sectors and stop loss limits.

Credit risk

Credit risk is the potential loss arising from customers or counterparties failing to meet their financial contractual obligations. Management of credit risk is principally through lending directions and policies, which are instituted based on prevailing business and economic conditions. Credit processes are also structured to ensure adherence of credit principles and to establish impartiality in loan origination, approval, documentation, disbursement and settlement. Industry sectors concentration, exposure to various product segments and internal single customer limit are regularly monitored to minimise the risk of over-concentration. The overall credit risk management is subject to an ongoing process for reviewing and enhancement.

The internal credit risk rating system has been developed and implemented to better measure the credit worthiness of each customer. This rating system will also link credit risk grading to default probabilities and enable risk-based assessment of loan portfolio.

Credit reviews on loan applications before being approved by higher approving authorities are conducted independently from the business units involved in the loan origination. Approval of loans with unacceptable credit risks or large exposures exceeding the internal single customer limits will be reported to the Group Risk Management Committee and the Board of Directors.

A Financial risk management objectives and policies (Cont'd)

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that an enterprise will encounter difficulty in raising funds to meet its current and future payment obligations associated with financial obligations when they fall due. Principally, the Group uses the New Liquidity Framework approved by Bank Negara Malaysia to manage its liquidity.

The Group focuses on avoiding dependence on volatile sources of funding, diversification of funding maturity structure and sources of funds as well as maintenance of sufficient liquid assets. Contingency funding plans have been developed to ensure alternative funding strategies are in place in order to minimise the liquidity risk during liquidity crisis situation. Various "Management Action Triggers" are established to prompt the Management for taking any necessary actions to meet the liquidity crisis.

Operational risk

Operational risk is defined as the risk of loss resulting from inadequate or failed internal processes, people and systems or from external events. This definition includes legal risk, but excludes strategic and reputational risks.

An Operational Risk Management Framework is being implemented across the Group to all business and support units. The Framework consists of processes and tools that will assist these units to identify, assess, monitor and control their operational risks.

Additionally, on a day-to-day basis, each business and supporting unit level practices operational risk management through establishing and maintaining control/procedures that are appropriate for their operating environment. Integral elements such as sound banking processes, internal control, and independent audit groups are used to manage these risks. Additional support comes from group-wide functions such as internal audit, banking operations (including system and methods), compliance and financial control and risk management.

Within the Group, operational risk management is manifested in:

- Manuals and policies that incorporate internal control processes
- Human resources development and training programmes
- System controls and procedures governing IT usage in all banking products
- Establishment of specific policies and standards across all product lines
- Group's Business Continuity Plan that looks into its business resumption in an organised and timely manner in time
 of disaster
- Group's New Product Process to ensure that before new products and activities are being introduced, they are subject to proper risk assessments and possess adequate procedures and controls

Interest rate risk

The Group may be exposed to a loss in earnings due to the interest rates structure of the balance sheet arising from interest rates and yield curves changes. The sensitivity to interest rates arises from the mismatches in the repricing dates, cash flows and other characteristics of the assets and their corresponding liability funding. Interest rate risk is monitored through interest rate sensitivity gap limits.

B Interest rate risk

The table below summarises the Group's exposure to interest rate risks. Included in the table are the Group's assets and liabilities at carrying amounts, categorised by the earlier of contractual repricing or maturity dates. The off-balance sheet gap represents the net notional amounts of all interest rate sensitive derivative financial instruments. As interest rates and yield curves change over time, the Group may be exposed to a loss in earnings due to the effects of interest rates on the structure of the balance sheet. Sensitivity to interest rates arises from mismatches in the repricing dates, cash flows and other characteristics of the assets and their corresponding liability funding. As a majority of the longer term monetary assets are of variable rate whereby the actual maturities are shorter than the contractual terms, this information is not relied on by the Group in their interest rate risk management.

				31.1	2.2004			
						Non-		
	Up to	1 - 3	3 - 12	1 - 5	Over	interest	Islamic	
GROUP	1 month	months	months	years	5 years	bearing	banking	Tota
	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000
Assets								
Cash and short-term funds and deposits and placements								
with financial institutions	3,370,131	71,736				107,257	181,862	3,730,986
	3,370,131	71,730	_	112 020	-	2,284		
Dealing securities	-	425.047	202.446	113,028	247.250	•	-	115,312
Investment securities	839,800	135,047	382,446	1,999,106	247,250	63,921	197,835	3,865,405
Loans, advances and financing	11,953,232	63,525	223,609	4,690,542	4,434,296	(1,146,018)^	3,337,485	23,556,671
Statutory deposits with								
Bank Negara Malaysia	-	-	-	-	-	758,496	112,883	871,379
Other assets ⁽¹⁾	5,309	_	_		_	1,063,783	105,053	1,174,145
Total assets	16,168,472	270,308	606,055	6,802,676	4,681,546	849,723	3,935,118	33,313,898
Liabilities								
Deposits from customers	8,306,552	3,386,119	5,922,721	488,075	-	1,890,167	2,617,550	22,611,184
Deposits and placements of banks								
and other financial institutions	950,436	595,701	673,544	124,220	1,400,000	161,874	846,293	4,752,068
Obligations on securities sold								
under repurchase agreements	246,167	_	-	_	-	_	_	246,167
Bills and acceptances payable	_	_	_	_	_	1,334,184	3,679	1,337,863
Amount due to Cagamas Berhad	_	_	85,613	138,981	_	24,935	_	249,529
Long term borrowings	_	_	50,000	250,000	_	(7,367)*	_	292,633
Subordinated obligations	_	_	_	855,000	_	(10,693)*	_	844,307
Other liabilities ⁽²⁾	6,924	-	-	-	-	339,273	69,841	416,038
Total liabilities	9,510,079	3,981,820	6,731,878	1,856,276	1,400,000	3,732,373	3,537,363	30,749,789
On-balance sheet								
- interest rate gap	6,658,393	(3,711,512)	(6,125,823)	4,946,400	3,281,546			
Off-balance sheet	0,030,373	(3,711,312)	(0,123,023)	7,770,700	3,201,340			
- interest rate gap	-	(855,000)	-	855,000	-			

The negative balance represents specific provision, interest-in-suspense and general provisions for loans, advances and financing made in accordance with the Group's accounting policy on provision for bad and doubtful debts and financing, net of interest-free staff motor vehicles loans.

Note:

The negative balance represents unamortised discount for long term secured fixed rate bonds and subordinated obligations calculated in accordance with the Group's accounting policy on long term borrowings.

⁽¹⁾ Other assets include property, plant and equipment, deferred tax assets, clients and brokers balances and goodwill arising on consolidation.

⁽²⁾ Other liabilities include clients and brokers balances, remisier deposits and provision for taxation and zakat.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Cont'd)

2 USE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Cont'd)

B Interest rate risk (Cont'd)

Assets Cash and short-term funds and deposits and placements with financial institutions 3,038,369 488,000 30,537 65,466 4,447 60,718 161,16 Investment securities 33,995 68,759 876,715 2,570,575 331,418 78,710 483,098 4,443,277 Loans, advances and financing 12,441,377 41,541 202,597 4,106,888 3,253,105 (1,168,878)* 2,411,725 21,288,35 Statutory deposits with Bank Negara Malaysia 1,195,047 7,342 1,202,38 Total assets 15,513,741 598,300 1,079,312 6,708,000 3,649,989 1,016,179 3,075,361 31,640,88		31.12.2003							
Technology							Non-		
RM'000		Up to	1 - 3	3 - 12	1 - 5	Over	interest	Islamic	
Assets Cash and short-term funds and deposits and placements with financial institutions 3,038,369 488,000 114,468 6,502 3,647,33 Dealing securities	GROUP	1 month	months	months	years	5 years	bearing	banking	Total
Cash and short-term funds and deposits and placements with financial institutions 3,038,369 488,000 114,468 6,502 3,647,33 Dealing securities		RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000
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Financial institutions	Cash and short-term funds and								
Dealing securities	deposits and placements with								
Investment securities 33,995 68,759 876,715 2,570,575 331,418 78,710 483,098 4,443,271	financial institutions	3,038,369	488,000	-	-	_	114,468	6,502	3,647,339
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Statutory deposits with Bank Negara Malaysia Other assets ¹¹ Other assets ¹² Other assets ¹³ Other assets ¹⁴ Easily 15,513,741 Deposits from customers Obligations on securities sold under repurchase agreements 402,119 Bills and acceptances payable Other liabilities Othe	Investment securities	33,995	68,759	876,715	2,570,575	331,418	78,710	483,098	4,443,270
Bank Negara Malaysia	Loans, advances and financing	12,441,377	41,541	202,597	4,106,888	3,253,105	(1,168,878)^	2,411,725	21,288,355
Other assets*** — — — — — 1,195,047 7,342 1,202,38 Liabilities Liabilities Deposits from customers 7,674,294 3,033,314 5,692,577 756,546 — 1,802,257 1,919,030 20,878,01 Deposits and placements of banks and other financial institutions 1,261,948 821,848 1,051,491 316,844 1,400,000 92,162 649,716 5,594,00 Obligations on securities sold under repurchase agreements and acceptances payable — — — — — — — — 402,11 Bills and acceptances payable —	Statutory deposits with								
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Liabilities Deposits from customers 7,674,294 3,033,314 5,692,577 756,546 - 1,802,257 1,919,030 20,878,017 Deposits and placements of banks and other financial institutions 1,261,948 821,848 1,051,491 316,844 1,400,000 92,162 649,716 5,594,000 Obligations on securities sold under repurchase agreements 402,119 - - - - - - 402,119 Bills and acceptances payable - - - - - 1,112,717 2,047 1,114,76 Amount due to Cagamas Berhad - - - 251,449 293,592 - 27,127 - 572,16 Long term borrowings - - - - 150,000 150,000 19,437* - 290,56 Other liabilities 9,338,361 3,855,162 6,995,517 1,516,982 1,550,000 3,317,579 2,753,065 29,326,66 On-balance sheet - - - 2,000 <t< td=""><td>Other assets⁽¹⁾</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>1,195,047</td><td>7,342</td><td>1,202,389</td></t<>	Other assets ⁽¹⁾	-	-	-	-	-	1,195,047	7,342	1,202,389
Deposits from customers 7,674,294 3,033,314 5,692,577 756,546 — 1,802,257 1,919,030 20,878,017 Deposits and placements of banks and other financial institutions 1,261,948 821,848 1,051,491 316,844 1,400,000 92,162 649,716 5,594,000 Deligations on securities sold under repurchase agreements 402,119 — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — 402,11 Bills and acceptances payable — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —	Total assets	15,513,741	598,300	1,079,312	6,708,000	3,649,989	1,016,179	3,075,361	31,640,882
Deposits and placements of banks and other financial institutions 1,261,948 821,848 1,051,491 316,844 1,400,000 92,162 649,716 5,594,000 Obligations on securities sold under repurchase agreements 402,119 402,11 Bills and acceptances payable 1,112,717 2,047 1,114,76 Amount due to Cagamas Berhad 251,449 293,592 - 27,127 - 572,16 Long term borrowings 150,000 150,000 (9,437)* - 290,56 Other liabilities 9,338,361 3,855,162 6,995,517 1,516,982 1,550,000 3,317,579 2,753,065 29,326,66 On-balance sheet - interest rate gap (2,000) - 2,000 interest rate gap (2,000) - 2,000	Liabilities								
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Obligations on securities sold under repurchase agreements	Deposits and placements of banks								
under repurchase agreements 402,119 - - - - 402,11 Bills and acceptances payable - - - - 1,112,717 2,047 1,114,76 Amount due to Cagamas Berhad - - 251,449 293,592 - 27,127 - 572,16 Long term borrowings - - - 150,000 150,000 (9,437)* - 290,56 Other liabilities 9,338,361 3,855,162 6,995,517 1,516,982 1,550,000 3,317,579 2,753,065 29,326,66 On-balance sheet - interest rate gap 6,175,380 (3,256,862) (5,916,205) 5,190,018 2,099,989 Off-balance sheet - interest rate gap (2,000) - 2,000 - 2,000 -		1,261,948	821,848	1,051,491	316,844	1,400,000	92,162	649,716	5,594,009
Bills and acceptances payable	•	402110		_		_	_	_	402110
Amount due to Cagamas Berhad	·	402,119	_	_	_	_	1112 717		,
Long term borrowings				251 // / 0	203 502			2,047	
Other liabilities ²²⁾				231,447		150,000			
On-balance sheet - interest rate gap	•	-	-	-	-			182,272	475,025
- interest rate gap 6,175,380 (3,256,862) (5,916,205) 5,190,018 2,099,989 Off-balance sheet - interest rate gap (2,000) - 2,000	Total liabilities	9,338,361	3,855,162	6,995,517	1,516,982	1,550,000	3,317,579	2,753,065	29,326,666
- interest rate gap 6,175,380 (3,256,862) (5,916,205) 5,190,018 2,099,989 Off-balance sheet - interest rate gap (2,000) - 2,000	On halon on about								
Off-balance sheet - interest rate gap (2,000) - 2,000		(175.200	(2.25(.0(2)	(F.01/.205)	F 100 010	2,000,000			
- interest rate gap (2,000) – 2,000 – – –	- ·	6,1/5,380	(3,256,862)	(5,916,205)	5,190,018	2,099,989			
		(2.022)		2.000					
Net interest rate gap 6,173,380 (3,256,862) (5,914,205) 5,190,018 2,099,989	- interest rate gap	(2,000)	_	2,000	_				
	Net interest rate gap	6,173,380	(3,256,862)	(5,914,205)	5,190,018	2,099,989			

The negative balance represents specific provision, interest-in-suspense and general provisions for loans, advances and financing made in accordance with the Group's accounting policy on provision for bad and doubtful debts and financing, net of interest-free staff motor vehicles loans.

Note

The negative balance represents unamortised discount for long term secured fixed rate bonds calculated in accordance with the Group's accounting policy on long term borrowings.

⁽¹⁾ Other assets include property, plant and equipment and deferred tax assets.

⁽²⁾ Other liabiltiies include provision for taxation and zakat.

B Interest rate risk (Cont'd)

				31.12.2004			
						Non-	
	Up to	1 - 3	3 - 12	1 - 5	Over	interest	
COMPANY	1 month	months	months	years	5 years	bearing	Total
	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000
Assets							
Cash and short-term funds	16,726	-	-	-	-	102	16,828
Deposits and placements with							
financial institutions	-	33,736	-	-	-	-	33,736
Investment in subsidiary companies	-	-	-	-	-	1,808,353	1,808,353
Other assets ⁽¹⁾		-	_		-	295,151	295,151
Total assets	16,726	33,736	-	-	-	2,103,606	2,154,068
Liabilities							
Long term borrowings	-	-	50,000	250,000	-	(7,367)^	292,633
Other liabilities ⁽²⁾		-	_	-	-	24,455	24,455
Total liabilities	-	-	50,000	250,000	-	17,088	317,088
Net interest rate gap	16,726	33,736	(50,000)	(250,000)	-		
				31.12.2003			
			2.42			Non-	
	Up to	1 - 3	3 - 12	1 - 5	Over	interest	
COMPANY	1 month RM'000	months RM'000	months RM'000	years RM'000	5 years RM'000	bearing RM'000	Total RM'000
Assets							
Cash and short-term funds	32,170	_	_	_	_	_	32,170
Investment in subsidiary companies	-	-	-	-	-	2,011,000	2,011,000
Other assets ⁽¹⁾		-	-	-	-	73,612	73,612
Total assets	32,170	-	-	-	-	2,084,612	2,116,782
Liabilities							
Long term borrowings	_	_	_	150,000	150,000	(9,437)^	290,563
Other liabilities ⁽²⁾		-	-	-	_	14,599	14,599
Total liabilities	-	_	-	150,000	150,000	5,162	305,162
Net interest rate gap	32,170	-	-	(150,000)	(150,000)		

[^] The negative balance represents unamortised discount for long term secured fixed rate bonds calculated in accordance with the Company's accounting policy.

Note:

⁽¹⁾ Other assets include tax recoverable.

⁽²⁾ Other liabilities include deferred tax liabilities.

B Interest rate risk (Cont'd)

The table below summarises the effective average interest rate for each class of financial assets and financial liabilities:

	GRO	DUP
	2004	2003
	RM	RM
	%	%
<u>Financial assets</u>		
Cash and short-term funds and deposits and placements with financial institutions	2.75	2.91
Dealing securities	3.47	6.58
Investment securities	3.25	3.28
Loans, advances and financing	7.14	7.69
Other assets	7.00	_
Financial liabilities		
Deposits from customers	2.82	2.99
Deposits and placements of banks and other financial institutions	4.28	3.22
Obligations on securities sold under repurchase agreements	2.33	2.62
Amount due to Cagamas Berhad	4.87	4.25
Other liabilities	3.00	_
Long term borrowings	7.23	7.23
Subordinated obligations	5.38	_
Off balance sheet items		
Interest rate swap	4.08	-
	СОМ	PANY
	2004	2003
	RM	RM
	%	%
Financial asset		
Cash and short-term funds	2.70	2.75
Deposits and placement with financial institutions	2.67	-
Financial liability		
Long term borrowings	7.23	7.23

C Credit risk

The table below sets out the credit risk concentrations of the Group:

				31.12.20	04			
Sho	rt term funds	Statutory			Loans,		Total	
an	d placements	deposits with			advances		on-balance	Commitments
	with financial	Bank Negara	Dealing	Investment	and	Other	sheet	and
	institutions	Malaysia	securities	securities	financing	assets	exposures	contingencies ⁽¹⁾
	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000
Agriculture	-	-	-	50,000	175,099	773	225,872	12,895
Mining and quarrying	_	_	_	_	36,266	_	36,266	24,667
Manufacturing	_	_	_	166,329	2,067,744	3,794	2,237,867	198,489
Infrastructure and utilities	_	_	4,876	9,438	85,671	295	100,280	55,922
Construction	_	_	_	81,567	1,812,477	1,421	1,895,465	534,176
Real estate	_	_	-	316,016	447,967	5,411	769,394	6,069
General commerce	_	_	-	61,553	1,776,477	818	1,838,848	95,102
Transport, storage and communication	_	_	-	130,805	642,686	2,759	776,250	148,438
Finance, insurance and								
business services	800,121	_	-	1,471,958	592,247	47,657	2,911,983	217,114
Government and								
government agencies	2,845,899	871,379	108,152	1,512,516	-	32,974	5,370,920	_
Purchase of landed property	_	-	-	-	5,699,663	298	5,699,961	549,478
Purchase of securities	_	-	-	-	759,713	18,160	777,873	10,137
Purchase of transport vehicles	_	-	-	-	8,291,860	85	8,291,945	20,694
Consumption credit	-	-	-	-	1,216,172	_	1,216,172	8,666
Others	-	-	-	-	360,979	383	361,362	49,598
	3,646,020	871,379	113,028	3,800,182	23,965,021^	114,828	32,510,458	1,931,445

				31.12.20	03			
Sho	ort term funds	Statutory			Loans,		Total	
ar	nd placements	deposits with			advances		on-balance	Commitments
	with financial	Bank Negara	Dealing	Investment	and	Other	sheet	and
	institutions	Malaysia	securities	securities	financing	assets	exposures	contingencies ⁽¹⁾
	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000
Agriculture	_	_	_	50,000	178,122	2,346	230,468	3,125
Mining and quarrying	-	_	-	35,564	32,955	-	68,519	1,471
Manufacturing	-	_	-	182,143	1,860,970	3,750	2,046,863	110,491
Infrastructure and utilities	_	_	116,013	104,399	69,119	2,772	292,303	148,752
Construction	-	_	5,141	41,060	1,419,535	1,549	1,467,285	679,397
Real estate	-	_	-	302,989	548,096	4,083	855,168	22,947
General commerce	_	_	5,031	121,793	1,458,579	12,078	1,597,481	61,777
Transport, storage and communication	_	_	_	126,132	614,059	2,606	742,797	88,247
Finance, insurance and								
business services	2,015,223	_	30,536	663,743	420,896	43,689	3,174,087	96,003
Government and								
government agencies	1,535,243	898,361	_	2,734,592	_	30,386	5,198,582	_
Purchase of landed properties	_	_	_	_	5,372,982	39	5,373,021	542,093
Purchase of securities	_	_	_	_	665,670	_	665,670	30,959
Purchase of transport vehicles	_	_	_	_	7,417,885	_	7,417,885	304
Consumption credit	_	_	_	_	1,106,582	_	1,106,582	7,282
Others	-	-	-	-	513,012	62	513,074	119,568
	3,550,466	898,361	156,721	4,362,415	21,678,462*	103,360	30,749,785	1,912,416

[^] Excludes general provision for doubtful debts and financing amounting to RM408,350,000.

Note:

 $^{^{\}star}$ Excludes general provision for doubtful debts amounting to RM390,107,000.

⁽¹⁾ Risk concentrations for commitments and contingencies are based on the credit equivalents balances in Note 35 to the financial statements.

3 CASH AND SHORT-TERM FUNDS

	GR	OUP	СОМ	PANY
	2004 RM′000	2003 RM′000	2004 RM'000	2003 RM′000
Cash and balances with banks and other financial institutions	129,010	106,979	102	151
Money at call and deposit placements maturing within one month	3,510,240	3,036,599	16,726	32,019
	3,639,250	3,143,578	16,828	32,170
Included in the cash and short-term funds are clients' monies placed in trust accounts maintained by the securities subsidiary company as follows:				
Cash and balances with banks and other financial institutions	6,017	-	-	-
Money at call and deposit placements maturing within one month	8,005	-	_	-
	14,022	_	-	-

The cash and short-terms funds of the Company represent current deposits and fixed deposits maintained with the commercial bank subsidiary company.

4 DEPOSITS AND PLACEMENTS WITH FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

	GRO	OUP	COM	PANY
	2004	2003	2004	2003
	RM′000	RM′000	RM'000	RM′000
Licensed banks	7,000	155,000	7,000	_
Licensed finance companies	46,736	90,000	26,736	_
Other financial institutions	38,000	258,761	-	-
	91,736	503,761	33,736	-

Deposits placed with licensed banks and licensed finance companies of the Group and of the Company at the balance sheet date include balances held under sinking fund (operated and maintained in accordance with the Trust Deed of the secured fixed rate bonds as disclosed in Note 20 to the financial statements) of RM20,000,000 that may only be used for the redemption of the bonds.

5 DEALING SECURITIES

	GF	ROUP
	2004	2003
	RM′000	RM′000
Quoted money market instruments:		
Malaysian Government securities	108,152	_
Quoted securities:		
Shares quoted in Malaysia	2,284	4,447
Unquoted securities:		
Private and Islamic debt securities	4,876	156,721
	115,312	161,168
Market value of quoted money market instruments and securities:		
Malaysian Government securities	108,373	_
Shares quoted in Malaysia	3,977	6,753

6 INVESTMENT SECURITIES

	GRO	
	2004	2003
	RM′000	RM′000
Quoted money market instruments:		
Bank Negara Malaysia bills	_	98,876
Malaysian Government treasury bills	_	78,776
Malaysian Government securities	1,420,637	2,124,132
Malaysian Government investment issues	29,040	317,672
Cagamas bonds	599,785	605,458
Cagamas Mudharabah bonds	35,380	40,380
Khazanah bonds	1,061	25,191
Unquoted money market instruments:		
Negotiable instruments of deposit	-	19,994
	2,085,903	3,310,479

Notes to the Financial Statements (Cont'd)

6 INVESTMENT SECURITIES (Cont'd)

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6 INVESTMENT SECURITIES (Cont'd)

(iii) The aggregate carrying amounts of investment securities that have been mortgaged or pledged in the normal course of business to secure the liabilities of the Group arising from obligations on securities sold under repurchase agreements amounted to RM247,630,000 (2003: RM404,590,000).

7 LOANS, ADVANCES AND FINANCING

	GROUP		
	2004 RM'000	2003 RM'000	
Overdrafts	2,943,745	2,797,140	
Term loans			
- fixed rate	3,346,465	2,332,509	
- floating rate	8,496,578	8,663,684	
Hire purchase receivables	10,761,882	9,738,272	
Lease receivables	2,919	5,311	
Bills receivables	10,892	7,595	
Trust receipts	168,141	86,911	
Claims on customers under acceptance credits	1,614,693	1,252,682	
Staff loans	227,309	216,156	
Other loans	50,505	19,937	
	27,623,129	25,120,197	
Unearned interest and income	(2,790,651)	(2,570,189)	
Gross loans, advances and financing	24,832,478	22,550,008	
Provision for bad and doubtful debts and financing:			
- Specific	(561,931)	(576,553)	
- General	(408,350)	(390,107)	
Interest-in-suspense/income-in-suspense	(305,526)	(294,993)	
Net loans, advances and financing	23,556,671	21,288,355	
(i) The maturity structure of loans, advances and financing is as follows:			
Maturing within one year	7,309,714	6,141,842	
One year to three years	2,501,764	2,292,158	
Three years to five years	4,387,645	4,147,106	
Over five years	10,633,355	9,968,902	
	24,832,478	22,550,008	

7 LOANS, ADVANCES AND FINANCING (Cont'd)

		GROUP	
		2004 RM′000	2003 RM′000
(ii)	Loans, advances and financing analysed by their economic purposes are as follows:		
	Agriculture	177,497	180,526
	Mining and quarrying	36,376	33,208
	Manufacturing	2,227,102	2,011,785
	Electricity, gas and water	85,675	69,240
	Construction	1,972,977	1,569,520
	(of which: Infrastructure)	156,752	255,638
	Real estate	474,984	571,244
	Purchase of landed property	5,862,782	5,516,783
	(of which: i. Residential	4,428,654	3,982,916
	ii. Non-residential)	1,434,128	1,533,867
	General commerce	1,840,524	1,547,835
	Transport, storage and communication	655,820	626,173
	Finance, insurance and business services	605,660	432,754
	Purchase of securities	804,206	694,379
	Purchase of transport vehicles	8,436,939	7,571,432
	Consumption credit	1,252,420	1,167,617
	Others	399,516	557,512
		24,832,478	22,550,008
(iii)	Movements in non-performing loans, advances and financing (including interest and income receivable) are as follows:		
	Balance as at 1 January	1,947,676	2,560,656
	Non-performing during the financial year (gross)	1,141,901	948,695
	Amount recovered/reclassified	(905,161)	(806,612
	Amount written off	(283,562)	(402,905
	Amount converted to investment securities	(22,300)	(352,158
	Non performing loans which have no	1,878,554	1,947,676
	Non-performing loans which have no adverse financial impact on the Group	(437,537)	(544,846
	Balance as at 31 December	1,441,017	1,402,830
	Net non-performing loans, advances and financing	804,679	814,504
	(As % of total loans net of specific provision		
	and interest-in-suspense/income-in-suspense)	3.4%	3.8

7 LOANS, ADVANCES AND FINANCING (Cont'd)

fiv) Movements in provision for bad and doubtful debts and financing and interest-in-suspense/income-in-suspense are as follows: General provision Balance as at 1 January Provisions made during the financial year (As % of total loans net of specific provision and interest-in-suspense/income-in-suspense) 1.7% Specific provision Balance as at 1 January Provisions made during the financial year Specific provision Balance as at 1 January Provisions made during the financial year Provisions charged to deferred asset/ other assets during the financial year Amount written back in respect of recoveries/reclassification Recoveries set-off against deferred asset Amount written off Balance as at 31 December 561,931 576,55 Interest-in-suspense/income-in-suspense Balance as at 31 December 561,931 576,55 Interest-in-suspense/income-in-suspense Balance as at 1 January Provisions made during the financial year Amount written back in respect of recoveries/reclassification (93,637) 107,62 Amount written back in respect of recoveries/reclassification Amount transferred to provision for diminution in value of investment securities (93,637) 107,62 Amount written back in respect of recoveries/reclassification Amount transferred to provision for diminution in value of investment securities (10,694) 107,62 107,62 107,62 107,62 107,62 107,62			GR	OUP
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8 OTHER ASSETS

	GRO	OUP	СОМ	APANY	
	2004	2003	2004	2003	
	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	
Interest/income receivable	61,183	49,398	424	72	
Trade receivables (note (i))	26,167	_	_	_	
Other debtors, deposits and prepayments,					
net of provision for doubtful debts of					
RM6,817,629 (2003: RM5,915,626)	164,011	246,883	78	76	
Dividend receivable from subsidiary company	_	_	261,110	55,484	
Amount due from originating non-banking institutions					
for mortgage loans sold on their behalf					
to Cagamas Berhad (note (ii))	24,935	26,943	_	_	
Deferred asset account (note (iii))	488,254	565,655	_	_	
Tax recoverable (note (iv))	17,873	5,194	33,539	17,980	
	782,423	894,073	295,151	73,612	

- (i) Trade receivables mainly arose from stock and share-broking activities of a subsidiary company and represent amount outstanding in purchase contracts and share margin financing. This amount is stated net of provision for bad and doubtful debts and interest in suspense of RM237,590 and RM8,375 respectively.
- (ii) In the normal course of its banking operations, the merchant bank subsidiary enters into agreements with third parties to acquire loans for onward sale to Cagamas Berhad with recourse. Included in 'Amount due to Cagamas Berhad' as disclosed in Note 16 is the outstanding balance of RM24,935,000 (2003: RM26,943,000) for which the merchant bank subsidiary is liable in respect of loans sold to Cagamas Berhad. The liability is fully indemnified by the originators of the loans and accordingly the amount so indemnified is disclosed as 'Amount due from originating non-banking institutions for mortgage loans sold on their behalf to Cagamas Berhad'.
- (iii) The net asset deficiency, representing the excess of liabilities over the assets transferred arising from the acquisition of the assets and liabilities of OBB by EON Bank Berhad, is shown as deferred asset, and will be reduced progressively by an arrangement which has been agreed with Bank Negara Malaysia.
- (iv) Tax recoverable comprises tax receivable from the tax authorities and tax deducted at source on dividend income received by the Group and the Company. This amount can be utilised to set-off future tax payable of the Group and the Company.

9 STATUTORY DEPOSITS WITH BANK NEGARA MALAYSIA

The non-interest bearing statutory deposits are maintained by the banking, finance and merchant bank subsidiary companies with Bank Negara Malaysia in compliance with Section 37(1)(c) of the Central Bank of Malaysia Act, 1958 (Revised-1994), the amounts of which are determined as set percentages of total eligible liabilities.

10 INVESTMENT IN SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES

	COM	MPANY
	2004	2003
	RM′000	RM′000
Unquoted shares, at cost	2,011,000	2,011,000
Less: Pre-acquisition dividend from a subsidiary company	(202,647)	_
	1,808,353	2,011,000

10 INVESTMENT IN SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES (Cont'd)

The subsidiary companies of the Company, which are all incorporated in Malaysia, are as follows:

Name of subsidiary companies	Principal activities		ed and paid-up ordinary capital	Percentage of equity held		
		2004 RM	2003 RM	2004 %	2003 %	
Held by the Company						
EON Bank Berhad	Commercial bank	1,329,807,163	1,329,807,163	100	100	
Held by EON Bank Berhad						
Malaysian International Merchant Bankers Berhad	Merchant bank	75,000,000	75,000,000	100	100	
EON Finance Berhad	Finance company	275,000,000	275,000,000	100	100	
EB Nominees (Tempatan) Sdn Bhd	Nominees services	10,000	10,000	100	100	
EB Nominees (Asing) Sdn Bhd	Nominees services	10,000	10,000	100	100	
EB Realty Sdn Bhd	Property investment	100,000	100,000	100	100	
OBB Realty Sdn Bhd	Realty Sdn Bhd Property investment		330,000	100	100	
Oriental Nominee (Tempatan) Sdn Bhd	Nominees services	10,000	10,000	100	100	
OFB Berhad	Dormant	105,626,000	105,626,000	100	100	
CFB Asa Berhad	Dormant	35,549,000	35,549,000	100	100	
CFB Nominees (Tempatan) Sdn Bhd	Dormant	2	2	100	100	
PFB Asa Berhad	Dormant	32,600,000	32,600,000	100	100	
Perkasa Nominees (Tempatan) Sdn Bhd	Dormant	10,000	10,000	100	100	
Held by Malaysian International Merchant	Bankers Berhad					
EONCAP Securities Sdn Bhd (formerly known as Leong & Company Sdn Berhad)	Stockbroking	75,000,000	-	100	_	
MIMB Nominees (Tempatan) Sendirian Berhad	Nominees services	10,000	10,000	100	100	
MIMB Nominees (Asing) Sendirian Berhad	Nominees services	10,000	10,000	100	100	
Held by EONCAP Securities Sdn Bhd (formerly known as Leong & Company Sdn Berhad)						
M.I.T. Nominees (Tempatan) Sdn Bhd	Nominees services	2	-	100	-	
F.I.T. Nominees (Asing) Sdn Bhd	Nominees services	2	_	100	_	

11 DEFERRED TAX ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)

						GR	OUP
						2004 RM'000	2003 RM′000
Movements in deferred tax ass	ets/(liabiliti	es) during the fi	nancial year	are as follows:			
Balance as at 1 January Amount arising from acquisition	n of a subs	idiary company				132,124 (291)	133,358
Transfer from/(to) income state	ment					7,456	(1,234)
Balance as at 31 December						139,289	132,124
	General loan loss	Differences arising from excess of capital allow- ance over	Unutilised tax	Amortisation of premium less accretion	Profit equalisation	Other temporary	T-11
GROUP	provision RM'000	depreciation RM′000	losses RM'000	of discounts RM'000	reserves RM'000	differences RM'000	Total RM'000
2004							
As at 1 January Amount arising from acquisition of	109,230	(12,532)	15,371	14,551	4,334	1,170	132,124
subsidiary companies Transfer to/(from) income statement	- 5,109	(388) (3,285)	79 (2,698)	- 8,209	- 447	18 (326)	(291) 7,456
As at 31 December	114,339	(16,205)	12,752	22,760	4,781	862	139,289
2003							
As at 1 January Transfer to/(from) income statement	105,577 3,653	(8,971) (3,561)	27,775 (12,404)	2,510 12,041	3,923 411	2,544 (1,374)	133,358 (1,234)
As at 31 December	109,230	(12,532)	15,371	14,551	4,334	1,170	132,124

Movements in deferred tax liability during the financial year are as follows:

	CON	IPANY
	2004 RM′000	2003 RM'000
Balance as at 1 January	(12,786)	-
Transfer to income statement	(9,949)	(12,786)
Balance as at 31 December	(22,735)	(12,786)

The deferred tax liability arose from taxable temporary differences between the carrying value of dividend receivable from subsidiary company and its tax base, as such dividend revenue will be subject to income tax on a receipt basis in the following financial year.

12 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

GROUP	Freehold land RM'000		asehold land and building 50 years and more RM'000	Buildings on freehold land RM'000	Office renovation RM'000	Furniture, fittings and equipment RM'000	Computer equipment and software RM'000	Motor vehicles RM'000	Total RM'000
2004									
Net book value									
Net book value as at 1 January Amount arising from acquisition	10,836	727	8,028	49,500	25,156	29,860	49,136	2,949	176,192
of subsidiary companies	-	-	-	-	-	302	1,195	715	2,212
Additions	-	-	-	2,268	4,315	5,494	25,360	1,167	38,604
Disposals and write off	-	-	(228)	-	(316)	(583)	(68)	(321)	(1,516)
Depreciation charge for the									
financial year		(21)	(8)	(1,242)	(6,292)	(6,291)	(17,559)	(946)	(32,359)
Net book value as at									
31 December	10,836	706	7,792	50,526	22,863	28,782	58,064	3,564	183,133
Cost	10,836	1,012	7,814	55,835	42,339	56,611	108,490	5,274	288,211
Accumulated depreciation	-	(306)	(22)	(5,309)	(19,476)	(27,829)	(50,426)	(1,710)	(105,078)
Net book value as at									
31 December	10,836	706	7,792	50,526	22,863	28,782	58,064	3,564	183,133
2003									
Cost	10,836	1,012	8,042	53,567	40,287	59,441	90,337	3,106	266,628
Accumulated depreciation	-	(285)	(14)	(4,067)	(15,131)	(29,581)	(41,201)	(157)	(90,436)
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Net book value as at									
31 December	10,836	727	8,028	49,500	25,156	29,860	49,136	2,949	176,192

13 GOODWILL

	GR	ROUP
	2004	2003
	RM′000	RM′000
Cost		
Balance as at 1 January	-	_
Amount arising from acquisition of a subsidiary company	69,997	-
Balance as at 31 December	69,997	-
Accumulated amortisation		
Balance as at 1 January	_	_
Amortisation charge for the financial year	(697)	_
Balance as at 31 December	(697)	_
Carrying value as at 31 December	69,300	-

14 DEPOSITS FROM CUSTOMERS

		GROUP		
		2004	2003	
		RM′000	RM′000	
Der	mand deposits	2,182,802	1,976,262	
Sav	ings deposits	1,983,107	1,758,717	
Fixe	ed/Investment deposits	18,445,275	17,143,039	
		22,611,184	20,878,018	
(j)	The maturity structure of fixed/investment deposits is as follows:			
	Due within six months	13,845,227	12,934,752	
	Six months to one year	4,007,298	3,345,644	
	One year to three years	571,381	845,810	
	Three years to five years	21,369	16,833	
		18,445,275	17,143,039	
(ii)	The deposits are sourced from the following types of customers:			
	Business enterprises	8,782,099	7,083,530	
	Individuals	10,256,332	10,125,247	
	Others	3,572,753	3,669,241	
		22,611,184	20,878,018	

15 DEPOSITS AND PLACEMENTS OF BANKS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

	GROUP	
	2004	2003
	RM′000	RM'000
Licensed banks	439,252	1,096,478
Licensed finance companies	31,438	197,578
Other financial institutions	4,281,378	4,299,953
	4,752,068	5,594,009

16 AMOUNT DUE TO CAGAMAS BERHAD

This relates to outstanding loan amount sold to Cagamas Berhad with recourse.

In the normal course of banking operations, the Group sells loans to Cagamas Berhad. The Group is liable in respect of the loans sold directly to Cagamas Berhad under the condition that the Group undertakes to administer the loans on behalf of Cagamas Berhad and to buy back any loans which are regarded as defective based on prudence. Such financing transactions and the obligation to buy back the loans is reflected as a liability on the balance sheet.

17 PROVISION FOR TAXATION AND ZAKAT

	GR	OUP
	2004 RM′000	2003 RM'000
Taxation	31,069	61,042
Zakat (Note 42)	15,523	9,968
	46,592	71,010

18 OTHER LIABILITIES

	GRO	GROUP		COMPANY	
	2004 RM′000	2003 RM'000	2004 RM'000	2003 RM′000	
Trade payables (note (i))	6,967	-	_	-	
Other liabilities	156,125	217,756	745	837	
Interest/dividend payable	189,278	170,780	975	976	
Profit equalisation reserves (note (ii))	17,076	15,479	-	-	
	369,446	404,015	1,720	1,813	

⁽i) Trade payables mainly arose from the stock and share-broking activities of a subsidiary company and represent amount payable under outstanding sales contracts.

(ii) Movements in profit equalisation reserves are as follows:

	GROUP		
	2004		
	RM′000	RM′000	
Balance as at 1 January	15,479	14,008	
Provisions made during the financial year	1,597	1,471	
Balance as at 31 December	17,076	15,479	

19 SUBORDINATED OBLIGATIONS

	GRO	OUP
	2004	2003
	RM′000	RM′000
Subordinated obligations, at par	855,000	_
Less: Unaccreted discounts	(10,693)	-
	844,307	_

19 SUBORDINATED OBLIGATIONS (Cont'd)

On 21 January 2004, the commercial bank subsidiary ('Bank') issued USD225 million (equivalent to RM855 million) nominal value Subordinated Notes ('Notes') with a fixed coupon rate of 5.375% per annum payable semi-annually in arrears in July and January each year (subject to the revision of interest rates explained below) and which mature on 21 January 2014.

The Bank may, at its option, but subject to the prior approval from Bank Negara Malaysia, redeem all of the Notes, at any time on or after the fifth (5) year from the Issue Date at the principal amount together with accrued interest. Should the Bank decide not to exercise its call option on the fifth (5) year from the Issue Date, the coupon rate will be revised to be equivalent to 3.95% above the US Treasury Rate per annum from the beginning of the sixth (6) year to the final maturity date.

The Notes are rated Baa3 by Moody's Investors Service Limited and listed on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange. Fitch Ratings Ltd. has also rated the Notes BB+. The net proceeds arising from the issuance of the Notes have been utilised for general banking purposes.

The above Notes constitute unsecured liabilities of the Bank and are subordinated to all deposit liabilities and all other liabilities except those liabilities, which by their terms, rank equally in rights of payment with the Notes. The Notes qualify as Tier 2 capital for the purpose of determining the capital adequacy ratio of the Bank.

20 LONG TERM BORROWINGS

	GROUP AND (GROUP AND COMPANY		
	2004	2003		
	RM′000	RM′000		
Secured fixed rate bonds, at par	300,000	300,000		
Less: Unaccreted discounts	(7,367)	(9,437)		
	292,633	290,563		

The secured fixed rate bonds comprise of three (3) tranches with different nominal amount, interest rate and maturity.

Tranche	Nominal value RM'000	Interest rate	Maturity date
	50,000	5.25%	12 December 2005
	10,000	6.00%	12 December 2003
iii	150,000	6.75%	12 December 2009

In July 2004, Rating Agency Malaysia Berhad ('RAM') has reaffirmed the long-term rating of A2^{Note 1} for the Company's long term bonds, which was awarded by RAM on December 2003.

The main features of these bonds are as follows:

- (i) Each tranche of these bonds are represented by a Global Certificate to be deposited with Bank Negara Malaysia ('BNM') and will be traded under the Scripless Securities Trading System maintained by BNM;
- (ii) The bonds are in the denominations of RM1 million each and in integral multiples of RM1 million;
- (iii) The bonds bear interest at 5.25% (Tranche 1), 6.00% (Tranche 2) and 6.75% (Tranche 3) on the nominal value of the outstanding bonds, payable semi annually;
- (iv) The bonds are constituted by a Trust Deed dated 25 November 2003 made between the Company and the Trustees, which are entrusted to act for the benefit of the bondholders;

20 LONG TERM BORROWINGS (Cont'd)

- (v) The bonds is secured against the Sinking Fund Accounts, solely operated and maintained by the Trustee;
- (vi) The bonds will be redeemed by the Company at their nominal value on the maturity date of each tranche or puchased by tender or private treaty for cancellation; and
- (vii) The bonds shall constitute direct, secured and unconditional obligations of the Company, ranking pari passu without any preference or priority amongst themselves and with all others present and future secured and unsubordinated obligations of the Company.

Note:

1. A2 rating is defined by RAM as being able to offer adequate degree of safety for timely repayment of interest and principal and more susceptible to changes in circumstances and economic conditions than debts in higher-rated categories. The subscript 2 in this category indicates a midranking in the A category.

21 SHARE CAPITAL

	GROUP AND COMPANY		
	2004 2		
	RM′000	RM′000	
Ordinary shares of RM1 each			
Authorised:			
Balance as at 1 January/31 December	2,000,000	2,000,000	
Issued and fully paid:			
Balance as at 1 January/31 December	693,209	693,209	

22 RESERVES

	GROUP		COMPANY	
	2004	2003 2004	2004	2003
	RM′000	RM'000	RM′000	RM′000
Non-distributable				
Share premium	1,066,296	1,066,296	1,066,296	1,066,296
Statutory reserve	393,111	165,096	_	_
Reserve arising on consolidation	200,897	200,897	-	-
	1,660,304	1,432,289	1,066,296	1,066,296
<u>Distributable</u>				
Retained profits	210,596	188,718	77,475	52,115
	1,870,900	1,621,007	1,143,771	1,118,411

The statutory reserve represents non-distributable profits held by the banking and finance company and merchant banking subsidiaries in compliance with Section 36 of the Banking and Financial Institutions Act, 1989. These funds are not distributable as cash dividend.

There are sufficient Section 108 tax credits to frank RM641,000 (2003: RM502,000) of retained profits of the Company as at 31 December 2004 if paid out as dividend. The extent of the retained profits not covered as at 31 December 2004 amounted to RM76,834,000 (2003: RM51,613,000).

23 INTEREST INCOME

	GROUP		COMPANY	
	2004	2003	2004	2003
	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000
Loans and advances	1,416,985	1,478,644	_	_
Money at call and deposit placements with financial institutions	111,661	85,383	1,233	926
Dealing securities	7,311	22,974	_	_
Investment securities	184,393	203,606	-	_
_	1,720,350	1,790,607	1,233	926
Accretion of discount less amortisation of premium	(46,373)	(48,708)	_	_
Net interest suspended	(72,376)	(79,487)	-	_
	1,601,601	1,662,412	1,233	926

24 INTEREST EXPENSE

	GR	GROUP		COMPANY	
	2004	2004 2003	2004	2003	
	RM'000	RM′000	RM′000	RM'000	
Deposits and placements of banks and other financial institutions	9 3,644	116,018	_	_	
Deposits from other customers	626,366	666,022	_	_	
Subordinated obligations	45,724	_	_	_	
Long term borrowings	20,922	20,713	20,922	20,713	
Others	17,751	29,075	-	_	
_	804,407	831,828	20,922	20,713	

25 LOAN AND FINANCING LOSS AND PROVISION

	GRO	DUP
	2004	2003
	RM′000	RM′000
Provision for bad and doubtful debts and financing:		
- specific provision (net)	183,337	185,340
- general provision	18,243	13,047
Bad debts and financing:		
- written-off	2,715	4,694
- recovered	(34,967)	(27,592)
	169,328	175,489
Provision for amounts recoverable from Danaharta:		
- amount charged during the financial year	-	388
Total	169,328	175,877

26 NET GAIN FROM INVESTMENT SECURITIES

	GRO	GROUP	
	2004	2003	
	RM'000	RM'000	
Net gain from sale of investment securities	17,919	43,799	
Less: Provision for diminution in value of investment securities	(5,549)	(24,866)	
	12,370	18,933	

27 DIVIDEND INCOME

	GROUP		COMPANY	
	2004 RM′000	2003 RM'000	2004 RM'000	2003 RM′000
Dividend income from its subsidiary Other dividend income:	-	-	101,198	87,270
- in Malaysia	1,878	3,700	-	-
	1,878	3,700	101,198	87,270

28 OTHER INCOME

	GROUP		
	2004		
	RM′000	RM′000	
Foreign exchange (loss)/gain:			
- realised	10,477	(36)	
- unrealised	(3,409)	7,684	
Rental income from premises	400	304	
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	1,002	2,306	
Write back of provision for commitments and contingencies	_	168	
Other non-operating income	5,075	4,522	
	13,545	14,948	

29 OVERHEAD EXPENSES

	GROUP		COMPANY	
	2004	2003	2004	2003
	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000
Personnel costs	253,555	241,212	_	-
Establishment costs	105,605	96,247	_	_
Marketing expenses	59,261	53,169	_	_
Administration and general expenses	95,258	79,965	970	1,070
	513,679	470,593	970	1,070

29 OVERHEAD EXPENSES (Cont'd)

	GROUP		COMPANY	
	2004 RM′000	2003 RM'000	2004 RM'000	2003 RM'000
Personnel costs comprise the following:				
Salaries, bonus and allowances	203,384	195,023	_	_
Defined contribution plan	33,654	31,776	_	_
Other employee benefits	16,517	14,413	-	_
	253,555	241,212	-	-
The above expenditure includes the following statutory disclosures:				
Directors' remuneration (Note 30)	1.227	1.337	471	444
Rental of premises		27,966	_	_
Hire of equipment	5,415	4,331	_	_
Auditors' remuneration	458	385	50	35
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	32,359	29,210	_	_
Property, plant and equipment written off	606	1,718	_	_
Amortisation of goodwill	697	-	-	-
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30 DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION

Forms of remuneration in aggregate for all Directors charged against the profit for the financial year are as follows:

	GRO	GROUP		PANY
	2004	2003	2004	2003
	RM'000	RM'000 RM'000	RM'000 RM'000 RM'000	RM′000
Non-Executive Directors:				
- Fees	1,072	1,204	420	420
- Other remuneration	155	133	51	24
	1,227	1,337	471	444

Other remuneration comprises benefits-in-kind and Directors' meeting allowances.

The estimated cash value of benefits-in-kind of Directors of the Group and of the Company amounted to RM29,569 (2003: RM9,114) and Nil (2003: Nil) respectively.

31 SIGNIFICANT RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS AND BALANCES

(a) Related parties and relationships

On 14 July 2004, upon the distribution of EON Capital Berhad shares by Edaran Otomobil Nasional Berhad ('EON Berhad') to its shareholders as dividend in specie and capital repayment, EON Berhad had ceased to become the holding company of the Group and of the Company.

The related parties of, and their relationship (other than those disclosed in Note 10 to the financial statements) with the Group and the Company are as follows:

Related parties	Relationship
Edaran Otomobil Nasional Berhad Group of companies	Other related parties
DRB-HICOM Berhad Group of companies	Other related parties
Tan Sri Dato' Seri (Dr.) Mohd Saleh bin Sulong	Director of the Company
Rin Kei Mei	Director of the Company
Rin Kei Mei	Director of the Company

(b) Significant related party transactions and balances

A number of banking transactions are entered into with related parties in the normal course of business. These include loans, deposits and foreign currency transactions. These significant related party transactions were carried out on commercial terms (i.e. terms and conditions obtainable in transactions with unrelated parties) and at market rates unless otherwise stated.

Due to the change in holding company of the Group and of the Company during the financial year, all transactions and balances with the previous holding company, EON Berhad during the financial year have been disclosed under 'Other related parties'. As such, the comparative information has been reclassified accordingly.

		CON	MPANY
		2004 RM′000	2003 RM′000
Income			
Interest income from a subsidiary company		644	926
Amount due from			
Fixed deposits placed with a subsidiary company		16,727	32,019
		GROUP	
	Ultimate	CROOL	Other
	holding	Subsidiary	related
	company	companies	parties
2004	RM′000	RM′000	RM'000
Income			
Interest on loans and advances		-	15,010

31 SIGNIFICANT RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS AND BALANCES (Cont'd)

(b) Significant related party transactions and balances (Cont'd)

	GROUP	
	Ultimate	Other
	holding	related
	company	parties
2004	RM'000	RM′000
Expenditure		
Interest on deposits and placements	_	23,855
Other expenses	-	23,069
Amount due from		
Loans and advances	-	26,687
Amount due to		
Current accounts	_	64,963
Fixed deposits	_	678,347
Others	-	38,258
2003		
<u>Income</u>		
Interest on loans and advances	_	2,591
Expenditure		
Interest on deposits and placements:		
- previously reported	9,300	19,135
- reclassification	(9,300)	9,300
- restated	_	28,435
Other expenses:		
- previously reported	15,925	818
- reclassification	(15,925)	15,925
- restated	-	16,743
Amount due from		
Loans and advances	-	71,072
Amount due to		
Current accounts:		
- previously reported	794	85,447
- reclassification ——	(794)	794
- restated	_	86,241

31 SIGNIFICANT RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS AND BALANCES (Cont'd)

(b) Significant related party transactions and balances (Cont'd)

	GRO	UP
2003	Ultimate holding company RM'000	Other related parties RM'000
Amount due to (Cont'd) Fixed deposits: - previously reported - reclassification	344,327 (344,327)	355,156 344,327
- restated		699,483
Others	-	10,562

Included in the 'Other related parties' are transactions and balances with the abovementioned Directors or with companies in which these Directors are deemed to have substantial interests.

Transactions with other related parties are aggregated because these transactions are similar in nature and no single transaction with these parties is significant enough to warrant separate disclosure.

Other than the above mentioned significant related party transactions and balances related to the Group's banking and finance business, set out below are significant related party transactions that are not related to the banking and finance business. These transactions are transacted in the normal course of business and carried out on terms and conditions obtainable in transactions with unrelated parties.

	GROUP	
	2004	2003
	RM′000	RM′000
Rental and service charges to CCL (Cyclecarri) Properties Sdn Bhd		
(a company in which a substantial shareholder is deemed to have an interest)	9,666	10,686
Insurance premium payable to Uni. Asia General Insurance Berhad		
(a subsidiary of DRB-HICOM Group)	1,556	2,739
Insurance premium payable to Uni. Asia Life Assurance Berhad		
(a subsidiary of DRB-HICOM Group)	168	607
Purchase of motor vehicles from Euromobil Sdn Bhd	840	1,987
(a subsidiary of EON Berhad Group)		
Purchase of motor vehicles from EON Berhad	_	477
Sales of motor vehicles to EON Berhad	_	739
Security services payable to SRT-EON Security Services Sdn Bhd		
(an associate of EON Berhad)	1,384	1,112

32 TAXATION

	GROUP		COMPANY	
	2004 2003 2004 200	2004 2003 2004	2004 2003 2004 20	2003
	RM′000	RM'000	RM′000	RM′000
Malaysian income tax:				
- Current year	125,725	130,798	12,828	160
- Overprovision of prior years	(5,958)	(14,882)	(40)	_
•	119,767	115,916	12,788	160
Transfer (from)/to deferred taxation	(7,456)	1,234	9,949	12,786
Tax charge for the financial year	112,311	117,150	22,737	12,946

The reconciliation between the tax on the Group's and Company's accounting profit with the theoretical amount that would arise using the statutory income tax rate of Malaysia is as follows:

	GROUP		COMPANY	
	2004	2003	2004	2003
	RM′000	RM′000	RM'000	RM′000
Profit before taxation	400,201	450,675	80,539	66,413
Tax calculated at a rate of 28% (2003: 28%)	112,056	126,189	22,551	18,596
Tax effect of tax exempt dividend income	_	_	_	(6,330)
Tax effect of expenses not deductible for tax purposes	6,213	5,843	226	680
Overprovision in prior years	(5,958)	(14,882)	(40)	_
Tax charge for the financial year	112,311	117,150	22,737	12,946

33 EARNINGS PER SHARE

(a) Basic earnings per share

The basic earnings per share are calculated by dividing the net profit for the financial year by the weighted average number of ordinary shares of RM1 each in issue during the financial year.

	GROUP		
	2004	2003	
	RM'000	RM'000	
Net profit for the financial year (RM'000)	282,335	328,393	
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue ('000)	693,209	693,209	
Basic earnings per share (sen)	40.7	47.4	

(b) Diluted earnings per share

As at 31 December 2004 and 31 December 2003, the basic earnings per share are equal to the diluted earnings per share as there were no dilutive potential ordinary shares outstanding.

34 DIVIDEND

Dividend proposed in respect of financial years are as follows:

	GROUP AND COMPANY			
	2004		2003	
	Gross dividend per share sen	Amount of dividend net of tax RM'000	Gross dividend per share sen	Amount of dividend net of tax RM'000
Proposed first and final dividend	8.6	43,063	6.5	32,442

At the forthcoming Annual General Meeting, the first and final gross dividend of 8.6 (2003: 6.5) sen per share on 693,208,732 ordinary shares, less income tax of 28%, amounting to RM43,063,000 (2003: RM32,442,000) for the financial year ended 31 December 2004 will be proposed for shareholder's approval. These financial statements do not reflect this final dividend which will be accrued as liability in the financial year ending 31 December 2005 when approved by the shareholders in the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

35 COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

In the normal course of the Group's banking and finance business, the banking and finance subsidiary companies make various commitments and incurs certain contingent liabilities with legal recourse to their customers. No material losses are anticipated as a result of these transactions.

Nature of commitments and contingencies

Direct credit substitutes comprise guarantees undertaken by the Group to support the financial obligations of their customers to third parties.

Certain transactions related contingent items represent financial products whose crystallisations are dependent on specific events other than default payment by the customers. They include performance related contingencies and standby letter of credit.

Short term self liquidating trade-related contingencies relate to bills of exchange which have been endorsed by the Group and represent liabilities in the event of default by the acceptors and the drawers of the bills.

Obligations under underwriting agreements arise from underwriting agreements relating to the issuance of equity and debts securities, where the Group is obliged to subscribe for or purchase the securities in the event the securities are not taken up when issued.

Irrevocable commitments to extend credit include all obligations on the part of the Group to provide funding facilities or the undrawn portion of an approved credit facilities to customers.

Forward foreign exchange contracts are agreements to buy or sell fixed amounts of currency at agreed rates of exchange on a specified future date.

Interest rate swaps involve the exchange of interest obligations with a counterparty for a specified period without the exchange of the underlying principal.

35 COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (Cont'd)

Nature of commitments and contingencies (Cont'd)

Risk Weighted Exposures of the Group as at 31 December:

	2004		2003	
		Credit		Credit
	Principal	equivalent	Principal	equivalent
	amount	amount*	amount	amount*
	RM′000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Direct credit substitutes	313,746	313,746	382,039	382,039
Certain transaction related contingent items	620,360	310,180	679,048	339,524
Short term self liquidating trade-related contingencies	229,482	45,896	177,572	35,514
Obligations under underwriting agreements	590,676	295,338	609,450	304,725
Irrevocable commitments to extend credit:				
- maturity more than one year	1,788,343	894,172	1,637,414	818,707
- maturity less than one year	5,733,376	_	4,575,807	_
Foreign exchange related contracts				
- maturity less than one year	1,723,185	37,913	1,454,540	31,907
Interest rate related contracts				
- maturity more than one year	855,000	34,200	_	_
Miscellaneous	179,247	-	252,268	_
Total	12,033,415	1,931,445	9,768,138	1,912,416

^{*} The credit equivalent amount is arrived at using the credit conversion factor as per Bank Negara Malaysia guidelines.

Foreign exchange and interest rate related contracts are subject to market risk and credit risk. There are no equity and commodity related contracts as at 31 December 2004 and 31 December 2003.

Market risk

Market risk is the potential change in value caused by movement in market rates or prices. The contractual amounts stated above provide only a measure of involvement in these types of transactions and do not represent the amounts subject to market risk. Exposure to market risk may be reduced through offsetting on and off-balance sheet positions. As at 31 December 2004, the amount of contracts of the Group which were not hedged and, hence, exposed to market risk was RM14,592,598 (2003: RM12,245,096).

Credit risk

Credit risk arises from the possibility that a counterparty may be unable to meet the terms of a contract in which the Group has a gain position. As at 31 December 2004, the amount of credit risk of the Group, measured in terms of the cost to replace the profitable contracts, was RM7,823,463 (2003: RM14,385,090). This amount will increase or decrease over the life of the contracts, mainly as a function of maturity dates and market rates or prices.

36 CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

Capital expenditure not provided for in the financial statements are as follows:

	GRO	GROUP	
	2004	2003 RM′000	
	RM′000		
Property, plant and equipment			
- Authorised and contracted for	139,353	22,250	
- Authorised but not contracted for	18,107	27,273	
	157,460	49,523	

37 LEASE COMMITMENTS

The Group has lease commitments in respect of rented premises and equipment on hire, all of which are classified as operating leases. A summary of the non-cancellable long-term commitments, net of sub-leases is as follows:

	GROUP		
	2004		
	RM′000	RM′000	
<u>Year</u>			
Within 1 year	2,779	4,474	
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	1,137	4,035	
Later than 5 years	26,936	26,432	

38 FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Financial instruments comprise financial assets, financial liabilities and off-balance sheet financial instruments. Fair value is the amount at which a financial asset could be exchanged or a financial liability settled, between knowledgeable and willing parties in an arm's length transaction. The information presented herein represents the estimates of fair values as at the balance sheet date.

Where available, quoted and observable market prices are used as the measure of fair values. Where such quoted and observable market prices are not available, fair values are estimated based on a range of methodologies and assumptions regarding risk characteristics of various financial instruments, discount rates, estimates of future cash flows and other factors. Changes in the uncertainties and assumptions could materially affect these estimates and the resultant fair value estimates.

In addition, fair value information for non-financial assets and liabilities are excluded, as they do not fall within the scope of MASB 24, which requires the fair value information to be disclosed. These include property, plant and equipment, investment in subsidiaries and associated companies and intangibles.

38 FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Cont'd)

A range of methodologies and assumptions had been used in deriving the fair values of the Group's financial instruments at balance sheet date. The total fair value of each financial instrument is not materially different from the total carrying value, except for the following financial assets and liabilities:

		ROUP 004
	Carrying value RM'000	Fair value RM'000
On-balance sheet items:	KWOOO	KW 000
Financial assets		
Investment securities Loans, advances and financing	3,865,405 23,556,671	3,907,683 23,876,130
Financial liabilities		
Deposits from customers	22,611,184	22,750,282
		ROUP 003
	Carrying value RM'000	Fair value RM'000
On-balance sheet items:		
<u>Financial assets</u>		
Investment securities Loans, advances and financing	4,443,270 21,288,355	4,466,489 21,710,644

Off-balance sheet items

The derivative financial instruments become favourable (assets) or unfavourable (liabilities) as a result of fluctuation in market interest rates or foreign exchange rates relative to their terms. The extent to which instruments are favourable or unfavourable and the aggregate fair values of derivative financial assets and liabilities can fluctuate significantly from time to time.

The fair values of derivative financial instruments at the balance sheet date are as follows:

		GROUP				
		2004		2003		
	Underlying notional amount RM'000	Year-end positive fair value RM′000	Year-end negative fair value RM'000	Underlying notional amount RM'000	Year-end positive fair value RM'000	Year-end negative fair value RM'000
Foreign exchange related contracts: - Forward contracts Interest rate related contracts	1,723,185	8,047	3,426	1,454,540	14,586	6,214
- Interest rate swaps	855,000	-	(14,981)	-	-	-

The changes in fair value of all forward foreign exchanges related contracts are recognised in the income statement for the period in which they arise.

38 FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Cont'd)

The estimated fair values are derived using the following methodologies and assumptions:

Cash and short term funds

The fair values of cash and short term funds approximate their carrying values.

Deposits and placements with financial institutions

For deposits and placements with financial institutions with maturities of less than three months, the carrying values are reasonable estimates of their fair values.

For deposits and placements with maturities three months and above, estimated fair value are based on discounted cash flows using prevailing money market interest rates at which similar deposits and placements would be made with financial institutions of similar credit risk and remaining period to maturity.

Dealing and investment securities

The estimated fair values are generally based on quoted and observable market prices. Where there is no ready market in certain securities, fair values have been assessed by reference to market indicative interest yields or net tangible asset backing of the investee.

Loans, advances and financing

For floating rate loans, the carrying values are generally reasonable estimates of their fair values.

For fixed rate loans, the fair values are estimated by discounting the estimated future cash flows using the prevailing market rates of loans with similar credit risks and maturities.

The fair values of impaired floating and fixed rate loans are represented by their carrying values, net of specific provision and interest-in-suspense/income-in-suspense, being the expected recoverable amounts.

Deposits from customers

For deposits from customers with maturities of less than three months, the carrying amounts are reasonable estimates of their fair values.

For deposit with maturities of three months or more, fair values are estimated using discounted cash flows based on prevailing market rates for similar deposits from customers.

Deposits and placements of banks and other financial institutions

The estimated fair values of deposits and placements of banks and other financial institutions with maturities of less than three months approximate their carrying values.

For deposits and placements with maturities three months or more, the fair values are estimated based on discounted cash flows using prevailing money market interest rates for deposits and placements with similar remaining period to maturities.

Obligations on securities sold under repurchase agreements

The fair values of obligations on securities sold under repurchase agreements approximate their carrying values.

Bills and acceptances payable

The fair values of bills and acceptances payable approximate their carrying values.

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38 FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Cont'd)

Amount due to Cagamas Berhad

The estimated fair values for Amount due to Cagamas Berhad is based on discounted cash flows using the prevailing interest rates offered by Cagamas Berhad for hire-purchase and housing loans sold to Cagamas Berhad with similar remaining period to maturities.

Long term borrowings

The estimated fair values are estimated based on discounted cash flows using a discounted rate based upon the borrowing rate which the Directors expect would be available to the Group at the balance sheet date.

Other assets and liabilities

The carrying values less any estimated allowance for financial assets and liabilities included in 'Other assets and liabilities' are assumed to approximate their fair values as these items are not materially sensitive to the shift in market interest rates.

Foreign exchange and interest rate related contracts

The fair values of foreign exchange and interest rate related contracts are the estimated amounts the Group would receive or pay to terminate the contracts at the balance sheet date.

39 ACQUISITION OF SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES

On 30 September 2004, EONCAP Securities Sdn Bhd (formerly known as Leong and Company Sdn Berhad) and its subsidiary companies became wholly-owned subsidiaries of Malaysian International Merchant Bankers Berhad, the merchant bank subsidiary of EON Capital Group. The acquisition of subsidiary companies was settled via cash consideration.

Details of net assets acquired, goodwill arising on consolidation and cash flow arising from the acquisition are as follows:

	GROUP At date of acquisition RM'000
Property, plant and equipment	2,212
Investment securities	6,546
Other assets	24,589
Cash and short term funds	86,161
Other liabilities	(18,020)
Defered tax liabilities	(291)
Provision for taxation	(365)
Net assets acquired at date of acquisition	100,832
Goodwill arising on consolidation	69,997
Total purchase consideration discharged by cash (inclusive of incidental costs)	170,829
Less: Cash and cash equivalents in subsidiary companies acquired	(86,161)
Net cash outflows on acquisition of subsidiary companies	(84,668)

39 ACQUISITION OF SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES (Cont'd)

The effects of this acquisition on the financial results of the Group during the financial year ended 31 December 2004 are as follows:

	GROUP
	2004
	RM′000
Interest income	185
Interest expense	(1)
Net interest income	184
Fee and commission income	1,363
Other income	(157)
Net income	1,390
Overhead expenses	(2,008)
Profit before taxation	(618)
Taxation	377
Decrease in Group's net profit for the financial year	(241)
The effects of this acquisition on the financial position of the Group as at 31 December 2004 are as follows:	
Cash and short-term funds	81,915
Investment securities	6,546
Other assets	24,506
Property, plant and equipment	1,911
Goodwill	69,300
Deferred tax liabilities	(291)
Provision for taxation and zakat	(501)
Other liabilities	(12,798)
Increase in Group's net assets	170,588

40 SEGMENTAL REPORTING

The Group can be divided into five major business lines, i.e. Enterprise Banking, Retail Banking, Islamic Banking and Treasury and Investment Banking and Stockbroking. The business lines are the basis on which the Group reports its primary segment information.

Enterprise Banking focuses on providing a full range of commercial banking products to small and medium sized enterprises and corporate customers of the Group.

Retail Banking provides a complete selection of banking products and services to individual customers of the Group.

Islamic Banking focuses on providing a full range of banking products and services based on Islamic principles to individual customers, small and medium sized customers and corporate customers of the Group.

Treasury and Investment Banking is involved in the fund management of the Group and in proprietary trading in treasury related products and services. It is also involved in providing services to corporate clients and financial institutions in relation to structured financing, origination and distribution of debt and equity capital market products, mergers and acquisitions, debt restructurings, corporate advisory, Islamic capital market products and project advisory.

Stockbroking Business comprises of institutional and retail stockbroking business for securities listed on the Bursa Malaysia. It also includes income from share margin financing and fee income from nominees services.

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40 SEGMENTAL REPORTING (Cont'd)

GROUP	Enterprise Banking RM'000	Retail Banking RM'000	Islamic Banking RM'000	Treasury and Investment Banking RM'000	Stock- broking Business RM'000	Total RM′000
2004						
Gross operating revenue ⁽¹⁾ Less: Inter-segment revenue ⁽²⁾	489,576 (58)	1,075,961 (10,655)	214,381 <i>–</i>	201,851 (1,700)	1,851 (471)	1,983,620 (12,884)
Total segment revenue	489,518	1,065,306	214,381	200,151	1,380	1,970,736
Segment results Unallocated costs	101,029	222,908	39,024	54,543	(154)	417,350 (17,149)
Profit before taxation and zakat Taxation and zakat						400,201 (117,866)
Net profit for the financial year						282,335
GROUP		Enterprise Banking RM'000	Retail Banking RM'000	Islamic Banking RM′000	Treasury and Investment Banking RM'000	Total RM′000
GROUP 2003		Banking	Banking	Islamic Banking	Investment Banking	
		Banking	Banking	Islamic Banking RM'000	Investment Banking	
2003 Gross operating revenue(1)		Banking RM'000	Banking RM'000	Islamic Banking RM'000	Investment Banking RM'000	RM′000 2,071,655
2003 Gross operating revenue(1)		510,506 (958)	Banking RM'000 1,146,519 (12,064)	Islamic Banking RM'000	Investment Banking RM'000 216,792 (736)	2,071,655 (13,758)
2003 Gross operating revenue ⁽¹⁾ Less: Inter-segment revenue ⁽²⁾ Segment results		510,506 (958) 509,548	Banking RM'000 1,146,519 (12,064) 1,134,455	Islamic Banking RM'000 197,838 - 197,838	216,792 (736) 216,056	2,071,655 (13,758) 2,057,897

Note:

Gross operating revenue comprised gross interest income received from loans, advances and financing (net of interest/income suspended), dealing securities, investment securities (net of accretion of discount less amortisation of premium) and inter-bank placements and deposits, fees income, realised gains or loss from dealing and investment securities, gross income received from Islamic banking and other operating revenue.

⁽²⁾ Inter-segment transactions are carried out on commercial terms at market rates obtainable in transactions with unrelated parties.

40 SEGMENTAL REPORTING (Cont'd)

GROUP	Enterprise Banking RM'000	Retail Banking RM'000	Islamic Banking RM'000	Treasury and Investment Banking RM'000	Stock- broking Business RM'000	Total RM'000
2004						
Segment assets Unallocated assets	8,664,981	15,606,392	3,952,923	4,193,701	106,279	32,524,276 789,622
Total assets						33,313,898
Segment liabilities Unallocated liabilities	7,679,131	14,209,132	3,631,333	3,908,957	15,950	29,444,503 1,305,286
Total liabilities						30,749,789
Other segment information:						
Capital expenditure Depreciation of property,	6,227	24,621	3,512	4,213	31	38,604
plant and equipment Other non-cash expenses	5,094 97,997	23,084 164,622	2,563 21,842	1,478 36,744	140 698	32,359 321,903
GROUP		Enterprise Banking RM'000	Retail Banking RM'000	Islamic Banking RM'000	Treasury and Investment Banking RM'000	Total RM'000
2003						
Segment assets Unallocated assets		8,507,939	15,400,702	3,095,518	3,528,477	30,532,636 1,108,246
Total assets						31,640,882
Segment liabilities Unallocated liabilities		8,186,244	14,775,394	2,859,847	3,017,743	28,839,228 487,438
Total liabilities						29,326,666
Other segment information:						
Capital expenditure Depreciation of property, plant a	nd equipment	18,656 10,132	27,369 17,033	1,111 279	3,226 1,766	50,362 29,210

Notes to the Financial Statements (Cont'd)

40 SEGMENTAL REPORTING (Cont'd)

The reconciliation for total segments gross operating revenue to the net income of the consolidated income statement is as follows:

	GROUP	
	2004	2003
	RM′000	RM′000
Total segments gross operating revenue		
Iof which: Gross operating revenue from Islamic Banking		
of RM214,381,000 (2003: RM197,838,000)]	1,970,736	2,057,897
Less:		
Interest expense [of which: Dividend expense from		
Islamic Banking of RM103,111,000 (2003: RM102,587,000)]	(880,382)	(934,415)
Loan and financing loss and provision	(169,328)	(175,877)
Profit equalisation reserves	(1,597)	(1,471)
Provision for diminution in value of investment securities	(5,549)	(24,866)
Net income	913,880	921,268

The Group's activities are predominantly carried out in Malaysia, with the Malaysian market contributing 99% of gross operating revenue. Accordingly, no information on the Group's operations by geographical segments has been provided.

41 SIGNIFICANT EVENT DURING THE FINANCIAL YEAR

- 1. On 21 January 2004, EON Bank Berhad ('the Bank'), the commercial bank subsidiary, issued USD225 million (equivalent to RM855 million) nominal value Subordinated Notes ('Notes') with a fixed coupon rate of 5.375% per annum payable semi-annually in arrears in July and January each year. The Notes would mature on 21 January 2014 and is callable on 21 January 2009. The net proceeds arising from the issuance of the Notes have been utilised for general banking purposes.
- 2. On 16 March 2004, Malaysian International Merchant Bankers Berhad, the merchant bank subsidiary, entered into a conditional share sale agreement with Edaran Otomobil Nasional Berhad, Ceria Alam Sdn Bhd and the Leong family to acquire the entire issued and paid-up capital of Leong and Company Sdn Berhad ('L&C'), comprising 20,000,000 ordinary shares of RM1.00 each in L&C, for a total cash consideration of RM170 million.

The purchase consideration was arrived at on a willing buyer and willing seller basis, based on the adjusted net tangible assets of L&C on completion date of RM100 million.

The acquisition was completed on 30 September 2004. On 10 December 2004, L&C changed its name to EONCAP Securities Sdn Bhd.

3. On 14 July 2004, upon the distribution of EON Capital Berhad shares by Edaran Otomobil Nasional Berhad ('EON Berhad') to its shareholders as dividend in specie and capital repayment, EON Berhad had ceased to become the ultimate holding company of the Group.

41 SIGNIFICANT EVENT DURING THE FINANCIAL YEAR (Cont'd)

4. On 29 May 2004, EON Bank Berhad ('the Bank'), the commercial bank subsidiary, entered into conditional sale and purchase agreements with CCL (Cyclecarri) Properties Sdn Bhd ('CCL') for the acquisition of "Wisma Cyclecarri" for a total cash consideration of RM140 million and with Century Gardens Sdn Bhd ('CGSB') for the disposal of "Oriental Bank Building" for a total cash consideration of RM35 million respectively. The proposed acquisition and proposed disposal are inter-conditional upon one another.

The purchase consideration was arrived at on a willing buyer and willing seller basis, after taking into consideration the estimation of the market value of Wisma Cyclecarri and savings derived from the acquisition.

The disposal consideration was arrived at on a willing buyer and willing seller basis, after taking into consideration the net book value of the Oriental Bank Building and future operating costs for maintaining such a building.

The acquisition and disposal were completed on 31 January 2005.

5. On 27 September 2004, EON Bank Berhad ('the Bank'), the commercial bank subsidiary, entered into a Business Transfer Agreement with EON Finance Berhad ('EFB'), the finance company subsidiary, to merge their commercial banking and finance company operations, via the transfer of EFB's business and net assets to the Bank. As EFB is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Bank, the consideration for the business transfer was settled via inter-company balance. The resultant merged businesses shall be carried out under EON Bank Berhad as a banking and finance company.

On 2 September 2004, the Minister of Finance, via Bank Negara Malaysia gave its approval to issue a new license to the Bank to enable the Bank to carry on finance company business as well as its existing commercial banking business.

On 18 October 2004, the Bank and its finance company subsidiary obtained a Vesting Order from the High Court of Malaya pursuant to Section 50 of the Banking and Financial Institutions Act, 1989 for the transfer of business operations and net assets of EFB to the Bank.

Effective 1 November 2004, the Bank commenced business as a banking and finance company. Subsequent to the business transfer, the finance company license of EFB was surrendered to Bank Negara Malaysia.

42 THE OPERATION OF ISLAMIC BANKING

BALANCE SHEETS AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2004

	N		OUP
	Note	2004 RM′000	2003 RM′000
ASSETS			
Cash and short-term funds Deposits and placements with financial institutions	3	161,862 20,000	6,502
Dealing securities	5	20,000	60,718
nvestment securities	6	197,835	483,098
Loans, advances and financing	7	3,337,485	2,411,725
Other assets	8	103,513	5,804
tatutory deposits with Bank Negara Malaysia	9	112,883	105,976
Property, plant and equipment	10	1,540	1,538
OTAL ASSETS		3,935,118	3,075,361
LIABILITIES AND ISLAMIC BANKING CAPITAL FUNDS			
Deposits from customers	11	2,617,550	1,919,030
Deposits and placements of banks and other financial institutions	12	846,293	649,716
Bills and acceptances payable		3,679	2,047
Provision of zakat		15,523	9,968
Other liabilities	13	54,318	172,304
OTAL LIABILITIES		3,537,363	2,753,065
SLAMIC BANKING CAPITAL FUNDS		397,755	322,296
OTAL LIABILITIES AND ISLAMIC BANKING CAPITAL FUNDS		3,935,118	3,075,361
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES	17	753,549	705,294
NCOME STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2004			
ncome derived from investment of depositors' funds Fransfer to profit equalisation reserves	14(i)	194,081 (1,597)	175,967 (1,471)
Total attributable income		192,484	174,496
ncome attributable to depositors	14	(85,686)	(102,587)
		106,798	71,909
ncome derived from investment of head office's funds	14(i)	24,861	21,871
for an Library Brooking	14	131,659	93,780
ncome from Islamic Banking	15	(31,768)	(25,960)
oan and financing loss and provision		99 891	67 820
oan and financing loss and provision Net income	16	99,891 (18,877)	67,820 (16,518)
ncome from Islamic Banking Loan and financing loss and provision Net income Overhead expenses Profit before zakat	16		
oan and financing loss and provision Net income Overhead expenses	16	(18,877)	(16,518)

STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN ISLAMIC BANKING CAPITAL FUNDS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2004

	(Accumulated			
	Islamic	loss)/		
	Banking	retained		
	Funds	profit	Total	
GROUP	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	
Balance as at 1 January 2004	276,553	45,743	322,296	
Net profit for the financial year	_	75,459	75,459	
Balance as at 31 December 2004	276,553	121,202	397,755	
	07/550	(407)	27/12/	
Balance as at 1 January 2003	276,553	(427)	276,126	
Net profit for the financial year	_	46,170	46,170	
Balance as at 31 December 2003	276,553	45,743	322,296	

CASH FLOW STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2004

	GR	OUP
	2004 RM′000	2003 RM'000
CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Profit after zakat	75,459	46,170
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	396	279
Net gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	_	(42)
Net loss/(gain) from sale of investment securities	1,472	(432)
Property, plant and equipment written off	_	4
Loan and financing loss and provision	31,916	25,960
Profit equalisation reserves	1,597	1,471
Net income suspensed	4,251	2,052
(Write back)/provision for diminution in value of investment securities	(8,602)	9,977
Accretion of discount less amortisation of premium	(7,320)	(10,351)
Dividend from investment securities	(10,918)	(14,530)
Zakat	5,555	5,132
	93,806	65,690

CASH FLOW STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2004 (Cont'd)

		GRO	DUP
	Note	2004 RM′000	2003 RM'000
CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES (Cont'd)			
(Increase)/decrease in operating assets			
Deposits and placements with financial institutions Dealing securities Loans, advances and financing Statutory deposits with Bank Negara Malaysia Other assets		(20,000) 60,718 (961,928) (6,907) (98,141)	292,456 (550,559) (62,845) 19,860
		(1,026,258)	(301,088)
Increase/(decrease) in operating liabilities			
Deposits from customers Deposits and placements of banks and other financial institutions Bills and acceptances payable Other liabilities		698,520 196,577 1,632 (119,583)	242,354 (223,133) 803 135,493
		777,146	155,517
Net cash used in operating activities		(155,306)	(79,881)
CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Proceeds from sale of investment securities, net of purchases Purchase of property, plant and equipment Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment Dividend received from investment securities		299,713 (398) – 11,351	65,383 (1,110) 43 16,235
Net cash generated from investing activities		310,666	80,551
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		155,360	670
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AS AT 1 JANUARY		6,502	5,832
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AS AT 31 DECEMBER	3	161,862	6,502

(1) ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Group's Islamic banking operations have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies indicated in the Summary of Significant Accounting Policies on pages 71 to 76 of the financial statements of the Group.

(2) SHARIAH ADVISORS

The Shariah advisors' role and authority are to advise the Group's Islamic Banking on matters pertaining to the compliance of Islamic Laws and to determine and certify that all Islamic Banking transactions comply with relevant Islamic Laws. The Shariah advisors also confirm on the zakat payable on behalf of Muslim shareholders of the Group.

(3) CASH AND SHORT-TERM FUNDS

		GR	UP
		2004 RM′000	2003 RM′000
	Non-Mudarabah:		
	Cash and balances with banks and other financial institutions	3,377	6,502
		3,377	6,502
	Mudarabah:		
	Money at call and deposit placements maturing within one month	158,485	_
		161,862	6,502
(4)	DEPOSITS AND PLACEMENTS WITH FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS		
	Mudarabah:		
	Licensed finance companies	20,000	_
(5)	DEALING SECURITIES		
	Unquoted securities: Islamic private debts securities	-	60,718
		_	60,718
(6)	INVESTMENT SECURITIES		
	Quoted money market instruments: Malaysian Government investment issues	29,040	226,513
	Cagamas Mudharabah bonds Khazanah bonds	35,380 1,061	40,380 25,191
	Unquoted money market instruments: Negotiable Islamic debt certificates	_	19,994
		65,481	312,078

(6) INVESTMENT SECURITIES (Cont'd)

	GR	OUP
	2004 RM′000	2003
	KM 000	RM'000
Unquoted securities:		
Murabahah Notes Issuance Facility (MUNIF)	-	34,016
Islamic private debt securities	134,395	132,588
	199,876	478,682
Accretion of discount less amortisation of premium	250	8,596
Provision for diminution in value	(2,291)	(4,180)
	197,835	483,098
(i) Market value of quoted money market instruments:		
Malaysian Government investment issues	29,387	233,608
Cagamas Mudharabah bonds	35,556	40,414
Khazanah bonds	1,195	25,627
(ii) The maturity structure of money market instruments held for investment is as follows:		
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Maturing within one year	29,040	119,785
One year to three years	36,441	156,913
Three years to five years		35,380
	65,481	312,078
LOANS, ADVANCES AND FINANCING		
Overdraft	265,238	94,981
Term financing	4,475,931	3,547,761
Bill financing	-	131
Trust receipts	3,374	2,096
Claims on customer under acceptance credits	26,164	6,842
Revolving credit	115,947	101,347
Staff financing	41,169	37,857
Other financing	2,510	3,108
	4,930,333	3,794,123
Unearned income	(1,474,784)	(1,297,858)
Gross loans, advances and financing	3,455,549	2,496,265
Housing loans sold to Cagamas Berhad	-	(3,490)
	3,455,549	2,492,775

(7)

(7) LOANS, ADVANCES AND FINANCING (Cont'd)

		GROUP	
		2004 RM'000	2003 RM'000
Prov	ision for bad and doubtful debts and financing:		
	ecific	(51,406)	(31,138)
	neral	(57,717)	(44,271)
Inco	me-in-suspense	(8,941)	(5,641)
Net	loans, advances and financing	3,337,485	2,411,725
(i)	Loans, advances and financing analysed by concepts are as follows:		
	Al-Bai' Bithaman Ajil (BBA)	2,034,044	1,266,462
	Al-Ijarah Thumma Al-Bai (AITAB)	1,299,298	1,107,096
	Al-Murabahah	52,341	48,188
	Al-Istisna'	13,406	14,785
	Other principles	56,460	59,734
		3,455,549	2,496,265
(ii)	The maturity structure of loans, advances and financing is as follows:		
	Maturing within one year	473,258	270,572
	One year to three years	282,607	158,873
	Three years to five years	580,103	575,848
	Over five years	2,119,581	1,490,972
		3,455,549	2,496,265
(iii)	Loans, advances and financing analysed by their economic purposes are as follows:		
	Agriculture	23,961	34,684
	Mining and quarry	1	-
	Manufacturing	55,415	33,000
	Electricity, gas and water	309	55
	Construction	635,208	156,676
	(of which: Infrastructure)	5,763	3,964
	Real estate	36,653	59,015
	Purchase of landed property	1,052,670	917,047
	(of which: i Residential	908,637	764,473
	ii Non-residential)	144,033	152,574
	General commerce	46,394	20,580
	Transport, storage and communication	115,713	35,747
	Finance, insurance and business services	33,816	18,077
	Purchase of securities	35,944	56,557
	Purchase of transport vehicles	1,270,769	1,078,736
	Consumption credit	127,442	68,647
	Others	21,254	17,444
		3,455,549	2,496,265

(7) LOANS, ADVANCES AND FINANCING (Cont'd)

		GROUP	
		2004 RM′000	2003 RM′000
(iv)	Movements in non-performing loans and financing (including income receivable) are as follows:		
	Balance as at 1 January	105,762	80,982
	Non-performing during the financial year (gross)	183,719	79,375
	Amount recovered/reclassified	(132,809)	(39,572)
	Amount written off	(7,427)	(14,665)
	Amount converted to investment securities	-	(358)
		149,245	105,762
	Non-performing loans which have no adverse financial impact on the Group	(22,764)	(23,202)
	Balance as at 31 December	126,481	82,560
	Net non-performing loans and financing	81,483	52,914
	(As % of total loans net of specific provision and income-in-suspense)	2.4%	2.2%
(v)	Movements in provision for bad and doubtful debts and financing and income-in-suspense are as follows:		
	General provision		
	Balance as at 1 January	44,271	34,707
	Provisions made during the financial year	13,446	9,564
	Balance as at 31 December	57,717	44,271
	(As % of total loans net of specific provision and income-in-suspense)	1.7%	1.8%
	Specific provision		
	Balance as at 1 January	31,138	23,821
	Provisions made during the financial year	27,075	22,914
	Provisions charged to deferred asset during the financial year	8,281	2,269
	Amount written back in respect of recoveries	(8,605)	(6,518)
	Recoveries set off against deferred asset	(8)	(47)
	Amount written off	(6,475)	(10,943)
	Transfer to provision for diminution in value of investment securities	-	(358)
	Balance as at 31 December	51,406	31,138

(7) LOANS, ADVANCES AND FINANCING (Cont'd)

		GRO	OUP
		2004 RM′000	2003 RM'000
	Novements in provision for bad and doubtful debts and financing and income-in-suspense are as follows: (Cont'd)		
<u>In</u>	come-in-suspense		
В	alance as at 1 January	5,641	7,197
Pı	rovisions made during the financial year	7,529	6,716
Α	mount written back in respect of recoveries	(3,277)	(4,549)
Α	mount written off	(952)	(3,723)
В	alance as at 31 December	8,941	5,641
ОТНЕ	R ASSETS		
Income	e receivables	2,943	3,376
Other	debtors, deposits and prepayments	100,570	2,428
		103,513	5,804

(9) STATUTORY DEPOSITS WITH BANK NEGARA MALAYSIA

The non-interest bearing statutory deposits are maintained with Bank Negara Malaysia in compliance with Section 37(1)(c) of the Central Bank of Malaysia Act 1958 (Revised - 1994), the amounts of which are determined as set percentages of total eligible liabilities.

(10) PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

GROUP	Office renovation RM'000	Furniture, fittings and equipment RM'000	Computer equipment and software RM'000	Motor vehicle RM'000	Total RM′000
2004					
Net book value as at 1 January	264	534	737	3	1,538
Additions	207	112	79	_	398
Reclassification	-	(42)	42	_	_
Charge for the financial year	(100)	(96)	(200)	-	(396)
Net book value as at 31 December	371	508	658	3	1,540

(10) PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (Cont'd)

GROUP	Office renovation RM'000	Furniture, fittings and equipment RM'000	Computer equipment and software RM'000	Motor vehicle RM'000	Total RM'000
2004 (Cont'd)					
Cost	2,136	954	1,202	20	4,312
Accumulated depreciation	(1,765)	(446)	(544)	(17)	(2,772)
Net book value as at 31 December	371	508	658	3	1,540
2003					
Cost	1,929	880	1,134	20	3,963
Accumulated depreciation	(1,665)	(346)	(397)	(17)	(2,425)
Net book value as at 31 December	264	534	737	3	1,538

(11) DEPOSITS FROM CUSTOMERS

	GR	OUP
	2004	2003
	RM′000	RM′000
Non-Mudarabah:		
Al-Wadiah Demand deposits	264,684	160,721
Al-Wadiah Savings deposits	120,817	102,657
Mudarabah:	385,501	263,378
Al-Fareed Demand deposits	27,950	13,434
Al-Mudarabah Savings deposits	23,069	17,853
Total demand and savings deposits	436,520	294,665
Mudarabah:		
General investment deposits	1,556,945	781,956
Special investment deposits	334,594	488,090
Bai Al-Inah HARI	289,491	354,319
Total investment deposits	2,181,030	1,624,365
	2,617,550	1,919,030

(11) DEPOSITS FROM CUSTOMERS (Cont'd)

		GROUP	
		2004	2003
		RM′000	RM'000
(i)	The maturity structure of investment deposits is as follows:		
	Due within six months	1,623,482	1,158,989
	Six months to one year	452,873	359,279
	One year to three years	90,912	101,514
	Three years to five years	13,763	4,583
		2,181,030	1,624,365
(ii)	The deposits are sourced from the following types of customers:		
	Business enterprises	1,368,864	660,371
	Individuals	601,369	622,986
	Others	647,317	635,673
		2,617,550	1,919,030

(12) DEPOSITS AND PLACEMENTS OF BANKS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

	GRO	OUP
	2004	2003
	RM′000	RM′000
Non-Mudarabah:		
Licensed finance companies	9,625	5,268
Other financial institutions	5,640	5,692
	15,265	10,960
Mudarabah: Licensed banks	218,641	487,485
Licensed finance companies		50,000
Other financial institutions	612,387	101,271
	846,293	649,716
OTHER LIABILITIES		
Dividend payable	15,453	17,480
Amount due to Head Office (Note (i))	2,138	130,568
Other liabilities	19,651	8,777
Profit equalisation reserves (Note 18(ii))	17,076	15,479
	54,318	172,304

i) Amount due to Head Office is arising from normal course of business between Conventional and Islamic Banking business for settlement purposes. The amount is unsecured, interest-free and repayable within a short period of time.

(14) INCOME FROM ISLAMIC BANKING

	GROUP	
	2004 RM′000	2003 RM′000
Income derived from investment of depositors' fund and funds allocated from Head Office (note(i))	213,566	194,904
Transfer to profit equalisation reserves	(1,597)	(1,471)
Income attributable to depositors: Other customers	211,969 (65,225)	193,433
Banks and financial institutions	(20,461)	(20,443)
	(85,686)	(102,587)
Income attributable to Group Other income	126,283 5,376	90,846 2,934
Income from Group's Islamic Banking	131,659	93,780

All types of deposits received from the Group's depositors are co-mingling into a single pool of funds. Islamic income/profit generated from the depositors' funds and Islamic banking capital funds is allocated proportionately between these funds using the weighted average method balances outstanding during the year.

The Group distributes Islamic income/profit derived from depositors' funds based on a pre-determined rate in the case of Mudarabah, and on a ratio determined at the discretion of the Group in the case of Non-Mudarabah. The profit/income distribution rate is arrived at after taking into consideration all direct expenditure attributable to the investment of those funds.

(i) Details of the income derived from investment of depositors' funds and funds allocated from Head Office are as follows:

	GROUP			
	Depositors'	Depositors'		
	funds	IBCF	Total	
	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	
2004				
Income from financing:				
Al-Bai Bithaman Ajil (BBA)	87,576	7,230	94,806	
Al-ljarah Thumma Al-Bai (AITAB)	81,600	10,232	91,832	
Al-Murabahah	3,464	261	3,725	
Al-Istisna	1,170	88	1,258	
Others	5,791	437	6,228	
Investment income:				
Dividend from dealing securities	36	3	39	
Net loss from dealing securities	(6,371)	(479)	(6,850)	
Dividend from investment securities	10,154	764	10,918	
Net loss from investment securities	(1,369)	(103)	(1,472)	
Write back of provision for diminution				
in value of investment securities	8,000	602	8,602	

(14) INCOME FROM ISLAMIC BANKING (Cont'd)

	GROUP		
	Depositors' funds RM'000	IBCF RM′000	Total RM'000
2004 (Cont'd)			
Income from inter-bank placements	1,297	114	1,411
Accretion of discount less amortisation of premium	6,681	639	7,320
Net income suspended	(3,948)	(303)	(4,251)
Other transport	194,081	19,485	213,566
Other income:		4.740	4 740
Other pop operating income	_	4,740 636	4,740 636
Other non-operating income		030	030
	194,081	24,861	218,942
2003			
Income from financing:			
Al-Bai Bithaman Ajil (BBA)	55,898	4,717	60,615
Al-Ijarah Thumma Al-Bai (AITAB)	82,059	11,190	93,249
Al-Murabahah	2,989	225	3,214
Al-Istisna Out	1,249	94	1,343
Others Investment income:	4,611	351	4,962
Dividend from dealing securities	11,425	860	12,285
Net gain from dealing securities	4,148	312	4,460
Dividend from investment securities	13,513	1,017	14,530
Net gain from investment securities	402	30	432
Provision for diminution in value of investment securities	(9,279)	(698)	(9,977)
ncome from inter-bank placements	1,334	158	1,492
Accretion of discount less amortisation of premium	9,471	880	10,351
Net income suspended	(1,853)	(199)	(2,052)
	175,967	18,937	194,904
Other income: Other fee income		2,074	2,074
Other non-operating income	-	860	860
	175,967	21,871	197,838

The above income includes the following statutory disclosures:

	GROUP		
	2004	2003	
	RM'000	RM'000	
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment		42	

(15) LOAN AND FINANCING LOSS AND PROVISION

		GROUP	
		2004 RM′000	2003 RM'000
Pro	vision for bad and doubtful debts and financing:		
	ecific provision (net)	18,470	16,396
-	eneral provision	13,446	9,564
	l debts:		
- WI	ritten-off	1	-
- re	covered	(149)	
		31,768	25,960
6) OV	ERHEAD EXPENSES		
Pers	sonnel costs	6,831	7,143
	ablishment costs	2,409	1,944
	rketing expenses	7,616	4,996
Adr	ministration and general expenses	2,021	2,435
		18,877	16,518
(a)	Personnel costs comprise the following:		
	Salaries, bonus and allowances	5,499	5,840
	Defined contribution plan	896	956
	Other employee benefits	436	347
		6,831	7,143
(b)	The above expenditure includes the following statutory disclosures:		
	Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	396	279
	Property, plant and equipment written off	-	4
	Rental on property	1,053	1,134
	Hire of equipments	32	27

(17) COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

In the normal course of the Group's banking an finance business, the Company's subsidiary companies make various commitments and incurs certain contingent liabilities with legal recourse to their customers. No material losses are anticipated as a result of these transactions. The nature of these commitments and contingencies is disclosed in Note 33 to the financial statements.

Risk Weighted Exposures of the Group as at 31 December:

	2	004	2003		
		Credit		Credit	
	Principal	equivalent	Principal	equivalent	
	amount	amount*	amount	amount*	
	RM'000	RM'000	RM′000	RM'000	
Direct credit substitutes	3,849	3,849	1,378	1,378	
Certain transaction related contingent items	21,330	10,665	14,912	7,456	
Short term self liquidating trade-related					
contingencies	3,336	667	5,068	1,014	
Housing loans sold directly and indirectly					
to Cagamas Berhad with recourse	-	-	3,490	3,490	
Obligations under underwriting agreements	115,000	57,500	115,000	57,500	
Irrevocable commitments to extend credit					
- maturity exceeding one year	238,911	119,456	449,386	224,693	
- maturity not exceeding one year	369,341	_	116,012	_	
Miscellaneous	1,782	-	48	-	
Total	753,549	192,137	705,294	295,531	

^{*} The credit equivalent amount is arrived at using the credit conversion factor as per Bank Negara Malaysia guidelines.

(18) SIGNIFICANT RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS AND BALANCES

(i) Related parties and relationships

The related parties of and their relationship with the Group are disclosed in Note 31 to the financial statements.

(18) SIGNIFICANT RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS AND BALANCES (Cont'd)

(ii) Significant related party transactions and balances

A number of banking transactions are entered into with related parties in the normal course of business. These include loans and deposits. These significant related party transactions were carried out on commercial terms (i.e. terms and conditions obtainable in transactions with unrelated parties) and at market rates unless otherwise stated.

	GROUP				
2004	Ultimate holding company RM'000	Subsidiary companies RM'000	Other related parties RM'000		
<u>Expenditure</u>					
Dividend on fixed deposits	-	-	544		
Amount due to					
Fixed deposits Al-Wadiah Current accounts	- -	- -	5,629 56,110		
2003					
<u>Expenditure</u>					
Dividend on fixed deposits	-	-	1,884		
Amount due from					
Short term advances	-	-	8,544		
Amount due to					
Fixed deposits Al-Wadiah Current Accounts	- -	- -	34,167 10,385		

Transactions with other related parties are aggregated because these transactions are similar in nature and no single transaction with these parties is significant enough to warrant separate disclosure.

(19) DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS

The table below summarises the distribution of Islamic Banking operation's assets of the Group at carrying amounts in accordance with respective periods to maturity:

						Assets with	
	Up to	1 - 3	3 - 12	1 - 5	Over	no fixed	
	1 month	months	months	years	5 years	maturity	Total
GROUP	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000
2004							
Cash and short-term funds	158,485	-	-	-	-	3,377	161,862
Deposit and placements with							
financial institutions	-	20,000	-	-	-	-	20,000
Investment securities	-	20,087	125,099	52,649	-	-	197,835
Loans, advances and financing	649,177	22,475	68,078	899,085	1,816,734	(118,064)^	3,337,485
Statutory deposits with							
Bank Negara Malaysia	-	-	_	-	-	112,883	112,883
Other assets ⁽¹⁾	-	-	-	-	-	105,053	105,053
Total assets	807,662	62,562	193,177	951,734	1,816,734	103,249	3,935,118
2003							
Cash and short-term funds	_	_	_	_	_	6,502	6,502
Dealing securities	-	_	_	10,171	50,547	_	60,718
Investment securities	19,994	5,002	183,006	275,096	-	-	483,098
Loans, advances and financing	27,929	23,999	172,539	746,433	1,521,875	(81,050)^	2,411,725
Statutory deposits with							
Bank Negara Malaysia	-	-	-	-	-	105,976	105,976
Other assets ⁽¹⁾		_	_	_	_	7,342	7,342
Total assets	47,923	29,001	355,545	1,031,700	1,572,422	38,770	3,075,361

[^] The negative balance represents specific provisions, income-in-suspense and general provisions for loans and advances made in accordance with the Group's accounting policy on provision for bad and doubtful debts and financing.

Note:

Other assets include property, plant and equipment.

(20) CONCENTRATION OF ASSETS RISKS

The table below sets out the concentrations of assets by economic sectors of the Group's Islamic Banking operations:

	Short term funds	Statutory			Loans,		Total
	and placements with financial institutions	deposits with	vith		advances		on-balance
		Bank Negara	Dealing securities	Investment securities	and financing	Other assets	sheet exposures
		Malaysia					
	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000	RM′000
2004							
Agriculture	-	-	-	-	23,959	-	23,959
Mining and quarrying	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Manufacturing	-	-	-	-	53,661	-	53,661
Infrastructure and utilities	-	-	-	-	5,005	-	5,005
Construction	-	-	-	81,596	618,305	996	700,897
Real estate	-	-	-	-	33,292	-	33,292
General commerce	-	-	-	5,010	35,450	75	40,535
Transport, storage and communication	-	-	-	45,498	111,219	1,064	157,781
Finance, insurance and business services	162,317	-	-	65,731	33,736	31	261,815
Government and government agencies	19,545	112,883	-	-	_	777	133,205
Purchase of landed properties	-	-	-	-	1,044,997	-	1,044,997
Purchase of securities	-	-	-	-	35,944	-	35,944
Purchase of transport vehicles	-	-	-	-	1,258,184	-	1,258,184
Consumption credit	-	-	-	-	121,105	-	121,105
Others	-	-	-	-	20,344	-	20,344
	181,862	112,883	-	197,835	3,395,202^	2,943	3,890,725
2003							
Agriculture	-	-	-	-	34,684	-	34,684
Mining and quarrying	-	-	-	35,564	-	276	35,840
Manufacturing	-	-	-	1,065	32,224	10	33,299
Infrastructure and utilities	-	-	50,547	39,044	3,205	1,012	93,808
Construction	-	-	5,141	41,060	149,755	620	196,576
Real estate	-	-	-	-	53,321	-	53,321
General commerce	-	-	5,030	5,002	14,768	145	24,945
Transport, storage and communication	-	-	-	40,660	31,477	945	73,082
Finance, insurance and business services	1,441	_	-	60,374	17,289	368	79,472
Government and government agencies	1,773	105,976	-	260,329	_	-	368,078
Purchase of landed properties	-	_	-	_	916,079	-	916,079
Purchase of securities	-	_	_	_	56,557	_	56,557
Purchase of transport vehicles	-	_	_	_	1,066,594	_	1,066,594
		_	_	_	66,123	_	66,123
Consumption credit	_						
Consumption credit Others	-	-	-	-	17,410	-	17,410

Excludes general provision for doubtful debts and financing amounting to RM57,717,000 (2003: RM44,271,000).

PROXY FORM



	(FULL NAME IN BLOCK CAPITALS)		
of			being a
2012	(FULL ADDRESS)		
пеш	ber of EON CAPITAL BERHAD, hereby appoint		
of	(FULL ADDRESS)		
r fai	ling him/her		
of.	(FULL NAME)		
"	(FULL ADDRESS)		
Meet	ling him/her, the Chairman of the meeting as my/our proxy to vote for me/us on my/our behalf at ting of the Company to be held at Grand Prince Ballroom, Level 3, Prince Hotel & Residence Kuala L a Lumpur on Thursday, 26 May 2005 at 10.00 a.m. and at any adjournment thereof, as indicated bel	umpur, Jalan	
NO	RESOLUTIONS	FOR	AGAINST
1	Adoption of the Reports of the Directors and Auditors and the Audited Financial Statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2004.		
2	Declaration of a first and final gross dividend of 8.6 sen per share less Malaysian Income Tax of 28% for the financial year ended 31 December 2004.		
3	Re-election of Y. Bhg. Dato' Maznah binti Abdul Jalil as Director in accordance with Article 97 of the Company's Articles of Association.		
4	Re-election of Dr. Tiong Ik King as Director in accordance with Article 97 of the Company's Articles of Association.		
5	Re-appointment of Mr. Rin Kei Mei, as a Director of the Company in accordance with Section 129(6) of the Companies Act, 1965.		
6	Approval for the payment of Non-Executive Directors' fees of RM420,000 for the financial year ended 31 December 2004.		
7	Re-appointment of Messrs. PricewaterhouseCoopers as Auditors and authorising the Directors to fix their remuneration.		
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	e indicate with an "X" in the spaces above on how you wish your vote to be cast. In the absence of spote or abstain as he/she thinks fit.	pecific directi	oris, your proxy
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NOTES:

- 1. A member entitled to attend the meeting may appoint a proxy who may but need not be a member of the Company.
- 2. The instrument appointing a proxy must be deposited at the Registered Office of the Company at 12th Floor, Wisma Cyclecarri, 288, Jalan Raja Laut, 50350 Kuala Lumpur not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting.
- 3. If the member is a corporation, the proxy form should be executed under its Common Seal or under the hand of an officer or attorney duly authorised.